

NAPLES GARDENS AROUND THE PARK SNIPPETS

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Three more months left in our 2010 season. Weather is beginning to be more on the average side with a little more rain than usual which has kept the fire danger down in comparison to past years.

I must say, without any hesitation, that last Friday night's Island Fever Theme Party was, as far as I can remember, one of the best Theme parties Dot and I have attended. Kudos to you Alice and your team of hardworking volunteers.

There are a number of park activities happening during the next two weeks which I have summarized below as a reminder. Each week I emphasize the importance of **SIGNING UP FOR OUR ACTIVITIES**. In the case of food functions, the sign-up sheet is the only tool we have to gauge the quantity of supplies to purchase. So **PLEASE** sign-up, and pre-pay, when requested to assure everyone receives the services for which they signed up for. And remember to bring your own table service to ALL food events.

Tuesday Feb 2 Taco Salad 11:30 AM. Open to everybody this weekly offering includes Iced Tea for \$3.50 Sign-up Required. Table service not required.

Thursday Feb 4 11:00 AM Hot Dog Lunch. Hot Dogs with all the trimmings, Salad, Soup De Jour, Dessert, Chips. All Ala Carte pricing. Sign-up not required.

Also, this day Ray McAdams makes his Immokalee Veggie run. Be sure and enter your order on the sheet on the Rec Hall bulletin board. Distribution will be around 5:00 PM at the Rec Hall.

Friday Feb 5 7:00 PM Part 1 of the Faith Based movie from the Book of Revelations.

Sunday Feb 7 3:00 PM First of the season "Life Experience Series with Author Barbara (BJ) Baker. Barbara will share her experience as a writer.

As well, today is Super Bowl Sunday. Come to the Rec Hall at 5:30 and bring appetizers of finger food to share. We will also have Johnsonville Brats at \$2.00ea. Be sure and sign-up if you wish to participate in the Johnsonville Brats offering. Jack Gilles Site 253 is also running the traditional football pool. See Jack if interested. And as in the past customary, Adult beverages permitted.

Monday Feb 8 5:00 PM Burger Nite is here again Burgers with all the trimmings, Dessert, and Beverage for \$5.00pp.

Tuesday Feb 9 3:00 PM Computer Club. Bring your laptops and questions.

Thursday Feb 11 3:00 PM Genealogy Group meets with Ray McAdams as the facilitator.

Friday Feb 12 11:30 AM Red Hat Tea. This is a Pot Luck Lunch Style event. Bring your favorite entrée, appetizer, dessert or salad to share with 6 – 8 persons.

Also, on this day is the annual Sweetheart Shuffle. Bring your spouse, sweetheart, or friend for this fun filled and prize awarding event. Please sign-up.

Likewise, tonight at 7:00 PM is Part 2 of The Book of Revelations movie.

Sunday Feb 14 Sweetheart Luncheon 1:30 PM. This will mark our fifth Sweetheart luncheon at Joe's Crab Shack. We have posted the Info and sign-up sheet and already have a great response. A couple of years ago we had over 100 park residents and friends attending this event.

We still have a few, selected size and color, Naples Gardens Tee Shirts for sale in the office.

John Tunnell, our Recycle coordinator, is continuing his "crushing cans for cash" and is renewing his appeal for volunteer can crushers. It takes approximately 10 - 15 seconds to process one can through the crushing cycle. The cans to be crushed are in the Aluminum Can container inside the dumpster enclosure on right. Last month we took in \$26.00 from salvaging crushed cans which was turned over to the Activities Fund.

I wish to acknowledge the return of Jack and Mary Essling. Jack is undergoing debilitating medically required treatments and is doing remarkably well in spite of his serious affliction. I think Jack was in the park only one day when he emptied the recycle cardboard container and took it to the drop off location. It was then we knew Jack was doing remarkably well. Good to have you Jack and Mary back with us.

We are in need of help with Saturday Morning Breakfast and ALL food type functions. Please contact Alice Contact Alice at 608.434.5579 or after the Monday Morning park meeting with your suggestions.

The park office is now open 9 – 5 every day. The direct phone number for the office is 239.775.0323.

Our current 50-50 weekly raffle available balance is \$35.00. We paid off the \$60.00 Coffee Maker, and a \$59.00 backup WiFi Router. Per vote of the Monday Morning meeting we donated \$68.50 from the 50-50 raffle funds to Haiti. We also received a \$20.00 anonymous donation, for Haiti, from one of our 50-50 raffle winners. Our next project is for a wireless microphone. We are still looking for other suggestions for the 50-50 raffle proceeds. In case you do not wish to participate in our weekly raffle, we do accept anonymous donations for our various projects and will so note it.

Date	Sales	Winner	Payout	Balance	Comments
01/04/10	\$30.00	Parsons	\$15.00	\$9.00	Available for new project
01/11/10	\$58.00	Aubut	\$29.00	\$38.00	Donated \$29 to Haiti
1/18/10	\$79.00	Wiegand	\$39.50	\$48.50	Donated \$39.50 to Haiti
1/25/10	\$52.00	Slaughter	\$26.50	\$35.50	Balance for new project
2/1/10					

Our Naples Gardens Shuffle League have increased their second place lead over Enchanting Acres and second, by a mere 2 points, to the elusive but not unbeatable, Imperial Wilderness. The current league standings as of Jan 30, are shown below. Go Team.

TEAM	GAMES WON	POINTS
Imperial Wilderness	91	20
Naples Gardens	86	18
Enchanting Acres	73	12
Henderson Creek	68	11
Holiday Manor - White	62	11
Holiday Manor - Green	62	9
Morehead Manor	54	9
Westwind	58	7
Naples Estates - Gray	58	7
Naples Estates - Blue	53	6

In addition to pumping our own propane, we now can fill motorhomes. You first must pay at the office then place your tank in front of your site for pickup and fill. Motorhome fills continue to be done on Wednesdays by L & B Gas. Leave money with name and site number at office prior to Wednesday.

We are in need of Life Experiences Presenters for the Month of March. I will provide assistance for using the projector for computer generated slide-shows. The presentations should be no more than an hour and can cover anything that you may feel would be of general

interest to our park residents such as trips to faraway lands, unique hobbies, etc.

Our park is nearly full and ask that you please continue to observe our posted park speed limit of 5 mph. We have a number of folks including children who are walking and/or riding bicycles both during daylight and night time hours so please be careful. Note that bikes require lights when riding at night.

Our maintenance staff have requested that pet owners refrain from placing animal excreta in washroom or laundry room waste receptacles. Use the dumpster for such deposits.

Our WiFi continues to experience slight interruptions due to a number of variables such as, surrounding demographic changes when a new motor-home or trailer slides in next to you or between you and the router, heavy activity on a particular WiFi router, or some other unknown anomaly. Please be cautious on what you click "OK" or "Yes" to. There many scams that appear official looking and inviting. One is the virus scan offer to scan your computer because of a supposedly infection.

There a few of us that walk to the Edison College down Cultural Drive on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings. We leave the Recycle Center (Dumpster) at 7:00 AM SHARP. The walk is approximately 3.5 miles round trip and is done at a brisk pace. We stop midway at the college cafeteria for needed nourishment for the walk back and arrive back approximately 8:23 AM. Feel free to join us, but remember we leave at 7:00 PM SHARP. The Monday walk, at the discretion of the Group Facilitator, may be shortened to the "around the hospital" route. That walk is a little under a mile.

Don't forget our Saturday Morning Breakfast. The breakfast is served at 8:00 AM and is all Ala-Carte priced. Be sure and Sign-up and bring your own table service.

If anyone wishes to have a name added or for that matter removed from my email list send an email to the address in the header above with your wishes.

If anyone would like to have someone added to the prayer list drop me an email.

Please keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers, as each deal with their individual family loss or medical concerns: Ann (Tony) Gambardella, Olive (Mom) Millspaugh, Dot (Jim) Greenwood, Connie Cook, Marilyn (Walter) Kaehler, Tony (Jeanette) Bucci, Jack & Mary Essling, and all our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan.