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### THE COMET

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Happy Holiday Season to one and all!!

Please take a moment to enjoy something special about this time of year. Lights, sparkle, children's laughter, music of the season.... Just remember to take it all in. A cheery 'hello' and 'how are you doing' does wonders for everyone.

Getting ready for the trek...

Keep Smiling!

Pat Bourquin

Calendar coming in January!

## **RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Please send event pictures to our GHC website on page one. We are in need of a few chairpersons for all of our events to happen. Please help.

Bill Bourquin: 440-465-5394 OR ghc.recreation.com

### **2016-2017 GHC Recreation Calendar**

(??) Chair(s) needed in order to hold this event

\*\* Day and Evening Cruises and Kayak Trips will be added at a later date. \*\*

#### **DECEMBER**

4 Christmas Decorating CH1 (Krusell)

25 Christmas Dinner (??)

#### **JANUARY**

8 Un-decorate CH1

14 Pancake Breakfast (Bourquin, Olan)

21 Dances (Schissel)

26 Juliet Luncheon (??)

29 Meet Your Neighbor (E. Wilson and Recreation Committee)

#### **FEBRUARY**

4 Karaoke (Brown)

5 Super Bowl Party (Patchan, Bourquin)

11 Valentine Dance (Watson)

20 Card Party (Bourquin, Francis, Kinnander, Olan)

23 Juliet Luncheon (??)

25 Spaghetti Dinner (M. Allen)

28 Fat Tuesday Party (D. Smith)

#### **MARCH**

4 Yard Sale (??)

4 Karaoke (Brown)

11 Pancake Breakfast (Bourquin, Olan)

12 Show Palace Dinner Theatre (Cacciola)

17 St. Patrick's Day TGIF

18 Bocce Game Day (Bourquin, E. Wilson)

25 Block Party (Binder, Bourquin, Hanam, Olan)

30 Juliet Luncheon (??)

#### **APRIL**

8 Karaoke (Brown)

14 TGIF (Danneffel)

### **NOTES TO REMEMBER**

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## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday: Stretch and Flex 9:00 a.m. CH1 (Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>)  
Quilt and Sew 1:00-3:00 p.m. CH1 Barb Silva & Linda Schissel(Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>)  
Euchre 7:00 p.m. CH1 Bill Galley 727-846-1612 (Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>)

Tuesday: Bocce 9:30 a.m. Gunther Thomas 727-847-1754  
Ping Pong 1:00 p.m. CH3 Gunther Thomas 727-847-1754 (Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>)  
Bridge 7:00 p.m. CH1 Mary and Don Kinnander 612-255-2583  
Cribbage 7:00 p.m. CH1 Walter Hanam (Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>)

Wednesday: Ladies Hand & Foot 6:30 p.m. CH1  
Ping Pong 7:00 p.m. CH3 Gunther Thomas 727-847-1754 (Jan. 11)

Thursday: Billards 7:00 p.m. CH#2 Bob Schissel (Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>)

Friday: Bocce 9:30 a.m.

**CHES-** Anyone interested in playing call Mario 815-8130

## ACTIVITY AND EVENT REMINDERS

**CHRISTMAS DECORATING:** Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> 3:00 p.m. CH1 Calling all elves! Come join in the fun as we decorate for the Holidays. More hands make light the work! Light refreshments will be served. Questions? Call Bill and Nancy Krusell 586-876-0933 (Un-decorating is set for 3:00 p.m. Sunday Jan. 8<sup>th</sup> ...we will need help on this day also.)

**CHRISTMAS DINNER:** As of this time we do not have anyone who would be the contact person and chairperson for the Christmas Dinner. The Recreation Committee supplies the meat dishes and party – goers bring side dishes and desserts. If you are interested in being the contact person/chairperson for this event, please contact me at 440-465-5394. If we do not have a contact person/chairperson we will not have this Christmas Dinner this year. Bring on the Holiday fun! Bill Bourquin

**BOOK CLUB REMINDER:** Thurs. Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> 1:00 p.m. CH1 Library. We are ready for a full season of reading. There are two books a month for a change of pace. January: The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah and Have a Little Faith by Mitch Albom. February: The Rosie Project by Graeme Simsion and The Forgotten Seamstress by Liz Trenow. March: The Orphan Train by Christine Baker Kline. We did not choose a second book for March yet so bring your great ideas. Please join us.

**SHOW PALACE:** GHC Recreation has booked the Show Palace Dinner Theatre for the play “Saturday Night Fever” on Sunday March 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. A limited number of tickets are available so please contact Peggy Cacciola at 201-638-1593 or [Apcacciola@aol.com](mailto:Apcacciola@aol.com) to make your reservations. Tickets for the dinner show will be a group rate of \$45.00. Check Comet for details.

**SUPERBOWL PARTY:** Save the date! Sunday Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> for our annual Superbowl Party! More information soon. We are looking for a few helpers for this event. If you would like to help with this one... please give Bill Bourquin a call. 440-465-5394

**2017 GULF HARBORS MENS WEDNESDAY GOLF LEAGUE-Kick Off**

Location is Links GC, Hudson Rte. 19 North 20 minutes to Hudson Road, East 1 mile to course. (727-868-1091)

- Season Starts:** 1-04-17 (January 4<sup>th</sup> through March 22<sup>nd</sup> (12 weeks).  
**Check in Time:** 7:30- 7:45 AM
- Links GC Pro Shop:** Request we **get golf cart / load clubs first – before** Pro Shop check In.  
Park your carts with clubs in front of Pro Shop  
Check into Pro Shop  
Check in with GH League Table.
- Teams / Cart Partners:** will be established per card drawing. Golf bags can be moved to appropriate golf cart after team card drawing. Proceed directly to course.
- Teams Card Drawing:** Player cards will be drawn at 8:10 AM.  
**Tee Time:** 8:30 AM Shot Gun Start
- League Fee (2016 Season):** \$20.00 Per Player Per this season (includes Banquet food & drink)  
**Green Fee League Rate:** \$30.00 (pay in pro shop before checking in with Gulf Harbors League)  
**Closest To Pin Contest:** \$2.00 “Closest To Pin” per Gulf Harbors check in.  
(All players please check in so we may set up teams.)
- Current Format:** Individual play with closest To Pin Contest + several tournament events.  
**Tournaments / Schedule:** Variety of individual & team events ending with Club Championships.  
**League Range Ball Rates:** \$1.00 off regular customer rates: Large: \$4.00 / Small: \$3.00
- Banquet Date:** Wednesday, March 22, Club House # 1 (Later in afternoon after golf).  
(Banquet / supplier costs have not been confirmed, but typically have been cost of past). League fee includes player cost of banquet.
- New Residents:** If you wish to play Wednesday League Golf with us you will find a great, fun loving group of golfers with mixed handicaps. If you do not know anyone – just show up. By doing so you will play with others and may wish to share a ride with them in the future.
- Questions / Recommendations:** [dlutch@aol.com](mailto:dlutch@aol.com) and/or 727-849-3773. Don Lutyens

## **TOYS FOR TOTS**

The United States Marine Corp. will be collecting Toys for Tots again this year. Your unwrapped toy for boys & girls up to age 16 may be dropped off at the office starting Monday November 28<sup>th</sup> till December 23<sup>rd</sup>.

We would like to thank you in advance for your generous donations.

**JANUARY DANCE:** Sat. Jan. 21<sup>th</sup> 8:00-11:00 p.m. CH#1

“Lynn and Joel” provide the music with tributes to Elvis. Individual charge of \$6.00 covers beer, soda, ice and set-ups. You may bring other beverages and munchies.

Hosted by Schissel, Silva, Simerson, Murray & Hanam

Contacts Schissel 218-255-2583 or 218-255-3583

**\*\*Dance Lottery:** Deposit at the Office on or before 12:00 noon Mon. Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>. Use a small envelope with your **U.S. bank check** (\$6 per person). Write on the outside of the envelope: 1) Dance 2.) Your name and the names of all persons in your group 3.) Condo Bldg. and Unit# 4.) Local phone# 5.) number of tickets desired (limit 10) 6.) Dollar amount of check or money order enclosed. **DO NOT ENCLOSE CASH!** Make **U.S. bank checks** payable to **Gulf Harbors Recreation Committee.**

**\*\*Lottery for seating will be held on Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are assigned to tables and can be picked up at CH#1 Tues. Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 p.m. or at the door on the night of the dance. No tickets will be sold or picked up at the office. Lottery results will be posted outside CH#1 on bulletin board.**

## **THANK YOU**

My sons and I would like to thank our many friends at Gulf Harbors for all of their cards, messages and phone calls after Dave's passing. It's heart - warming to know we have such wonderful friends. I will miss seeing you this winter, but hopefully I will return to Gulf Harbors again. Have a great winter. JUNE MILNER

I would like to thank all of the thoughtful residents of Gulf Harbors for their cards, calls and concern for me during my recent illness. It's wonderful to live in such a caring community thank you very much. Jeff Duvall

## **WELCOME NEW OWNERS**

D-107 Equity Trust Co. Custodian FBO John D. Boshart IRA of Mountain City, GA formerly owned by Harriet C. Sample.

G-208 John & Randi Magoulis of Tarpon Springs, FL. formerly owned by Joe & Elise Schill.

S-203 Michael & Lisa Camera of New Port Richey, FL. formerly owned by Carmella Muccio.

T#1-106 John & Francene Trantina of New Port Richey, FL. formerly owned by Richard & Jane Gidaro.

T#6-302 Richard & Cecelia Harris of New Port Richey, FL. formerly owned by Lowell & Jay Dale.

## **THERE WILL BE NO SCHEDULED BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS IN DECEMBER.**

### **LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT**

By the time you read this the Thanksgiving Holiday will have passed. The Christmas – New Year’s holiday season is rapidly approaching. Before we realize it 2017 will be here. Gulf Harbors will experience additional residents arriving for the January to April “season”. In 2017 the Associations Board operations will include an election of Board members for the next 2 years, and a new budget which will decide the monthly assessments for association members.

Staying within budget is our financial responsibility and is always challenging. As of this November 2016 we have approximately four months until the new budget. I believe this Board and our manager has worked hard to meet the needs of this complex and will continue to do so in a business like manner. It is my hope we will end this budget year with a surplus and not a deficit. As always time will tell.

In 2009 Pasco County installed a sidewalk on Marine Parkway. Part of this project was to include crossing signals. I am happy to report that these signals are now being installed thanks to the efforts of the Board and CAM to keep after Pasco County to complete this project. There will be no cost to us.

Finally I send greetings for a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and Happy and Healthy New Year to all.

Harold G. Johns

## CAM'S CORNER

It is the holiday season and the staff and I wish to send wishes of good cheer to all of you. The office will be closed to celebrate Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 24 and 25. The office will also be closed Monday, December 26, 2016 and Monday, January 2, 2017 to celebrate Christmas and New Year's. Of course the community can still call the office if they need assistance our Community Patrol Officers will be available.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Susan L. Bedford, CAM

## FYI

**NEW PHONE BOOKS:** Business #'s only. Pick up at CH3.

**\*\*CLAUDE PEPPER SENIOR CENTER:** accepts your extra or no longer needed meds. They serve around 400 seniors who can't afford them. They can be dropped off at the center at 6640 Van Buren Street north of Main Street, New Port Richey.

**\*\*RESIDENTS:** If you know of anyone who has been ill or has passed away, please notify Pat Fagerson 727-505-9336.

**\*\*PAPER RECYCLE: PARKING LOT SIDE OF CH3**

**\*\*Wi-Fi:** CH1 and CH3 FREE to Road Runner Customers– email and password needed to log on

**\*\*VEHICLE WASHING: Friday only.** Use carport and open parking areas. Do not wash cars at the Clubhouses or near the pools.

**\*\*PARKING:** Do not park vehicles over the sidewalk.

**\*\*SLOW DOWN ON OUR STREETS AND PARKING AREAS!!**

**\*\*ATTENTION SMOKERS:** Use 'Smokers Outpost Stands' located outside CH#1. Don't Litter!

**\*\*WATER CONSERVATION:** Repair leaky faucets and toilets... Lower OUR water bills!

**\*\*SUGGESTION BOX:** Just inside CH1. Put questions/complaints/suggestions in the box. All entries are read by the Board. The signed ones will be acknowledged. Keep your ideas coming!

**\*\*GRILL CLEANING:** Grill cleaning materials available for check-out in the office.

**\*\*ALARM:** Defibrillator at CH1. ALARM SOUNDS-CALL OFFICE.

**\*\*Card Table and Chairs are available for residents to use. The tables and chairs are in the office. A refundable deposit of \$10 for a table and \$10 for 4 chairs.**

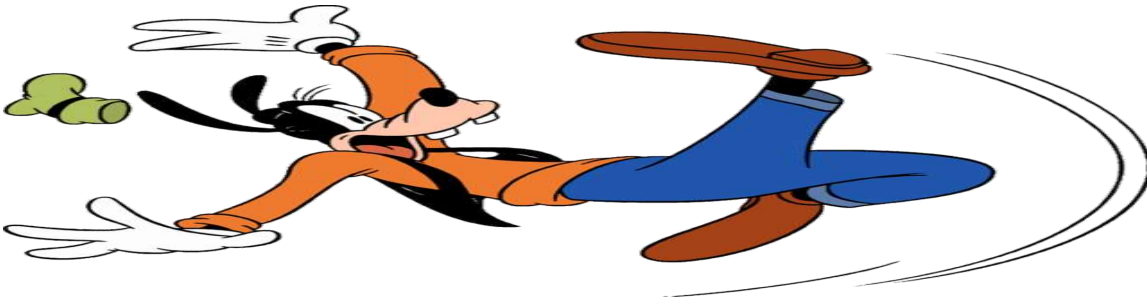
## MINI MART ITEMS FOR SALE

**(Ads will be printed once. If you want your ad printed again, call 848-0198.)**

Oval coffee table 18" high X 36" long X 24" wide. Painted cream bamboo bottom, wood stained top with teal trim. \$15. Call or text 330-501-0088.

## WANTED TO BUY

Ladies Bike. Call 727-967-2967



*Funny for Goofy but not for our Residents*

Please Help Prevent **“SLIPS & FALLS”**

Slips and falls are pushing up our Liability Insurance cost, an expense that can increase condo fees. Our management team works to seek out and prevent problem areas for potential accidents, but it takes concerned residents to help in the effort also. If you see common areas with wet/water slip or other potential hazard conditions please contact the office to be sure they are aware of, to take any corrective action available. Management is reviewing preventative action options that may be taken.

We all can help being responsible by being aware and careful to avoid potential accidents.

Some possible things to keep in mind: Avoid slick or pooled water areas when possible. Wear proper footwear



CAUTION ON STAIRS; HOLD ONTO HANDRAIL. AWARENESS TO WHAT YOU ARE DOING (MAYBE NOT ON THE CELL PHONE, ETC.??)

**Anything we can do is better for our own safety and rising liability expenses. Thanks for your help.**

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