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From the President's Desk

Basma Swearingen

Thank you to all our members for a successful dance and silent auction. A lot of hard work, time and energy contributed to its success.

Our guests had a great time and were very complimentary of our event. One told me, "Looking forward to next year!"

It was great to see people in the Silent Auction room checking their bids and rebidding, too.

Bunco in January was fun, as usual, and a great time was had by all. Looking forward to the next one in April.

Blessings, Basma

From start.....



..... to finish



Al and Cheri Leistner await the opening of the auction after months of preparation.

I'd love to send a big Thanks to all the ladies who donated items or worked in the auction room! We had a wonderful array of items! (We had 109 items!)

I was so impressed with the creativity of some of our ladies at requesting different and interesting items from businesses, and creating unique gift baskets!

It was a very successful evening. We'll have financial results tallied soon!
Cheri



Beach Boogie Dance & Silent Auction was a huge success.

(See more pictures on page 2 & 6)



Kitchen Committee members are seen working diligently preparing for the Beach Boogie Dance & Auction. Shown are Karen Gunsaulus, chairman; Basma Swearingen, Babs Umenhofer, co-chair; Karen Honeycutt and Gayle Oberst. Many others helped!

Fashion Show Coming in April

Make plans now to invite your friends to the April meeting, when Chico's once again will be showcasing samples from their newest collections.

According to Gayle Oberst, Chairman, plans for the April Fashion Show are well under way.

Eight to ten of the committee will be modeling. Several others will be helping in the changing room.

"We need an audience to make it worthwhile for Chico's." Gayle states. "This is a wonderful time for members to invite guests to a luncheon, even if they are not prospective members."

At this time Harpoon Harry's venue is not confirmed due to repairs, but members will be notified soon as to the location for the event.

Remember, mark your calendar now and bring a friend!

Alice Jacobs shares long-time favorite Pecan Tart recipe

Did you enjoy the desserts at Boogie Beach Dance? Well, Alice Jacobs has agreed to share her much-requested recipe for Pecan Bars. (Long-time family favorite!)

RECIPE FOR PECAN BARS

CRUST: 1¼ C flour 1/3 C sugar ½ C butter (room temp)

Preheat oven 375 degrees. Grease 9x12 pan.

Cream flour & sugar. Cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse meal, then press into bottom of pan.

Bake until golden brown 10-15 minutes.

Reduce temp to 350 degrees.

TOPPING: ½ C light brown sugar - 2 eggs - 2 T flour - 1 tsp vanilla —1/2 tsp baking powder — ¼ tsp salt — 1 ½ C coconut — 1C pecans

Whisk first 6 ingredients in large bowl until smooth. Fold in coconut & pecans. Spread over crust and bake until set 20-25 minutes.

Cut into squares while still warm and serve warm or at room temp. Enjoy!

Dinner / Show Fund Raiser

Special Events: Save the Date!

Todd Herendeen—Friday, March 29th



IRONMAN
Florida *Triathlon*
1978 Beach

According to Joyce Goetz, Ironman will be back May 8-10th at Edgewater once again. Please mark your calendars!

Eadie Lloyd becomes new Corresponding Secretary

Peg Lowery recently found out that her gallbladder was cancerous and she must take chemotherapy for three months. After that she will go to Nashville to see if she will have surgery. Therefore, she is going inactive in the club and will no longer be Corresponding Secretary or Sunshine Lady.

Eadie Lloyd has graciously agreed to fill out Peg's term of office for the remainder of the club's fiscal year in May and has been approved by the Board of Directors.



Eadie Lloyd

Please contact Edie whenever you are under the

weather or have other news to share at 850-230-0793 or eadielloyd@comcast.net.



February

6 – June Wetzel

8 – Cherry Creekmore

10 – Sue Jiles

17 – Felicia England

More news of our members

Margaret Ivey suffered a heart attack in December, when Bay Medical and Gulf Coast hospitals were both closed, but she was finally able to get into a hospital at Destin. She is now recovering nicely at home. She hopes to attend the February meeting with the help of a portable oxygen unit.

Martha Bice is on stand-by for the club as she continues her struggle with cancer. She would greatly appreciate your thoughts and prayers and enjoys keeping up-to-date with WCC through the monthly newsletter.

Rowan Quave has recovered from pneumonia and is busy making deviled eggs and desserts for the dance and finalizing articles for the silent auction.

Alice Jacobs has been having serious health problems for the last three months, plus feeling very stiff with arthritis during the cold weather. However, she was able to make luscious desserts for the Dance/Silent Auction event, sell several tickets and attend it!!!

Helen Schreiner suffered a bout of bronchitis, but she has recovered nicely.

Others to keep in your prayers, are Cherry Creekmore, Betty Dunn, Deborah England.

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COMING EVENTS

- ◆ February 7—Luncheon 11 a.m.
Wicked Wheel-
10025 Hutchison Blvd.
Speaker: Diane Wilkes—St. Joe Corp.
- ◆ February 14—Valentine's Day
- ◆ February 28 - Executive Board Meeting
Beach Chamber Board Room
10 a.m.



Food Pantry Donations for February

Your generous donations are always so welcome! The pantry can also use personal care items, such as paper towels, toilet paper, baby and adult diapers, toothpaste deodorant, razors, shaving cream, and dish washing soap, and laundry products. Chili and soups are great in this winter weather. Please keep up the good work!



Maddie Niederberger celebrated her January birthday at the Bunco Party. She is seen above with Joyce Goetz and Karen Gunsallus. A good time was had by all.

Fun times at Bunco



Jim's Original Recipe

Quick, Healthy Tuna Pasta Dish

Ingredients:

- 1 12 oz. package large macaroni shells
- 1 12 oz. can of tuna (in water) drained
- 1 15 oz. can peas— drained
- 1 15 oz. can black beans, drained
- Celery—2 stalks, diced
- 1 small onion—diced (optional)
- 1 to 1 1/2 cups Miracle Whip
- Season to taste—salt, pepper, Lawry's seasoned salt



Directions:

1. Boil pasta according to directions on package. Drain and replace in pot.
2. Add additional ingredients. Season to taste.
3. Stir well.
4. Cover to refrigerate.



Serve hot or cold. (Better cold) Enjoy!

Scenes from Beach Boogie Dance & Silent Auction



Jim Lawson's music keeps everyone jumping all evening long.



Roberta Bernhardt admires the Beach Package from Panama Jack.



Gloria Turner and Jean Sturman issue bidding numbers.



Jo Ann Seymour, Lana Lowery's sister, is busy manning the Door Prize table.



The Quave family is having a delightful time.



Browsers in the Auction Room try to decide which items to bid on



Diners enjoy dinner being served.