

APRIL NEWSLETTER

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## **2024 BAY INDIES HONOREE INDUCTEES**

In keeping with tradition started in 1994, on March 2, 2024 The Bay Indies Honoree Society inducted five new members into this prestigious club. The Honorees are the heart of the volunteer base in Bay Indies and contribute to the ongoing recreational enjoyment for all residents.

The 2024 new members are: Todd Real-Freeman, JR Jose Real, Melinda Schell, Bill Capozzi and Meg Bresnahan.

TODD REAL-FREEMAN - A native of California whose professional life included marketing, acting, visual displays and sales. Upon visiting Bay Indies he was convinced to take early retirement and take up permanent residence in 2021. This gregarious gentleman immediately got involved in our clubs and has been a valuable contributor to Midwest Club, Fitness for Life, Veteran's Club, Paper Crafting, HOA, Ohio Club, Covenant Church, Dance Club, Movie Nite and to the Recreation

Office where he helps choose the performers. His fantastic leadership has been on display when arranging unforgettable evenings including the Dancing Under the Stars and the Great Gatsby event.



In the photo left to right; Jose (JR) Real, Todd Real-Freeman, Melinda Schell, Meg Bresnahan, Bill Capozzi.

JOSE REAL aka JR - Originally from Puerto Rico and moved to New York at the young age of 18 to start his career as a dishwasher at the famous Waldorf Astoria Hotel. Worked his way up to first cook and eventually into management. After some time in Colorado Springs he moved back to the Big Apple where he met his partner. They have been together 15 years and married almost five years. JR moved to Bay Indies four years ago and his smile, exuberance and unlimited energy has been a welcome addition to the park. He leads the very popular Dance Club, is a member of the Ohio Club, Midwest Club, Veteran's Club and the Covenant Church. He volunteers in the Recreation Office helping wherever and whenever needed. His passion and love for everything and everyone Bay Indies is most enviable.

**MELINDA SCHELL - A R.N.** cardio-vascular specialist who, with her husband of

48 years spent 14 years sailing the Atlantic coastline from Canada to Florida and around the Caribbean. She settled in Bay Indies 8 years (Continued on Pq. 9)



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04/04 Black Label 4pm-7pm

04/06 Information Coffee – IH 8:30am Coffee & Doughnuts

04/11 Street Harvest Taco @ IH 4pm-7pm

4/12 Blood Bank @ 7am West IH

4/17 Movie Nite HI @ 6:30 pm

04/18 Browns Food Truck @ IH 4pm-7pm

04/25 German Food Truck @ IH 4pm-5pm

04/20 Dancing under the Stars

Come get your tickets at the recreation office
Food events will have a cutoff date.
No tickets can be sold after the date.
Please remember to come to the beginning of programs to receive full benefit of them. We serve food at the beginning of the event not the end. Thank you.

## **GOT VISITORS?**

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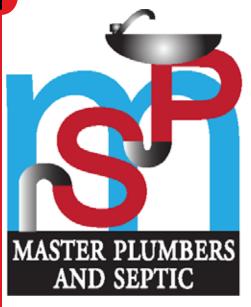
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Join us for Sunday Service 10:00 am at Indies House



## Evangelical Covenant Church of Bay Indies

Rev. Jonathon Kosec, Pastor

The month of April always begins with April Fools' Day on April 1. It has a bit of a dubious history, with some dating the practice all the way back to 1582. That year, according to some, France switched from the Julian calendar to the Gregorian calendar as mandated by the Council of Trent. According to the Julian calendar, New Year's Day was around the end of March or early April.

It appears as the story is told that some people, in our language of today, "didn't get the memo." They would still celebrate the New Year on the wrong older date than the newly chosen one. Those adopting the new calendar would have all manner of fun at the expense of those following the old date. These were the "April fools" who could not get their calendar straight. Apparently, these were the candidates for all manner of pranks, like sending them on a foolish errand or inviting them to a party that doesn't exist.

Pranks continue to this day between well-meaning friends who just want to have a little fun at their friend's expense. Of course, no one is suggesting that anyone do anything mean or hurtful to anyone else, but that 442 year tradition still merits our attention today. I'm sure you'll be feeling great in the evening of April 1 knowing you have not been pranked.

April brings in an entirely new season as well. Up north, you'll recall "April showers bring May flowers." This new season of growth is what we are going to try to capture as well here at Covenant of Bay Indies. It is important that we all grow in our faith and in the depth of our understanding our life together as believers. We are convinced at the Covenant Church that we are "better together" and we foster the best in relationships that we are capable of sharing. No pranks, here!

Please consider this your invitation to join us on Sunday mornings in Indies Hall for our informal worship setting together. You'll meet some of the nicest residents in our community and share good music and pay attention to the direction that the Holy Scriptures is describing to us. We have a good time together studying God's Word and we know that together we are growing closer to what it means to be part of a vibrant Christian community of faith.

Again, please take the time to join us. If there are any other concerns or needs you might have as well, don't hesitate to get in touch with me. We are here to help one another and we hate to see people keeping to themselves when a good prayer and some old fashioned help is available. Let us know how we can be a good neighbor!



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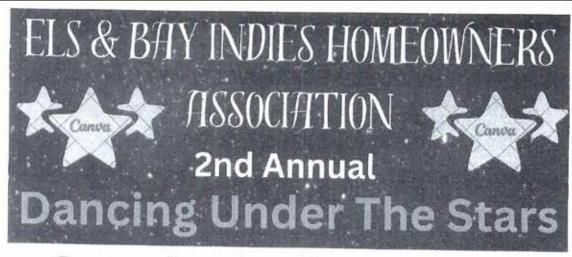
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Check our bulletin board. On the bulletin board is a list of all the really popular authors listed in categories of fiction, murder/mystery, romance etc. I you are looking for a particular author please refer to that list. It might be helpful.

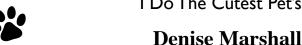
Now that it is 2024 all the new books will be shelved on the new black bookcase.

There are plenty of puzzles for you to pick from or you can always start a puzzle there at a table by the puzzle cabinet. The cabinet is a gray cabinet on the south wall, right next to the double doors. It has a sign on it saying: PUZZLES. When you are returning puzzles please put them in the gray cabinet and not in the library.

We are so thankful to all our volunteers working in the library. They have done such a great job of keeping the books organized and the library looking neat and clean.

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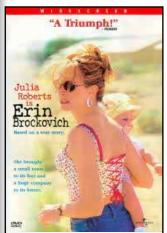
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## MOVIF





Last month we looked at the wildly popular "Dirty Dancing." However, now it's time for a stirring drama from 2000, the Oscar-winning true story of "Erin Brockovich." The vivacious title character is played to perfection by Julia Roberts, who deservedly picked up a Best Actress Academy Award for her portrayal. Erin is a twice divorced mother of three small children, desperate to get a job. She boldly persuades attorney Ed Masry (Albert Finny) to take

her on & gets permission to investigate a pro bono complaint that the Pacific, Gas & Electric Company is responsible for exposing the residents of Hinkley, CA. to poisonously polluted water. Needing a daytime babysitter, she reluctantly gives the job to new neighbor, George (Aaron Eckhart), a motorcyclist who loves kids. Erin throws herself into meeting the residents of Hinkley, documenting numerous cancers, for beyond those of an average small town. Soon Erin is immersed in the case, while navigating a dicey romance with George & feeling guilty about not spending enough time with her kids. (Warning -When angry, Erin spews the f-word.).

This is a very good movie, especially as it's all fact-based, with a very hard-won conclusion. Both involving & compelling, & bolstered by great performances, it's definitely worth seeing on

> Wed. April 17, in Indies, 6:30pm, in English with subtitles. Do bring a tuschy cushy. Vets' free dinner starts at 5 pm.

Submitted by Gerri Pare

I Do The Cutest Pet's





## **COORDINATING COUNCIL C→**

Coordinating Council Meeting March 1, 2024

PRESIDENT- Nick Casalinuovo – (716) 573-6423 VICE PRESIDENT – Nancy Janish TREASURER – George Alexander SECRETARY – Jacquie Capobianco

Minutes accepted as published

Treasurer's Report – Coordinating council - \$ 337.94; Veteran's Park - \$179.14; No deposits or withdrawals. Closing balance - \$517.09. Accepted as read.

Roll and attendance – 26 present

SPEAKERS:

Bill Capozzi: Veteran's Club and New York-Mid Atlantic Club are donating \$100.00 to Veteran's Park.

Linda Marutea is donating \$125.00 to Veteran's Park

Pam Gabie – Tomorrow at Information Coffee the induction of the new candidates to Honoree's Society will be held. Please keep any club announcements to the minimum.

Janet Rice – Garden Club – March 4, 2024 at 9:00 am, a guest speaker will address the causes and prevention of Red Tide. All welcome to attend. Also, the Butterfly Garden space has been secured. It is located on the east side next to laundry room. Raffle tickets will be sold at the Craft Fair to help defray the cost of new plants etc. Please support the Garden Club.

Nick: Announced the death of a long-standing member of our community – Neat (Anita) Geary. A memorial will be held at Indies Hall tomorrow, March 2, at 1:00.

All C.C. board members will stay for another year.

All club tickets sold through the office must be paid by check. The last C.C. meeting will be in April.

The Volunteer's Luncheon will beheld on April 4, at 11:30. Sign up with Debbie.

ELS is giving us some money for Veteran's Park plants.

Tom Cianchetti – Thanks for the temporary lighting outside the west entrance to Indies House and west parking lot.

George will turn the lights at dusk and turn them off each night.

Tom also thanked Debbie for all her hard work.

Meeting adjourned at 9:14. Respectfully submitted: Jacquelline Capobianco Secretary

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ago and dove right into the activities and clubs. She is a substitute water exercise instructor, a member of Chorus and secretary of the Club; active member of Pickleball and on the board for the past 3 years; on the Board of the Ohio Club and an active member of Fitness for Life. The well stocked library is a credit to her leadership ability. She belongs to the Dance Club, Midwest Club, Friends of Italy, New England, Christmas, Ladies Dessert Cards and Respite Club.

**BILL CAPOZZI** - originates from New York State and has volunteered his entire life - involved with Boy Scouts for over 20 years. He was a finance officer and Post Commander for the Amvets in Englewood. He moved to Bay Indies five years ago and was the founder of the immensely popular Veterans Club. He participates in Ohio Club, Canada Club, New England Club, Mid-Atlantic/New York Club, and Midwest Club. He is the current President of the Mid-Atlantic/New York Club. Under his leadership, the Veterans Club has provided hundreds of meals to our residents, helped many in the park with compliance needs and sent good will parcels to actively

serving military members. He leads the Memorial Day Service in Veterans Park.

MEG BRESNAHAN - grew up on the south side of Chicago and became an Illinois State Trooper where she served for 25 years rising to the rank of Master Sergeant and was a member of the riot team. Upon retirement she moved to Bay Indies 7 years ago and immediately became active in various organizations. She plays Quoits and models in the annual fashion show. She serves on the Executive Board of the New England Club and assists with their many functions. She belongs to the Bocce Club and serves on the Board of Directors where she is a valuable organizer of the many annual Bocce tournaments held in Bay Indies. She is a willing spare when called upon and she maintains the Bocce League statistics. Her enthusiasm and willingness to participate in every activity is a valuable asset to Bay Indies. She is a joy to know.

Congratulations to the 2024 Honorees!

Submitted by Pam Gabie

## **April Food Trucks**

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- Your last dose of antibiotics was over 24 hours ago.
- You have a tattoo from a licensed facility that is more than 4 weeks old.
- You traveled outside the US or Canada in a malaria risk area and it has been more than 3 months since returning to the US.
- You are either on Coumadin or Warfarin as a blood thinner.
- You recently had the flu or hepatitis A vaccine.
- You had a vaccine for Hepatitis B, MMR or Shingles more than 4 weeks ago.

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Our blood drive is one way Bay Indies gives back to the community; your blood/platelet donations stay here in Sarasota County. SunCoast is the sole supplier of all the Sarasota County hospitals as well as Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa. If you would like to donate, but our date does not work for you, please contact SunCoast Blood Center at 866-972-5663 to schedule an appointment. If you give them the code G-107, Bay Indies will be credited with your donation. You can sign up to donate for our next blood drive by contacting Patti Buncik at 815-276-5493 or at April's informational coffee. Your generous support is greatly appreciated.

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Obey the 20 mile per hour speed limit, stop at stop signs, slow down and be prepared to stop at yield signs for traffic, pedestrians, and bicycles.

Use your turn signals. Let pedestrians cross. Be aware of walkers at night. Be conscious that not all of our streets have yield or stop signs.

When backing out of a parking space be aware that traffic, bikes, people walking, and even DUCHESS may be behind you!

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Hello fellow Bay Indians! Hope all is well with you all! If you love art and enjoy painting, I urge you to come and meet us @ Curry House and join us! We meet every Wednesday @ Curry House from 1-4pm. We are an informal group at all skill levels and offer tips and tricks on different styles of media such as oils, watercolors, acrylics, pastels, pencils, etc. So come and see what we paint! Let's create!

If you have any questions, please contact Regina Coleman-Schmid @ 516-695-4862.



#### BINGO

Wow! What is the old saying, "time flies when you are having fun." We are moving into April and will soon be losing our northern friends for anoth-

er summer. It has been an exciting winter with great attendance, meeting new friends, huge magic balls giveaways and a fun time for all.

Bingo will continue to operate all summer long, as usual. For our new residents to the park:

- We have Bingo each Thursday evening at 6:00pm. Doors open at 5pm.
- · You must be 18 years of age, or older.
- Bingo is a non-alcoholic beverage event
- Bingo cards are 50 cents, per card, per half. We have 2 halves each evening. We use paper sheets, requiring dauber, or cardboard, cards with sliding covers.
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Tena Richardson-816-217-6313ors open at 5:00pm. Games begin at 6:00pm.

#### **CRIBBAGE**

Attention Cribbage Players – please join us on Monday evenings from 6:20 to 8:30pm. We meet at Indies House. We draw for partners, so singles are welcome. We play 5 to 6 games, and you will have a new partner each time. It costs 50 cents, and all money is awarded to the top scores. See you then, Ken and Carol

#### **DULCIMER**

The Sunshine Strings will continue to meet on Friday afternoons from 1-3 PM at the Curry House throughout the summer months. We will continue to perform at both The Venice Senior Center and Venetian Gardens



on a monthly basis. The dulcimer only group will continue to meet on Tuesdays from 1-3 at the Curry House. We will be working on auditioning new music as well as techniques and skills. Please join either group if you have an interest in folk music and can or want to learn how to play a folk instrument. Call Sue Fitz for further information. Phone 216-401-3364.

#### **DUPLICATE BRIDGE**

Duplicate bridge meets at Indies Hall on Tuesday at noon. We can find a partner for you. If you've played bridge before duplicate is easy to learn.

For more information contact Sue Lynch 802-922-2028

#### DO YOUR OWN THING

Bring what ever you are working on. Come join us ladies and see what everyone is working on. We meet on Mondays at 9am to 11am. We do have fun and sometimes learn something different. We meet in the card room in Indie's Hall.

Barb Cocker

#### **BOCCE FOR FUN WINTER SESSION**

Bocce for Fun Winter Session is up and running. We will be playing every Saturday at 10AM this month. Please bring \$.25 cents to play. You do not need a partner as you will pick a card to find your match for the day. Sometimes the winners win the money and sometimes the losers win the money. We always have lots of fun. If you do not know how to play, we will help teach you. Hope to see you there with us. This will be the last month for Winter Session. Summer Session will be advising when they are starting up again. Thanks for a great Winter Session.

Submitted by George Alexander and Pat Dell 412-401-3822

#### **BAY INDIES BOCCE CLUB**

- The ELS Tournament was held on Friday February 16, 2024 and was a big success. The fifth-place finishers go to Bates and Warren along with Rafferty and Smith. Sixth place went to the Monteiths and Feckett and Destin. Third place went to Venerri and Vanderplancke and the fourth-place finisher went to the Bovia team from Rambler's Rest. The second-place finisher went to the Browns from Lake Village, and the winner of the tournament was Ferguson and Leonard. A big thank you to all of the volunteers and to ELS for sponsoring the event. We also want to thank Debbie Huff for organizing our luncheon.

-The annual John Landry Memorial Tournament was held on Saturday March 16, 2024. This year's tournament expanded from twelve to eighteen teams. Congratulations to each league winner who automatically advanced to the tournament. Congratulations also goes out to each of the playoff winners and second place teams who also made the tournament. This tournament marks the end of another successful Bocce season.

-The end of the season banquet was held on Tuesday March 26, 2024 at 5:00 pm at Indies Hall. We had a great turnout and thank you to Vice-President Bob Chadeayne for organizing the event.

-There will be several board position's available for the upcoming 2024-2025 Bocce season. If you would like more information, please contact President Bob Leonard (937) 974-2688.

Linda Allen Secretary Bob Leonard Acting President

## BAY INDIES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

## HOA Webpage: bayindies-hoa.org - HOA email: bayindieshomeownersassn@gmail.com

**Service Committee** - The service committee meets monthly and are working on resident problems and concerns. The service committee monitors and reports all street lighting problems, as well as inspects the common areas of all the pools/courts/halls. The committee is seeing progress is being made.

**Resident Concern Forms** are available at the sales office. Once you have completed the form, please have the office sign the form and make 2 copies, one for Bay Indies office, one for you and the other to go into the HOA mail box outside the Sales office. The Service Committee can only follow up on these concerns if a form is filled out, signed and deposited as listed above, without it, there is no way for the concern to be addressed or followed up on.

**Membership** - The cost for joining Bay Indies HOA is \$40.00 a year. Sign up is always available by contacting anyone of the HOA officers or at Informational Coffee the first Saturday of every month. As everyone joins the HOA, they will receive a membership card which includes a list of 30+ merchants who have agreed to give some form of discount. Show your HOA card to receive the discount. There are some new vendors that have been added for our HOA 2023/2024 membership.

#### Upcoming 2023-2024 Meeting dates at Indies Hall

We are changing our open monthly meetings to quarterly, with one additional meeting in January for the Nominations Meeting.

o May 8 at 1:30

**Volunteers** - We are always looking for volunteers to help the HOA, if you are looking to give back to the community, please think about joining and volunteering with the HOA. Our membership drives are always set up to be a time for friends and neighbors to have a great time relaxing and visiting with one another.

**New Residents Group** - Are you new to the community? Please join us to meet new neighbors and learn about your neighborhood and community. We will be having our meet and greet for residents, new and established, Monday, April 8, 2024 at Indies Hall card room at 6:00 pm.

**Upcoming Event ELS/HOA Free Event** – 2 nd Annual Dancing Under the Stars, Saturday April 20, 2024 5:00pm-8:00pm, music and hors d'oeuvres. Sign up and tickets available through Debbie at the Recreation office. This is an ELS/HOA event which is free, but you must have a ticket so we know how many people will be attending.

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**April 12, 1981:** The first Space Shuttle was launched. Astronauts John Young and Robert Crippen aboard Columbia made 36 Earth orbits and landed at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

April 15, 1817: The first American School for the Deaf was founded by Thomas H. Gallaudet and Laurent Clere in Hartford, Connecticut.

April 23, 1864: "In God We Trust" was included on all newly minted US coins by an Act of Congress.

**April 28, 1789:** Fletcher Christian led a mutiny against Captain Bligh aboard the British ship Bounty by setting Bligh and 18 loyal sailors adrift in a 23-foot open boat. The Captain and crew survived a 47day ordeal eventually landing on a small island.



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## CLUB NEWS - CLUB NEWS - CLUB NEWS -

#### **CANADA CLUB**

April 2024

April and the crowds in Venice are starting to get less. As do many of our members. Please drive carefully Canadians and



have a safe trip home. Enjoy your summer and keep healthy, we look forward to seeing you back in Bay Indies in the fall.

During our period at home, I would appreciate any information regarding members who are suffering ill health or losses. My email is below, please drop me a line with your email and postal address of anyone experiencing problems.

Dates for the Fall to put on your calendar:

All are on Fridays where nothing else is on:

November 15th, December 13th, January 17th, February 28th and March 14th.

We are wondering If anyone is a member of the Snowbirds Association, as we would like to have to have them as a speaker.

The executive is now down to President, Treasurer and Secretary who are all now in their middle 80's. We definitely need some help from our members. If you want the Canada Club to continue, please step up to join our executive. We need some younger people with new ideas.

Positions on the executive that needs to be filled are:

Vice-President, Membership and three Members at Large. If we do not receive support from our members this could be the final meeting of the Canada Club. We hope this does not happen. PLEASE HELP

Have a good and healthy summer.

Prepared by Tonya Nasevski 705 -436 1538 tonya.nasevski@outlook.com

#### **CHORUS**

Thanks, a heap to all who attended our hop. We had a ball, and we hope you did too. Thanks again for your generous donations! Doubly welcome since we lost all our music in the fire,



and have to start from scratch. Now we are looking forward to our new season. Rehearsals will start in the fall. We welcome anyone who likes to sing. No experience necessary. No auditions. Just come. For more information give Diane a call at (612) 616-9786. In the meantime, enjoy the upcoming beautiful weather.

#### **CAMERA CLUB**

We have photos of the events that occurred between Thanksgiving Day and the Bocce



tournaments. The members are more than willing to share these photos with you, BUT please do not take the pictures off the bulletin boards. If you want a picture, please call, or email me and I will be sure that you get the photograph you want. The 4" x 6" photos are free, if you want a larger picture we will charge accordingly. My phone number is 440-263-6565 and the email is jeannie@tremonto.net. Pictures of the Horseshoe Tournament are posted on the outside bulletin board on the north side of Indies House.

Our meeting in April will be on Tuesday April 16th at 10:30 AM in Indies House.

We will discuss the possibility of having the Annual Photo exhibit on the porch or inside Indies House next fall when Bay Indies has their Car Port Sale.

The Camera Club is free to join and meets year-round. You don't have to be a professional to join, we are a group of people who enjoy taking photographs of different subjects and art forms.

Submitted by Jean Tremonto

#### **EUCHRE**

We meet every Monday night at 6:30 pm. You need to bring 25 cents to play. You will have a different partner throughout the night. We start exactly at 6:30 so plan to be there by 6:10. We play until 9pm.



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#### **FRIENDS OF ITALY**

It is hard to believe that Friends of Italy will be having its final event of the year. Whoever said "time flies" wasn't kidding!

Our annual April picnic will be on Tuesday, April 16 at 5:00P.M., outside under the portico at Indies Hall. Feel free to bring your own comfy chair. We will be serving delicious sausage and pepper sandwiches from Joey D's which are always a hit. We will be doing some final reflections on the season and also discussing events for next season. We also may be having a visit from a very, very, very old old past guest! Keep your fingers crossed that he/ she? is able to show up! The picnic is a great time to say arrivederci to many old and new friends that we have made this year and to extend the feeling of "la familia."

Bob and Audrey Barone will be handling tickets and reservations. Please call them at 941-485-3752, 964 Zacapa.

Tickets are \$15.00.

So come to the picnic and experience "La dolce vita" which literally translates as "the sweet life." In essence it means to enjoy the small things, taking time to pause and appreciate everyday moments and generally to life life to the fullest.

Ciao amici, Edwina Sindone

The Mediterranean diet consists of many vegetables and what Spring veggie comes to mind for many of us is delicious, fresh **asparagus!** This versatile veggie can be a plain side dish, baked in a tart, in risotto and oven roasted. One of my favorite ways to enjoy it is in a **frittata**, a simple Italian dish that is a little thicker than an

omelet. The word "frittata" comes from the Italian verb "friggere" or "to fry". It connotes the simplicity and pleasures of cucina povera-the "humble cuisine" that most of us truly love.

Egg is the main ingredient which makes it great for a light lunch, brunch or dinner. Additional ingredients such as meats, cheeses, or vegetables may be added. So give it a try!

Easy Asparagus Frittata

#### Ingredients

1 tablespoon olive oil

2 teaspoons butter

1/2 pound asparagus, trimmed, cut into 1- inch pieces 8 large eggs

1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese, or more to taste 7 tablespoons milk

Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste 1 tablespoon chopped parsley (optional)

#### Directions

Heat olive oil and butter in a 9" nonstick pan over medium heat and cook asparagus, stirring occasionally, until soft but still firm to the bite, 10 to 15 minutes.

Beat eggs in a bowl until frothy. Stir in Parmesan cheese and milk. Season with salt and pepper. Pour egg mixture over asparagus and cook until eggs are set, 10 to 15 minutes.

Invert frittata onto a plate and garnish with parsley.

If frittata only sets on the edges and stays liquid on too, reduce heat and cover with a lid to help the center set.

**Buon Appetito!** 







#### **GARDEN CLUB**

Many people usher in April either playing a prank on another or having a joke played on them. It's also the month which hosts World Autism Awareness Day, Earth Day, and Arbor Day, as well as the religious holidays Easter, Passover, and Eid-Al-Fitr. April also celebrates the outdoors with National Garden Month, Keep America Beautiful Month, and National Wildlife Week. And April brings changes in weather throughout the country, in great part because daily temperatures start to turn warmer in Northern climes and typically begin to heat up in the South. A change has occurred, pretty much nationwide, which is important to anyone who enjoys plants, from creating and caring for or simply enjoying a garden which belongs to a neighbor or community. Because of this change, it is important to keep the words of Okakura Kakuro in mind. Kakuzō, (1863-1913) was a Japanese scholar and art critic who promoted critical appreciation of traditional forms, customs and beliefs. Outside of Japan, he is chiefly renowned for The Book of Tea, a short novel about the importance of a life of simplicity. He wrote "The art of life lies in a constant readjustment to our surroundings.", and right now all gardeners must adjust to their surroundings and become familiar with the CHANGE OF PLANTING ZONES. The USDA released a new Plant Hardiness Zone Map in November of 2023, just a few month

The 2023 map uses data from 13,412 weather stations from 1991 to 2020. For the first time since 2012, a new Plant Hardiness Zone Map has been released; it is a tool used by gardeners and growers around the U.S. to determine which plants are most likely to thrive at a precise location. They are based on the average lowest temperatures, not the lowest ever. the average lowest winter temperatures for a given location for the 30-year span. the new version has 13 zones across the United States and its territories.

Each zone is designated into half zones, "A" and "B." When compared to the 2012 map, the 2023 version shifted about half of the country to the next warmer half zone. The other half of the country remained in the same half zone. The shift to the next warmer half zone means those areas warmed somewhere in the range of 0 to 5 degrees Fahrenheit. Here's what you should know about the new map and the Florida zone for Venice, FL. The zone was designated as 9B, previously; it is now 10A, and among experts in the gardening arena could soon be recognized as 10B. Hardiness zone 10 states include southern California and Florida. And Cannas, croton, dahlias, geraniums, glads, jasmine, sedum, snake plants, and succulents are among the Zone 10 plants strongly recommended for successful growth. The shift to the next warmer half zone means those areas warmed somewhere in the range of up to 5 degrees Fahrenheit. If you are merely curious or wish to plant a successful garden in Venice, FL, refer to Hardiness Zones 10A, 10B, 11 publication from the U of Florida/IFAS ( (an invaluable resource) at https://sfyl.ifas.ufl.edu/.

Addressing the changes in the plant hardiness zone can not only help ensure gardening success but keep a gardener up to date and more knowledgeable of the world around. Socrates (died 399BC), a Greek philosopher, credited with being the founder of Western philosophy, noted that "the secret of change is to focus all of your energy not on fighting the old, but on building the new". In keeping with the sage advice of Socrates, gardeners can produce more lush, fruitful gardens by familiarizing themselves with the changes in planting zones and planting that which will flourish in the zone.

FUN FACT: On the topic of "change": Humans shed about 600,000 particles of skin every hour. That works out to about 1.5 pounds each year, so the average person will lose around 105 pounds of skin by age 70.

We are closing this busy season with increased membership, a new Executive Board position entitled: Media & Marketing Chair, club members who engaged in activities, field trips, and learned from well informed speakers who addressed environmental issues which are timely and pertinent to our area. In a major change for the club, we have broken ground for the Betty and Bob Leonard Butterfly Garden; it is located on the EAST side of the building housing the park laundry. Our participation in the Craft Sale in early March and the Annual Garden Club Plant Sale held during the park's Carport Sale increased our treasury, much needed to fund

the rebuilding of our Butterfly Garden. We prepare to close the season feeling satisfied with what we learned and accomplished, excited about the possibilities for next season, and looking forward to undertaking the next series of changes which come our way!

Marianne Gianfrancesco Secretary

#### HAND AND FOOT

Come join us for a friendly game of Hand and Foot.

This group meets on Wednesday and Sunday afternoon at 1:00pm in the Card Room at the Bay Indies House. Everyone is welcome!

#### **MAHJONG**

We play Mahjong on Mondays at 1:00 at Curry House.

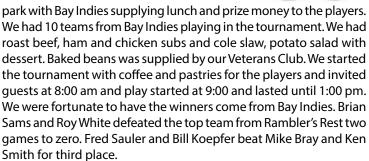
The game is played with tiles that have different characters on them which you put in a special sequence. You have a card which guides you to a winning hand. We play for quarters and the maximum anyone can loose is \$3.00.

Bring \$3.00 in change and hopefully you will go home a winner. Beginners are welcome, we will teach you how to play. Come out and have fun playing and socializing. For more information contact: Shoshana

#### **HORSESHOES**

To Our Horseshoe Members

Our ELS/Bay Indies tournament was a big success with six teams from Rambler's Rest ELS



The league wants to thank Fred Sauler and Mike Fleharty in putting together the ELS tournament.

Fred Sauler led the spring league with 223 ringers followed by Brian Sams with 193 and Rob Wright with 192 and Mike Fleharty with 185. Sauler/Koepfer finished with the most games won with 30 followed by Sams/Cole and Collier/Leonard with 29. The top seven teams were only 7 points apart. The league was very even throughout the season.

The playoffs started on March 5th and Sauler/Koepfer bested Mayo/Knox two games to 1. Sams/Cole took Phillps/Smith down two games to 1. In another match Collier/Leonard won two straight from Wright/Hinkle. Gray/Vanportfleet took two straight from Lambert/Smith.

On March 7th Gray/Vanportfleet beat Sauler/Koepfer two games to zero. Collier/Leonard won in three sets over Sams/Cole two games to 1. On March 12 Collier/Leonard prevailed over Gray/Vanportfleet in the third and winning game 21-17 to be crowned champions of the 2024 spring horseshoe league.



#### **BAY INDIES MEN'S GOLF LEAGUES**

Greetings from the Bay Indies Men's Golf Leagues! It's difficult to believe but the calendar says April! Safe travels to our snowbirds that will be heading north this month.

March was tournament time for men's golf; our own version of March Madness! The 18 hole league held the second annual James Fitz Memorial Tournament and the 9 hole league had its annual tournament for the McKenzie Trophy. Due to the printing schedule for this newsletter, tournament results will be published in the May newsletter.

We invite Bay Indies male residents, owners or renters, to join us as a league member or as an occasional guest. The 9 hole league plays early Monday mornings at Lake Venice Golf Club and the 18 hole league plays late Thursday mornings at Capri Isles Golf Course. Both courses are located nearby in Venice.

For additional information about the 9 hole Monday league contact Director Jerry Simon; <a href="mailto:simonjerry807@gmail.com">simonjerry807@gmail.com</a> (941-488-0809) or Assistant Director Mike Rafferty; <a href="mailto:mer112693@aol.com">mer112693@aol.com</a> (941-444-0138).

For information regarding the 18 hole Thursday league contact Director Art Spears; <a href="mailto:artspears@charter.net">artspears@charter.net</a> (508-733-7856) or Assistant Director Chip Childs; <a href="mailto:georgeachilds@yahoo.com">georgeachilds@yahoo.com</a> (480-703-9400).

Submitted by Art Spears Men's 18 hole Director

#### **LADIES DESSERT CARDS**

Thursday April 18th 1pm-4pm

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#### **NEW ENGLAND CLUB**

OH MY!!!! April has already arrived, which indicates this will be our final monthly event. It also is the time that many of our Bay Indies friends and neighbors are making preparations for departure north. Where has the time gone!!!

Our last seasonal will be held on April 10th, 4:00 - 8:00pm. "Gold Rush" will be catering our "soiree" with ribs and all the fixings. Tickets are \$15 for members, \$18 non members. We will also be having a corn hole tournament.

Due to unforseen circumstances, the location of our event which was the North Jetty, is now being "rerouted" to Indies Hall.

Tickets can be purchased at the monthly coffee "Meet and Greet" on April 6th, or if unable to attend the coffee hour but wish to buy tickets, you can call Louise Drouin at 603 491-3360 or Nadine Mayo at 774 268-1398.

REMINDER: All events are "ticketed events". You MUST present your ticket that evening

Hope to see you all there!!

As always, you do not have to be from New England to be a member or attend any event. We encourage and welcome anyone to join. "So come one, Come all"!!

Submitted by Rachelle Griffin, Secretary

#### **MIDWEST CLUB**

This is my last time as your President to write this article. I have enjoyed the past 3 years but it is time to step down. I want to thank my fellow officers John ,Patti, and Michelle for all their hard work to make this club a success. I want to thank the countless volunteers who set up, cooked, cleaned up and served. I know you will all help the new officers next year! Our last event of the season is featuring an All American Picnic. We will have a meal of fried chicken , macaroni salad, corn on the cob and apple pie.

Our entertainment is a live band the Funky Monkeys. We enjoyed their music at the Winterfest.

We invite all Bay Indies residents to celebrate with us and enjoy the food and music while we dance the night away. We are wearing red, white and blue or any combination.

So come out Tuesday April 9th at 5pm at the Indies Hall. Tickets are 10 dollars for members 15 for nonmembers available from Michelle Bezel. The information coffee will be the last day for tickets!

Thanks for the memories.

Laurie Palmer President 8103351444 Michelle Bezel 586 2462356

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#### MID-ATLANTIC/NEW YORK CLUB

Hello, Mid-Atlantic/New York Club members. Can you believe it? Here we are at the end of the 2023/2024 season at Bay Indies. And what a great time we had! Goldtones concert, Horse races, Christmas celebration (after Christmas but so what?) Best of all April is free to members. Games, food and fellowship--what's not to like? You can find this fun and fellowship at Indies House, April 24, at 5 pm. Tickets will be available at the April 6 morning coffee at Indies, from George Alexander, (412) 401-3822, or Diane Hartley, (585) 233-3788. Tickets will help us get a count for planning purposes. Election of officers will be held. If you would like to volunteer--and we hope you are--please let one of the officers know. We would welcome anyone who is interested. So, until the new season of 2024/2025, we hope you will have a great summer, safe travels and good health. 'Til we meet again...

Submitted by Diane Hartley, Vice President

#### APRIL: OHIO

Greetings everyone our March event was a success. We introduced the third murder mystery which was a Mafia theme. We had a record number in attendance of 140. It was lots of fun, good food that was catered by Local Spot 941 and many laughs.

Membership for the Ohio club can be purchased at the Saturday morning coffee on April 6th. Ohio club membership hostesses are Gloria, Pat, and Betty. Stop by the table and say hello and pay your dues. Membership for 2024 is 5\$ per person. You can also purchase tickets for the April Indoor picnic tickets on that day.

The April 21st Indoor picnic will be Chair Volleyball (because it was so fun!!!) and cornhole. Pizza, Salad, and dessert. 50/50 and Raffle. Tickets are 6\$. We will also have a pianist from right here in the park playing popular tunes from Elton John and others.

Tickets available at the office with Debbie or Saturday morning coffee.

April 21, 2024

Annual Ohio Club Indoor Picnic

You do not have to be from Ohio to join.

Lastly, I would like to thank all the volunteers and actors who helped make Murder Mystery a success, it was lots of fun.

Robin Chadeayne

President-Ohio club coprn90@yahoo.com

937-631-0693

OHIO

#### PAPER CRAFTING CLASS

Paper Crafting Class, April 19th 2pm Curry House \$2.00

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#### **BAY INDIES PICKLEBALL CLUB**

Well the winter season is about over and all of our friends from the north will be heading out soon. This season was wonderful with a lot of great play.



By the deadline of this newsletter our club will have already elected a new council and

the new members were introduced to the club at our end of the season party on March 30th.

Our new council may be changing the April schedule so keep an eye on courts

Anyone wishing to try the fastest growing sport in America please contact:

Tom Atkins <u>ptatkins143@yahoo.com</u> 847-561-3068 or Bob Newton <u>rgnewton@comcast.net</u> 770-508-8550

Tom Atkins 847-561-306

	<b>Bay Indies Pickleball Club Schedule</b>		
Monday	8:00 to 10:30	DUPR Players Only	
	10.20 to 12.20	Open Dlay 9 Dieleur	

10:30 to 12:30 Open Play & Pick-up Games

Tuesday 8:00 to 10:30 Mixed Doubles
10:30 to 12:30 Open Play & Pick-up Games
5:00 to 7:00 Delene Goode's Women's Or

Delene Goode's Women's Only Group beginner & up levels

Wednesday 8:00 to 10:30 DUPR Players Only 10:30 to 12::30 Open Play Pick-up Games

Thursday 8:00 to 10:00 Mixed Doubles
10: 00 to 12:00 Men's Round Robin

Friday 8:00 to 10:30 DUPR Players Only 10:30 to 12:30 Women's Round Robin

Saturday 8:00 to 10:00 Mixed Doubles

10:00 to 12:00 Open Play & Pick-up Games

Sunday 8:00 to 10:00 Women's Only 10:00 to 12:00 Men's Only

10:00 to 12:00 Men's Only

## Introduction to Pickleball - Beginners Only For Men and Women-

If you are interested in learning the "basics" of Pickleball, this class is for you.

We will be covering scoring, serving, simple drills and playing what we learned.

Class will last 45 minutes to 1 hour. Mondays at 3PM

#### SOCIAL PICKLEBALL

Meeting times for those who want to play in a social, noncompetitive environment.

WOMEN ONLY Thursday 3pm – 5pm MIXED Saturday 2pm-4pm



#### **POKER**

The Poker Club meets every Monday and Thursday from noon to 3 pm in the Indies House Billiard/Card Room. We play Dealer's choice (no wilds, no split pots) and have a great bunch. We would like to invite new players to stop by and check out the game. Please call Dan Horne at 239-220-7402 if you have any questions, we look forward to meeting you.

#### POKER, MEN'S II

Friday at noon, Indies House Card Room. Call Ray Gorman for details. 914-671-6657.

#### **POKER, CURRY HOUSE**

Monday evenings @ 6 pm, open to Bay Indies residents and their registered guest. We have room for more tables! Bring your own drink. For more information, please call Herb at 517-306-

#### **RUMMIKUB**

Rummikub Club will played on Saturday afternoons and Monday evenings during the months of December, January, February and March. We will meet in the card room in Indies Hall on Mondays 6:30 pm –9:00pm and Saturdays 1:00-4:00 p.m. This is a fun game to learn and play and is easy to learn! Everyone is welcome!

Questions? Contact Cindy Rossi at 585-351-1138.



#### **QUILT CLUB**

Curry House is open on Friday from 9-12 for quilting or your own sewing projects. We have sewing machines, ironing boards, irons, cutting mats, rulers, material and other sewing supplies. You can join a group project or work on one of your own. It is a time to share a common interest.

Questions. Sue Lynch 802-922-2028

#### **QUOITS**

**"UH-OH!"** (No! Not an April Fool's Joke!). This pretentious writer admits jumping the gun by "putting the cart before the horse" last month and is rescinding the "Farewell" paragraph in the March Newsletter. Although the Quoits Tournament was held March 19th, followed by the Awards Banquet, final play standings will not be printed until the first Quoits Newsletter article is written for the 2024-2025 season. (F.Y.I. - Printing schedules require articles be submitted by the 10th of each preceding month, for the following month - hence, turnaround time is generally two months before they appear in a Newsletter.) However, following are the top standings as of February 20th.

#### **TOP 3 TEAMS:**

1st - Ann Ragatz & Patti Hankerson

2nd - Nancy McClung & Noella Chisholm

3rd - Jane Bickford & Gloria Olson

TOP 3 LADIES SCORING THE MOST RINGERS:

Donna Fleharty - 16 Patti Buncik - 13

Molly Miller - 8

Even though these standings may change by the end of the season - "Accolades!" To all of the above "top ladies"!

**"FLASH!"**...Quoits isn't just a fun game - it's also beneficial to your health!

>Cardiovascular exercise: players move around using arms and shoulders, helping improve heart health and reduce risk of heart disease, also improving muscle strength and flexibility.

>Hand- eye coordination: players aim and throw rings, beneficial for older adults as it can help reduce risk of falls.

>Social interaction: played with friends or family, improving mental well-being.

>Outdoor activity: players enjoy fresh air and sun, helping boost mood and reduce stress levels.

It has been another great Quoits season - "sparring off" with friends and enjoying the game, regardless of which team wins (said with tongue in cheek). Quoits equipment, stored in the shed on the east side porch of Indies House, is available for use year-round. Remember: "Practice Makes Perfect!" (or maybe just might improve). Off-season is a great time to practice new strategies for throwing the Quoit or just "staying fit" until next season.

As the end of another season draws nigh and many of our friends backtrack to their northern residences, we bid them a fond farewell wishing them: comfort on difficult days; smiles when sadness intrudes; rainbows to follow clouds; sunsets to warm your heart and friendships to brighten your life.

Have a great summer! Lois Butts

#### **SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB APRIL 2024**

April comes but once a year and here it is again! How fast the winter season has gone this year! We have played a lot of games, had a lot of fun, found out who our champions are and now April has come, and we have a month when there are still a few players around who want to carry on playing informally as long as possible. Our winners will be posted on the bulletin boards as at time of writing we can only guess. The presentations will have been made at our annual dinner at the end of March when a good time will have been had by all at "Waterfront Too".

Games will continue in April on Wednesday mornings at 10.00 a.m., some playing by regular rules and others playing "Hoss Collar" and maybe even using the bowling pins – good fun.

Sunday afternoon at 1.15 and Monday morning events at 9.45 will depend on who shows up, but we will try to keep them going as long as possible.

Remember any park residents can play at any time and there is equipment in the shed on the left-hand side. Rules for games are posted. Please wear suitable footware and definitely NOT BARE FEET - to protect feet from fast moving discs.

We hope we still see a good turn out on the courts and get a few more weeks of play and fun. Any questions can be sent to me at 941-244-3579 or <a href="mailto:Betty@Bridgens.ca">Betty@Bridgens.ca</a>. Call Tony and I if you would like a game and we are often available to help or play newcomers.

Betty Bridgens (President) <u>Betty@Bridgens.ca</u>

941-244-357

#### STAINED GLASS

"Stained Glass will return in November, please join us to create beautiful glass items"

Carol Stevens

#### **SWEDISH WEAVING**

We are a small group of ladies that meet every Wednesday. Sweddish weaving is not hard to learn, we follow a pattern, use regular yarn..our material is called monks cloth. This material has a very distinctive weave to it. We would love to have you stop and join us. We meet on Wednesday mornings from 9am to 12pm, we meet in the card room in Indie's hall. Hope you all can stop by and see our work.

Barb Cocker

#### **MODEL TRAIN CLUB**

Greetings from the Model Train Club

Train Club is going great, not too tough when all we do is play with trains. Everyone has a train story, mine involves my dad's layout when I was growing up. We would love for anyone to come by and check out the layout and tell us your train story. We are also looking for people that are interested in modeling to make the layout look in tip top shape.

The club meets every Monday from 1 until 4 at Curry House. You don't need any trains or experience to join our club, just the interest in model trains and/or modeling scenery.

Rex Taylor 913-530-7118 rtaylor2401@gmail.com

#### **TENNIS CLUB NEWS**

Hello Tennis Peeps,

Our end-of-season tennis social and birthday/ anniversary celebration was a total success with always tasty dinners from the Gold Rush BBQ and our own tennis chefs filling in the apps and

and our own tennis chefs filling in the apps and desserts. Char's inventive party games kept everybody on their toes wondering what she had cooked up for their next challenge. Retired teachers are the BEST at concocting games for our second childhood!

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We wish all our Snowbirds a summer filled with sunshine, good health and loving friends and family.

Frankie P will continue to give lessons on Saturdays at 8:30 at the Fullerton courts throughout the summer, barring any exceptional weather conditions. Also, newbies are welcome – Frankie gives tennis 101 lessons FREE!

-submitted by Maren Ramos <u>mktobie@comcast.net</u> 719-374-0333





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#### **TRIVIA**

Join us for TRIVIA April 12, 2024! It's busy times here at Bay Indies! New Players ALWAYS WELCOME!

Each team will have a Captain who is responsible for all activities at the table. Fee to play is \$2.00 per player, \$1.00 bills only please. **The team limit is 8 players** of Bay Indies Residents and their registered guests. We play 3 Rounds of 15 questions each. All player fees collected will be returned to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place tables (on a percentage basis factoring in any ties).

No Cellphones or any other type of electronic or reference material please.

We begin promptly at 6:30 PM.

Feel free to bring snacks and beverages of your choice.

If you need help finding a table to play with, just come see us up front and we'll find you a Team.

TRIVIA Dates for the 2024 season are posted on Indies Hall Bulletin Board as well a HINT for one question posted before each session.

Raffle Tickets will be sold before and during session breaks. All Raffle Ticket money collected is returned to Raffle winners based on the 4 winning numbers called (40%, 30%, 20%, and 10% respectively). Just a reminder, wait until the Raffle Tickets are all drawn. You could have a winning Ticket!

Please join us, test your TRIVIA knowledge, perhaps learn something interesting, and most importantly have a fun evening with your Bay Indies friends and neighbors!

Thank you to Bonnie, Lori and Dan Clark, Dick Naylor, George Alexander, and our Guest Volunteers!

See you at TRIVIA April 12, 2024!





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## **Call Your Husband**

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Karen has created her own favorite joke and it goes like this. A woman says, "I can't get my husband to come in and get hearing aids."

Karen says, "No problem. I'll call and yell at him. I would talk to him but he isn't wearing hearing aids."

Every time she gets to say this she cracks up. I am more amused by her laughing at her own joke.

Getting husbands to come in for hearing aids is the one talent I haven't mastered.

Recently a couple came in. As they were completing the new paperwork the husband said to his wife, "why aren't you filling out forms? You need a hearing test as well." She looked at Karen, who was at the front desk, then said softly, "I have very sensitive hearing. I said that to trick him into coming in. He needs help but won't get it." He didn't hear a word.

Karen walked them into my office and said under her breath, "He thinks they are both getting tested. I told them we might only have time for one. He has a big loss, he didn't understand me twice. She has sensitive hearing."

After the test it was obvious he could be helped with hearing aids. I had even said, "You may not realize how hard it is for you to hear your wife's voice. Your loss shows me that you will struggle to hear her without hearing aids. You married her so listening to her and this should be your priority. Hearing aids will help with this."

As he was leaving he turned to Karen and asked, "How do I return demos?"

Karen mentioned to me later, he'll drop them off, he won't wear them. His wife tricked him to come in. He isn't ready to receive help.

I wasn't surprised when he walked in a couple of days later to return the demos and mentioned he didn't wear them much. I assured him, when he is ready we will be here to help. When you decide you want help, we are here for you.

I don't want your wife to trick you to come in. If you have

noticed strain in talking to one another due to not hearing words clearly and want to know if hearing aids could ease tensions and eliminate miscommunications, call our office for a free demo. There is no obligation, no contract, just our commitment to help you hear with ease. Call, 941-244-9300, for an appointment.





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#### WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

What a fantastic March we had! We finished our study of "The Jesus Paul Knew" and was it ever enlightening. Teresa played her guitar for us, as we sang along with her. Then a wonderful Easter Luncheon with Regina on her song flute (How Great Thou Art, Amazing Grace How Sweet the Sound, Jesus Christ is Risen Today). How about the skit! The girls did a great job depicting the story of Easter in Jesus' time.

This month we will have a "Whale" of a story in our study! Ah yes - the Book of Jonah. The book relates the account of Jonah's call by God to preach repentance to the great city Nineveh and his refusal to go. Then God sent a big whale to save him. We will see God's sovereign role over mankind and all creation. We begin on 4/1 with Jonah running from God's will, then on 4/8 submitting to God's will, on 4/15 he will fulfill God's will, and then on 4/22 Jonah questions God's will. The story has grandiose and miraculous events, but it is historical. Jesus taught the story of Jonah as an actual account firmly rooted in history.

We will close out this month on 4/29, as we look at "God's Role in Current Events." You don't want to miss this!

You are encouraged and invited to join us, as everyone is included. We **meet at Indies Hall 1:00pm on Mondays with coffee** and desserts. For more information, please call Lois Butts 914-525-3065.

#### THE WOODCARVERS CLUB

The Woodcarvers Club of Bay Indies wants to welcome any resident to come to any of our sessions on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8AM until 11AM at Curry House. Any Bay Indies Resident is welcome to join. So, if you are looking for a neat hobby just stop in and see us. We look forward to working with you.



Submitted by George Alexander 412-401-3822

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#### **VETERANS CLUB**



April is Military Child Month April 5. Gold Star Spouse Day April 9 National Former POW Recognition Day April 14 Air Force Reserve Birthday April 23 Army Reserve Birthday April 30 National Military Brat Day

March was another busy month for the Veterans Club. It started off with:

Potluck Dinner before the Movie Dirty Dancing.

Selling 12x18 flags at the Craft

Show. On March 14th we had 250 attend lunch, which included 75 guests from Loveland.

March 20th was our Meeting/Dinner/Show. Ken did a great job of cooking the pulled Pork, and Costco cooked the Chicken. Max and Shelene and crew put on another great show. It was Mardi Gras theme.

March 29, we held our first Vietnam Veterans Fay Lunch and Movie which was Good Morning Vietnam.

The club also finished a resident's front yard,

Fixed screen in front Lani damaged by Ian; replaced a bad hot water tank for a Veteran; delivered meals to some residents among a few other items.

I have reached out to a few businesses asking for donations of products as just like you our costs have gone up. Soda uses to cost \$13.88 for a case of 35...now it cost \$19.88. Burger Rolls where .84 now \$1.34 Cheese was 4.99 pound now 7.99 and the list goes on. Paper products have risen more than some food. So, I have had to get a little more creative. Example we have 200 attend Dinner, but we go thru 300 cans of Soda so going forward everyone will get a ticket to turn in for water or soda. Extra will be available for \$1 each.

Enforcing you to sign up in advance so we have enough food and change our menu if food is either unavailable or prices went up too much.

**April Events:** 

April 3 Dinner and a Show. Menu: TBA



show is Around the world. We will visit Ireland; England, Brazil, Italy, Japan, France, Kenya, Australia, Mexico, and Canada.

April 12 Lunch. Hot Dog or Grilled Cheese & chips, drinks

April 17 Dinner and a Movie. Menu:

Open faced Turkey /side Mashed Potatoes
We still have flags for sale 2 for \$5
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- The third is at Curry House in the kitchen on the left.
- -Main Office in Kitchen/Break Room Office Opens 8am
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