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# The Marco Men's Club Newsletter

September 2019

Established 1992  
A non-profit organization

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**The Heat Continues.** It seems like it has become especially hot this summer on Marco Island. I've only lived here since 2012, but it really seems (to me) that the summers feel hotter than my first year or two on the island. Maybe it's that we're aging, or maybe it's actually hotter than before, or maybe both are true. Either way, we have to be careful about how much time we spend in the summer sun and how much effort we expend in outside activities in the heat. We need to limit strenuous outdoor mid-day activities, use sunscreen, stay hydrated, and take refuge indoors if we begin to feel light-headed or ill. As the sergeant would always say to his squad on *Hill Street Blues*: "let's be careful out there!"

**The Marco Men's Club Needs You!** We have lots of activities planned (more than 40 events) and we rely on volunteers from within our ranks to make things work. If you have any interest in managing, hosting, or helping at club events, please let us know.

We also have a need for a new Secretary, to replace Time Clune, who has taken on the theater chairmanship. And we would also like to find someone who would help out with creating flyers for all the coming events.

If you have any interest in any of these ways to help the club out, please let any member of the board of directors know, or go to the website home page and click on the "Contact Us" link in the center of the page. From the home page link, you can email us, or get our phone numbers to call us to talk about how you might help.

A wise man once said: "many hands make work light". (Or something like that.) Our club will thrive with the continuing contributions of members like you. And we all thank you for your support.

**Annual Dues.** The dues paying cycle is over, and I'm happy to report that our enrollment/re-enrollment numbers remain just about where they were last September.

I'm also happy to report that the online renewal process worked very well for us. More than two-thirds of our members processed and paid their dues on our website using their Visa or MasterCard. This quick and easy way to pay dues is a real convenience to our members and officers and it saves every member using it the time and mailing expense of sending a paper check to the club via US Mail. On the processing end, the system creates a record of the payment that cannot be misplaced (like a paper renewal and check), and a record that can be easily retrieved by the club's officers whenever needed. Checks and mail that slips between the cracks offer no such back-up.

By the way, paying online with a credit card is arguably safer than paying with a paper check by mail. When you pay online the club does not keep your credit card information. And even if some malicious individual does come upon your credit card number, your personal liability is limited by the terms of your credit card agreement - often at \$50 or less - provided you promptly notify the card issuer that someone has misused the card. Credit card theft is not the same as identity theft, and can be remedied much more simply. On the other hand, if someone gets a hold of your check, he or she has access to your bank account number, routing number, address, etc.

In summary, I believe the online payment system is safe and here to stay, and I hope that even more members take advantage of it next year.

**August Meeting.** Our guest speaker at the August general meeting was **Debra Frenkel** from the **Freedom Waters Foundation**. Debra is the Founder and Executive Director of the Foundation, which was incorporated in 2006. The Foundation is a non-profit that enhances lives by providing boating opportunities and marine related activities for people with disabilities, life-threatening illnesses, youth at risk and others with special needs. Her work has led her to be Chairman of the US Disabled Sailing Championship Committee from 2008-2012. She has been involved in this national regatta since 1999.

If you would like to learn more about the Foundation, visit: [www.freedomwatersfoundation.org](http://www.freedomwatersfoundation.org).

**August Events.** Our members went up to Bonefish Grill in Naples for a co-ed luncheon after the general meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup>. The "bang-bang" shrimp appetizers were a crowd-pleaser again, and more than 50 people attended. Thanks go to **Ray Seward** for setting up the event and to **Mike Levine** for hosting the event!

On August 22<sup>nd</sup> a group of 30 returned to Naples for a "Hot August Night" dinner celebration at Naples' new Mexican restaurant, K-Rico Mexican Grill. Everybody got to enjoy the plentiful appetizers and multiple courses of delicious food. Margaritas were available by the pitcher and I want to thank **Warren Dettinger** for hosting the event.

**Coming Events.** In September, we'll be holding a **Co-ed Lunch and Cooking Demo** at CJ's on the Bay after the general meeting on September 12<sup>th</sup>; as well as a **Date Night at the Continental** in Naples on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. There's still some time to send in your reservations, but the group sizes are limited, so don't delay.

In October, we will have a **Free Lunch for members** after our general meeting at United Church on October 10<sup>th</sup>. And don't forget - **The Hurricane Ball** is scheduled for Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at Hideaway Beach Club. We'll have a fine dinner as arranged by **Ray Seward**, with the help of his wife Candy of course, and music by Cahlua and Cream. Reservations for the event have come in fast, so don't delay to get your registration to **Ray Seward** if you'd like to attend. Space is limited!

**Octoberfest** will be held at the German American Club in Fort Myers on October 20<sup>th</sup>, **Dave Walsh** is in charge of this event.

October also opens the theater season with "**Old Ringers**" being performed on October 25<sup>th</sup> by the **Marco Players**. Contact **Margaret Moores** if you'd like to reserve tickets.

The **Men's Golf Scramble** will be held on Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at Lely Resort. Our new golf chairman, **Bill Horton**, is in charge of the event, which is open to our members and their guests.

The **Halloween Bash** this year will be held on October 29<sup>th</sup> at Eagle Lakes Golf Club. **Dennis Smith** and **Dave Brink** are co-hosting. Space will be limited, prizes will be awarded, and fun will be had! Reserve early to assure you can attend.

**Event Flyers are Online.** Look for the link to the flyers for all of these events on the homepage of the Marco Men's Club website: [www.marcomensclub.com](http://www.marcomensclub.com)

**New Members.** We want to welcome our four newest members, **Dan Wolfe (Son of Tony and Susan)**, **Pat Huey**, **Rick Mamel**, and **Bill Canty**. We hope to see all of them soon at one of our general meetings. Don't forget to say hello to them and introduce yourselves when you see them at club events.

**Talk about the MMC.** Please remember to put in a word for the club whenever you're with friends and neighbors on the island. We'd love to see your friends and neighbors join us, and your comments about the club might be just enough to encourage them to join.

**Sickness/Bereavement.** **Lou Makris has given us the good news again this month that there is no new sickness or bereavement news to report.**

**Let us Know.** The board is always looking for ways to bring you more value for your membership. If you have any ideas for activities you would like the club to explore, a special restaurant or entertainment venue, just let us know. You can click on the "Contact Us" link on the club's home page and share your ideas with the board. We welcome your input!

Jeff Dywan  
President



September 2019

# Club News

## COMPUTER/TECHNOLOGY CLUB

Contact Charlie Erker at 239-259-8054

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Computer/Technology Club meets the 3rd Wednesday at the Community Room at The Mutual of Omaha Bank at 10:00 a.m. The club has suspended meetings until October. This is an informal round table discussion group. Beginners, experienced and in-between are all welcome. Reservations are not required. Just show up.

**INVESTMENT DISCUSSION GROUP** – This is a gathering where opinions are valued, facts are appreciated and experience is not necessary, but prized. An open and broad discussion of topics relating to investment raised by those present is conducted. The discussion group meets at 1:30PM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month in the Community room at the Mutual of Omaha Bank (next to Ace Hardware). Contact **WARREN UHL** ([uhlww@mindspring.com](mailto:uhlww@mindspring.com) or 727-247-5167).

**TRAVEL DISCUSSION GROUP** - The Travel Discussion Group meets at 10:00AM on the 1st Wednesday of every month in the Community Room at the Mutual of Omaha Bank (next to Ace Hardware) There are no meetings from May through September. This is a gathering of people that want to talk about and share travel experiences. Open discussions will be encouraged. Contact **SILKY SULLIVAN** ([marcosilky@yahoo.com](mailto:marcosilky@yahoo.com) or 393-9125).

## BOCCE BALL

**Warren Uhl** will be the coordinator this next season and in November he will communicate with the membership with respect to the sign up process for the league. Court and playing times will be determined in early December. Play days and Teams will be formed/coordinated during the month of December. Game will start in January at Mackle park. Warren is an e-mail kind of guy. And, he knows some members are not. Please identify yourself to him so he can "call" you as needed. You can come with a team of (2) husbands and (2) wives or (4) members and any combination in between. But it is a members game, if you want your neighbors to play, get them to join. Individuals and couples may apply and will be assigned to a team. Contact Warren at: [MMC.BocceLeague@gmail.com](mailto:MMC.BocceLeague@gmail.com)

## HOSPITALITY

Thanks to the guys who set up the room this month: Chairman **DEREK MULLINDER, JERRY DEFIBAUGH, RICH CARLSEN** and **DON LALLY**. WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS. PLEASE CONTACT **DEREK MULLINDER** ([derek.mullinder@comcast.net](mailto:derek.mullinder@comcast.net) or PH: 642-0565) TO VOLUNTEER.

## MMC HATS AND SHIRTS

Contact or see **Don Lally** or **Rich Carlsen** at the General Meeting to order MMC hats or Polo shirts.

## SICKNESS AND BEREAVEMENT

Lou Makris reports there is no new sickness and bereavement news this month.

Please telephone **LOU MAKRIS** at 781-258-0456 or email [loumak42@aol.com](mailto:loumak42@aol.com) regarding information of illness or death of members, their spouse, and immediate family. Lou will notify the MMC board.

## CRUISES

**MMC "46" "SAILING THE MEDITERRANEAN- MAY 4<sup>TH</sup> 2020 WITH "8" PORTS OF CALL**  
ITALY...MONTENEGRO.....CROATIA.....GREECE.....MALTA

### "THIRTEEN DAYS – ELEVEN NIGHTS"

*Sailing the Mediterranean aboard Celebrity's beautiful new ship "The Edge" continue to be very popular. Currently Ninety-Four people have reservations in 48 staterooms. Cruise enjoys 8 ports of call: Rome, Italy...Kotor, Montenegro...Trieste, Italy..... Split, Croatia.....Corfu Greece.....Dubrovnik, Croatia.....Valletta, Malta.....Naples, Italy. This special itinerary limited to "2" sailing aboard Celebrities new ship, like no other "THE EDGE". Cruise provides each guest their choice of "2" nice free perks: The Classic Beverage Package.... A \$300 on-Board stateroom credit.....Pre-Paid gratuities \$165PP... and ....Unlimited Internet. Beautiful Staterooms continue available in A2 and E2 categories, with Ocean view and famous Infinite Verandas. The flyer provides detailed cruise information and reservation form available at [www.marcomensclub.com](http://www.marcomensclub.com).*

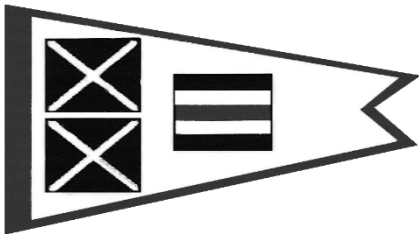
### MMC 44TH CRUISE – CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM-- MARCH 15, 2020

**AmaWaterways "Riches of the Mekong" 19 days....18 nights..... 1<sup>st</sup> night Los Angeles Weston Hotel in route... 1 day Hanoi flight..... 2 nights Hanoi, Vietnam... 1 night long bay on an elegantly appointed cruise .... 3 nights Seim Reap, Cambodia.....7 night Prek Kdam Cruise aboard AmaDara.... 2 nights Ho Chi Mind City, Vietnam..... 1 night Lax Westin Hotel on USA returning. Sixteen confirmed. Cruise flyer, reservation form available <http://www.marcomensclub.com>**

### MMC 45TH CRUISE - AFRICA - "WILDLIFE AND THE FALLS - FEBRUARY 22, 2

#### "ONE NICE STATEROOM AVAILABLE FOR THIS CRUISE"

**AmaWaterways "Wildlife and the falls"..... 15 Days..... 14 nights..... Johannesburg "3" nights."4" night wildlife cruise aboard the "Zambezi Queen....."2' Nights at Victoria Falls....."3" nights "5" star Safari Lodge in the Greater Kruger National Park. Twenty-Two confirmed with MMC group booking 11 of the ships 14 total cabins. **Please contact [bobmarksmi@hotmail.com](mailto:bobmarksmi@hotmail.com)- 239-642-0370 for additional Cruise information****



## THE MARCO MEN'S CLUB

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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**SEPTEMBER 2019**

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#### MMC website: [www.marcomensclub.com](http://www.marcomensclub.com)

##### PAST PRESIDENTS (\*deceased)

1992: Paul Kurtzman  
1996: George Kuntz\*  
2000: Jerry Stought  
2004: Bob Gaffney  
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2018: Bill Rogers

1995: Bob Marks  
1999: Jerry Stought  
2003: Ken Molander  
2007: Joe Cassidy\*  
2011: Sam Miloro  
2015: Warren Dettinger

## The Marco Men's Club

# Speakers Calendar

JERRY SWIACKI, PROGRAM DIRECTOR

### SEPTEMBER 2019

#### LARRY KALKSTEIN

##### *THE IMPACT OF WEATHER ON HUMANS*

Dr. Larry Kalkstein received his Bachelor's degree from Rutgers University and his Masters and Ph.D. degrees from Louisiana State University in climatology with a minor in forestry.

Larry is a bio-climatologist who specializes in the impact of weather on human beings. For the past 40 years he has dealt with weather's impact on heat related illnesses as well as the recommending appropriate sites for power plants to prevent pollution to humans and prevent injury to national parks. He has been the principal investigator and researcher for projects that develop and implement heat/health warning systems for major cities worldwide. His work has led him to collaborate with the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the 3M Company, various NGO's, the Los Angeles Urban and Cooling Collaborative and the Korean government.

Dr. Kalkstein has published over 140 manuscripts, book chapters and monographs. He has served as a professor for 30 Masters students and 10 Ph.D. students. His work has led him to develop numerous weather indices for applied climatology and create air mass-based synoptic classifications to be used worldwide by a variety of climate and health practitioners.

### OCTOBER 2019

#### LIZ PECORA

##### *OUR DAILY BREAD FOOD PANTRY*

Liz Pecora has had a professional background in working for Delta Airlines and as a national Sales & Marketing manager for the hotel and hospitality industry.

She serves as Vice Chair of the Greater Marco long Term Recovery Group formed as the result of Hurricane Irma. The group's purpose is to maximize the effectiveness of relief efforts in dealing with natural disasters. She also serves as an officer on the Executive Board of the Disaster Alliance of Collier County.

In 2016, Liz was one of the founding members of Our Daily Bread Food Pantry of Marco Island and serves as Director of Communications and Donor Relations. Along with the other founders she received the Marco Island Civic Association's 2017 Humanitarian of the Year award.

If you have any suggestions for a speaker you think might be interesting for our membership, let Jerry Swiacki know.

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### NOVEMBER 2019

#### FIRE CHIEF PETER HAYDEN

##### *FDNY RESPONSE TO 9/11*

Peter Hayden retired as Chief of Department of the FDNY after 38 years of service. He retired in 2006. On 9/11 Chief Hayden was the division commander of the Manhattan area that covers the World Trade Center. He was on duty at the time of the attack and supervised operations in the North Tower, the first building hit. After the collapse of World Trade Center Towers, Chief Hayden was promoted to Assistant Chief of Operation and supervised the rescue and recovery operations at "Ground Zero":

Chief Hayden will discuss the events of that day and the many months afterward. He will describe damage done to the department, the efforts to rebuild the department and to prepare the FDNY for future terrorist attacks.

### DECEMBER 2019

#### COMO WALTER JASKIEWICZ

##### *BOATING SAFETY*

Como Jaskiewicz is a graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy. He was the founder and CEO of one of the largest Private Security Agencies in California prior to his retirement in 1976. He has been a full time resident of Marco Island since 1996 with his wife Barbara. Walter has been a member of the USCG Auxiliary Marco Island for over 20 years. He has held multiple appointed and elected offices related to Coast Guard Auxiliary functions and projects. In addition he is a USCG Certified Incident Command Instructor having instructed over 1500 Military and Disaster Response Agencies in the U.S. and abroad. Walter has been awarded multiple citations for his work.

He has served on the Marco Island Waterways Committee and is a member of the Collier County Medical Reserve and represents the Coast Guard at the

Collier County Emergency Operation Center. He will discuss "Required Safety Equipment" and "How to Secure your Boat in a Storm":

**JERRY SWIACKI**  
**Program Director**

THERE ARE MORE THINGS  
TO LIFE THAN  
**GOLF..**



BUT I IGNORE THEM

9/2/ 2019 MMC GOLF NEWS

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I have been in Northern Michigan for the month but it sounds like you have had a lot of wet conditions for the month with wet courses and rain days. I want to thank the August coordinators, Lou Makris and Rusty Roe for their phone calls and updating the schedules. **Remember to check with your golf coordinator or golf course if you have to cancel your t-time. Also to remember our scramble on Monday October 28<sup>th</sup>.**

**Flyer is in the news letter**

- **If you think it's hard to meet new people, try picking up the wrong golf ball:  
Jack Lemmon**

MONTH	COORDINATOR	PHONE #	EMAIL ADDRESS
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>			
MONDAY'S	BOB HANSEN	239-394-7775	rhansen4@aol.com
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<b>OCTOBER</b>			
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