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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**Happy New Year!** On behalf all the members of the board of directors and the club activities chairmen, I would like to offer the best wishes for the coming year to all of our members and their families. Each new year brings a renewed sense of hope for the future. May we all be able to do and enjoy all the things we plan for this year.

Thank You. The many activities of our club are handled by a dedicated group of volunteers who give their time and talent to maintain our club as an active and welcoming group. Without those contributions, our club would simply and slowly cease to exist. I want to say "Thank You" to each and every one of our officers, board members, activities chairmen and hosts – along with their spouses and significant others - for their work during the past year.

But these volunteers need your continued assistance. Contact any of our officers and offer to get involved. Host an event, assist with an event, participate in any way you feel you can. The club will benefit, and so will you!

MMC By-Laws Have Changed. Remember that the changes to our by-laws were unanimously approved by the members at the November meeting. The club year is now a calendar year. The The complete set of by-laws as amended is on the MMC website. Let me summarize generally the couple of changes that will take place: First - We'll have only one more dues-billing in the May-June period and that will be this spring. At that time, you will get a billing for 1 ½ years dues (\$90) and that will pay you through calendar years 2020 and 2021. Then in November-December 2021 we'll begin the new calendar year dues-paying cycle. Second – the annual meeting will be held in January beginning in 2020.

**Officers Election News.** Because we weren't able to recruit a full slate of candidates for our offices, the board voted in December to postpone the annual election until the February general meeting on February 13<sup>th</sup>. The nominating committee was comprised of the following members:

Bill Rogers – Chairman, Ray Seward, Jerry Swiacki,

**Warren Uhl** and **Sam Miloro**. The committee continued its work into December and has now recruited a slate of candidates and they are as follows:

President: **Jerry Swiacki** 

Vice President: Ray Seward

Vice President: Frank Romano

Vice President: **Don Zinner** 

Vice President: Turk Tilev

Vice President: John Watson

Secretary: Dave Pritchard

Treasurer: Rudy Landwaard

Those candidates elected at the February general meeting will take office on May 1<sup>st</sup> and serve one-year terms.

**December Meeting.** Marco Island Police **Chief Traci Frazzano** stopped in at our meeting and introduced herself to our membership. She has been invited back and will give a presentation at another meeting later this year.

Our guest speaker at the December meeting was **Walter Jaskiewicz**, Commander of the Coast Guard Auxiliary. He made an interesting presentation about the history and functions of the local auxiliary, including its offering of safety classes, boating inspections, and emergency response activities.

**December Events.** In December, we began with **Dave Koz and Friends Christmas Tou**r, a performance at Artis-Naples on December 1<sup>st</sup> hosted by **John Watson**. **Margaret Moores** hosted "**Double-Wide Texas Christmas**" at The Marco Players on December 6<sup>th</sup>, **John Kernan** hosted a sellout event for the **Holiday Coed Luncheon** on December 12<sup>th</sup> at Island Country Club, and **Turk Tilev** hosted "**Sounds of the Holidays**" at Broadway Palm Theater on December 18<sup>th</sup>.

**January Events.** In January, we begin with a **Men's Only Lunch (Anniversary Lunch)** after the general meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup>, which I will host. Then on January 17<sup>th</sup> we'll be going to see "**Dixie Swim Club"** at the

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Continued

Marco Players. **Margaret Moores** is hosting. On January 18<sup>th</sup> we'll have a group going to see **The Righteous Brothers** at Artis Naples, hosted by **Tim Clune.** The reservation deadline has passed for this event.

On January 27<sup>th</sup> we will have a group going to the Broadway Palm dinner theater to see "Piano Men", a tribute to Billy Joel and Elton John. Sam Miloro is hosting this event and the reservation deadline was Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>.

January 31st is the date for a **Frank Sinatra tribute performance** by **Steve Lippia** at Artis Naples. The deadline for reservations for this performance was Dec. 29th. Our host is **John Superits**.

**February Events.** February begins with a **Breakfast for New Members** on February 1<sup>st</sup> at Forest Glen Country Club. **Ray Seward** is hosting and the deadline to sign up is January 24<sup>th</sup>. **Dave Randall** is hosting a group going to see **Hello Dolly** at Artis-Naples on February 8<sup>th</sup>. **Dave Randall** is also hosting a group going to see **Making God Laugh** at the Sugden Theater on February 9<sup>th</sup>. There may still be a few tickets left for this event, but the cut-off date is January 10<sup>th</sup>, so you'll need to act quickly if you want to attend. On February 13<sup>th</sup> we will have a **Coed Luncheon** at Pinchers after the general meeting, which will be hosted by **Dave Walsh.** The sign-up deadline is February 6<sup>th</sup>, so there's still time to let Dave know you'd like to attend.

Our club's premier formal event, **The Sweetheart Ball**, will be held on February 16<sup>th</sup> at Island Country Club. **Ray Seward** is hosting and he reports he has received reservations for about 80% of available tickets, so there are still some remaining. The deadline to reserve is February 9<sup>th</sup>, but you might want to get your reservation in soon since this event typically sells out.

**Margaret Moores** is hosting a group to see **Tango at Two Thirty** at The Marco Players on February 21<sup>st</sup>. The deadline for the event is February 1<sup>st</sup>.

Last, but not least, **Bob Marks** will be leading a small group on a sold-out cruise and **Safari in Africa**, which departs on February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Event Flyers are Online.** Look for the link to the flyers for all of these events - and more - on the homepage of the Marco Men's Club website: <a href="www.marcomensclub.com">www.marcomensclub.com</a>

**Vietnam Veterans Memorial.** The traveling Wall Replica – The Wall that Heals - will be in Marco Island 2/20/20 to 2/23/20. Many volunteers will be needed, and Ray Rosenberg, a member of our club, is Director

of Volunteers. Anyone wishing to sign up can contact Ray at <a href="mailto:raymondrosenberg@gmail.com">raymondrosenberg@gmail.com</a> and include your contact information and T-shirt size.

New Members. We want to welcome our newest members who joined the club in December: Mark DiLorenzo, Jamie Sugar, Kevin Hennessy, John Boatright, and Rick LoCastro. We hope to see them soon at one of our general meetings or events. Don't forget to say hello to them and introduce yourselves when you see them at club events.

**PROMOTE THE MMC!** When you are among friends and neighbors, we hope you put in a few good words about our club. We'd love to see them join us, and your kind comments about the club might be just enough to encourage them to join.

**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.

# **COMPUTER/TECHNOLOGY CLUB**

Contact **Charlie Erker at** 239-259-8054 Or **charles.a.erker@gmail.com**.

Computer/Technology Club meets the 3rd Thursday at the Community Room at The Mutual of Omaha Bank at 10:30 a.m. This is an informal round table discussion group. Beginners, experienced and inbetween 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 2nd Wednesday of the month in the Community room at the Mutual of Omaha Bank (next to Ace Hardware). Contact WARREN UHL Ph: 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). 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** or 393-9125).

# **BOCCE BALL**



Bocce has rolled to a start. We play mostly couples, on Tuesday and Thursday, 3 or 4 pm. We have 93 participants, with 12 teams playing each day. You can come down and cheer your favorite team to victory.

Play will continue through April. Any late comers with an interest to play can get on a sub list. Skill is valued, but not required. Contact Warren at "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 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

Please telephone LOU MAKRIS at 781-258-0456 or email <a href="mailto:loumak42@aol.com">loumak42@aol.com</a> regarding information of illness or death of members, their spouse, and immediate family. Lou will notify the MMC board.

# **CRUISES**

# THE MARCO ISLAND MEN'S CLUB "47" CRUISE AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND, MARCH 6- MARCH 18, 2021 "FIFTEEN

DAYS.....THIRTEEN NIGHTS....VISITING "8" PORTS OF CALL ABOARD CELEBRITIES 5 STAR SHIP "SOLSTICE"
- AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND, TAURANGA, NEW ZEALAND.....WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND, CHRISTCHURCH, NEW ZEALAND.....
DUNEDIN, NEW ZEALAND..... DUSKY SOUND.....
DOUBTFUL SOUND ..... MILFORD SOUND..... SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA - "2" NIGHTS AT SYDNEY'S AMORA "5" STAR HOTEL. "2" FULL DAYS MMC PRIVATE SYDNEY TOURS. FLYER CONTAINS CRUISE/TOUR ITINERARIES, COST, FREE PERKS.

"SORRY, CRUISES SOLD OUT OF CLUBS GROUP SPACE"

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

MMC 45TH CRUISE - AFRICA - "WILDLIFEAND THE FALLS – FEBRUARY 22, 2020

# **CLUB NEWS Continued**

MMC 46 TH CRUISE- MEDITERRANEAN 8 PORTS CALL-CELEBRITIES EDGE-MAY 4, 2020

A WAIT LIST IS AVAILABLE FOR SPACE ON MAY 4TH, 2020 MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE

# Please contact bobmarksmi@hotmail.com

239-642-0370

for additional Cruise information.



"The easiest way to hook a ball is to try to slice it!"

#### 1/2020 MMC GOLF NEWS

Bill Horton Golf Chairman Phone # 239-642-8928 Cell # 239-206-0856 Email address bhorton 1103@gmail.com

It's good to see some new members joining our golf group, Welcome. The course is still in pretty good shape as we get into the winter season, they are working hard to keep it up so give them some support as the season goes on. The greens are in great shape.

Just some hints on how to fix your divot on the green.

Insert your repair tool at the edge of the depression and lean your tool towards the center of the depression, do this around the edge always working toward the center of the depression then tap down with your putter. DO NOT LIFT UP THE CENTER OF THE BALL MARK AS THIS WILL DESTROYS THE ROOTS.

Another tip on fixing divots in the fairway is fill it with sand than smooth it out.

This will help the mowers in keeping the blades sharp.

Our match play tournament this season will be in **March instead of February** do to my having a full plate in February with the **WALL THAT HEALS COMING**, This will give you more time to practice!!!!

The rates are still the same as last year. The frequent player card is \$225.00

January till May 2020

7:00 AM till Noon \$99.00 league rate w/o card \$89.00 /league rate with card \$69.00 plus tax So do your math and see if it pays to buy the frequent player card.

I expressed our concerns about the credit card on file and the 24 hour notice with Mike. He said he understands our concerns but if you have a legitimate excuse like sick wife sick that just a phone call To let him know, that during season he can use that spot for a t time. He said that he gets a lot of calls Looking to play. 

THE PHONE IS ON 24/7 SO YOU CAN CANCEL ANYTIME THE PRO SHOP IS CLOSED CALL AS SOON AS YOU KNOW THAT YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PLAY.

PHONE # FOR HIBISCUS 239-774-0088

FOR THE COORDINATORS AND PLAYERS IF YOU CAN CONDENSE YOUR GROUPS TO FREE UP A SPOT MIKE COULD USE IT FOR WALKONS.

#### I want to thank coordinator Bob Phelan for doing a great job in December.

Wesley Shanks is our January coordinator for Mondays, also there is a 9 hole group that plays on Wednesdays contact Greg Glynn at phone # 239-285-5458 for more information and on Fridays there is a TGIF group that we are welcome to play with contact Lou Makris at phone # 781-258-0456

# **GOLF NEWS Continued**

# COORDINATORS FOR DECEMBER THROUGH APRIL

MONTH	COORDINATOR	PHONE #	EMAIL ADDRESS	
NOVEMBER	MONDAY'S	KEN BURNHAM	413-531-7799	kwburnham47@gmail.com
DECEMBER	MONDAY'S	BOB PHELAN	239-272-4820	bobjphelan1@gmail.com
JANUARY	MONDAY'S	WESLEY SHANKS	973-903-4505	w.shanks@att.net
FEBRUARY	MONDAY'S	DOUG BAILLIE	239-394-6700	flbails@gmail.com
MARCH	MONDAY'S	BILL HORTON	239-642-8928	bhorton1103@gmail.com
APRIL	MONDAY'S	TED HOLTERMAN	239-682-2169	tejac2@aol.com

Man blames fate for all other accidents, but feels personally responsible when he makes a hole-in-one.Bishop Sheen

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE

# The Marco Men's Club Speakers Calendar JERRY SWIACKI, PROGRAM DIRECTOR

# JANUARY 2020 LARRY SACHER PLANNING

After graduating from Boston University Larry worked for NCR as an account manager and then for Perma Steel of Brooklyn managing New England and upstate New York. He started in the insurance and financial service industry with John Hancock Mutual Life by heading the Cleveland office and becoming the second youngest General Agent in their history. In 1978 Larry started his own firm "Capital Planners Inc." with Guardian Life as the primary insurance provider.

During his career Mr. Sacher received the "Best in Class Award" in 2005 based on production of all lines of financial services and planning including Securities, Life and Disability Insurance as well as recruiting and retention. In 2006 he sold his company and became a Senior Executive for Guardian Life in New York. Due to health issues, Larry retired in 2008.

After spending over 40 years in the financial services industry, Larry became active in the Marco Island community. He has held property on the island for over thirty years and moved here full time in 2001. When he retired in 2008 he became more involved with island politics. Along with Ray Seward he helped found the Marco Island Property Owners association in 2009. He subsequently ran for City Council in 2011 was elected and served from 2012 to 2016. He declined to run for a second term. During his time on City Council he served as Council Chair and also served as the City's representative for the Collier County Tourism Board.

# FEBRUARY 2020 KATIE O'HARA MICA SURVEY

After the Deltona Corporation left Marco Island the Marco Island Civic association was formed for the **PURPOSE:** "to assist in the general welfare and civic improvement of Marco Island and to advance the best interests of its citizens". MICA takes no position on any candidate for political office, political office holder or political campaign. In accordance with its stated purpose, MICA takes a yearly survey of its members to assess the "pulse" of the community. The results of the 2019 survey will be presented by MICA board member, Katie O'Hara.

Katie had a 20 year career with IBM. After moving to Marco Island she worked for Sunshine Tours and the Marco Island Princess. Drawing on her career experience with IBM she was selected by the Marco Island Chamber of Commerce in June 2011 to become the Director of Sales and Marketing. She is involved

with multiple civic organizations on the Island including the Marco Island Historical Society, Friends of Tigertail Beach, Marco Island Police Foundation and the Marco Island Fire/Rescue Foundation. Presently, she is the Secretary of the Board of Directors for the Marco Island Civic Association.

# MARCH 2020 DR.THOMAS SALVUCCI CARDIAC HEALTH

Dr. Salvucci received his Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree from Pennsylvania State University and his Doctor of Osteopathy (D.O.) degree from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. His postgraduate training included an internship at Suburban General Hospital, an internal medicine residency at Phoenix General Hospital and a cardiology fellowship at Deborah Heart and Lung Center. Following his training he served in the United States Public Health Service.

He is certified in Internal Medicine and Cardiology and attained Fellow status from the American College of Cardiology. He has been a Professor at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine and at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey-School of Osteopathic Medicine. He has been an attending Cardiologist at several hospitals and has served on multiple hospital committees as well as participating and serving on committees for national organizations.

Dr. Salvucci has also authored and published multiple scientific articles regarding cardiac health.

# **APRIL 9, 2020**

# GEOFF FAHRINGER SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

Geoff is a reserve officer for the Collier County Sheriff's office. From 1973 to 1994 he served with the Syracuse, NY Police Department. In 1994 he came to Florida to join the Collier County Sheriff's Department. He has worked as a patrolman, a Patrol Supervisor, a Detective in the Organized Crime Division, the Criminal Intelligence Bureau, SWAT Team and Dive Team and Major Crimes Vice Narcotic Bureau.

Mr. Fahringer has Advanced Sniper Certification, Florida SWAT Association Dignitary Protection, Advanced Diver Certification with Instructor Certification and Intelligence Training and membership for Terrorim Operational Planning, Global Terrorism, Islamic Terrorism, and Intelligence Analysis.

He brings his vast experience and knowledge to our group to help us understand and be aware of the dangers that surround us.

# **SPEAKERS CALENDAR Continued**

# MAY 2020 DR. AL TARTARUS'S STRESS MANAGEMENT

Dr. Al has received a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Massachusetts, a Master's Degree in Education from Harvard University and a Doctorate in Education from Boston University.

He is an expert in hypnosis and the past president of the Greater New England Academy of Hypnosis. In 1984 he established the New England Stress Management Center. Besides stress management, Dr. Al works with clients to help with smoking cessation, weight loss, chronic pain management, sports hypnosis and cancer support. He is also an author having published the book: Nobody Drives You Crazy, You Do!! A Stress Management Primer.

Besides conducting many seminars on hypnosis and stress management in the United States, Canada and England, Dr. Tatarunis had been a teacher and school administrator in Massachusetts Public Schools for 31 years.

# JUNE 2020 DR. JAKE BERMAN PHYSICAL THERAPY

Dr. Berman graduated from the University of Florida with a degree in Health Sciences. He went on to earn a doctorate at the same institution in the Physical Therapy program.

Dr. Berman's philosophy is based on natural solutions which treat certain medical problems that do not involve the use of painkillers or surgery. He is interested in treating the problem and not the symptom. His use of manual medicine enables him to diagnose and treat his patients with techniques that allow them to return to efficiency in a more timely manner. He opened his practice in October 2015.

JERRY SWIACKI Program Director