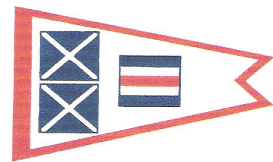


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Things are beginning to look up. The numbers of individuals infected with the Covid-19 virus are finally starting to trend downwards. With that, those dying from the virus are fewer in number.

I am assuming that many of you have received one or both doses of the vaccine by now. If you have not, I believe that anyone over age 65 who wants to be vaccinated should be able to receive the vaccine by the end of March. A few may have to wait until early April. I encourage anyone who is able to receive the vaccine to do so. The scientific and medical evidence is on the side of vaccination.

Remember, that having received the vaccine, it is not a pass to return to "normal" activity. We should still follow CDC guidelines:

- wear a mask in public
- social distance, and
- wash hands.

Continue to do this until we receive word from the CDC that we may alter our behavior in such a way that "normal" can return.

The numbers of Club activities are slowly increasing. Bocce ball, hosted by **Warren Uhl**, has been well attended. Warren also hosts the Investment Discussion Group. The Men's Club Golf Winter Tournament is being played over three Mondays in March. Our Golf Chairman, **Bob Winterhalter**, has been doing a great

job with the help of **Bob Phelan** in February and **Wes Shanks** in March. **Lou Makris** continues to run the TGIF game on Fridays.

We had a successful New Members Luncheon in February at Mango's Dockside Bistro hosted by **Ray and Candy Seward**. On March 17 there will be a St. Patrick's Day Party at CJ's hosted by **Dave Walsh**. Check out the flyer on the website marcomensclub.com and come dressed for a good time. More events are being planned for April and May. In fact, our new Vice Presidents (**Ray Seward, Warren Uhl, Dave Tobiasz** and **Tim Clune**) have been meeting to plan events for the next six months.

I believe that our General Membership Meetings, outside at Sarazen Park and Mackle Park, accompanied by a free lunch, have been a success. Thanks to **Jeff Dywan** and **Bill Rogers**, our February meeting was "Zoomed" and recorded and is now available to view via a link on the club's website. Many members have accessed the meeting using the link on the website and speak favorably for it. The Club purchased a year's subscription to Zoom and we plan to Zoom future meetings. Some of our Committee Chairmen plan to use the technology in lieu of "in person" meetings.

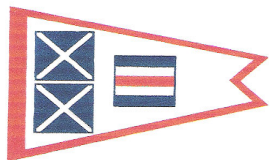
Our next General Meeting is on **TUESDAY, March 9th at 11AM** at Mackle Park. There will be a free lunch. For those of you who can't attend in person, the meeting will be "Zoomed" again, so look for the invitation in your email inbox.

Our speaker will be Larry Kalkstein, who is a climatologist. His topic is "**Cool City Solutions**". Don't forget to send me a check for \$5 by March 7 to reserve your spot. My address is:

Jerry Swiacki
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Meanwhile, stay safe and I hope to see you soon.

Jerry Swiacki



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COMPUTER/TECHNOLOGY CLUB

Contact **Charlie Erker** at 239-259-8054

Or charles.a.erker@gmail.com.

Computer/Technology Club typically 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 in-between are all welcome. Reservations are not required. Just show up.

Meetings are suspended until further notice due to lack of meeting space because of Covid-19.

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. We are moving again. Back to a shade tree. We will meet at a shade tree at Mackle Park. Bring a chair. **Contact WARREN UHL Ph: 727-247-5167. Meeting status will be through an e-mail blast the week before the meeting.**

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). **Meetings are suspended until further notice because of Covid-19 restrictions.**

BOCCE BALL



Bocce is really rolling along. We have an even number of teams. We lost one player to a leg injury unrelated to demands of Bocce. Anyone interested in joining the remaining three guys

to keep the team at 4 players let me know. We can always use Subs, any one, or couple interested in subbing drop me a line. Play is January through April. The field has "shaken out", revealing those there to play and those lucky or good.

Tuesday: After 7 weeks of play, Team "V" remains in the lead with a 9-5 record. Team "W" also has a 9-5 record, but 8 total points behind. This lead is not secure.....

Team "V"- Turk and Vicky Tilev, Glen and Carolyn Davis. Team "W"- Vic and Pat Bermeo, Dave and Leesa Tobiasz.

Thursday: Team "D" and "B" both have a 6—1 record, with "B" nipping at the heels, 4 total points behind. Team "D"- Ray and Kathy Davis, David and Maureen Hodgkinson. Team "B"- Dennis and Penny Hoelzel, Terry and Mary Anderson.

If you have any questions contact Warren Uhl at 727-247-5167 MMC.BocceLeague@gmail.com

HOSPITALITY

Thanks to the guys who set up the room. Chairman DEREK MULLINDER, JERRY DEFIBAUGH, RICH CARLSEN, DON LALLY AND DON KOPPEL. To volunteer, contact DEREK MULLINDER (derek.mullinder@comcast.net or PH: 642-0565).

MMC HATS AND SHIRTS.

Since we are not yet holding general meetings, Men's logoed apparel can be ordered on-line.

The order form for Hats and Shirts is available on-line on the MMC Website, under the

MISCELLANEOUS header. Click on **CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES** to obtain **Order Form and Instructions**.

SPORTS UPDATE

At this time, there are no plans to attend either **FGCU Basketball** or **Everblades Hockey**. Some events are TBA and subject to change making it

almost impossible to plan a club event given the requirement of social distancing. Sports Chair Pat Wright will take a look at Spring Baseball as information becomes available. Contact **Pat Wright** at pwright44@msn.com or 518-369-6441

SICKNESS AND BEREAVEMENT

I am saddened to report the passing of club member **Dan Dotterweich**. After having suffered serious health issues over the last couple of months, Dan was hospitalized at Landmark Hospital when he passed away on Saturday, February 6, 2021. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Lucille and family.

George Vitta is our new Sickness/Bereavement Chairman. Thank you, George!

Please telephone **George Vitta** at 586-942-8056 or email golflover3@yahoo.com regarding information of illness or death of members, their spouse, and immediate family. George will notify the MMC board.

CRUISES



MMC “47th” CRUISE AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND, MARCH 6 – 18, 2021 **CANCELLED**

Australia closed borders to enter their country, requiring **Celebrity** to cancel our March 2021 Australia – New Zealand Cruise.

THE MMC “48th” CRUISE JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA MARCH 27 – APRIL 10, 2022

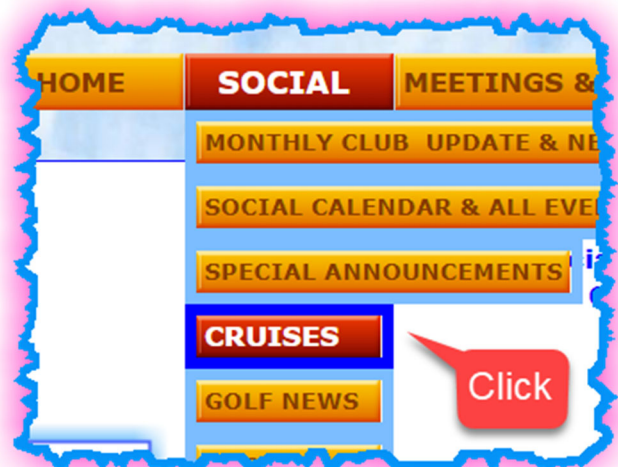
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Speakers Calendar

Peter Piro, Program Director

Larry Kalkstein

Climatology: "Cool City Solutions"

Larry Kalkstein, world renowned climatologist will speak on new materials and their applications which decrease the use of energy for commercial and residential structures.

Larry received his PhD from the University of Delaware and was professor of climatology there. He currently is a Professor at the University of Miami and heads worldwide projects in climatology.

Larry and his wife Rhona are long time residents of Marco Island and his son is a professor of climatology at West Point.

Proposed Speakers for the coming year:

Geoff Fahringer: Situation Awareness

Craig Keeling: Nuclear Armament

Dr. James Faramouth: Medical Marijuana

Darcie Guerin: Understanding Finances

This is all tentative given start-up date and their schedules.

Peter Piro

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Golf News

Bob Winterhalter, Golf Chair
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First, I would like to thank **Bob Phelan**, February Hibiscus Monday coordinator.
March Monday's are being coordinated by **Wes Shanks** at Hibiscus.

MMC GOLF COORDINATORS WINTER/SPRING 2021

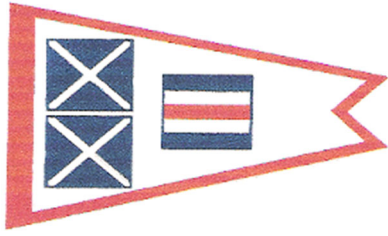
March	Monday	Wes Shanks	w.shanks@att.net	973-903-4505
April	Monday	Tony Tomassone	tonytom_52@msn.com	610-937-2324

Summer Golf Season starts May 1st and continues through October 31st.

Monthly Coordinators (May – October) will be needed for both Monday and Friday play. Please send a quick email to Bob Winterhalter at robertswinterhalter@gmail.com if you are able to help out during the summer months.

MMC 7th Annual Winter Golf Championship started Monday, March 1st and will continue with play on March 8th and March 22nd. We have 11 players competing in the “A” Flight and 12 players competing in the “B” Flight. Players’ scores will be adjusted for handicaps and winners will be determined by low net scores over the three rounds of play in each of the flights. There is also a weekly game with prize money for the three lowest net scores in each of the flights.

Bob Winterhalter



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