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## The Marco Men's Club Newsletter

#### October 2021



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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Please remember that our annual Dues Collection process for the 2022 Membership year will begin November 1<sup>st</sup> and end December 31<sup>st</sup>. Be on the lookout for an eBlast toward the end of October with all the details. Our Membership year coincides with the Calendar Year.

We have many club activities which you can access for free. For example, there is the monthly Travel Club meeting hosted by Silky Sullivan in which you can find valuable information regarding your forthcoming trips. You can discuss your investments or learn more about the market and new investing opportunities by participating in the monthly **Investment Discussion Group** with **Don Koppel**. If you need computer help, Charlie Erker hosts the Computer/Technology Club.

More importantly, how do you get back the money you pay in dues? The best way is to come to the many activities that the Club sponsors. When you come to the monthly **General Meeting**, in addition to connecting with your friends, you can hear what the Club is doing, listen to an informative lecture scheduled by **Peter Piro**, and frequently receive a "**free**" lunch.

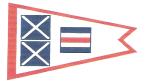
Also, do you realize that when there is a big social event, for example, the **Hurricane Ball**, that the Club <u>supports</u> the event by paying for the **entertainment**, **valet parking**, **decorations**, or it **discounts** the price of the meal? In a similar way this is true of the **Welcome Back Party**, **Holiday Party** and the **Sweethearts' Ball**. The many "men only" and coed **luncheons** and **dinners** receive the same support.

How about all of the other activities? Glenn Davis and Randle Grossman have put together great **Theater** offerings for the next year. Bob Marks has three interesting Cruises scheduled. If you enjoy going to sporting events, Pat Wright is getting tickets to sporting events. As a club we can obtain group rates that are better than individual rates. This is also true of our **Golf** Groups organized by **Bob** Winterhalter and Lou Makris with help of the many monthly golf coordinators. Warren Uhl runs the Bocce group. I urge all of our members to take advantage of all of these discounted or free activities.

Finally, I would like to thank the Hospitality Committee members, Jerry Defibaugh, Don Lally, Richie Carlsen, Derek Mullinder and Don Koppel for their help with the "free lunch" at last month's General Meeting.

As my father-in-law used to say: "I'll see you at the next Big One"

Jerry Swíackí



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#### COMPUTER/TECHNOLOGY CLUB

Computer/Technology Club typically meets the 3rd Thursday of the month 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. Contact **Charlie Erker** at 239-259-8054 Or charles.a.erker@gmail.com.

#### INVESTMENT DISCUSSION CLUB



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. **Contact Don Koppel Ph:856-906-4318. Meeting status and location will be through an eBlast the week before the meeting.** 

#### TRAVEL DISCUSSION CLUB

The next Travel Discussion Club meeting will be on Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11AM, location to be determined.

Hints for those planning trips:

- 1. Check online for specific requirements when you plan your trip.
- 2. Take proof of your vaccination status.
- 3. Consider purchasing travel insurance.
- 4. Double-check your passport early. It takes 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  months to renew.
- 5. Apply for TSA PreCheck or Global Entry.
- 6. Pack multiple masks. (Pack extra masks, hand sanitizer, Lysol spray, wipes, and water in your carryon bag).

In the meantime, sources to research ideas for travel can be found on "Travel Club" webpage. To access the <u>"Travel Club" webpage</u> click on the following link:

https://marcomensclub.com/ComingEvents2/002Tr avelDiscussionGroup.pdf

Let me know if I can help in any way. Contact **SILKY SULLIVAN** <u>marcosilky@yahoo.com</u> or 239-404-3249

#### **BOCCE BALL**



**Bocce** is on! It is time to sign up. As your "commissioner", I'd like to report that the city parks are changing the way they apportion court time. No idea at this time when we will be

playing. But, will do my best to get Tuesday-Thursday afternoon time we have had in the past. Will not know until December 2<sup>nd</sup>. In the meantime, please submit your teams, couples or individual requests that want to play. I need a count by December 2 to figure how many hours and courts we will need. Send me an email with the following: Name of players

Day of play-Tues or Thurs., or both. If you have any questions contact: **Warren Uhl** at 727-247-5167 or MMC.BocceLeague@gmail.com

#### HOSPITALITY

Thanks to the guys who set up the room. Chairman JERRY DEFIBAUGH, RICH CARLSEN, DON LALLY, DEREK MULLINDER AND DON KOPPEL.

#### MMC HATS AND SHIRTS.

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

Sports Chair **Pat Wright** will take a look at future sports events as information becomes available. Contact **Pat Wright** at <u>pwright44@msn.com</u> or 518-369-6441

#### SICKNESS AND BEREAVEMENT

Please telephone **George Vitta** at 586-942-8056 or email <u>golflover3@yahoo.com</u> regarding information of illness or death of members, their

spouse, and immediate family. George will notify the MMC board.

## **CRUISES**



#### THE MMC "48<sup>th</sup>" CRUISE JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA MARCH 27 - APRIL 10, 2022 **"CANCELLED"**

CELEBRITY PROVIDED GUEST OPTIONS FOR A FUTURE CRUISE CERTIFICATE OF 125% OF FUNDS PAID OR A REFUND OF 100% OF THEIR FUNDS PAID.

THE MMC "49<sup>th</sup>" CRUISE AmaWaterways "MAGNA ON THE DANUBE" NOVEMBER 3 - 10, 2021

EMBARK ON A **7NIGHT RIVER CRUISE** ABOARD THE MAGNIFICENT **AmaMagna**, FROM BUDAPEST, HUNGARY TO VILSHOFEN, GERMANY. VISITING ---BUDAPEST-----BRATISLAVA-----VIENNA------KREMS------LINZ------PASSAU-----VILSHOFEN.

THE "**AmaMagna**" LARGEST SHIP SAILING DANUBE (BUILT 2019) LARGE BALCONY, UNLIMITED WINES, ELEGANT ACCOMMODATIONS. **16 PEOPLE BOOKED TO DATE**. FLYER CONTAINS INFORMATION AND RESERVATION FORM.

#### THE MMC "50<sup>th</sup>" CRUISE AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND OCTOBER 22 - November 3, 2022

ABOARD CELEBRITIES 5 STAR SHIP, THE ECLIPSE, 15 DAYS, 14 NIGHTS VISITING 7 PORTS, "2" NIGHTS HOTEL TO ENJOY SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA TOURING SYDNEY AND THE COUNTRY, ON CLUB'S PRIVATE COACH. THREE FREE CELEBRITY PERKS.

THE CLASSIC BEVERAGE PACKAGE, SHIP GRATUITIES AND WI-FI. CLUB IS RECEIVING A LARGE REQUEST FOR THIS CRUISE SPACE. CURRENTLY 92 PEOPLE CONFIRMED IN 50 STATEROOMS.

A VERY POPULAR CRUISE. LIMITED STATEROOMS AVAILABLE IN EACH CATEGORY.

#### THE MMC "51<sup>st</sup>" CRUISE CHINA, TAIWAN, JAPAN FEBRUARY 17- MARCH 4, 2023

VISITING TEN PORTS OF CALL, SIXTEEN DAYS, TWELVE NIGHTS SAILING ABOARD CELEBRITY'S 5 STAR SHIP **"THE SOLSTICE",** "3" FREE PERKS: THE CLASSIC BEVERAGE PACKAGE, SHIPS GRATUITIES, UNLIMITED SURFING WI-FI, AN EARLY BOOKING BONUS FOR \$300 ON-BOARD STATEROOM CREDIT, A PRE-CRUISE VISIT STAYING IN HONG KONG, CHINA 3 DAYS/2 NIGHTS, 5 STAR HOTEL, DAILY BREAKFAST, INCLUSIVE MMC PRIVATE TOURS AND MIAMI AIR.

#### **TO VIEW <u>TRAVELEX INSURANCE</u>** <u>COMPANY POLICY</u>, please click on Travelex link:

https://marcomensclub.com/ComingEve nts2/998K-50th-Australia-NewZeland-TRAVELEXpolicy.pfd

PLEASE GO TO THE MMC WEBSITE & USE THE DROPDOWN MENU, AVAILABLE ON ALMOST EVERY PAGE, FOR ALL THE LATEST INFORMATION ON MMC CRUISES. ...OR FOLLOW THIS LINK: https://marcomensclub.com/Cruises.htm



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October 2021

## The Marco Men's Club Speakers Calendar

Peter Piro, Program Director

#### October 14, 2021 Darcie Guerin - Certified Financial Planner (Raymond James Associate) Luke Noble – Financial Advisor (Raymond James Associate) Speaking on Financial Acumen

**Darcie Guerin** has worked in the financial services industry for 38 years. Darcie received her BA in Economics from the University of Vermont in 1982, and began her career in the financial services industry with Dean Witter Reynolds in New England. In 1997, Darcie worked for Barnett Private Investments and then A.G. Edwards. In 2005, she joined Raymond James where she is the resident branch manager. Darcie writes a column for The Coastal Breeze newspaper titled "Ask the CFP Practitioner" and offers regular educational forums for her clients.

Luke Noble is a strategic thinker with a keen sense of what's important, traits that he leverages to help his clients pursue their long-term objectives and financial well-being. Luke's clients typically seek him out for comprehensive wealth management services for individuals and families, including estate planning and generational wealth transfer. Prior to joining Raymond James, Luke was a financial advisor with Edward Jones and a Member of the leadership team of AMDG Financial.

He is a member of the Marco Island Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club, Marco Island Chapter.

### **Proposed Speakers for the remainder of 2021:**

**November**: Dr. James Faremouth – Medicinal Marijuana **December**: Marco Island Police Chief Tracy Frazzano

**Peter Piro** 





Bob Winterhalter, Golf Chair Phone: 239-389-0825 Cell: 614-264-0021 Email: <u>robertswinterhalter@gmail.com</u>

Thanks to **Al Vacio** for coordinating Mondays at Lely Mustang in September and **Tony Tomassone** for Coordinating Friday Reciprocal Courses.

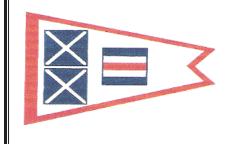
Thanks to **Tony Tomassone**, **Jeff Kaczka** and **Chris Hansen** for answering my urgent plea for an **OCTOBER FRIDAY COORDINATOR**. **Tony Tomassone**, (10/1) **Jeff Kaczka** (10/8) and **Chris Hansen** (10/15, 22 & 29) will be our coordinators for Fridays in October and **Bob Phelan** is organizing Lely Mondays.

The Fall Scramble is on Monday October 25, 2021, at Glades - Includes Luncheon. <u>Please see Flyer, sign-up and mail me your checks ASAP</u>.

## **MMC GOLF COORDINATORS FALL 2021**

October October	Monday Friday	Bob Phelan Tony Tomassone	<u>bobjphelan1@gmail.com</u> tonytom52@msn.com	239-272-4820 610-937-2324
		Jeff Kaczka	jkaczka1@comcast.net	239-398-8156
		Chris Hansen	chrishansen16@icloud.com	630-674-5565

**Bob Winterhalter** 



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