



The Marco Men's Club Newsletter March 2010

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Marco Men's Club!

February was another busy month for the Men's Club and I continue to be pleased with the performance of our event hosts and Vice Presidents in charge. My thanks to **Bill Sullivan**, Senior Vice President for hosting the New Members Breakfast, to **Tom Eck** for hosting the Men's Only Luncheon at the Iron Rhino, **Fred Stavola**, Past President, **Judy Stavola**, **Bill Sullivan**, **Carol Sullivan** and their helpers for the wonderful Sweetheart Ball held at the Marco Hilton. The Night Train band kept us dancing to many memorable, 50's tunes. And speaking of the 50's, **Jerry Masters** and **Mary Helen Masters** hosted another outstanding event at the Barbara Mann, namely the Jersey Boys show. I am also thankful to one of our new members, **Steve Moore** for hosting the co-ed luncheon at Konrads. I am always grateful to any of the new members who "step up to the plate" and volunteer to host an event. By the way, you might take a look at page 6 of this newsletter to check out March's schedule of events.

I might take this opportunity to comment on the number of events we hold each month, taking into consideration the number of members that spend the seasonal months here on the Island. It is our intent to make their stay during season and that of all our members as enjoyable and as fun filled as possible. This is not a new revelation, but I find it necessary to remind our members of the value they get with their membership to the club. The Activities Planning Group continues to seek new venues and opportunities for the entire membership, allowing each of us the option to pick and choose to attend those events that appeal to us. The number of attendees obviously will vary for each event, some predicated on price while others on individual preference. We offer a broad spectrum of choices, with the intention of providing added value for each choice. We continue to appreciate your support and welcome your comments.

Here is an update on the NCH Blood Donor Program. New HIPPA laws which protect patient privacy have resulted in the NCH Healthcare system to discontinue the "non-replacement" fee and the need for replacement credits. Basically, this does not affect us as Men's Club donors, unless we use a hospital outside the NCH Healthcare system. If one of

us chooses another hospital system, we may be charged non-replacement fees, depending on that hospital's policy. Since the Men's Club is a participating donor to NCH, and if we continue to donate, we will maintain credit recognition for blood deposited without any fees. This is the same as it was in the past. Also, the cancer criteria is now changed, which means that someone who wants to donate blood that previously was a cancer patient, no longer has to be cancer free for five years before he can donate. Instead, he now only needs to be cancer free for twelve consecutive months as well as free from treatment for twelve consecutive months.

Persons who have or had blood related cancers still cannot donate. So now more than ever, we have the opportunity to increase the number of donors from our club.

I remind you that the nominating committee is seeking nominees for next years Board so if you are interested and want to contribute your ideas and skills, please contact **Jerry Masters**, our nominating committee chairman.

Please join me in welcoming the following new members to our Club:

Joe Varano

"Laugh when you can, apologize when you should and let go of what you can't change. Life is too short to be anythingbut happy"



SAVE THESE DATES

The Event Planning Committee, chaired by Sr. V. P. Bill Sullivan, has put together a schedule of some activities beyond the 3 month calendar on page 6. Listed below are some of the events and dates that are already booked or will be booked. Flyers for these events will appear in future newsletters.

2010-2011

Thu. June 10, 2010 Co-ed Lunch @ Paradise Café Marco Hilton (booked)

Thu. July 8, 2010 Co-ed Lunch @ The Classics in Lely Resort Golf & C.C. (in progress)

Oct., 2010 Co-ed Lunch & Tour @ Naples Botanical Gardens (in progress)

Sun. Nov. 21, 2010 Luau & Pig Roast Poolside @ Marco Hilton with “Hot Damn” (in progress)

Sun. Feb. 13, 2011 Sweetheart Ball @ Marco Hilton with “Kelly & Shelly” (in progress)

Fri. Apr 8 to Thu. April 21, 2011 Cruise # 23: UA Emirates, Arabian Sea, India (booked)

RESERVATION FORM is ENCLOSED

Sat. May 21, 2011 Installation Dinner Dance @ Glades C.C. with “Billy Dean and Dawn” (booked)

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CLUB NEWS

BRIDGE

Contact Dallas Schmidt @ 239-821-1935 for information and sign-up. Partners Bridge meets Friday nights and Men's Bridge on Wednesday afternoons.

COMPUTER CLUB

Contact Steve Ehrhorn @394-5861 or sehrhorn@Comcast.net. Computer Club meets the third Wednesday @10:00 AM at the Community Room at Marco Community Bank. This is an informal round table discussion group. Beginners, experienced and in-between are all welcome. Reservations are not required. Just show up.

COFFEE AND DONUTS

Thanks to the guys who set up the room this month: Chairman Gerry Gibbons, Mike Levine, Gene Stillwell, Phil Kostelnik, Fred Wojcik, Erwin Stegmaier, and Joe Rad. Special thanks to Bob Hopp, mike holder and Sergeant at Arms.

CRUISING

"SORRY SPACE ON THIS CRUISE IS SOLD OUT"

**FOURTEEN NIGHT
SOUTH AMERICA-CHILE CRUISE
MMC TWENTY-SECOND
CRUISE-MARCH 14-28, 2010
CRUISING SOUTH AMERICA, PA-
NAMA CANAL AND CARIBBEAN
SEVEN PORTS OF CALL ON
CELEBRITY'S "INFINITY"
SANTIAGO CHILE..... LA SERENA CHILE.....
ARICA, CHILE..... LIMA, PERU ,,,, CARTAGENA,
COLOMBIA**

ALL PASSENGERS RESERVATIONS CONFIRMED

TWELVE NIGHT CRUISE

APRIL 8 TO 21, 2011

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

.....ARABIAN SEA.....INDIA

FIVE PORTS OF CALL ON ROYAL

CARIBBEAN "BRILLIANCE OF THE SEAS"

DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES.....MUSCAT,

OMAN.....COCHIN, INDIA. GOA (MORMUGAO),

INDIA... BOMBAY, (MUMBAI) INDIA

"3" STATEROOMS (ALL CAT. D-2 REMAINING IN OUR

INVENTORY AT CLUB'S ORIGINAL GROUP PRICE

"86" PASSENGER RESERVATIONS ARE CONFIRMED

Response for Cruise has been tremendous. With large number of reservations received first couple days, it appeared 40 staterooms could be a sell-out. Royal Caribbean was contacted seeking additional staterooms to our inventory. Early February they approved request and allocated the group an additional "9" staterooms. Currently reservations have been confirmed Sorry, RCCL will not allocate MMC group any addition staterooms. Our passengers and group prices are protected, however: Royal Caribbean has increased all their category prices \$200.00 per person, since we established this group. If we receive a cancellation from one of our passengers, we may replace them only at the Cruise and Air prices applicable There are "3" staterooms (1 G + 2 D-2) remaining in Club's inventory, at original prices. Once these staterooms are booked, our group will be closed.

Please telephone Joe Pucci at 732-5606 or e-mail him (jpucci11@embarqmail.com) regarding information on sick members..

WANT TO SEE MORE PHOTOS? The editor encourages submission of photos of Men's Club activities to the Webmaster, Ed Crane(marcoman357@aol.com) We will publish those submitted in a timely manner.

See Fred Wojcik (389-0300) to order shirts and hats, at meetings.

Marco Men's Club Expresses our sincere sympathy to the family of MMC Member Gilbert Scholes who died January 25, and to the family of Richard Shanahan whose wife, Catherine passed away Feb 4.

GOLF NEWSby **Al Vacio**

. I hope you are getting your game ready for our April Tournament. It will be on Monday, April 26, at Hibiscus. Please send in your checks to me ASAP. It helps us to prepare for a good tournament if we know in advance how many are going to play. Last minute entries are difficult for the committee. We have to scramble to put on a good scramble. Ha Ha. Anyway, fill out the flyer in this newsletter or call me and let me know if you plan on playing. Thanks.

Boy it sure has been cold, but our guys are still out there swinging away. Cold balls and all. Our In-House Tournament revealed some new names.

February In-House Tournament Results:

Flight I

1. G. Franz -----68

2. J. Sullivan ---71

2. R. Bales-----71

Flight II

1. H. Weathers---65

2. H. Pierce-----68

3. T. Green-----69

SANDBAGGER OF THE MONTH: Well guess what?!? There are several names up there that are making the Jersey Boys salivate. I guess

Harry Weathers' knees and knuckles have healed from last April, after winning the Sandbagger of The Year Award. **Weathers** thinks 'dat du Joisy Boys ain't too bright'. Good luck **Harry!** Not so fast **Green and Sullivan.** Your names have moved up the list. Your wallets are getting so fat, you guys are walking with a limp. Can't run too fast with those big bucks in your wallet. Welcome, **George Franz** and **Hal Pierce!** Don't try running out of the parking lot. The Jersey Boys know what you both look like. It is best not to travel alone. You won't get the JB trifecta. That's when the Jersey Boys do a triple on you. That's nose, knees, and knuckles. They might just do your knuckles or knees. If you keep showing up in the winnings, it would be to your advantage to not trust anyone. If two guys show up in your foursome whom you don't know, RUN!

GOLF TIP: Some of you are not filling out your scorecards correctly. Please, please use LAST names and put down the DATE you played. It is not easy for me to post your cards when you use first names only and no date. I may have to use the Jersey Boys on some of yoos guys. If a little shakeup doesn't work, they may step it up from there. Oooh, not good!

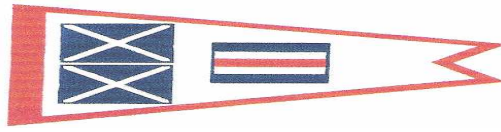
GOLF JOKE OF THE MONTH:

Charlie finally retired. He loved to golf. However, as he got older he was increasingly hampered by incredible headaches. His golf game started to suffer. He managed to push on, but the more he golfed, the more his headaches became more intense. He sought medical help. After being referred from one specialist to another, he finally came across a doctor who solved the problem. "The good news is I can cure your headaches, the bad news is that it will require castration. You have a very rare condition which causes your b__s to press up against the base of your spine. The pressure creates one hell of a headache. The only way to relieve the pressure is to remove your b__s." Charlie was shocked and depressed. He decided he had no choice but to go under the knife. When he left the hospital, he went out for a drink and as he walked past a Mens shop he thought, "That's what I need: a new outfit."

He entered the shop and told the salesman, "I'd like some new slacks." The salesman eyed him briefly and said, "Let's see . . . size 44 long." Charlie laughed, "That's right, how did you know?" "It's my job." Charlie tried on the slacks, they fit perfectly. As Charlie admired himself in the mirror, the salesman asked, "How about a new shirt?" Again the salesman guessed his size. Then he said, "How about some new underwear?" The salesman said, "Let's see...um a size 36." Charlie laughed, "No, I've worn size 34 since I was 18 years old." The salesman shook his head, "You can't wear a size 34. Every time you golf, it will press your b__s up against the base of your spine and give you one hell of a headache."

That's all folks. Hit 'em straight.

Al



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