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President's Message

In the past month, we've seen some great examples of the 'Ole Windjammer Spirit'. Folks coming together for the common good. The first was our ladies luncheon and fundraiser. It took a small army of ladies {and a few guys} who spent many hours preparing the clubhouse and soliciting donations. The result was an enormous success. The ladies generated over \$4000 which was donated to the Cancer society in honor of Sharon Thompson.

The next example was the party sponsored by some thoughtful Windjammers for Bob Jarvis. There is detailed info describing this party later on in the paper, but it again showed caring spirit. The Jarvis family was very appreciative.

Finally, the final event of our season was Windjammer Day. Here again many hands were needed to handle all the details. There were many events and an equal amount of volunteers that allowed the day to go smoothly.

Thanks to all for rekindling that productive spirit. Let's remember this as we move into next year.

Financial Report

~February was \$827 over budget. due to semi-annual tree pruning. ~Operating cash was up \$2k to \$48k due to late/unbilled February expenses. ~Reserves were unchanged as fence work offset the allocation add.

Don

SCHEDULE OF DAILY EVENTS AT THE CLUBHOUSE/POOL

Activity	Time	Day
Dominoes	5:45 PM	М
Poker	6:30 PM	M, TU
Water Aerol	oics 9:00-10:00 AM	M, W, F
Walking Exe	rcise Class 8:30-9:00 AM	TU, TH
Bone Buildir	g Class 9:00 -9:30 AM	TU, TH
Bocce	10:00 AM	TU, TH
Quilting	10:00 AM	W
Shuffle Board		
	10:00 AM	W
Pinochle	6:00 PM	W
Euchre	5:50 PM	TH
Potluck	5:00 PM	F
Bingo	7:00 PM	F

Have the Spinnaker Delivered Electronically?

Get the latest edition "Hot Off the Press". You'll get it about 1 week before the printed version is available. You also don't have to worry that all the printed versions are gone. These printed issues should be reserved for members without Internet access. It's also on our website. Contact Earl at ecsteman@yahoo.com or call 239-298-3968.



Windjammer Bowling League

You don't have to know how to bowl and you don't have to be good at it. Residents that had never bowled found that bowling is fun. The season ended with a bowling banquet and prizes for all participants.

. We will be bowling 15 weeks every Monday, starting January 9 – April 17.

Come and join your neighbors. Have some fun!

Woodside's Bowland 8525 Radio Lane Mondays - 1:00 P.M.

Cost \$12.00 per week for three games

Golf News for 2017 Season



Windjammer's Golf Group plays on Friday. Our tee times are 10:22 am, and we can accommodate up to 16 people.

Contact Marion Reigle by text, email, or phone to let her know what your plans are by Wednesday PM of each week. 856 986 4134

marionreigle@gmail.com

WOW

Widows and Single Gals...
A Get Together For A Fun Breakfast

Second Saturday Of The Month Sign Up Sheet In The Clubhouse Or Call Alice – 643-3328

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When is a Lake not a Lake?

When it is a Retention Pond

A lake is a recreation area, a retention pond is an area to store water in the rainy season. A lake has beaches, a retention pond does not. A lake has a fairly constant depth, a retention pond is expected to go dry.

WindJammer Village has a retention pond. Old sales literature called it Lake WindJammer. We all know how accurate sales literature can be.

If you look at other retention ponds around here, they all look pretty similar. They all are very low or already dry. A lot have big rocks around them to prevent erosion {and discourage people from trying to fish or get near the water}.

Our pond was never designed to be used for recreation.

It was put there to have a feature that the developer could use to charge more money for lots. It is there to look at. It is also there to capture water in the rainy

season to prevent our houses from flooding. Houses that have flooding now should just imagine what it would be like without the pond.

Unfortunately, our predecessors ignored maintenance on the pond, like they did with so many other of our assets. As a result, wind and water had the normal effect on the shore line. All of this happens to all bodies of water ---it erodes.

When the Horticulture committee studied the pond and what alternatives are available; they found many alternatives.

For about \$350,000 we could add a new 'artificial shore' and for about \$90,000 we could add rocks to the banks. These are just two examples of ways we could address our shore line.

Throwing money at the pond really isn't the issue. Of course, it would silence those who are looking for a silver bullet to address the issue. Remember, we ignored this for 30+ years. We don't need to fix anything overnight.

Based on input from Collier County Environmental folks; we are pursuing a proven path. By allowing our grass to grow longer the bank is getting stronger to hold back the natural erosion that occurs. This won't create new soil, but it will retain the current. Current inspection says that this is beginning to work. But this is a slow and steady procedure.

Unfortunately, for those of you who have lost 20+ feet of bank; you should have hollered many years ago,

when there was something that could have been done about it. IT'S GONE!

Now we are taking a deliberate approach to stop or slow down future erosion.

What can you do to help out?

First and foremost---STAY OFF THE BANK!!! Use the steps if you want to fish. Leave the grass on the bank grow longer. Do not trim it just to get a better view of the POND

Earl

2017 Social Events

Apr 1 9AM Donuts

Speed Limit 17MPH

Lots of Windjammers have returned for the Season. Drive slowly, carefully and be sure to stop and check the traffic at each corner. Be safe and enjoy your time with us.

Windjammer Activity Committee

Volunteers are always welcome. Come, lend a hand and enjoy friendly camaraderie.

In-Season meetings are held 2nd Wednesday of month in the Clubhouse at 10AM. Come join us. And planning for 2018 will start in January; bring your ideas about activities and entertainment.

Shareholders: Please Remember to Notify Guardian to Update Your Mailing Address

Men's Luncheon

Always on the Second Wednesday of the Month

Meet at 11:30 at the Clubhouse

Details and sign-up sheet will be posted on the Bulletin Board in the Clubhouse

Volunteers are Always Needed and Welcome

All events at the Club House are hosted by a Windjammer. If you are interested in helping out, give the hostess a call to help decorate, serve or clean up after an event. Many "hands" make quick work of many tasks.

Our Boy From Illinois Karaoke Rewind

What a fabulous party it was at our clubhouse. The clubhouse was filled to capacity where we all came together to witness WJV's very own Bob Jarvis singing karaoke in the style of Johnny Cash. What a terrific voice and performance Bob gave us!!! Seven of his family members (even from as far away as Illinois) including

Luanne, joined him to witness this event. Jimmie K put on a hopping Karaoke show and many residents joined in the fun. Vicki Venduro was busy all night taking candid snapshots so this party could go down in history. Thanks to Karen Rohdin for brain storming the idea and presenting Bob with a scrap book of the event along with providing a very unique cake that had Bob Jarvis' picture on it dressed in his Johnny Cash attire. The picture was made of frosting and it was almost too amazing to eat. I don't think the grand ole oprey stage was ever this exciting!!! Thanks to all that attended and made it a spectacular event.....but most of all.....thanks to OUR BOY FROM ILLINOIS......BOB JARVIS!!!

Submitted with love by Bonnie and Joe Kunzelman





Important House Documents

It has been a busy year with house sales in Naples and in our community. On many occasions owner's, have had issues with the paperwork that is necessary for the transfer not always being available. Here is a quick reminder of what to make sure you have.

Windjammer Membership Certificate (8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 11 – blue or green paper)

Titles to the unit (these look the same as car titles and if you have a double wide unit you will have 2 and A & B). It is important to make sure they are in your name or a trust and in the same manner as the Proprietary Lease. There have been several occurrences when even though there are someone has closed on the unit the titles where not transferred into the current owner's names causing delays in closing or getting finalized documents to the new owners. If you find that your titles have not been transferred correctly or are unsure, please ask. I would be happy to review then with you and direct you on how the correct them.

Title Insurance (looks like an old fashion insurance policy) This will save you money in closing costs but more importantly it is a protection for you to have in your file in case there was ever something that came up that could cause a cloud on the title.

There are papers like the Assignment of the Proprietary Lease that is important to have but keep in mind it is recorded with the county so it is available in case you could not locate. As mentioned above it is important that your titles match the way the Proprietary Lease was written.

The next issue that has occurred are open permits. These can be not only from work you may have had done but even from a previous

owner. Several years ago, Collier County became stricter on open permits so this could have been missed when you purchased your unit. Sadly, though an open permit will become your problem. The cost to reopen a permit is \$100.00 per permit and engineering paperwork may be needed in order to close them properly. Even if a convenience permit is pulled for items like a new AC please make sure to contact your service provider to make sure they have arranged to have them inspected and closed.

Amy

Notice - New Website

WindJammerVillage.ORG is the new site's domain name. It was WindJammerVillage.NET. The new site makes it easy for users that became familiar with the old layouts. Screens fit well on small mobile devices & phones. With our new control, we will save a lot of money!

What you need to know:

~Change windjammervillage.net to windjammervillage.ORG in your browser, search window and bookmarks. The "Members Only" login name and password are the same. If forgotten, authorized owners may contact Earl or Mary Steman, or me (see below). ~"Governing Docs & Financials": Is a new page in the "Members Only" sub-section. There are two groups: "Financial Statements" and "Governing Documents" (will be completed if I get them). ~Forms: Commitees and responsible persons need to review their forms. Many need revision or have obsolete references.. E.g. References to Rules & Regs, statutes, contact person info, and the new website. I can only post what I get. ~Revision Submissions: Committees and responsible persons: Email to me (see below), revised forms and documents

saved or exported in (Adobe) .pdf format. ~"Editor" : I will be the website primary contact and will act as an "Editor". Earl Steman was also trained as an "Editor" for our new website. We have a customized training doc. for our website.

Don Speaker - speakd2002@yahoo.com

Festival of Tables THANK YOU

On March 16th, WJV held a "Festival of Table" Charity luncheon/fashion show/auction benefitting the American Cancer Society in honor of one of our own, Mrs. Sharon Thompson, who has sadly passed away. This year's event was chaired by me, Pam Proctor, and it was a huge success in many ways. I want to thank my "table hosts" who gave 110% on decorating their tables which were all so beautiful. You made me so proud. Thanks to all of my models who put on a fabulous fashion show, emceed by the one and only Vicky Venduro, who made the show extra special. My "Cancer Warriors" were terrific in their role of serving the luncheon. Thank you so much, gentlemen. A big thank you to Nancy Smith who really handled the big job of the Auction, a monumental feat. Also, all who helped in so many other ways, food prep people, volunteers who pounded the streets to get the auction items and all who helped to set up and tear down. All of these great efforts helped to net a total of \$4,020.99 to give to the American Cancer Society, along with about thirty guilts that our great Quilter group here in our park donated to the cause. I hope all who attended had a wonderful time and enjoyed coming as much

as we enjoyed putting on this event. It was so nice to bring so many together in our park for a great cause. Hope to see everyone next year. Thank you.

..Pam Proctor





Quilts for Cancer

Collier County received many adult quilts.

And children's quilts were donated to the

Pediatric Oncology Unit at Galiano Children's

Hospital in Fort Myers.



HATS OFF TO THE COOKS

Once again, I would like to thank the people of Windjammer for making the many pancake mornings & St Patrick's Day breakfast great successes. It's also my pleasure to see you enjoying the dogs.

My personal thanks to all the cooks and servers for their help and devotion who work for the good of the Park to keep you fed: Dianne & John Haupert, Annie & Jim Hinsperger, Carol & Bob Nangeroni, Lois & Harry Wilson, Diane Procopio and a new scrambled egg chef Anne Asselin.

Please have a good summer and you all come back next year.

Gene Procopio

CONSERVING OUR WATER

According to the Dept of Agriculture Collier County is described as in "moderate drought" conditions as of March 21, 2017. If you have been driving throughout Naples you have seen several retention ponds that are approaching rock bottom, canals that are dry and fewer birds because of lack of water.

Cape Coral which is 50 miles from Naples already has water restrictions in place. You can see from our front pond that Windjammer is experiencing its own issues and just recently the large retention pond began experiencing issues. The only thing we can do to help mitigate this situation is to become pro-active water conservationists.

If you are watering your lawn three (3) times weekly reduce that to twice weekly watering. And let the grass grow longer to encourage the root system to borrow deeper into the soil and allow the existing grass to provide some shelter for the roots and newer grass that is growing. See additional info on the web can be viewed at IFAS Extension "Four Simple Landscape Practices..."

Windjammer recently experienced views of wildfires...some closer than we wanted to see. Between the lack of rainfall, steady winds and climbing temperatures; the conditions are prime for more wildfires. Collier County and Windjammer want to be sure that there is sufficient water flow to be able to react to the need for water to put our these fire

The Florida Dept of Environmental Protection has a lengthy list of suggestions for conserving water on the web at: dep.state.fl.us/drought/tips.htm

Soon, hopefully, global weather will return to a more normal flow allowing for a return of the summer rains to Windjammer. If Windjammer enacts conservation practices now, our landscape will be ready to return to normal.