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Line Dancing by Shirley

Shirley Orvosh treated us to an afternoon of line dancing! It was a fun time that was followed by complimentary appetizers for “Member Appreciation Day.”



Thanks go also to Mary Kendall, Jeanne and Ed Boyer, Bob Parker, Gary Gilbert, Marilyn Maloney, Peggy Lewis and Marlene Jacobs who contributed furniture, household items, and the delivery of the furniture to a CEB family in need.

We have heard many wonderful comments on the caring, generosity and helpfulness of our MPWC as well as many others in our community. Thanks once again to all of you who have selflessly donated your time and efforts, as well as your financial support to the Charles E. Bennett Elementary School. It is greatly appreciated.

Dee Pratt & Dottie Lunt

Nov. 16 - Holiday Boutique

Don't forget to stop by our Holiday Boutique on Wednesday, November 16 from 10am to 5pm. It will be at the VIA across the street from the Post Office. There are lots of door prizes, raffles, refreshments and arts and crafts.

Meeting, Wed., Nov. 9

Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 9th at 3:30 in the clubhouse. Corporal Mischa M. Brady, US Marine Corp, will tell us about the Wounded Warrior Project. The mission of the Project is to honor and empower our wounded warriors. Husbands are invited and should arrive no later than 4:30.

Following the meeting is happy hour and dinner from 5:00 to 8:00pm. The menu includes a choice of: Country-Fried Steak, Oven-Roasted Herb-Rubbed 1/2 Chicken, Calves Liver w/ Bacon, Onions, Gravy; Broiled Seafood Platter w/ Fish du Jour, Shrimp & Scallops. Served w/Garden Salad, Side Dish, Vegetable Du Jour, Tea or Soda - \$10.00++. Email or call Dyal at 269-9276 x 0 for your reservation.

CEB Update

Christmas is coming and members are signing up to shop for CEB. And, our caring and generous residents are responding to our charity drive!

Thanks go to all the ladies who helped us prepare the mailing for the drive and to those who are signing up to shop. Many thanks to our “stuffers” Debbie Brown, Dotti Curry, Phyllis Skarbrevik, Pat Ingram, Sandy Eastman, Sharon Sprott, Marilyn Maloney, Geri Isgan, Eloise Burman, Pat Jolly, Penny Murphy, Cheryle Newman, Barbara Barclay and Kit Cella who joined Dottie and me.



June Sanford

Check out all the beautiful baskets that were assembled by member June Sandford.

Community Outreach Update

Our next Outreach is scheduled for November 14-18 when we volunteer to assist the Salvation Army with its yearly holiday fund raising project - Bell Ringing!

We have a few time slots still available and would welcome a commitment from you to ring the bell at Winn-Dixie on Hwy 17. Contact **Debbie Brown**, 284-7448, if you would like to spend 2 hours in the fresh air, greeting shoppers, and accepting donations to help those in need this holiday season. Sign up with a buddy and have double the fun!

Dec. 10 - Luminary Night

The Luminary Committee is ready for the holiday festivities to begin. Block Captains are all assigned and orders will be taken Nov. 20th-30th. Luminary Kits will be assembled on December 5th. If you are interested in helping with assembly please contact Pat Ezzell 529-7123.



Light your luminaries and come join the festivities at the clubhouse with dinner, drinks and dancing to music provided by DJ Ken Beers until midnight. The Magnolia Singers will perform holiday songs outside the 28th Hole at 6:30. Bring your golf cart or lawn chair to join in a sing-a-long. Then make sure to join in the fun upstairs afterward.

President's Message

As I sat Sunday afternoon guarding the peanut butter for the Crop Walk, I reflected on the many people and groups for which our club donates so much time and money and I marveled at the generosity of our community. Today, we collected 350 jars of peanut butter. Half of this will go to the Food Pantry and half to the Clothes Closet in Orange Park. Monetary donations are not tallied yet, but will be forthcoming shortly.

I then turned my thoughts to the people who benefit from this generosity. Maybe it was the setting.... so serene and beautiful there on the bank of the St. Johns River or maybe it was the beautiful church that was looming over this scene...but I then felt a calming thankfulness wash over me. Thankfulness for the workers who were leading the Crop Walk, thankful that we have generous donors, thankful that we had so many walkers there to give their time (and peanut butter), thankful that we are blessed with the means and ability to give and thankful that I was on the "giving" end and not the "needing" end of this generosity.

My thoughts next turned to the upcoming Veteran's Day celebration and the many individuals who have given their time, their limbs and even their lives to the protection of our democracy. Again, I marveled at how fortunate we are to be here, now in this country.

As this month unfolds, I hope that you will count the many and varied ways in which you are thankful. Share these

thoughts with your friends and family as you gather around the feast that we celebrate at the end of this month. And have a very Happy and thankful Thanksgiving.

Mary Kendall

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