





# March 2020 Newsletter

Saint James City Civic Association

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*March* brings much more than the first day of   spring to the SJCCA!

## PHOTO EXPO

The Photo Club has our big yearly event on **Sunday March 1st** , with a **"Meet the Artist" wine & cheese night on Feb 29th**. The event is open to all SW Florida Photographers.

Then on **March 8th from 7:00 - 8:30pm** we will have a photo judge conduct a **Photography Critique workshop**. Fee is \$2 for members and \$4 for non-members.

For more info contact: **Andy Bergsten** [andyvox@comcast.net](mailto:andyvox@comcast.net)

Photo Expo Flyer

# March Big Breakfast and Arts & Crafts Vendors

**Our last Big Breakfast** of the season will be held on **March 14th, serving from 7:30 – 10AM**. This event, coupled with **arts and crafts vendors** provide a tremendous boost to the revenue needed to operate our facility.

Please join us for this **all-you-can-eat breakfast** consisting of scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits, sausage gravy, pancakes with strawberries with whipped cream topping & cinnamon toast, coffee and tea, **all for \$7**.

After breakfast you will enjoy browsing through all of the goods offered by the creative **arts and crafts vendors!**

For **vendor space information**, contact **Ellie 973-650-9168**

**PLUS We are Hosting...**

## **BREASTFEST** Annual Fundraiser

Don't forget that **From Our Hearts**, a Beacon of Hope program, will have their **19th annual Breastfest Walk on March 14th**. Registration starts at 7:00am and the walk begins at 8:30am at the SJCCA.

**Register early on March 7th** at the SJCCA and get your Breastfest T-Shirt to wear on the day of the event!

**Grab a delicious "Big Breakfast" before the Walk** - we start serving breakfast early (at 7:30) so participants can fuel up!

**Contact: Jodee McCollum 239-283-4790 [travelagentjodee@yahoo.com](mailto:travelagentjodee@yahoo.com)**

"Spring is nature's way of saying, "Let's party!"

- Robin Williams

## ❖❖ Dueling Pianos Concert



**Mar 15th, Sunday 6:30 - 9:00pm**

An evening of music, humor and fun! Audience participation makes you part of the show for all ages – bring a friend and leave with a smile. Jimi Pappas (from BeatleBeat!) joins Glenn Mack and Keith Kóbee

**Tickets: Cindy Bickford 239-282-9478**

**Mar 24th, Tuesday 5:00 - 7:00pm**

Get your tickets for our **Fish Fry Dinner!** Fried fish, coleslaw, corn bread, desserts, iced tea served up hot and fresh! Music provided by "Idle Speed".

**Tickets are only \$12 each - *limited number of plates available***

**Contact: Paula Bruckner  
paulabruckner6175@gmail.com**



Fish Fry Flyer

❖❖ **Many Thanks!! To our volunteers, friends, family and supporters.....for making our February Breakfast / Rummage Sale / Arts&Craft Vendor Sale a success!**

We served up **250 Big Breakfasts** and sold a variety of items at the Rummage Sale. The Art & Craft Vendors were busy selling their wares too!

It was a **great day that brought in over \$2,320** to add to our much needed reserves.

**Shout Out to Howard Dreiseszun** for "stepping up to the grill" for Denny Dekker!

Tickets were sold for our popular Concert Events (thank you! Cindy Bickford)



## ?? February Annual Card & Game Party

The Annual Valentine Card and Game Party was once more a resounding success. \$2,270 were added to the treasury. This year in addition to delicious **sandwiches provided by Pine Island Pizza** at a large discount, fresh **bagels were donated by Island Grill**. So when you patronize this two great establishments please let them know how much the civic center appreciates them.

I would like to **thank several of our activity leaders and vendors** who donated gift certificates or prizes: **Nancy Barr, Jaime Boswell, Cindy Bickford, Michelle Jordahl, Joe Hernandez and Susan Saulsbery.**

**Lastly** it wouldn't have happened without the combined efforts of the **Bridge Ladies** or the **Mah Jongg group**, we are in awe of your awesomeness!

## ACTIVITY NEWS

### Book Club

Book club meets the **second Monday of the month, 9-10:30 a.m.**

The Book Club of the Saint James Civic Association (SJCCA) will hold its next meeting on **Monday**,

**March 9th** at the association building at Lemon and Fourth Avenue, Saint James City. Welcome and discussion begin at 9:00 a.m. The meeting lasts approximately an hour and a half.

The SJCCA Book Club is open to all members and their guests along with interested readers and listeners from the community. There is a \$2 fee for members and a \$4 fee for members' guests.

March 9, **Spies of Shilling Lane, by Jennifer Ryan**

April 13, **Secrets We Kept, by Lara Prescott**

## "Easy Does It" Line Dancing

**Mondays 4:00 - 5:50pm (until the end of March)**

On Tuesday morning this past week, 13 members of the **Easy Does It Line Dancing class** (Monday, 4 pm) traveled to **Gulf Coast Village in Cape Coral**. Our dance team **entertained the residents** of the Skilled Nursing/Rehab unit for an hour with a **variety of music & dance**. The music included tunes from the 50s & 60s, country music, Italian, Latin, and pop. Along with traditional line dances, we danced in a contra & a circle formation, and a conga line. Our dances included a polka, an Irish jig and more.

The residents smiled, clapped, tapped their toes, and sang along. Some of the nursing staff joined us for the final dance. It was a rewarding experience for everyone, with smiles all around!

**Thanks to: Chris Miley**, Activity Leader of "Easy Does It Line Dancing" and the entire **Team of wonderful entertainers!**



2020 SJCCA "Easy Does It" Line Dance Team

Back L to R: Chris Miley, Kathryn Bunce, Janet Schubert, Marcia Wielenga, Sheryl Reid, Barb Grimm, Ginny Skorupski, Susan Casserino  
Seated: Christine Criswell, Claudia Smith, Sharon Napolillo, Jackie Morrison, LuAnn Alexander

**Yoga Tune-Up** Roll and Recover Class

**Mondays 11:00 am - 12:00 pm**

This combination class of Yoga and exercises will help to correct Posture, Improve Performance and reduce pain. Using the Yoga Tune Up Therapy balls we loosen bound muscles, improve the health of fascia, increase mobility and hydration to your body's tissues.

**Please bring:** yoga mat and 2 yoga blocks for this class. Classes continue thru April 27th 2020. (No class Monday March 16th)

Feel Better In Your Body !

***Michelle Jordahl Yoga***

## **Island Knitters & Crafters**

**Wednesdays 8:00am - 12:00pm.**



Island crafters are planning a basket weaving workshop on Wednesday **March 11th.**

Limited space available, reserve your spot for \$25.00 (plus \$2 for members and \$4 for nonmembers)

## **MARCH WORKSHOPS & CLASSES**



**Card Making Class - Wednesday,  
March 11th 5:30-7:30pm**

All supplies are included to make 6 beautiful cards.

**Cost is \$25**

**Must RSVP by 3/9 to Susan 239-560-6286**

**Mimi Little Workshop**

**March 31st Tuesday 1:00 - 4:00pm**

**GOLDEN BRUSH** is happy to announce that *Mimi Little* is returning to lead a workshop on March 31st from 1 to 4 p.m.

Mimi Little works in **acrylics and collage** and her paintings are abstract in nature with bright color and vigorous brush strokes.

Working in a series, **participants will explore a variety of techniques**. If you have your own acrylic paints and brushes, please bring them.

**For information and to register call: Linda Selleck at 239-283-5207 Cost is \$45**

**Here is our schedule of activities and events** for the season. Please **check the calendar** on our website or on our Facebook page (links are on the bottom of this newsletter) frequently to verify if there have been changes/cancellations/additions to the schedule.

The schedule will be updated with each newsletter, but the calendar will reflect the most current information. Most activities are \$2 per member of the SJCCA and \$4 for non-members.

**If you have questions** and would like to **contact the Activity / Event Leader**, members of the SJCCA are encouraged to sign up for access to the "members only" page on our website for contact information. **Contact information is also on the bulletin board** at the civic center. Or email us [info@sjccapi.org](mailto:info@sjccapi.org) and we will forward your request to the appropriate person.

## 2019 - 2020 Schedule

### Activity Information

**Book Club** - second Monday each month - 9:00 - 10:30 am *Carol Roscher*

**Bridge: Mondays - Happy Islanders** - 12:30 pm *Kay Winter / Mary Tobias*

**Wednesday- Slambidders** - 12:30 pm *Joyce Coryell*

**Fridays - Open Bridge** - 7:00 pm *Bonnie Love*

**Cribbage** - Thursdays (Nov - Apr) 6:45 - 9:30 pm *Peter Barson*

**Dominoes** - Tuesdays 6:30 - 7:30 pm (currently full - call first) *Fran Wolford*

**Golden Brush** - Tuesdays 10:00 am - 1:00 pm *Linda Selleck*

**Island Crafters** - Wednesdays 9:00 am - 12:00 pm *Audrey Wade*

**and Knitters!** *Ellie Fenyohazi*

**Euchre** - Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:30 pm *Darlene Bender / Jan Robertson*

**Exercise** - Tuesday and Thursdays 8:30 - 9:30 am *Jodee McCollum*

**Line Dancing** - Mondays (Dec - Apr) 4:00 - 5:50 pm *Chris Miley*

**Mah Jongg** - Thursdays 1:00 - 4:00 pm *BJ Skribiski*

**Ping Pong** - Mondays and Thursdays 9:00 - 11:30 am *Cindy Bickford*

**Photo Club** - second & fourth Mondays Jan thru Mar 7:00 - 8:30 pm *Andy Bergsten*

**Shuffleboard** - Tuesdays and Fridays 9:00 am *R Cleenput / Mike Schreibman*

**Triple Play** - Mondays 1:00 - 4:00 pm *Peggy & Mike Finley*  
**Yoga Tune-Up with Michelle Jordahl** - Mondays 11:00 am - 12:00  
**You Move Me Yoga with Sandi Wanner** - Fridays 9:00 - 10:15 am

## **Events and Gatherings**

**Big Breakfast** - Nov 16, Jan 18, Feb 15 & Mar 14 Sat morning *Denny Dekker*  
**Rummage / Plant Sale** - Nov 16, Jan 18, Feb 15 Sat morning *Anne Sayer / Jeanne Workman*

**Annual Holiday Breakfast** - Dec 14 Sat morning *Denny Dekker*  
**Fish Fry Dinner** - Mar 24, Tuesday 5:00 - 7:00pm *Paula Bruckner*

**Concerts:** **American Pie Revisited** - Dec 8, Sunday 6:00 pm *Cindy Bickford*  
**Verlon Thompson** - Jan 19, Sunday 6:00 pm *Cindy Bickford*  
**Uproot Hootenanny** - Feb 16, Sunday 6:00 pm *Cindy Bickford*  
**Dueling Pianos** - Mar 15, Sunday 6:00 pm *Cindy Bickford*

**Open House** - Jan 19, Sunday 1:00 - 3:00pm *Carlos Gomez*  
**Card & Game Party** - Feb 12, 9:30am - 3:00pm *Pat Johnsen*  
**Photo Expo** - Feb 29 Artist Viewing 7:00pm / Mar 1 Expo, Sunday 10:00am - 3:00pm  
*Andy Bergsten*

**Breastfest** - Mar 14, Saturday *Jodee McCollum*  
**Mah Jongg Tournament** - Apr 18, Saturday 8:00am - 4:00pm *Mary Halbleib*  
**Pickin' in the City** - 1st & 3rd Sundays Jan-Mar 2:00 - 4:00 pm *Cindy Bickford*

### **Golden Brush Workshops:** *Linda Selleck*

Jan 14 - **Joan Roberts** - Acrylics Beach Scene  
Feb 4 - **Kristine Smock** - Sculpture with raw materials  
Feb 18 - **Jean Curley** - Watercolor Beach Chairs  
Feb 19 - **Jean Curley** - Watercolor on Masa Paper  
Mar 10 - **Barbara Gomes** - Decorative Gourds  
Mar 31 - **Mimi Little** -

**Remember to check our calendar** for new activities and events, changes or cancellations. The calendar can be viewed and printed from our website - click the link at the bottom right of the newsletter!

## **Reminders and Clarifications**



🧐 If you have ideas, suggestions, pictures or articles for our newsletter, our website, or our Facebook page, please contact us! We want to know how we are doing and if we can improve. Feel free to share your news or celebrations with other members in our newsletter  
- Email: [info@sjccapi.org](mailto:info@sjccapi.org)

**\*\*SJCCA Contact Information:** Our website has a list of contact information is located on a **new page** that is private and can only be viewed by **registered members of the SJCCA** - **click on the "Help" button below the "Members Only" tab for instructions.** We will continue to post contact information on the bulletin board at the Civic Center if you do not wish to register as a member on the website. Inactive members and the public can complete the "Contact Us" section on our website and their inquiry will be forwarded to the appropriate contact person.

**\*\*A Members Only page** was created **on our website** to provide our members with information such as financial reports and minutes to board/association meetings. To access the Members Only page you must first "Sign Up" to be approved as a valid Member of the SJCCA. Once approved, you need to "Log In" each time you enter the Members Only page. **For Help - click on the "Help" button below the Members Only menu tab on our website.**

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