

**2016 St. James City Civic Center
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION –**

Year Oct 1, 2015 – Sept 30, 2016

also available at: www.sjccapi.org

mail to: SJCCA, PO Box 605, St. James City, FL 33956

Membership Fee: \$20 per person

NAME: Mr/Mrs/Ms (first) _____ (last) _____

LOCAL ADDRESS: _____

City: (SJC BOK MAT or ?): _____ State _____ Zip _____

PHONE: Local _____ Off Season: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: (PLEASE!!) _____

Please send my SJCCA Newsletter to: (Save us postage if you can!!!)

____ My E-mail address (Best option) ____ My LOCAL address, above

Activities I attend _____

I would also like to volunteer to help (Yes/No/Maybe): _____

***** Admin Notes: to be filled out by Volunteer accepting this application *****

: Volunteer's Name _____ Paid (yes/no) _____ Card Issued (yes/no) _____

SJCCA Hotshots Photo Club

The Hotshots Photo Club held their meeting on Monday, December 11, 2015 with 11 members present. Our "local experts" were able to help fellow shutterbugs at our Boutique Critique with items such as suggestions regarding which new camera to purchase, and help with operating instruction for a new DSLR camera.

The Ostego Bay Marine Science Center on Fort Myers Beach has been contacted regarding a possible tour and a photo shoot session. We should have enough information gathered by the January 11, 2016 meeting to make a decision on dates and times for the event.

A couple of members have copies of the DVD "*The Art of Travel Photography*" by Joel Sartore of The National Geographic, and published by The Great Courses Co. We are looking for an instructor to lead the six sessions that are on the DVD.

Kenny Johnsen showed two short videos that he made of storks and squirrels. Very well done, Kenny – and very clever.

Janet Reed presented her slide show of their trip across the USA. Excellent photography, beautiful scenery, and great composition. Nicely done, Janet.

The evening concluded with the sharing of some very tasty "goodies" provided by the attendees. This led to several small discussion groups sharing photography moments. We will try to make this a permanent item on our meeting agenda.

As a reminder, the Hotshots meet at the SJCCA building every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month from December through April. The formal meetings start at 7:00 PM. We also have an informal Boutique Critique session from 6:30 PM to 7:00 PM for anyone needing help with photos, cameras, techniques, etc. We encourage photographers of all levels of expertise to join us. Our next meeting is on January 11, 2016 – bring a "goodie" to share.



Golden Brush January Workshops

Be inspired and have some fun at the "Palm Frond Zoo" painting workshop on January 12th, with artist/guest instructor, Heidi Saletko (sponsored by SJCCA's painting group, Order of the Golden Brush).

Roy Fuller's Big Brush Water Color workshop is on January 19th.

Pat Johnson will be guiding participants in techniques for working with alcohol paints on January 23rd and January 24th.

Golden Brushers meet every Tuesday at 10 A.M. Stop in with your pencil, pen or paint brush. Call Melissa at 283-5203 or Linda at 283-5203 for information or to sign up for a workshop.



Report from the Board of Directors

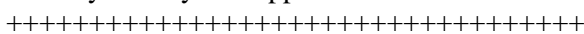
Meeting of Dec 17

- Treasurers report: financially stable
- 2016 Membership: As of Dec. 12, 194 people have renewed their 2015 membership, and we have 32 new members.
- Ward Award: The Ward Award for exceptional volunteerism to the association was voted unanimously. The winner/winners to be announced at the Jan 18th General Meeting.
- Golden Brush has three workshops in Jan. Heidi Selecto Jan 12 Roy Fuller Jan 19 and Pat Johnson Jan 23-24.
- Sunshine Report: On behalf of the membership body, we thank Shelley, Melissa and Pat for the fabulous job in decking the hall for our annual Christmas Dinner. A big thank you to an anonymous donor for the beautiful Christmas decorations; you know who you are.
- Announcements: Steven Smith is resigning as Top Chef after March Big Breakfast. He will be available to help and train the new Top Chef. . The Board approved a price increase for The Big Breakfast price to \$7.
- Other: SJCCA will no longer rent or loan any portable properties (such as tables and chairs) - too much general wear and tear in transporting.

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General Members' Meeting
Monday, January 18
5:50: Social hour & Potluck dinner
6:45: SJCCA Members' Meeting
7:00: Speaker - Brad Jessen,
(Edward Jones financial advisor).
Topic: Standing Guard: Protect What
You've Worked For; Avoid Fraud

Booster Club

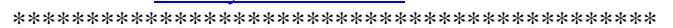
The SJCCA Booster Club was formed on November 1, 2015, to provide a financial boost for the repair and refurbishment of the interior of the SJCCA building.

Please consider supporting this worthy cause. You can purchase raffle tickets (\$25 each) and have the opportunity to win some lovely prizes, such as Golden Brush paintings and the Hotshots Photo Club framed photographs.

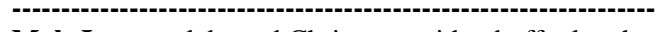
The Club will be selling \$25 tickets that will be used in a drawing at the last "Big Breakfast" in March, 2016. Multiple ticket purchases increase your chances to win.

To date the Booster Club has raised over \$800.

For ticket purchases or additional information please contact Pat Johnsen at kpj127@aol.com or Betty Jean Skribiski at skribby13@msn.com



The beginner bridge lessons have been cancelled. They will be rescheduled when requested.



Mah Jongg celebrated Christmas with a buffet lunch followed by an afternoon for Mah Jongg. In lieu of a traditional gift exchange the members donated pet supplies for Helping Paws Animal Sanctuary.



The Mah Jongg group meets every Thursday at 1 pm. Everyone is welcome. For further information call Pat at 239-283-8368

