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TAMPA BAY 56ers BEACON

Coming Attractions

(details in the newsletter)

December 5 - Christmas Party

Note the time change. It's in Kathy's letter and with the details about the party.

January 2, 2010 BOD Mtg
Location To Be Announced

January 9, - House Tour

January 17, - General Mtg

February 21,- General Mtg

March 21,- Club Picnic
Starkey Park, New Port Richey

This is the link to get to the recently announced Dept 56 retirees.

http://www.department56.com/content/pdf_files/2009_village_retire.pdf



A message from our President, KATHY

Merry Christmas Everyone!

It's that time again where the rush is on and the Christmas Party is just around the corner. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the party, we have a great crowd coming. Remember the start time for the party has dropped back a half hour due to the people working at Raymond James Stadium. Cocktails at 6:30 pm, dinner at 7 pm. I just want to say I appreciate those who are working at this particular game since they will be rushing to the party after they have finished. I also want to take the opportunity to thank all those who do work at the games. We will be enjoying some of the money we earned at the Christmas party.

Christmas is the time to remember the less fortunate, and with these days and times, there are more less fortunate than ever. Go that extra mile to help a family or child. I know I am complaining that I lost my job this year and took a pay cut, but I have a job. And I am thankful that I can still maintain my lifestyle with just a little less. I know a lot of us have similar stories or know someone that has fallen on hard times. It is the most heartwarming feeling helping others. Go that extra mile. We are very fortunate to have been able to contribute to Toys For Tots this year. There is no better feeling than seeing a child's face light up when they receive a gift. So if possible, give a little on your own,,,,,you'll be thankful you did.

For those of you that received an envelope or email from Wayne Ingalls, please remember to bring the items he requested. It is for a game we will be playing. As Wayne said in reference to the items - think outside of the box. Certain items can have many meanings. Have fun thinking about your items. Happy hunting and see you at the party!!

House Tour Saturday January 9th

Mark the date

Details, including maps, will be available at the Christmas Party and I'll get them out to everyone again later in December.

We will have 4 or 5 houses on the tour.



Our house is not on the tour this year, however we are having an open house for our neighbors on December 6 from 3 to 5. If anyone is interested, you are welcome to drop by then. We had about 80 people last year and offered cookies and punch. Probably will do the same this year.

Our address is 280 Gardenia Lane, Parrish 34219

Dues are due. They can be paid at the Christmas Party or you can mail them to:
Conrad Krause
908 Oakview Ave
Clearwater, FL 33756.

I taut
I heard your dues
are due. I did, I did, they
are due. Please send them
in now before you
forget to.



A Christmas Story buildings



UPCOMING NCC EVENTS

NCC Hawaii Cruise

Feb 28, Mar 14, 2010

For details, see the NCC website

Gathering - September 17 to 19, 2010

Livonia, MI

Join the Country Villagers of Flint, Detroit 56ers and Village Collectors of Michigan as they celebrate the Seasons of Michigan. Further information is located on their website.

www.villagecollectorsofMI.com

Happy Birthday wishes

11-14 Ellen Wilcox
11-26 Aggie Mularoni
11-29 Jack King
12-1 Sally Colangelo
12-10 Barbara Wallis
12-18 Chuck McGearry
12-28 Denis Gillen



Christmas Party



The Christmas Party will be at the Countryside Country Club, 3001 Countryside Blvd, Clearwater, 33761. Cocktails will be at 6:30 pm with dinner following at 7 pm. It will be a buffet with the menu as follows: Garden Salad, Fresh Fruit Salad, Warm Rolls and Butter, Prime Rib Carving Station, Countryside Chicken (Chicken with sun-dried tomato, artichoke hearts and cream sauce), Macadamia Nut Encrusted Cod, Rosemary & Garlic Roasted Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetable Medley, Coffee, Ice Tea and water. The club will be providing a sheet cake for dessert. We will have activities and of course prizes for everyone throughout the evening. The price is \$25.00 per person. Conrad Krause is collecting the money. Conrad can be reached at 727-461-4480 and his address is 908 Oakview Ave, Clearwater, 33756. Please get your reservation in early.

Please note that the party site will be decorated for the season, including centerpieces. These are not ours and cannot be removed from the country club.

Meeting odds and ends: Extra door prize ticket for: Wearing club shirt (preferably maroon shirt but gathering shirt ok for meetings), bringing pull tabs from drink cans, bringing food for pot luck table, wearing name tags, bringing non perishable food for homeless shelter. Dues can be paid at the meeting.

Leslie Gully will head the Sunshine Committee. If anyone knows of a member that is ill or has lost a loved one, please notify Leslie.

Her email is heart0213@msn.com



DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT	REPORT	CHECK MARK
Saturday	12/5/09	1:00PM	ACC Championship Game	7:45AM	
Sunday	12/13/09	1:00PM	Tampa Bay Bucs vs New York Jets	7:45AM	
Friday	1/1/10	11:00AM	Outback Bowl	6:00AM	
Sunday	1/3/10	1:00PM	Tampa Bay Bucs vs Atlanta Falcons	7:45AM	
Saturday	2/6/10	7:30PM	Monster Trucks	3:00PM	



Contact Marlyn if you can help at the Bucs or Bulls games. As Kathy mentioned in her letter a couple months back, this is our major funding source and allows us to support some local charities as well as offset the cost of some other activities.

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