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NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO THE WONDERFUL WOMEN OF WSW!

Dear Ladies:

We wish you all a happy, healthy and hope-filled year.

December was certainly a busy month for the WSW: with a very special luncheon at Black Diamond, our annual Sing-a-long at Sugarmill Manor, Salvation Army Angel Tree, Operation Cookie Drop and Hospice Tree of Remembrance charities. Thank you for your generosity of time and pocketbook.

This year promises to be busy too. Military Cards is scheduled for January 19 and our Mystery Luncheon will take place on January 26. The preparation for our "School"astic Classic Golf Tournament is underway and will be held on February 23. You'll find information on all of this and more in this issue.

With this issue, we bid farewell to Dick Currier and Marie Penney and thank them again for 18 years of service in the publication of our newsletter. You will be much missed. *So many women have told me that nobody reads the newsletter. Tell me it isn't so...*

If you have ideas to enhance our social and/or charitable endeavors, I hope you'll put them in the new Suggestion Box marked President at the wall. We'll respond to all constructive and signed comments.

Cordially,
Francesca Paar, President 2008-2009



Christmas serenade from HES second grade.



Angels outdid themselves again for Salvation Army Children.

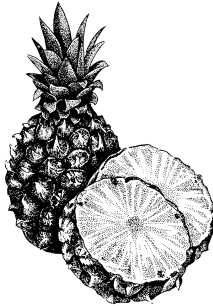
WOMEN OF SUGARMILL WOODS
SECOND ANNUAL MURDER MYSTERY LUNCHEON
HULAS AND HOMICIDE

Glen Lakes Country Club
Monday, January 26 – Doors Open at 11:00 a.m. – Lunch served at noon

Winnie Waheli, that hip-thrusting wahini, is dead! Who did it?
Why was she rubbed out?
What secrets did she take to the grave?
She sure was a Diva, but who would want to still those hips?

Come join us for a mysterious and fun-filled afternoon as we dissect the murder of the fabulous and late Winnie Waheli. Wear your Hawaiian or floral finery as we become the detectives who will solve this dastardly deed.

Menu



Corn and Crab Bisque Soup

Smoked Chicken & Tropical Fruit Salad
With Golden Pineapple Dressing

Or

Vegetarian Tropical Fruit Salad

Dessert

White Chocolate Bread Pudding
With Ice Cream

Please drop your check for \$16 indicating your menu choice in the WSW Luncheon mailbox. Deadline is Monday, January 19 at 6:00 p.m.

Jeanne Goldich, Program Director

WOMEN OF SUGARMILL WOODS MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Happy New Year one and all! As we start the New Year 2009, let us welcome two new ladies to our group. Please include them in your 2008-2009 directories. If you have not attended our previous luncheons and did not get a copy of the new directory, please call and I will arrange to get a copy to you. Our membership now stands at 340 Lovely Ladies.

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WREATHS WERE US

Our December Christmas luncheon was a huge success. Black Diamond was decorated with trees, garlands, beautiful red poinsettias and the fireplace was lit. Thirty-seven wreaths decorated the bar, thanks to Jo Tucci and her volunteers. Many unusual and hand crafted decorations were displayed along with a few spectacular table decorations of Golfing Santas and Father Christmas. As with all our raffles, much laughter accompanied the drawing and several lucky members snagged more than one wreath, much to the chagrin of those who did not win the wreath they so desired. Many of us hope to have better luck next year!

The Angel Tree was another demonstration of your generosity. Bag after bag arrived filled with treats, toys, clothing items and books. Many children will be delighted come Christmas morning. Captain Nicole Bell reported they are sponsoring approximately 300 families with over 800 children. Janet Mark and her committee did an outstanding job and we thank them for helping us play Santa Claus.

Marianne Deacon read a thank you note from Sgt. Vicki Bell for our first batch of cookies and treats. Marianne has mailed over 174 dozen cookies and announced she will keep mailing as long as YOU keep baking! So it is not too late to send a little taste of home to our troops.

Our Creative Hands volunteers, formally known as the Creative Sewers, had their table decked out with their holiday best. Lots of attendees purchased special holiday gifts and table dressings. The talent of these ladies is amazing. They recently donated another supply of "Chemo Hats" to the Citrus Oncology Center in Crystal River.

The highlight of the day was the HES 2nd grade chorus. Under the direction of music teacher Donna Olson, the children presented a multicultural choral celebration dressed in the traditional costumes of the season. They ended their program with a fun sing along of Silent Night, Jingle Bells and We Wish You a Merry Christmas. The students visited with members, presented hand-made Christmas cards and shared their Santa lists with many.

Our luncheon fulfilled our expectations, the Black Diamond staff was their usual warm and friendly selves and the meal was delicious. Not a Scrooge did arrive to dampen our holiday spirit. A special thanks to our program director, Jeanne Goldich and all her helper elves for a great day.

Pat O'Brien — photos courtesy of Cora Ziegler





13th Annual "School"astic Classic Golf Tournament

Presented by Women of Sugarmill Woods, Inc.

INFORMATION & ENTRY FORM

- Tournament Date: Monday, February 23, 2009
(Rain date Monday, March 2, 2009)
- Location/Time: Sugarmill Woods Country Club
Cypress Blvd. West – Homosassa, FL
Registration starts at 7:30 a.m.—Shotgun at 9:00 a.m.
- Game: Best Two (2) Balls of Foursome – Flighted – Prizes awarded to top three teams in each flight
- Maximum Handicap: 40 (18 hole handicap)
- Entry Fee: \$65 per lady golfer (includes cart, greens fees, cart snack, breakfast bar, luncheon, game and prizes)
- Registration Deadline: Saturday, February 14, 2009
- Make Checks Payable to: Women of Sugarmill Woods, Inc.
- Mail Entry Form (page 5) to: Vicki Budd, 10 Bigleaf Ct., Homosassa, FL 34446 or drop form and check in mailbox #4 (Special Events) at WSW mailboxes near front of Sugarmill Woods entrance

Since February is National Heart Health month, our theme this year is "Heart Healthy Women – Staying Young at Heart!" Tickets can be purchased at the event for Hire-A-Pro, Gimme Putt, Mulligan, Chinese Auction and Share the Pot. Legal GPS units are permitted in this charity fund-raising event. 100% of our net proceeds will be applied toward our WSW Scholarship Funds.

Come out for a day of fun golf, learning more about heart health awareness, and help send a deserving student to college!



BOARD BRIEFS

- § Please note that the dates of our Trash & Treasure fundraiser have been changed to March 6, 7 and 8. Mark your calendar accordingly.
- § The Board congratulates the Fashion Show Committee and is proud to announce total net proceeds of \$14,738.70 earned for our scholarship fund and community service groups.
- § We are inaugurating a President's Suggestion Box to be located at WSW mailbox #7. We welcome your suggestions which should be constructive and must be signed.
- § We will take a vote at our January luncheon on our proposed new by-law creating an Alumna Membership category.

ENTRY FORM FOR MAILING OR DEPOSITING IN WSW MAILBOX #4

Please indicate below your name (and e-mail address), club affiliation, 18 hole index, phone number and your luncheon choice (A, B or C):

- A. Grilled chicken salad plate (Mixed greens topped with mandarin oranges, fresh strawberries, thinly sliced red onions, grilled chicken breast, toasted slivered almonds topped with house-made poppy seed dressing)
- B. Tropical fruit plate (Choose one of the following: tuna salad, chicken salad or crab salad served with cottage cheese and fresh seasonal fruit; please indicate your choice if you choose option B)
- C. Stuffed grouper with rice pilaf (salad and veggie)

All meals include coffee, tea, lemonade, soda, bakery rolls and strawberry shortcake for dessert. A and B are lite fare meals while C is a hot dinner meal.

Players may sign up individually and you will be assigned to a team based upon handicap; or you may sign up as a twosome, threesome, or a full foursome.

<u>Name & E-Mail</u>	<u>Club Affiliation</u>	<u>18-Hole Index</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>	<u>Menu Choice</u>
1. _____				
E-Mail: _____				
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E-Mail: _____				
3. _____				
E-Mail: _____				
4. _____				
E-Mail: _____				

Mail your entry to Vicki Budd, 10 Bigleaf Court, Homosassa, FL 34446. For more information call her at 382-5216 or e-mail her at vbudd@tampabay.rr.com or call Donna Rayne at 382-2999 or e-mail her at Drayne@tampabay.rr.com.



CREATIVE HANDS

Thank you, ladies, for your support and generosity. We donated over 200 items to local organizations, which was quite a task since we only started in September. It is nice to know that we have made a difference. Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 5 at the Chassahowitzka Firehouse on CR 480. Our quilters will meet the third Thursday of the month at the same location. Both groups start at 9:30 a.m.

Lorraine Blond, 382-1926

COMMUNITY SERVICES

CHARITY OF THE MONTH:

Valentine's Party for Sugarmill Manor Residents "HAVE A HEART"

January's charity is a Valentine's Party for the nursing home residents at Sugarmill Manor. We are having a Valentine's Party this year and the theme is HAVE A HEART. Members can chose a heart with a resident's name at the January luncheon and "adopt" that resident by donating towards a haircut for that resident. The nursing home volunteers have discovered that there is a great need for haircuts for the residents. Believe it or not, residents have to pay for their own haircuts and this is something that some of them just cannot afford. *Our goal for their Valentine's Day Party is to be able to give gift certificates for haircuts to each of the 40 residents.*

If you'd like to participate in helping the residents feel special, you can take a heart from the ***Have a Heart Table*** and adopt a senior by paying for a haircut gift certificate for Valentine's day. If you can't donate the entire cost of a haircut, maybe two or three women could get together to adopt someone for this worthy cause.

In addition, other gifts that are always appreciated by the residents are: Hankies, perfume, cologne, socks or costume jewelry, sugar free snacks, including chocolate, cookies and candy. For those of you who "have a heart" for the elderly residents (who tend to be forgotten), let's help make this Valentine's Day Party very special for them. A table will be set up at the January Luncheon where you can chose a heart and adopt a senior to whom you can donate a haircut or donate other items for their Valentine's Party (or future Bingo parties). Any questions, call Edna Pirmann (628-EDNA), Anita Turska (382-7195) or Penny Jones (382-1581).

COMMUNITY SERVICES WELCOMES CREATIVE HANDS (Formerly Creative Sewers)
We'd like to welcome Creative Hands to Community Services. For those who didn't know, Creative Sewers has a new name! They are now called Creative Hands and they will be doing knitting, crocheting and possibly crafts in addition to sewing. They have moved from Intra-Club Activities to the Community Services group because their focus is helping charities such as local nursing homes, cancer patients and other worthy causes. If you have any fabric or yarn that you would like to donate, please call Lorraine Blond at 382-1926 or bring it to a luncheon.

OPERATION COOKIE DROP – cookies and treats for our soldiers

Marianne Deacon announced that as long as members continue to bake cookies, donate candy, postage and other items, (a complete list of items they need was printed in the December newsletter, which can be found on our website at www.womenofsugarmillwoods.org) she will continue to send packages overseas to our troops. The program began as a Christmas project, but the goodies are so well received by our troops that she will send packages all year long if our women wish to continue to donate. Contact Marianne Deacon at 382-0275.

WE CARE – Food for the Needy in Homosassa

Supplies are low and workers are needed at the Homosassa Civic Association Food Pantry, which is supported by Women of Sugarmill Woods We Care Committee. If you wish to donate canned goods, non-perishable items or paper goods you can bring them to *any* luncheon, or directly to Peggy Davis (382-2774).

Diane Fudge, Community Services Director, 382-2120



Fashion Show Co-chairs
Beth Boardman & Linda Swart.



A new look for our master of ceremonies, Gordon Weller.
Photos by Pat Schuessler.



Grand prize winner Nancy Smith with owners of Black Swan Spa, prize donor.

FASHOW SHOW THANK YOU

A very special thank you is given to all our members who worked so diligently to make this year's Fall Fashion Fling a success. The Fashion Show Committee members gave of their time and expertise to give you a lovely and fun afternoon: Judi Bailey (Auction), Ann Blewett and Judy Nalley (Major Sponsors), Pauline Bradigan, Doris Moore and Sandie Warren (Models), Ann Blodgett, Dorothy Dawson, Janet Mark, Sue Spuhler (Patrons), Rosemary Ray (Publicity), Carol Anier and Vivian Turner (Raffles), Dorothy Adams (Reservations), Doris Tremblay (Treasurer), Pepper Krugman (Program Designer), Pat Schuessler (Photographer) and Francesca Paar (President). Other committee members assisting as needed were: Marilyn Borchers, Kim Gaines, Pat O'Brien, Marilyn Schaller, Marianne Deacon, Catherine Maurer, Beverly Plein, Janice Fraley, Doris Millsap, Dolores Rogers and Darrielle Wyatt.

Special thanks, as well, to our beautiful models, Sandra Benko, Kim Bennett, Carol Brady, Dorothy Dawson, Barbara Hower, Bonnie Lee, Linda Muligano, Judy Nalley, Judith Neace, Dottie Ratcliffe, Ursula Schramek and Judy Zumwalt. Each made the beautiful outfits provided by Cheryl Barry of La Boutique even more elegant and appealing.

As always, sincere gratitude to our Patrons, the backbone of WSW, and to Joe Moore, Bill Paar, Daryl Schaller and Larry Warren, who so ably sold our raffle tickets. And, not to be forgotten, Gordie Weller for another outstanding job as our emcee. He made it look so effortless and added some special fun when he wore "extra hair" from Tiffany's Wigs.

Because of all these efforts and the generous support of our community, members, corporations and businesses, we will be able to add over \$7,000 to our Scholarship Fund and an equal amount to support our local charities. Well done, ladies—and THANK YOU!

Beth Boardman and Linda Swart, Co-Chairs, Fashion Show

INTRA-CLUB ACTIVITIES

Bridget Leo, 382-0080

We have a variety of Intra-Club activities and hope you will find one you are interested in. Please contact the above if you have an idea for a new activity. Please contact one of the following ladies if you are interested in one of our current groups.

BOOK GROUPS

Adelaide Keller, 382-0219, please contact me for current openings or to start a new group.

CARD GROUPS

Cards & Conversation: For information contact Mary Ann Zack, 382-1444 or Maryann McNiff, 382-4881.

Hands & Feet: For information contact Ann O'Brien, 382-1848 or Sonya Coughenour, 382-9038.

Monday Morning Mah-Jong: For information contact Joyce Rasmussen, 382-3466.

NEW – Pinochle – Formation: For information contact Vickie Leitzinger, 382-2906.

NEW – Beginners Bridge – Formation: For information contact Darrielle Wyatt, 382-3182.

WALKING FOR FUN

Donna Rayne, 382-2999 for information and location.

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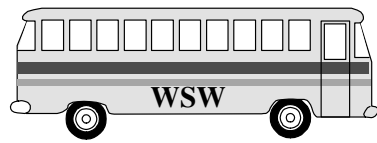


MILITARY CARD PARTY

Don't miss our next Military Card Party on Monday, January 19 at the Sugarmill Woods Country Club. This will be a great time to catch up with friends after the holidays. We will start serving snacks at 12:30 p.m. Play starts at 1:00 p.m. To sign up, please place your check for \$11 in the Military Cards box at the Cypress Village US19 entrance wall. Please include the names of your foursome if you are playing with a group. Singles are always welcome and we will make up tables so you can join the fun.

For further information, please contact Doris Millsap at 503-3412 or Victoria Budd at 382-5216.





Women of Sugarmill Woods

Membership Form 2007-2008 Club Season

Dues for the club year beginning June 1, 2007 and ending May 31, 2008 will continue to be \$25 You may join or renew at any time during the year, but to be included in our most current Membership Directory you must have your dues paid no later than July 1, 2007. Please complete the following form and return it, along with your check payable to WSW, to mailbox #2)Membership) located at the Communications Center near the US 19 entrance to Sugarmill Woods.

Name _____

Address _____ Phone No. _____

E-mail address _____

Occupation (current or previous if retired) _____

Special skills or expertise _____

Hobbies or special interests _____

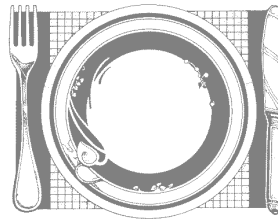
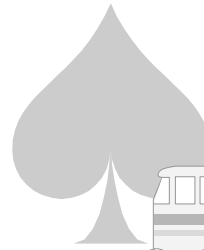
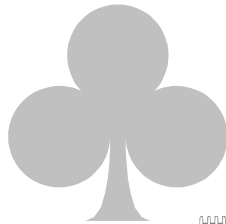
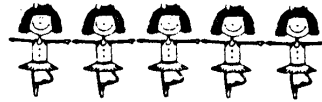
Committees on which would you like to work _____

Intra-Club activities in which would you'd like to participate _____

Type of membership _____ New _____ Renewal _____ Reinstatement

Ideas you have for new Intra-Club activities _____

Please return this form with your dues. Any membership questions should be directed to Donna Rayne, Membership Director, at 382-2999 or e-mail at Drayne@tampabay.rr.com.





SUGARMILL WOODS LICENSE
PLATES REMINDER

The Grand Westwind on Cypress Village Boulevard West now has metal license plates with the Sugarmill Woods logo for a \$7 donation (\$4 goes to the Women of Sugarmill Woods). Stop by and pick one up!

VACATION NEWSLETTERS

Many of you will soon be leaving your Florida homes for more northerly climates! Again this year WSW is offering you the opportunity to have your monthly newsletter sent to an alternate address at a cost of \$1.00/issue. Since the post office does not forward third class bulk mail, the newsletter will have to be sent at a higher rate than local delivery. Please be aware that no newsletter is issued during the summer months of June, July or August. And this year you will also be able to access the newsletter and more by going to our Internet web site of www.womenofsugarmillwoods.org. Please complete the following form and return it along with your check made payable to WSW to our Membership mailbox slot #2 no later than May 15, 2007.

Thank you, Donna Rayne, Membership Director, 382-2999 or Drayne@tampabay.rr.com

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Name: _____ Phone: _____

SMW Address:

Summer Address:

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Please send the following months to my summer address identified above:

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