



FRENCHMAN'S
CREEK
LIFE

MAY 2015

**A Publication about the
Members and Life at Frenchman's Creek**

Tennis Farewell Party



Jeri Jacobs, Marleen Hacker and Norman Jacobs



Simi and Ronald Pomerantz



Nancy and Steven Bernstein



Gordon and Carla Ramseier



Carole and Norman Barham



Herbert and Jayne Cohan



Linda and Harold Rosenson



Beth and Alex Burstein and guest Rita Wilson



Mickey and Brenda Nocera

Tennis Farewell Party

Tennis players, spouses, and friends gathered on May 7th to attend the annual award party, which also included dinner and dancing.

Please see list of the tennis winners who received trophies from Tikky and Kristen, and the acknowledgement of the first winners of the pickle ball tournament.

Highlights of the year included: the continued participation of our members, the teaching program especially during school vacations, and successful introduction and growth of pickle ball.

Are you here this summer? Come and join the fun.

Dan Myerson

2014 Tennis Club Championship

Men's Doubles Flight I

Winners: Gordon Ramseier & Jose Campon

Runner-ups: Marty Krall & David Rosenblatt

Men's Doubles Flight II

Winners: Norman Barham & Jay Gutkin

Runner-ups: Joel Leavitt & Richard Florin

Women's Doubles Flight I

Winners: Debbie Butler & Amy Zusy

Runner-ups: Iris Capobianco & Ann Brown

Women's Doubles Flight II

Winners: Elaine Pearlman & Evelyn Bernhardt

Runner-ups: Bente Lyons & Laura Lustig

Mixed Doubles Flight II

Winners: Ann Brown & Joel Leavitt

Runner-ups: Dan Myerson & Iris Capobianco

2014 First Annual Pickleball Tournament

Winners: Dr. Avroy Fanaroff & Saul Kravecvas

Runner-ups: Ann Brown & Arnold Mazur

Sheila Babich & Steve Bernstein



Morris Weintraub, Joan Gelch and friends



Marty Krall and Kristen



Dan and Carole Myerson

Tennis Farewell Party



Evelyn and Jay Gutkin



Kristen We4rtenberger and Joel Leavitt



Marcia and Edward Bloch



Bente Lyons and Kristen Wertenberger



Stuart and Beverly Halpert



Myna and Hans Homburger



Elaine and Jack Pearlman



Rahma Rosenshein and Jay Lassner



Tom Aveni



Laura Lustig and William Rosenthal



Joel and Laurie Comiteau

SAIL AWAY AT THE BEACH CLUB MAY 1, 2015

THE WEATHER WAS PERFECT, THE MUSIC WAS MELLOW, THE FOOD WAS FANTASTIC, THE SERVICE WAS GRACIOUS, THE CROWD WAS HAPPY AND ALL WAS BEAUTIFUL AT THE FRENCHMAN'S CREEK BEACH CLUB ON FRIDAY NIGHT, MAY 1 FOR THE SAIL AWAY PARTY.

THE FULL MOON GLOWED OVER THE 185 MEMBERS WHO ENJOYED THE SPECIAL EVENING. MOJHITOS IN COCONUT SHELLS AND TEQUILA SUNRISE DRINKS WITH FLOWER STRAWS WERE SERVED TO ALL GUESTS UPON ARRIVAL. A LIGHTED ICE SCULPTURE OF A SAILBOAT WAS ON DISPLAY. THE AREA OF THE KIDDIE POOL WAS CLEVERLY COVERED BY OUR WONDERFUL ENGINEERING STAFF AND CONTAINED FABULOUS SEAFOOD AND HOR D'OEUVRES DELIGHTS.

FRENCHMAN CREEKERS ATE AND DANCED THE NIGHT AWAY WHILE ENJOYING THE TROPICAL BREEZE. ALL COULD TAKE HOME BEAUTIFUL MEMORIES OF A GOOD TIME AND A LOVELY EVENING AT THE END OF THE SEASON.

Annette Schilling

Guest correspondent



IT ALL BEGAN WITH AN IDEA, WHICH WAS TO GET THE STUFF FROM **THE LOST AND FOUND**, LAY IT OUT ON A TABLE, VIDEO IT AND PUT IT ON CHANNEL 999 SO THAT MEMBERS COULD RETRIEVE THEIR LOST BELONGINGS. WE SAW IT AS A TWO HOUR JOB. WE THOUGHT THERE WOULD BE 2 OR 3 SHOPPING BAGS OF ITEMS– IT WAS 5 TIMES THAT! DID YOU KNOW THAT WE HAVE AT LEAST 10 LOST-AND-FOUNDs AT FRENCHMAN'S CREEK? NEITHER DID WE.

AT THE FITNESS CENTER, THERE ARE THE MEN'S LOCKER ROOM, LADIES LOCKER ROOM, FRONT DESK AND THE TENNIS PRO SHOP. IN THE MAIN CLUBHOUSE: THE MEN'S LOCKER ROOM, LADIES LOCKER ROOM AND THE FOOD AND BEVERAGE OFFICE.

THEN THERE ARE THE GOLF PRO SHOP, THE CART BARN AND, OF COURSE, THE BEACH CLUB. PLUS, IF YOU LOSE YOUR DRIVER'S LICENCE OR SOMETHING OF IMPORT AND IT IS FOUND, IT WILL GO TO THE FRONT GATE SECURITY OFFICE.

There were garbage bags and bins of men's and women's and children's clothing. Shirts, sweaters, jackets, bathing suits, shawls, car keys from Mercedes, Lexus, Audi and others; some bits of jewelry, boxes of reading glasses and sunglasses, hundreds of golf club covers, some underwear, one back support belt, weight lifting fingerless gloves, a boy's lacrosse uniform and a few odds and ends. It turned out to be a two day job. There were golf balls printed with Ladies Opening Day, 2008. Some things had been there a long time.

You can see it all on Ch. 999, until the beginning of October, which you can access on your computer. We will try to run the video all summer to give you a chance to find YOUR items. Have fun, we did!!

Bobbe Wiener and Norma Lippman

(Norma's enthusiasm is reflected in her writing!)



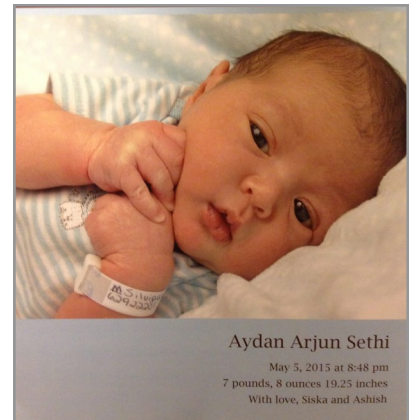
Up The Creek

Norman and I are very happy to announce that our children, Barry Jacobs and his wife Julie, have welcomed a baby boy into the family. Zachary Jordan Jacobs was born on May 11, 2015 at 12:39 pm, weighing 7lbs, 5oz and measured 20 inches long. He breaks the streak of 5 granddaughters for us! Christmas this year will be very special, since we hope that our babies will spend the holidays with us in sunny Florida.

Very happy grandparents,

JERI and NORMAN JACOBS

Aydan Arjun Sethi was born May 5, 2015 at 8:15 p.m. He weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 19.25 inches long. Congratulations to **SISKA and ASHISH SETHI** and to his big Sister, Gita.



DONNA BARON is very proud of her grandson, **Sam Talkow**, who is ranked Number TWO in the country for the position of Face Off Players in the sport of LaCrosse. He is a sophomore at Boston University. In addition, he is ranked Number One for players making goals. Sam has played for team Israel and will be teaching LaCrosse in Israel this summer. He lives with his family in Del Ray Beach, Florida.

Hole-In-One

Congratulations to:

CHRIS BURKE who had a Hole-In-One on Saturday, May 16, 2015. It was on the 9th hole of South and played 156 yards. He used a 7 iron.

The Book Nook

The Dry Grass of August, Anna Jean Mayhew

The story begins in 1954. The Watts are a fairly comfortable and well respected family living in Charlotte, North Carolina. William Watts stays behind as his wife, Paula, his children Jubie, Stell, Puddin, Davey and the maid, Mary, leave in their Packard and drive off for a vacation at the home of Paula's brother. As they travel south, 14 year old Jubie (June Watts), becomes more and more aware that the maid, Mary Luther, is not welcome in many places, and actually, although they professed to have separate but equal facilities for whites and blacks, that was definitely far from the truth. However, the trip to the shore goes fairly smoothly. They have a pleasant stay and for diverse reasons, are all sad when it is time to leave. On their return, an automobile accident delays them; from that point on, succeeding events alter the way they live their lives. Racism is an accepted mode of behavior in many places in the south, in those days, and the family is forced to confront it. Each of them deals with the bigotry and its effects in their own way. Often, in those times, and in many places, law enforcement looked askance at the white perpetrators of crimes and ignored the victims when the victims were non-white. The wheels of justice ground very slowly in those instances and remnants of that kind of injustice still exist today in many cities around the United States.

The racism exhibited in this story is a bit horrifying, but, nevertheless, it is a pretty fair and honest description of the race relations of that time. The author has perfectly captured the tension that existed between the races, the arrogance of the whites who felt superior and the deference shown by blacks toward them because of their lack of power.

In the north, many were naïve and largely ignorant about the behavior of the southern whites toward the blacks. In the north, they did not have separate facilities. There were no signs that said blacks had to board buses last or move to the back, schools and families did not discuss race relations since the prejudice existed beneath the surface. It was much more subtle, but it was alive and well there too.

Although the whites for sure had more power and openly displayed their discrimination, there also existed a counterpart of racial bias against whites among the blacks, although it was not as effective because of their lack of power and support. While the Watts family was going through their traumatic situation in Georgia, another debacle was seeding itself in North Carolina, since Mr. Watts was not only a brute and a drunk, he was a racist, somewhat of a womanizer, and honesty was not his strong suit.

Jubie describes her father as someone she loves, but also as someone who is abusive and quite rough around the edges. He drinks to excess and seems to make up his own rules as he goes along. Jubie's mom Paula, was like most women of that time. She deferred to her husband who made the rules, made the decisions, paid the bills and controlled the home and lifestyle; and Paula had a nice lifestyle. She had her own home, a maid, cars, a country club membership and committee meetings to attend. Her husband had his own business which he operated with his brother. She spent her time socializing, paying little attention to what her husband was doing. She simply reaped the benefits of his effort without giving it another thought. In short, she lived a charmed life, never dreaming they would fall from grace.

As Jubie relates the story, the timeline moves back and forth to lay the groundwork for what transpires during their travels. There seems to be a fine line between prejudice and tolerance with both sides exhibiting bias toward each other, albeit the white representation is a much more violent one. Jubie is a horse of a different color. She is open-minded and truly loves Mary, regardless of her color. There is mutual respect in their relationship which is warm and accepting. Jubie seems to be brighter and more willing to confront the world than most girls her age would be. She represents the future. The white people of her parent's generation are portrayed as rather ignorant, selfish, inconsiderate and lacking in faith, worshiping money rather than a higher authority, while black people are law abiding, religious, and loyal, believing in a higher authority, always taking the higher road to the white peoples' lower one. The older white race is representative of the past.

The story is a coming of age story for both Jubie and her mother. Paula must begin to see the world without her rose colored glasses and grow more independent. Jubie must face the frailties of her parents and their generation and mature prematurely. In the short interval in which the story takes place, both mother and daughter are forced to confront issues and deal with them autonomously. Both rise to the task.

Girls Mini Night Out

Thursday night, April 30, 2015, 57 women stepped out to Mini Night Out Golf Tournament. We played 6 holes as a sixsome to a step aside scramble format. It was different and a lot of fun. Afterward, Sangria and heavy hors d'oeuvres were served. Because of the weather, it was held in the dining room instead of around the pool.

Ladies Night Out April 30, 2015

Flight 1

1st Betsy Bernstein – Georgianna Cotton
Lois Kleinberg – Rhoda Edelman
Marjorie Yashar – Marilyn Greenberg

2nd Randy Villani – Jana Spiess
Linda Robins – Bette Goldberg
Jenifer Weintraub

Flight 2

1st Joan Isaacson – Carol Pressler
Anita Schwartz – Norma Sirott
Lois Stern – Marianne Winick

2nd Linda Epstein – Marleen Hacker
Myna Homburger – Jeri Jacobs
Dee Topol

3rd Marian Wiseman – Mimi Bergel
Shirley Goldberg – Barbara Wiener
Louise Albert

THE HOMEFRONT

The Homefront column is designed to inform our members where in the community our new residents are living and other residences they may have. It also keeps up with our present members who have stayed in the community but moved to new dwellings.

Of course we always wish our members who are moving out of the community good luck wherever their travels take them and our new members and established members good luck in their new address.

We Welcome the following new members and acknowledge the new addresses of our members who have changed residences:

MARK H. HURD and KEVIN S. KRAMP who bought the Lustig home on Rhone Drive. They will be full time residents of the Creek.

LAURA and WILLIAM LUSTIG who bought the Klausner home on Deauville Drive.

ELLEN and BRUCE MALASKY bought the Nelson home on Burgundy Drive North. They also will be full time residents of Frenchman's.

LAURIE and JONATHAN NELSON have changed their address to 3811 Le Pont Way and are thrilled to be there. They will still continue to go back in the summer to their residence in Greenwich, Connecticut.

DIANE and NEIL EXTER who bought the Bildner home on Calais Drive. They also reside in Farmington, Massachusetts.

meet our new staff member

GEORGE GILLER



George Giller became Director of Catering and Special Events beginning of March and was involved immediately in our events and catering. He was in the background getting to know our residents and observing our activities— until April where he was seen all over the clubhouse and very involved! George previously worked at Ballen Isles as Director of Catering and prior to being with us worked in the catering department at Addison Reserve in Delray Beach, Florida.

George lives in Palm Beach Gardens and likes to cook, fish, hike and travel! He lived in Northwest Jersey and was involved in the food industry in the early 1990's— a far cry from construction. Up north, he worked at Perona Farms, New Jersey in the culinary department and left to work in Florida at Ballen Isles. He will be in charge of all house, private parties, work closely with the entertainment committee, all other committee chairs or committee members who will need his services to plan all big event or special events.

His office is in the Food and Beverage Office and he is always welcome to just meet and greet our residents who need ideas or help planning an event or just saying hello.

Welcome to Frenchman's George!

ADRIEN BALLING



Adrien has returned to Frenchman's Creek after a seven year hiatus. He grew up in Paris, France and in 2007 was the assistant manager of the Grille Room. Adrien came to Frenchman's because of Adele Shamban and her daughter. Adrien was working in a restaurant on Palm Beach Island and impressed Adele so much, she recommended him to Mr. Goswami. In 2008, Adrien returned to Paris as an assistant manager of Disneyland Paris where he worked for three years. He has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration and has been a server since 15 years of age.

In 2013, Adrien came back to the United States as an Events Manager for golf tournaments charity events for H4 Events USA in Jupiter, Florida.

Food and Beverage is in his blood! For now, Adrien will be a Captain in the 19th Hole.

Even though brought up in Paris, Adrien was born in White Plains, New York. He likes golf and happens to be a **3 Handicap**, and enjoys photography.

Please welcome him when you see him!

meet our new staff member

PAMELA RUDD

Pamela Rudd comes from Sandusky, Ohio. Pamela is our new Business Development Manager. Her position entails networking with area brokers to assist them with our home sales, manage our website, social media i.e. facebook, twitter, tumblr (all video social media outlet), pintrest which is creativity in design ideas. Pintrest tweaks a person's interest in a luxury community or country club. She showcases our community in the social media to those unknown to our community and explains our offerings. In the short time since March 31, 2015, she has analyzed the social media outlets we are not featured and is reestablishing new sites. One of Pamela's goals is to connect all social media to our website, which is the real estate of the future! She also is marketing our luxury lifestyle and our amenities as they showcase similar to a luxury vacation– how do you compare a few weeks, a few months to 365 days a year lifestyle!

Pamela is a realtor but in commercial real estate i.e shopping center developers with hotels, anchor tenants which they procured, then staffed and eventually sold the property. All this was in Florida, north of us. In addition, Pam has experience in creativity and marketing campaigns. She is a member of the American Advertising Federation and has won Gold, Silver and Bronze awards. Gold for designing a website, Silver for print media branding shopping centers and bronze for a marketing campaign.

She has been in Florida 30 years but wanted a change of occupation and return to southern Florida. She found us and it was a perfect match both ways! We welcome you to Frenchman's Creek. Pam can be found in the Business Development Office along with Martina.



Pamela Rudd



Pam's new office by our engineering department literally taken when they just finished installing– the varnish was still wet!





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