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Members and Life at Frenchman's Creek

PGA Shoot-Out

This year's Shoot Out was billed for Monday, April 20, 2015. However, it turned out to be a two day event called because of torrential rains.

The shoot out was held on the front nine of the South Course and there were 15 participants: Rich Luchini, Rocco Panzitta, Billy Burke, Luis Leon, Chris Horn, Todd Kitchen, Tom Kubinski, Ben Warren, Jonathan Cope, Joe Radulski, Dan Southam, Sam Dunn, Peter Lekhoaba, Joel Tipton and Sam Wilding.

The format was that three groups of five would tee off beginning at 12:45 p.m. To those who did not watch Coming Events on Channel 999, you missed out on free hot dogs, sodas and chips before tee off time. In addition to the food, there was excitement around the "tent" of pari-mutuel betting.

All fifteen players played the first three holes and the lowest seven went on to the Shoot Out. There was a chip off for the seventh position and Luis won. He plus Rich, Chris, Ben, Jonathan, Joe and Peter were the lucky seven to continue.

HOWEVER, the rains came and play was called, but that did not stop our wonderful Food and Beverage staff who prepared a fabulous cocktail party held at four p.m. instead of five! It poured Tuesday morning, ladies golf was cancelled and all thought the rain would never end, but it did and 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 21st play resumed on a somewhat rain soaked course. Our drainage such, the course was playable and play started on the 4th hole. Jonathan was out on hole #4; in a chip off between Peter and Luis on Hole #5, Luis won. Ben was out hole #6, Rich lost on #7 and then on #8, there was a chip off between Chris and Joe with Joe winning. Then there were two Luis and Joe and Joe won on the 9th Hole with Luis second and Chris third!

It was an exciting event, congratulations to all the winners. Once again, our Food and Beverage staff amazed us with a luncheon that only Frenchman's Creek could do with salads of tuna, egg, mixed salads, a shrimp dish in addition to shrimp cocktail and what else to end the meal but cookies!



Chris, Joe and Luis

To all our members do not miss this event next year- you never know what awaits you!



G-G COLUMN... A column about Great Grandparents

DEE and SEYMOUR BRODE have become second time great grandparents on the birth of their great granddaughter, Scotland Aliya Trager. Born February 5th, 2015 in Boca Raton Florida weighing in at 6 pounds 6 ounces. Scotland and her parents, Rob and Ashley Trager, live in Delray Florida.



"The Tradition Continues" by Marleen Hacker

When Mel Serisky lived at Frenchman's Creek, many of us were often entertained by his wonderful piano playing. Mel, a professional pianist, has been playing most of his life. At Frenchman's Creek, he would have a weekly jam session in his home with his friend and Frenchman Creeker, Joel Freedman, who plays the saxophone. The two even had a 90 minute soiree of golden oldies last February for about 24 people.

When Mel's short term memory began to fail, he moved to The Tradition at Morse. However, the musical "tradition" has continued. There is a Yamaha grand piano in the auditorium and Joel and Mel have engaged a professional bass player named Rick Doll to join them. The three of them play there for a few hours without any sheet music. They play songs from the 20's, 30's, and 40's. They sound fabulous. It is really wonderful that the pair continue to make beautiful music together!



IS THIS A GREAT ADVERTISEMENT FOR FRENCHMAN'S OR WHAT!!!!!!



MEREL and DAVID CHERRY'S grandkids, Dale and Alix Gebhardt, enjoying FC beach over the Passover Holiday.

(Just as exciting, Merel took the picture herself!)

Our 2015 Golf Champions



Championship Flight

Champion: *Sale Johnson*

Runner-up: *Linda Robins*



Flight 2

Champion: *Susan Katz*

Runner-up: *Nancy Berkley*



Flight 3

Champion: *Lois Kleinberg*

Runner-up: *Jeri Jacobs*

Flight 4

Champion: *Lois Sontag*

Runner-up: *Lois Stern (no picture available)*

Couples Member/Guest Golf

This year's couples member/guest golf day was a rain date that could have used another rain date! However, the more stalwart of our hearty members and guests did manage to play 16 to 18 holes, with a break in the middle where the sirens summoned us off the golf course. After a short wait, the all clear to resume play sounded. As a step aside scramble, the format made pace a little quicker and many players had a good time in spite of the drenching rain.

Our special gift this year was two golf GPS watches per couple. This lovely gift, together with the beautiful buffet dinner, made our event very special. Thanks to Lila Silver and Vicki Wildstein and our wonderful golf staff, headed by Robert Bruno and Rich Lucchini, for their diligence and expertise in creating this wonderful event.

Jeri Jacobs

Lions and Lambs

Tuesday, March 31, 2015 was our rain date for the Lions and Lambs tournament for Frenchman's Creek's women golfers. The day dawned bright and beautiful and no one could blame the weather for problems playing golf! Our two-woman teams played a scramble format, taking the best drive and best shots to the green, with both members putting from the optimal shots. Play was intense, with enough women participating so that the golf staff had to add flights. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to Robert and Rich and the rest of our staff, including our caddies!

Jeri Jacobs

Three Holes-In-One

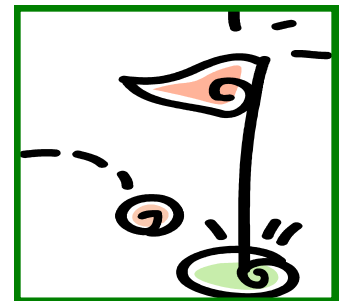
Congratulations to the following members:

MARTIN SIEGEL who had his hole-in-one on April 1, 2015. It was on hole #2 of the North Course which played at 144 yards. He used a 7 wood.

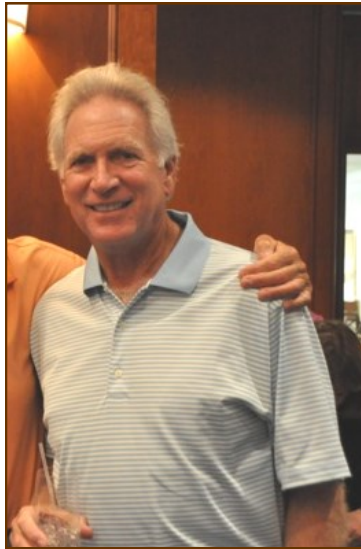
Two the SAME DAY!

ELLEN GOLDSTEIN April 14, 2015 on Hole #13 of the South Course. It played at 136 yards and she used a 7 wood.

HELENE SHUTER April 14, 2015 on Hole #9 of the South Course. She used an 11 wood for 109 yards.



Men's 2015 Golf Champions



CHAMPION: Chris Burke
RUNNER UP: Martin Gregge

2015 Husband and Wife Golf Champions

Blue Flight - Flight 1

Club Champions: Mr. & Mrs. Glen Greenberg

- 1st Net** Mr. and Mrs. Alan Ludwig
- 2nd Net** Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hornstein
- 3rd Net:** Mr. and Mrs. Norman Feinstein



Club Champions

White Flight - Flight 2

Champions: Mr. Frank Spitalny & Myra Kramer

- 1st Net:** Mr. and Mrs. Larry Kleinberg
- 2nd Net** Mr. and Mrs. Michael Newman
- 3rd Net:** Mr. and Mrs. Avroy Fanaroff



Champions

Thursday Interclub Bridge

By Carol Zazik

The Thursday Palm Beach Gardens Interclub Bridge Team is proud to announce that we placed first for the second year in a row. The competition for first place was extremely close throughout the season, making our repeat victory particularly special. Team members include Ann Brown, Jane Feinstein, Barbara Fox, Joan Parks, Robyn Rosenblatt, Toni Smith, Carrol Zazik and Amy Zusy. We especially want to thank our coach Dr. Jim Sternberg as well as Lynn Feinstein and Barbara Field who filled in when needed.



THE HOME FRONT

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.

MARK and LINDA JACOBS purchased the Greenberg home on Toulouse Drive. They also have a residence in Farmington, Michigan.

DANIEL and TRACY COSENTINO bought the Tighe home on Rhone Circle. They also reside in Excelsior, Minnesota and are joining their parents, Judi and Lou Cosentino as residents. How wonderful that we are getting second generations to live at Frenchman's. We are delighted!

Up The Creek

This is a follow up to the program our Frenchman's Creek "Friending" held over the Christmas Holidays where our Junior and Senior High School students were able to meet and talk to our Frenchman's Creek College students to learn all about where they attend college and what college life is really all about.

Just got a text from our grandson at the University of Rochester saying "the weirdest thing happened today. I was walking and was stopped by some kid named Max who asked if I was from Frenchman's Creek. It was the high schooler I spoke to about the U of R at the college event during Christmas. He was visiting the school. I guess he liked what I had to say".

Nice, huh?

From **NORMA and BOB LIPPMAN**

This was sent to us from our son about our grandson, **Henry Smith**.

We are very proud grandparents sharing a very proud moment as Henry was just awarded the "Roger Frankel Award as the Senior who contributed the most to the Hobart community during his undergraduate career." Hobart College is in Geneva, New York. This picture of Jeff, Henry and Kate Smith was taken by the wife of the university president. She and her husband were both extremely complimentary about him.



Jill Shamban Metlin, daughter of **ADELE SHAMBAN**, was an adult Bat Mitzvah at the age of 54! Better late than never. Mother was a bat mitzvah at age 56, not too long ago. Jill and husband Paul live in Jacksonville, Florida. Relatives came from all over the country. A good time was had by all.

HELENE DUBOW is very excited to announce that her son-in-law, **David Ulin**, has won the Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship Award as a writer for the general non fiction division. David is a writer and literary critic for the *Los Angeles Times* and he also has written many books. This award is presented to a diverse group of 175 scholars, artists and scientists, appointed on the basis of prior achievement and Exceptional promise. They were chosen from a group of 3100 applicants.

DONNA BROWN 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. Her 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.

Marty Krall's Speaker Series

On Tuesday, March 24th, David Makovsky visited Frenchman's Creek. David is associated with the Washington Institute for Near East Policy. He is an American journalist who lived in and reported from Israel for many years. In addition, he was one of Secretary Kerry's principal deputies during the recent Palestinian peace talks. Over three hundred people attended the lecture.

David spoke on 5 core issues of controversy between Israel and the Palestinians: land/border; security; Jerusalem; refugee and mutual recognition. For peace, if ever it can be, there has to be trade offs- quid pro quo. Iran does have missile fuel detonator to make a bomb. He spoke about how he sees Netanyahu- who grew up in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Bibi is an historian, with a world view of neo conservative ala Herzl and Churchill. His mission is to stop the Iranian nuclear bomb mission and keep Israel secure. He is the second longest Prime Minister in Israeli history. Mr. Makovsky feels the roots of enmity between Netanyahu and President Obama is Obama has nothing to lose and these are two men with different world views. He further mentioned that the Suni countries feel like Bibi in reference to Iran and the nuclear situation.

Even though David presented a possibly dire picture he ended on a note of hope especially with the Passover holiday soon approaching.

bobbe wiener

PLEASE WATCH THE FRENCHMAN' S CHARITY FOUNDATION TEA ON CHANNEL 999. YOU WILL BE VERY PLEASED AS TO HOW YOUR DONATIONS ARE PROVIDING SERVICES TO THESE SPECIAL BENEFICIARIES. THEIR STORIES IS WHAT MAKES THIS WEEEKEND SO SPECIAL.

Corrections and Amplifications: *We are sorry that in the March 2015 edition, the names of the 2nd Ladies Guest Day Chairpersons were omitted. Joan Parks and Joanne Weinbach did a great job ensuring all the members and their guests had a day of fun. Their efforts were very much appreciated and all enjoyed the day.*

the editor

Pickle Ball Tournament

The first annual Pickle ball Club Championship was held on Sunday, April 30th. It went extremely well. The weather was hot but all the players had lots of fun. Ten doubles teams entered with every team playing each other with lots of enthusiastic spectators watching! It was competitive, but good sportsmanship was played by all. We want to thank all the players that played in the tournament; Sol Kravecass, Dr. Avroy Fanaroff, Stuart Halpert, Steve Bernstein, Fred Stern, Herb Cohan, Richard Schreiberman, Norman Jacobs, Arnold Mazur, Sheila Babich, Ann Brown and Iris Capobianco.

The winners were Sol Kravecass and Dr. Avroy Fanaroff and Runners-Up was a tie with Arnold Mazur and Ann Brown and Sheila Babich and Steve Bernstein.

We appreciate the work of our staff for recruiting the teams and organizing this successful event. We know that next year this popular sport will be tried by more residents.

Reminder to all, every Monday and Thursday at 3:00 pm pickle ball is played and Sunday's at 10:30 am.

Trophies will be given out on May 7th for our farewell tennis party. All are welcome to come and please sign up in the tennis shop!

Kristen Wertenberger and Dan Myerson contributed to this article



The Community mourns the loss of our following member: May his memory continue to shine in the hearts of his loved ones.

JOHN GRIFFITH who lived at 3021 Monet Drive East and was a resident since 1997. Our heartfelt sympathies to his beloved wife, Patricia and their family.

Our Precious Pets

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Our Precious Pets column will return in our November Issue with Bob Cohen assisting Lois Stern and photographing our pets. Please contact Lois at loisstern26@gmail.com if you want your pet featured.

Our Dog Park

Is very special to us so PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG. It is not pleasant to see the park unkempt and unclean.

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Frenchman's Creek
Charities Foundation

Wednesday March 25, Friday, March 27-
Sunday March 29

2015

We are very proud of our residents who participated and helped to raise a record amount of money this year for Frenchman 's Creek Charities Foundation. We are also most appreciative of the efforts of our Chairperson, Syd Shaw and her husband, Gerry.

**Giving
Is Our Favorite
Game!**



Four guest pros, including two on the junior tour, joined Tikky and Kristen in a pro-am round robin with our members. This format, in its second year, was again successful. Afterward, the participants enjoyed a seafood luncheon which provided an opportunity for camaraderie among our friends and new acquaintances.

Later, the growing and enthusiastic pickle ball community played in a round robin, ending only when it was time to move on to softball.



Bocce followed Pickle Ball and then off to the softball game

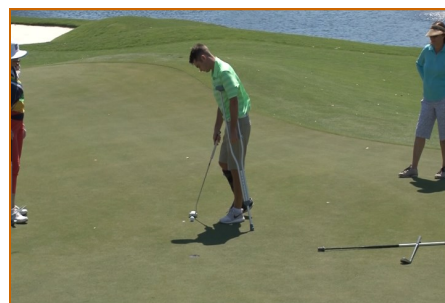


Friday , Game Day



Friday Evening, Auction of the Golf Pros and Caddies

Sunday Golf Morning and Afternoon



Charity Tea held April 17th where you hear where our money goes and how it allows these organizations to help so many in need of services we provide. You will be proud and pleased.



Our special visitor provided by Busch Wildlife Sanctuary



And so ends our 2015 Charity Festivities