

The Sophisticated Ladies
The Red Hat Society of South Gulf Cove
June 2004 Newsletter

Hello Ladies,

The June luncheon was held at the Olive Garden Rt 41 & 776 on Friday the eleventh 2004. There were 34 in attendance. The service and food was very good. They had no problem taking care of all of us. We were out of there before 2pm.

We toasted the Ladies who have returned to the north including our *Queen Mother Jane*, and the others who otherwise could not attend. We have quite a few working Ladies who just can't get away....maybe they could take the day off next time.

We welcomed new members Sandy Slater, Marcella Stabile, and Carol Mayer. Two more Ladies who live on Viscount. Viscount is a very popular street in South Gulf Cove.

We went over some Red Hat Etiquette just to make sure we are informed.

Talked about our trip to Selby Gardens in May....got a lot of positive feedback, so after a discussion with Jane it was decided to have a return trip March 11, 2005. I have already booked a bus so that more of our Ladies would be able to join us.

The July luncheon is scheduled for Farlow's Rt 776 Englewood, (across from Mamas)
Menu choices are:

- Laurie's Spinach Salad....fresh spinach, eggs, crispy bacon, bean sprouts, water chestnuts w/house vinaigrette dressing. 5.95
- St. Croix Crab Salad.....Real crab salad served on a bed of lettuce with fresh fruit and celery. 6.95
- Florida Rock Shrimp Salad.....a flash fried rock shrimp, strawberries, tomatoes, cucumber and blue cheese crumbles served with a honey vinaigrette dressing....6.25
- The Big Reuben....thinly sliced corned beef piled a mile high, swiss cheese, sauerkraut and our signature dressing served on rye bread....5.95
- Grouper Sandwich...fresh grouper hand battered..served on a kaiser bun....6.95

August luncheon are being worked on.

Our birthday Ladies present were....Helen Griffin, Denise Andrews, and Ruth Oberlin. Other birthday Ladies who were not present are: Barbara Holmes, Janet Messer, Evelyn Serrago, Dolly O'Conner, Sharon Paine and Hebe Scholl. We enjoyed the Red Velvet cake from Publix. Happy Birthday Ladies.

Our *Queen Mother Jane* has a birthday July 11, please send her a card....I know she misses us and wishes she could be here. Her address is: 4385 Baldwin Road, Orion Michigan 48359. Jane is having more fun. Jane's has a new granddaughter, Kaitlyn Beckwith. She's a cutie.

Also one of our Ladies, Carol Boaman is still in the hospital...she's been in a long time....and getting stir crazy....it would be nice if we all could send her a get well card... the address is: Tampa General, PO Box 1289, Tampa FL 33601-1289 Thank you Ladies.

I'll be mailing out the charter membership cards to our Ladies. If anyone has not paid the annual \$5.00 dues...please do so...to Char our Princess of Monies.

The 50/50 was held by Char.....the first drawing for the phalanopsis was won by one of our new members, Carol Mayer....the cash was won by....yours truly....really wanted the orchid....offered Carol the \$21 for it....but she refused. Well, I did win two orchids at the Englewood Orchid Society meeting on Monday...so I have nothing to complain about. Wish I could win the lottery. Also....in the May newsletter I left out a name...Lil GaNun also won the 50/50...sorry about that

I will be away for the July luncheon, Char will be in charge of the whole thing, so if you have any questions, etc.....give her a call or email. A lot of thanks goes to Char who without her help I would be pulling my hair out. Thank you soooooo much Char.

I will be visiting my daughter in New Jersey...will look up a Red Hat group to join for lunch. Will let you know how I made out. I think all our ladies who went north for the summer should do the same. Please give some feedback.

Fondly,

Judith McEwaine, Waka Lady Orchid

Char Traxel, Princess of Monies

Queen Mother Jane Beckwith



