



*"The Sophisticated Ladies"*  
*The Red Hat Society of South Gulf Cove*  
*March 2008 Newsletter*

**Hello Ladies,**



Alice Burnell was our hostess of the month for the March 14<sup>th</sup> luncheon held at Visani's. Again we were serenaded by Al Holland from the Platters. We had another great time singing along to the oldies. For some of us it brought back memories of what we were doing way back then when these songs were popular. Of course, we were up dancing around, up on the stage, even a conga line throughout the place. It was good to work off all the great food served for the day. It was a fun day, and girls just want to have fun.



Visitors introduced themselves. We had a lot of guests for the day. Even they were up dancing.

Birthdays present were Alice Burnell 3/19, and our newest member Andrea Martin 3/4.

Other ladies celebrating birthdays but not present were, Barbara Harmon 3/6, Jeri Lowe 3/30, Milly Lutman 3/13, Penny Penland 3/16, Vietta Smagghe 3/1, and our Princess of Monies, Char Traxell 3/3.



We enjoyed the Casata cake baked by Publix, and then Al sang Happy Birthday. Al invited the birthday ladies up to the stage to sing a special song just for them.



The fifty-fifty was held by Linda Atkinson. Winners were: Denise Andrews won the beautiful Phalanopsis orchid; Kathy Massuli and Linda Atkinson won the money. Congrats ladies.

### Upcoming Events:

**April 11<sup>th</sup>: Carrabbas.** Judy Post is our hostess for the month. \$16 per lady. Menu choices: #1 Fettuccine Alfredo # 2 Chicken Marsala # 3 Chicken Caesar salad. Price includes: soft drink, ice tea, coffee, tax, and tip. Drink specials: House wine including Pino Grigio and Cosmos \$6 extra. Pay the day of at the door. Call or email Judy to sign up. 697-3837  
[105judyreal@embarqmail.com](mailto:105judyreal@embarqmail.com)

**April 25<sup>th</sup>: “National Red Hat Day”** celebrated on Dearborn St. Englewood. We have the trolley car to take us there, parade, and return us. \$15 per lady for the ride. Lunch, separate price, is at the Village Diner (formally the Café on Dearborn where we ate last year). We have menu choices. # 1 Cobb salad # 2 pot pie # 3 pulled pork # 4 ruben. There will be the drink special. Call or email me to sign up along with your menu choice. The theme of the day is “party”. If you have ideas to decorate our trolley or anyway we can stay with the theme let Karen or I know. We always look like we are having a party anyway, don’t we?

**May 9<sup>th</sup>: Nichols:** Alice Burnell, hostess. Open menu and separate checks. Yea!! We like that. We will be honoring mothers. Bring your moms, daughters, or granddaughters. Limited seating, so sign up early.

**June 13<sup>th</sup>:** We need a hostess, come on birthday ladies, plan your luncheon.

**June 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>: International Convention Orlando:**

You are cordially invited to attend

**DECADES OF Sparkle**

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Ladies it's time to SPARKLE in celebration of the Red Hat Society's 10th birthday. Come out and play with us at our International Convention in Florida as we re-live the fabulous decades of the 40's, 50's, 60's and 70's. It all starts on Thursday June 19th with our extra day package and concludes on Monday June 23rd.

**Convention Prices:**

- Main convention (June 20-23, 2008):
  - Purple Perks discount price: \$383
- Extra day convention (June 19-23, 2008):
  - Purple Perks discount price: \$491

**Our Host Hotel:**

- The Gaylord Palms Resort and Convention Center
- Room rates start at \$159
- For room reservations: Call 407-586-2000

**Our Secondary Hotel:**

- Radisson Resort Orlando
- Room rates start at \$109
- For room reservations: Call 407-396-7000

[Click here](#) to register, or call toll free at 866-FUN-AT-50 (866-386-2850)

It's your time to sparkle, so come strut your red and purple fashions as we all celebrate TEN fabulous years together! We look forward to seeing you there!

**July 11<sup>th</sup> Riverwood:** Co-hostesses are Irma Whitmer and Wanda Totten. They are busy making plans for that day.

**Oct 17<sup>th</sup>: "Big Purple Undies"**. A comedy show all the way from the "down under", to the Englewood Elks. \$35 includes lunch and the show. Sign up now, space limited. Menu choice: Baked grouper or chicken cordon bleu; includes mashed potatoes, veggie, salad, coffee, tea. Call or email me Judith 697-9847 jergirlnfl@embarqmail.com to sign up. ASAP!!! There are a couple seats still available. Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> is the definite date.

# Secret Pals

The following Ladies would like to thank their secret pals: Lil Ganun, Alice Burnell, and Karen Price for her Easter gift. I have a very generous secret pal, Thankyouthankyouverymuch. Love the Elvis stuff. Love the Irish mug too. Very

thoughtful.

**March Anniversaries:** Lil & Steve GaNun 3/17

**April Birthdays:** Becky Borci 4/2; Pamela Dockum 4/22; Yvonne Ermirio 4/11; Lynn Fortier 4/28; Kay Giehl 4/18; Judy Post 4/7; Judith Rossi 4/7;

**April Anniversaries:** Denise & Paul Andrews 4/24; Dorli & Fritz Hausermann 4/26; Joanne & Paul Olesen 4/16; Elaine & Edward Surette 4/19.



*Char Traxel, Our Princess of Monies would like to remind everyone it is that time of year to pay our dues, \$5 per lady per year. Please take care of that Ladies.*

*Now that the holidays are over maybe we can get back to normal. Don't forget the country party April 12<sup>th</sup> at the pavillion put on by the yacht club. Also sign up for National Red Hat Day.*



Fondly,  
Judith McElwaine, QM