



"The Sophisticated Ladies"
The Red Hat Society of SGC
April 2008 Newsletter

Hello Ladies,

Our April luncheon was held at Carrabbas, Port Charlotte. Judy Post was our hostess of the month. Thirty-three ladies attended and two young ladies. These young ladies were the twin



granddaughters Shannon and Dana Tucker, of our Vice Mother Karen Price, and the great-granddaughters of Karen's mom, Marilyn McSwain, who also attended.

We love Carrabbas'. The food is always good, served hot and promptly; the service is great, and most of all we have the whole place to ourselves. We really love that. Thank you Judy for a great day.

Dolly Scolase told us about a benefit dinner for Sherri, a young mother of two children, from SGC, whose home and all their belongings were lost in a fire. The dinner will be held at the VFW April 20, from 3 to 6 pm. All the proceeds will go to this needy family. Call Dolly for tickets 697-2677. Dolly is an angel for doing this for Sherri.

A few of our ladies are going back north soon. We wish them well and hope they have a great summer. We will be toasting you the second Friday of each month, so please do the same and think of us, and pray we have another quiet summer without any Charleys.

Karen talked about our upcoming events:

April 25th: “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 9th: 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 13th: Englewood Beach Day. Come early, relax on the beach. Lunch at 11:30 under the pavillion. Bring your own lunch and drinks. \$2 to cover the cost to rent the space.

June 19th – 23rd: International Convention Orlando: I will there to represent our society. Unfortunately Karen cannot attend. If anyone would like to take her place, please let me know. A room is reserved at the Gaylord Hotel. We have a bus to take us there.



...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.



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

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

[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 11th Riverwood: Co-hostesses are Irma Whitmer and Wanda Totten. They are busy making plans for that day.



Oct 17th: "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 jerzgirlnfl@embarqmail.com to sign up. ASAP!!! There are a couple seats still available. Oct. 17th is the definite date. This event will be our monthly luncheon.

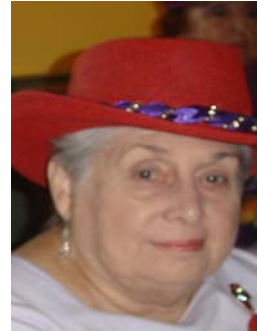


I am trying to find out which ladies have dial-up service or DSL. The reason I need to know is that with the pictures on our newsletter if you have dial up it takes forever and will just freeze up your computer. If you have dial up I can send the newsletter without pictures. That was reason for the list going around, but I think most misunderstood. Please let me know...DSL or dial-up, please. I'd hate for you not to get our newsletter.



Mary Bayless talked about some Crafty-girls events. There is a Memorial Day picnic at the pavillion May 26th. Also they are putting together another cook-book, volume 2. They are looking for recipes. So

get out those family favorites, Helen Griffin is the Lady in charge of it.



We celebrated the April birthdays. Those present were Judy Rossi and Judy Post. Those not present were Yvonne and Kay Giehl. We enjoyed the Cassata, (Italian Wedding) cake baked by Publix. Judy Rossi won the Ruby Birthday Pin. Happy Birthday Ladies.

The 50/50 was held by Judith Van Landegend and Ruth Oberlin. Winners were: Helen, Judy Post's mom won the orchid; the money was won by three Judys: Judy Post, Judy VanLandegend and yours truly, Judy McElwaine. Thankyouthankyouverymuch for supporting the 50/50. The money goes to pay for the cake and the orchid. We do enjoy both.



Speaking of orchids, as you know, I belong to the EAOS (The Englewood Area Orchid Society), we had our annual orchid show last month. It was an AOS show for the first time, meaning that the America Orchid Society judges came to our show and judged all the displays and the orchids. There were many other groups participating, along with Selby Botanical Gardens of Sarasota. Each display was judged. Our society display won for best display!!! Over Selby!!! How about that!!! Just a little bragging. Some day we will have our own society right here in South Gulf Cove. We have a lot of residents that are members of EAOS. It's a nice hobby. It can be addictive. There is nothing wrong with being addicted to orchids.

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

May Birthdays: Kathy Bowser 5/19, Regina Brown 5/18, Elaine Surette 5/17, Judy Snyder 5/6

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Don't forget your secret Pals.

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Fondly,
Judith McElwaine, QM

