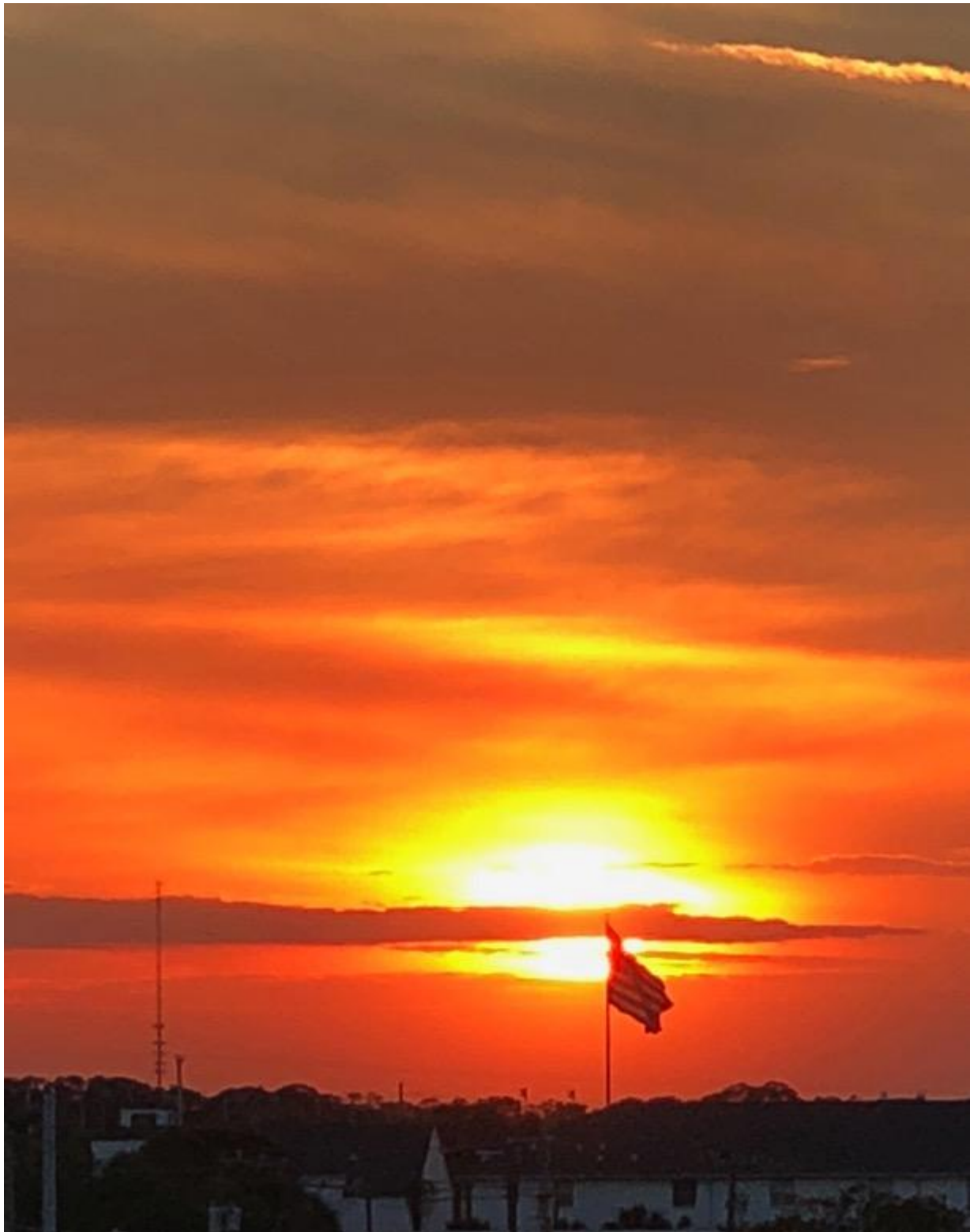


WHITLEY BAY

The Whitley Bay Condominium Newsletter

Spring 2018



Recent sunset as seen from Whitley Bay

WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBORS...

Please welcome Jim and Susan O'Leary, who moved into Suite 1004 in March.

Jim grew up in Hawaii on the island of Kauai. As a boy and teenager he learned how to surf and sail, spending so much time outdoors that he once had bleach blond hair. During and after college he raced bicycles, first in Hawaii and then in California. After a few years he went to work in Information Technology, initially Atlantic Richfield, followed by Apple, IBM, and Disney. Jim is now retired professionally, but not quite: he proudly acts as Susan's personal technical support. In retirement Jim rides his bicycle four days a week, and is currently Ride Director for the Space Coast Free Wheelers cycling club.

Susan was born in Los Angeles. In 1957 her family moved to Cocoa Beach; her dad was an aerospace engineer working on various rocket launch projects. Susan had the good fortune to see all seven Mercury launches. She still loves looking at the night sky. In 1967 she moved back to California for college and career. In the early 80's an IBM terminal was put on her desk. She soon started training people on how to effectively use it, and quickly found her calling as a trainer. Ever since, she's been working all facets of training. Susan loves all things jazz, wine, beach walking, and Jim.

Jim and Susan met on Susan's first day at Apple, exactly 29 years ago. The friendship grew and they've been married now for 22 years. They have three wonderful children and two beautiful granddaughters. Susan is looking forward to retirement in the next year, and together Jim and Susan will strike out on new adventures (road trip!), the first one being making their new home here at Whitley Bay.

Happenings around Whitley Bay...

Octoberfest Fall Festival... Loretta Bowers (Suite 606) and Roz McClure (Suite 506) Co-chairs

Traditional oompah music and special German Oktoberfest beer greeted 44 Whitley Bay residents on October 28th to celebrate the arrival of fall. We gathered to share an evening of good food and spectacular entertainment. The serving tables were laden with a variety of delicious foods to satisfy the size of any appetite, large or small.

The big hit of the evening was the musical show produced, emceed and performed in by Mike Hall, co-starring Jim Jacobs and Tom Jensen. Mike started us off with his fabulous singing and guitar playing, singing a wonderful selection of songs to the delight of the whole crowd. Next, Jim Jacobs amazed everyone with his incredible karaoke chops. A hidden talent that was unveiled for the enjoyment of his Whitley Bay neighbors. Tom Jensen performed a sensational set of songs with the beautiful piano accompaniment of Judy Bartine. He started with a gorgeous rendition of the well known aria *Nessun Dorma* from Puccini's opera *Turandot*. The grand finale was his inspiring performance of the beautiful "Let there be Peace on Earth". Thank you so much to our four talented performers!!



The evening was full of good food and great music. It was a time to help us celebrate our summer of survival and to enjoy the company of our neighbors.

Thanks to everyone for making it a great night.



Christmas Party...Loretta Bowers (Suite 606) and Lindsay Leinss (Suite 1003)
Co-chairs

The Annual Whitley Bay Holiday Dinner was held at Café Margaux, Saturday, December 9th and was followed by a White Elephant gift exchange in our Recreation Room.



**Super Bowl Party...Loretta Bowers (Suite 606) and Lindsay Leinss (Suite 1003)
Co-chairs**

The Annual Super Bowl Celebration was held February 4th where 24 Residents, guests, and friends gathered and provided an array of delicious finger foods, appetizers and dessert! Our appreciation to our talented WB Chefs, guests, and Social Committee who made this a fun event.....regardless of the final score. Once again the Super Bowl Pool was a Big Hit for some participants. The Eagles took the lead early and held on to win --- **Philadelphia Eagles 41 and New England Patriots 33.**



St. Paddy's Day Party...Lindsay Leinss (Suite 1003) and Roz McClure (Suite 506) Co-chairs

A wee bit of the Irish...On Friday, March 16th, 33 of the O'Whitley Bay residents assembled for a grand celebration of the feast of Saint Patrick, the foremost patron saint of Ireland. The scene was most definitely Green! Shamrocks, leprechauns, Irish wisdom, and even a pot o' gold were on display throughout the festival room. The best Irish tunes were graciously provided by Tater McDoodles (Michael Hall) throughout the evening. Residents were in their best Irish garb with no one needin' to be told it was a day to wear green. In keepin' with the feasting event, the most delicious foods were contributed by everyone, leading to a wonderful dinner accompanied by Irish beer, Irish coffee, Bailey's Irish Cream and Jameson's Irish Whiskey. Yum and yum!!

After much eating and visiting with one another, the winner of the pot o' gold guessing contest was announced and it was none other than Sprinkles Bleary (Donna Meligi)!! Much thanks to all the social committee leprechauns for decoratin' and cleanin'. Special mention for Warty McWoozy (Wayne Sanders) for scalin' the heights to put up the banners. And to Stumpy O'Bourbon (Lindsay Leinss) for headin' up the event.

Respectfully submitted by: Whispers McSmelly (Roz McClure)





Congratulations to Don Verner...Suite 805

Don Verner's men's senior 65 Acousti softball team won the USSSA Spring National tournament in Lakeland March 23-25. Acousti beat the Tampa Mavericks 23-19, the Florida Bulls 23-17, ITC Death and Taxes 25-10 and the Mavericks again 18-17 before losing to the Boca Major 70's team 18-4. Fighting their way out of the loser's bracket, Acousti beat the Mavericks again 22-15 which set up a rematch with the Boca 70's team. They beat the Boca team twice, 8-5 then 13-3, to take the championship! This is the 4th National Title Acousti has won just in the last 18 months!!!



Parking Committee...Diane Verner (Suite 805), Chairperson

If you are new to Whitley Bay or have recently changed vehicles or received new license plates, please update your vehicle information with Diane Verner at dverner100@aol.com. When we re-issued permanent hang tags a few years back, we chose to purchase the ones that we could write in the suite number for identification purposes. However, the Florida sun has faded out those numbers. Therefore, we would appreciate it if each of you could take a black sharpie and go over the numbers so they are legible from a distance.

Also, remember that at any time you have a guest staying overnight, they need to have a proper visitor's parking pass prominently displayed in their vehicle. You may request a short-term pass from any of the floor captains. However, any pass needed for more than one week, needs to be obtained from Diane Verner (Suite 805).

There are a few owners who are interested in renting out their permanent parking tag, so if anyone is in need of an extra one, please get with Diane Verner ([321-638-3592](tel:321-638-3592)).

Recently, some of our committee members have moved away and others are in the process of moving. Therefore, there is a great need for new volunteers to help on this committee. If anyone is interested in helping in this area, please contact either Diane Verner (Suite 805) or Frank Sullivan (Suite 1201).

Review Committee...Diane Verner (Suite 805)

If you have placed any type of decorative item at your front door and have not received approval for these items, please contact Diane Verner ([321-638-3592](tel:321-638-3592)) to receive a "Common Area Request" form.

Storage Committee...Don Verner (Suite 805)

Just a reminder, when exiting your storage unit, please make sure that the lights are turned off and the door is completely closed and locked securely.

When placing items in your storage area, please be very careful to stay within the boundaries of your assigned storage space and that all items are stacked well below the sprinkler heads. Also, per the Fire Marshal, no paint supplies or other flammable materials are allowed in the storage areas. If you have such items stored in your space, please remove them as soon as possible.

Yoga Classes...Sarah Donnelly (Suite 304)

A small group of Whitley Bay residents have been enjoying yoga classes for just over a month now. We meet Mondays at 8:45 am in the Recreation Room on the 3rd floor. In addition to the many health benefits of yoga practice (core strengthening, balance, focus, to name a few), the convenience and cost - just \$10 per one hour session - make this activity ideal for people of any age and ability. Yoga promotes physical and mental well-being and our wonderful instructor, Ruby, takes care to insure each participant derives maximum benefit from every class.

We need to recruit additional students if we are to keep our weekly yoga practice going. There has been discussion about possibly opening this opportunity to friends in neighboring condos, but they would need to be accompanied by an owner. If you are interested in joining us, or if you want more information, please text Sarah Donnelly at [727-317-9554](tel:727-317-9554) or by email at sarahdonnelly@yahoo.com. Or, you might just want to come and observe a session.

Update from the Social Committee...Loretta Bowers (Suite 606) & Lindsay Leinss (Suite 1003) Co-chairmen

On February 13, 2018, six members of the Social Committee met to plan our parties and events for this year. So far this year we have had a Super Bowl party, the Whitley Bay Annual Meeting, and a St. Patty's Day party. Listed below are the dates of the remaining events for 2018:

May 5 ---Cinco de Mayo

Sept. 8---Ladies Luncheon in Celebration, FL.

Oct. 27---Octoberfest

Dec. 9----Holiday Party at Rockledge Country Club includes entertainment.

We look forward to seeing you at our events.

Note from Reconcilable Differences, Inc...

Whitley Bay owners who desire a printed copy of the monthly Financial Statement may request same from RDI (321-453-1585 or office@recdif.com).

Owners who need proof of insurance coverage may contact Whitley Bay's agent, Ryan Matheson, at ryan.matheson@regions.com or 727-471-6010. Some insurance policies are available on our website under the Whitley Bay section.

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