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THINGS TO KNOW

It is hard to imagine that 2022 is coming to an end, but as we think back on all the great memories made this year, we also realize the many challenges we dealt with as a club & community. Before we provide an update on repair projects, we wanted to take a moment to express our sincere gratitude for all of the continued support each of you has shown our staff during this time. The support you have given will provide each of our staff members with the highest holiday bonus they have ever received! Thank you!

(Foyer / Entryway Clubhouse) – we have contracted with a local company to remove all of the old ceiling tiles and grid system and then replace them with new ones, this work is scheduled to start the first week of January. We have ordered new ice machines for the tennis court area and golf course; those are scheduled to be installed before the end of the year.

We can't wait for more exciting memories to be made in 2023! For those that will be around, I encourage you to participate in as many of the great events we have planned as you can.

Happy Holidays and we look forward to seeing you all around the club soon.

-Pope Golf Management Team



Hours

Monday - Sunday - Lunch 11am -3pm
Happy Hour 3pm -6pm

Wednesday & Friday - Dinner 5 pm -7 pm

THINGS TO KNOW

Grounds Update

I hope that everyone had a great Thanksgiving and was able to spend it with family and friends. We have been very busy in the maintenance department continuing to clean up the damage from Hurricane Ian.

The tree contractor we use was able to get out the last week of November and helped us out with some of the bigger trees that we lost during the storm. We will continue to clean up some of the smaller trees that were damaged and then will start to work on removing the stumps.

The overseed was applied to the course the week of Thanksgiving and the seed is germinating very well. We have not had any rain since we applied the seed but are hoping to receive some over the next couple of weeks. During the establishment of the seed, we have been relying on the irrigation system to get the seed to germinate. This has resulted in some wet areas around the course. Once we get the seed established and start to mow it regularly, we will be able to cut back on the amount of irrigation. During the establishment period, we are asking you to please avoid the wet areas around the low areas of the course. If you see tracks going through an area, please do not follow them, but find another way around. The cooler weather that we had after the seed was applied helped with getting the seed off to a great start. We will start to mow the fairways and tees during the week of December 12th.

We have already started mowing the rough areas that were seeded and they are mowing out very well. Fertilizer will be applied to the course the week before Christmas to give the ryegrass some food to help it along during establishment. We are planning on being back to a normal mowing schedule by the first of the year. The golf course has been improving year over year and we ask you to please help us in the improvements by remembering to fix ball marks on the greens, filling divots, and abiding by the directional cart signs around the greens.

Thanks,
Preston Stephenson

Eats and Education Twin Isles Country Club



Come join us for FREE breakfast and education on Senior Health Care

January 16th at 9 a.m

RSVP by Monday, January 9th
Ashley Eairheart - 941-637-1232

Presented By:



Afton Patterson-Home Care
Lead Advisor



*Valerie Tiffany-Senior Care
Advisor*



Peace River
Physical
Therapy
& Rehabilitation

Lance Doeble MSPT

Thank you Twin Isles!

From St. Vincent DePaul



Thanks to you, many children in our area are going to have a very Merry Christmas!

Food insecurity is an everyday reality for Charlotte County VETS and Seniors living on a fixed income, as well as a significant number of families with children, living below the poverty level, particularly due to job loss and recovery in the aftermath of COVID, hurricane Ian

and increasing inflation. Census data through 2021 indicates that 11% of our population lives in poverty.

For 36 years our local Society of St Vincent de Paul 501(c)(3) charity organization, run completely by volunteers continues to have a meaningful impact in providing food, clothing, household furnishings, and assistance with rent and utilities to the poor with dignity and care.

Our members generously contributed approximately 800-1000 pounds of food and supplies to their pantry, which provides over 500 meals.

They are located at 25200 Airport Rd in Punta Gorda. Check out their link below to see how you can continue to help.

svdppg.org



THINGS TO KNOW



New Members

Peter Lacalamita- Seasonal
John & Linda Schulties- Social
John Gilroy - Social
David & Margaret Whitney -Golf
Brian & Lisa Batterton - Golf
Jeremiah Lynch- Golf
Patrick Honadle & Robin Lattimer - Golf
Nick Lynn - Golf
Charles & Linda Pettijohn- Golf

Monday, January 9, 2023

TWIN ISLES WOMEN SOCIAL CLUB

New Year Luncheon

Meet & Greet Starting at 10:30AM

Lunch at 12:00PM

Tuna Niçoise Salad with scoop of Tuna Salad

Dessert: Fresh Fruit Compote

Guest Speaker: Nancy Prafke & Dotti Vaivodas



UPCOMING SAVE THE DATES:

Jan. 10th: Greeting Cards Art Class

Jan. 13th: Cooking Class

Jan. 31st: Punta Gorda Historic Mural

Society "Wall Mural Presentation"

Feb. 10th: Cooking Class

Feb. 13th: Valentines Luncheon

Feb. 14th: Jewelry Making Art Class



Call the Restaurant to Reserve your spot 941-637-1232

for more info, please contact

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GET INVOLVED

Interest Groups

Interest groups and social clubs create a great opportunity for members to learn a new skill, make new friends, or share a hobby with other members who have similar interests.

Meet fellow members with similar interests by creating or joining an *Interest Group*, such as a card club, a walking group, a Mahjong club, or perhaps a cocktail of the month club, options are endless.

Any Member wishing to develop an interest group or club should contact Peggy Miller, Office Manager to receive information and an application.



GET INVOLVED



CARD NIGHT
JAN. WEDNESDAY.,
4,11,18,25
6:00pm



BINGO NIGHT
WEDNESDAY,
JANUARY 11 & 25
6:30pm

R.S.V.P. 941-637-1232
Come join us and try
your luck at Bingo.



MAH JONG
JAN. -TUES & FRI.,
TUES., 3,10,17,24,31
FRI., 6,13,20,27
11:00 am

Activity room, all
materials included
Laura Felmore
941-661-1900



HAPPY HOUR
Every Mon.- Sun.
3 pm - 6 pm

1/2 price well liquor,
draft beer, and house
wine



ART CLUB
TUES., JAN.10TH
3PM -5PM

Greeting card by Denise
Lynn

Call to reserve
941-637-1232



GUITAR CLASS
EVERY MONDAY
1-3PM

All Members are
welcome to join the
class. At the
beginning of the
class, new students
will get instructions &
then the group jam
for about an hour
and a half.



COOKING CLASS
FRI., Jan.13TH
3PM -5PM
Call restaurant to
reserve your spot
941637-1232 ext.429



DINNER &
ENTERTAINMENT
FRI. JAN 13TH
5pm -7pm
Call restaurant to
reserve your spot
941637-1232 ext.429



WESTERN NIGHT
MON. - JANUARY, 16TH
5:00 - 9:00pm

GET INVOLVED

New Interest Group

Great Books Enthusiasts of TICC

Book selections and dates:

Second Wednesday of every other month at 3pm

- February 8th - **Flights**
by Olga Tokarczuk
- April 12th - **Horse**
by Geraldine Brooks

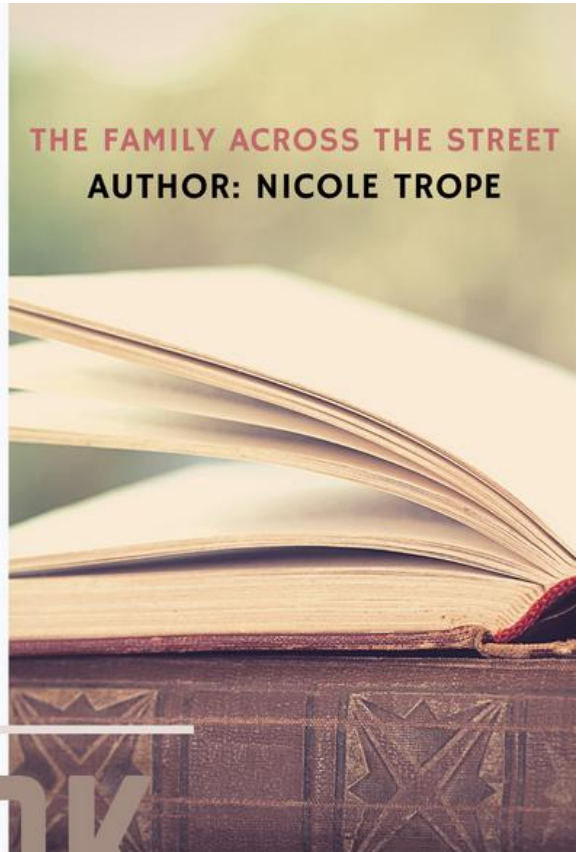
Join us and enjoy some Homemade Cookies in the Activity Room.

For more information please call
Michelle Licata at 941-916-9121
Great Books Facilitator: Jerri Marsee



GOOD BOOKS, GOOD TEA, AND GOOD COMPANY

THE FAMILY ACROSS THE STREET
AUTHOR: NICOLE TROPE



BOOK CLUB

January 25th
Wednesday | 3:00 PM

Sign up at the podium
For additional information
email Nancy Svehla
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Twin Isles Ladies' Golf Association (TILGA)

TILGA is for TICC ladies' Golf Members. TILGA is the 18- and 9- Hole Ladies' Golf Group, which plays all year on Wednesday mornings at TICC. 18-Hole tee-times typically begin at 9 am; 9-Hole play begins after that. The Games and Tournaments Schedule is on the Pro Shop bulletin board - and the weekly sign-up is also there (sign up by first thing Monday morning). The Golf Pro assigns the individual tee times.

There is an annual one-time \$35 payment to TILGA. The TILGA year is May thru the end of April. The Summer Schedule will end October 5. First Day of Play for the 2022-2023 "Season" begun October 12. There are always many fun regular games and a variety of tournaments. The Closing Tournament and Luncheon is scheduled for April 19, 2023.

TILGA participation is a great way to meet many TICC women golfers - and play a variety of golf games! It is an opportunity to meet and play with other smaller groups during the week. Please join us!!

For more information, call:

- ***Mary Wood (Treasurer/Membership) - (832) 381-6567***
- ***Judy VanderWeele (President) - (941) 416-0089***



GOLF

ARBOR DAY SCRAMBLE

Sunday, JANUARY 15TH

Golf: 12:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Dinner: 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Golf, Dinner & Prizes - **\$ 47.00 all-inclusive**

Dinner only -- **\$ 32.00 ++**

BUFFET: *house salad bar, roasted flank steak with chimichurri & light demi glaze, chicken caprese, baked salmon with lemon sauce & pico de gallo seasonal veggies, rice primavera, assorted desserts*

RSVP in Pro-Shop by January 11th

T.I.L.G.A

THURSDAY., January 26th

Shotgun 8:30am | Lunch 1:00pm

&

\$20++Lunch Only

Chicken salad with cranberry raisins, apples on a croissant & fresh fruit cup. Dessert will be a cake provided by TILGA

R.S.V.P TO PRO SHOP BY MON. JANUARY 23rd



GOLF



2022-23 Golf Schedule

****Rescheduled to spring (11/5)**

10/23	Sunday	Members	Polish Italian Open	PM Shotgun Dinner	**
10/26	Wednesday	TILGA	Opening Day Scramble	AM Shotgun Lunch	**
11/5	Saturday	Outing	Landsberg Bennett	PM Shotgun Dinner	**
11/12	Sunday	Members	Turkey Trot	PM Shotgun Dinner	**
11/30	Wednesday	TILGA	Presidents Cup	AM Tee Times	**
12/2	Friday	TILGA	Presidents Cup	AM Tee Times	**
12/7	Wednesday	TILGA	Christmas Scramble	AM Shotgun Lunch	**
12/11	Sunday	Members	Holiday Scramble	PM Shotgun Dinner	**
1/4	Wednesday	TILGA	Alligator Classic Qualifier	AM Tee Times	
1/15	Sunday	Members	Arbor Day Scramble	PM Shotgun Dinner	
1/20	Friday	Men	War Between the States	AM Shotgun Lunch	**
1/25	Wednesday	TILGA	Member - Member	AM Tee Times	
1/26	Thursday	TILGA	Member – Member	AM Shotgun Lunch	**
2/15	Wednesday	TILGA	Gals & Pals (9-Holes Event)	PM Shotgun Lunch	*
2/19	Sunday	Members	Sweetheart Scramble	PM Shotgun Dinner	**
2/25	Saturday	Men	Member/Member-Member-Guest	AM Shotgun Lunch	
3/1	Wednesday	TILGA	Member - Guest	AM Shotgun Lunch	
3/12	Sunday	Members	Irish Open	PM Shotgun Dinner	**
3/25	Saturday	Outing	ARCHway Fundraiser	AM Shotgun Lunch	
4/3	Monday	Club Championship	– Championship Flights	AM Tee Times	
4/5	Wednesday	Club Championship	– All Flights	AM Tee Times	
4/7	Friday	Club Championship	- All Flights	AM Tee Time	
4/7	Friday	Championship Awards Reception		Following Last Match	
4/19	Wednesday	TILGA	Closing Golf & Lunch	AM Shotgun Lunch	**
4/23	Sunday	Members	End of Season Scramble	PM Shotgun Dinner	*
5/29	Monday	All Members	Memorial Day Scramble	AM Shotgun Lunch	**

**** CARTS ARE MANDATORY**

TENNIS

Update from your Tennis Pro,

Happy New Year to all of the TICC members. The coming year is looking to be a banner year for our growing tennis program. As always, our players are out on the courts every day enjoying the Punta Gorda weather and the spirited competition on the courts. Our Saturday morning mixer remains one of our most popular weekly tennis events. We start at 10:00 AM and continue until everyone has had enough. The price is \$2.00 and balls are provided, the format is set weekly on the spot to keep it fresh.

Our men's and women's teams are in the middle of their respective seasons. The level of play from our teams is improved from seasons past and we look forward to continued advancement.

I have restarted the popular Friday morning drop-in clinic. It starts at 8:30 AM and runs until 9:30. The price is \$20.00 and reduces to \$15.00 when we reach 7 or more participants.

Our annual Australian Open tennis mixer is scheduled for Saturday, January 29th at 10:00 AM. We will play and then head over to the Grill room for lunch and to watch the Ladies' Finals. There are a lot of new faces on tour and the matches should be exciting and fun. Make sure to sign up with Bob!!

Looking to improve? Having a problem with your game? Set up a lesson with Bob or Jackie to get it ironed out.

Remember, if you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact Bob. See you on the courts!

Bob



Twin Isles CC Signature Drink Contest 2023!

With 2023 fast approaching, we will be having a first annual 2023 "Twin Isles Signature Drink Contest", which will be featured at our Happy Hours and on our bar menu in the club for 2023. Here is where it gets fun. We want to involve our members in helping name and select the Twin Isles Signature Drink. We will be sending out details on how to submit a drink recipe and when we will be hosting the contest with our Members. We will include instructions to qualify as well as detailed information in an email. We will be judging on the following categories: 1) Taste 2) Visual Appeal 3) Creative Name 4) Originality.

Cheers!!!!



Rosé Paloma Cocktail Recipe

- 2 ounces mezcal
- 4 ounces grapefruit soda
- 1 ounce rosé
- 1 ounce lime juice (freshly squeezed)
- 2-3 sprigs thyme
- worm salt
- grapefruit wedges

- Cut a lime wedge to wet the rim of your cocktail glass. Then, dip the rim into a bowl of worm salt.
- In a shaker, pour in mezcal, rosé, and lime juice.
- Shake for 10 seconds.
- Pour into a salt-rimmed and ice-filled cocktail glass.
- Top off with grapefruit soda.
- Garnish with a slice of grapefruit and a couple sprigs of thyme.
- First things first, cut a lime wedge to wet the rim of your cocktail glass. Then, dip the rim into a bowl of worm salt. Set the glass aside as you prepare the drink.
- Now for the fun part! In a shaker, pour in two ounces of mezcal, one ounce of rosé, and one ounce of freshly squeezed lime juice. Shake the mixture for 10 seconds, and pour into a salt-rimmed and ice-filled cocktail glass. Top the glass off with grapefruit soda, and garnish with a slice of grapefruit and a couple sprigs of thyme.

We want to hear from you!

Whether you have a family recipe passed down through generations, appetizers, must-have cookies (desserts) that are always in demand, or an easy weeknight recipe you invented yourself, we would love to share it with our members of TI.

Submit your recipe today for the **"Twin Isles Connection in the Kitchen"** to Ashley Fairheart at aeairheart@popegolf.net.

We will be sharing these recipes each month in our newsletter. Please make sure to include ingredients, instructions, and a brief description of your recipe. Photos are highly encouraged!

Share your favorite appetizer, entrée, or dessert recipe. Include a description or story of why it is meaningful to you or why you've shared it.

Garlic Parmesan Baked Eggplant

- 1 large eggplant
- 6 tablespoons unsalted butter melted
- 1 cup breadcrumbs
- 1/4 cup shredded Parmesan cheese
- 1/4 teaspoon smoked paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon Italian seasoning



INSTRUCTIONS

- Start by preparing the eggplant: wash the eggplant and trim off the green end. You can peel the skin if you like. Next, slice eggplant into 1/2" disks. Place all disks in a colander or cooling rack set over a baking sheet, sprinkle with salt, and let sit for at least 30 minutes
- Next, melt butter in a bowl. Mix breadcrumbs, spices, and Parmesan cheese in another bowl.
- Dip each eggplant disk into butter first, then breading mixture. Place on aluminum foil or parchment paper lined baking sheet.
- Bake in 400 degrees F oven for 15 minutes, then flip each disk and baked for 7 more minutes. The eggplant should be golden brown and the breading crispy.
- Serve as a side dish, appetizer or use in eggplant Parmesan.

NOTES

Eggplant skin is completely edible. It's a personal preference, just like zucchini. You can peel the skin off or leave it.

PAST EVENTS



UPCOMING EVENTS



PUNTA GORDA HISTORIC MURAL SOCIETY

Wall Mural Presentation

**PRESENTED BY
KELLY GAYLORD ON
TUESDAY, JANURARY 31, 2023
IN THE ACTIVITY ROOM
FROM 4-6PM**

**JOIN US FOR CHEESE & CRACKERS
PROVIDED BY THE
TWIN ISLES WOMEN!
HAPPY HOUR 4PM-6PM**

**CALL THE RESTAURANT TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT
BY JANURARY 15,2023**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT LAUREL HANSEN PHILLIPS
617 281-4895 LAUREL.PHILLIPS@GMAIL.COM**



UPCOMING EVENTS

Out & About

Check out these fun events happening around town!



South West Florida Wood Art Expo and Competition

JANUARY 6, 2023 - JANUARY 7, 2023
9am - 4pm
**CHARLOTTE HARBOR EVENT CENTER PUNTA
GORDA, FL**

C.A.R.E. Ball 2023
Night at the Museum
SAT JAN 28 2023 AT 06:00 PM
**Charlotte Harbor Event and Conference
Center | Punta Gorda**



Meet Loaf: The Ultimate Tribute
FRI JAN 13 2023 AT 07:00 PM
**Gulf Theater at the Military Heritage
Museum | Punta Gorda**

A LOOK AHEAD



February 10th- Cooking Class 3pm



February 11th - Casino Night



February 17th - Valentines
Dinner & Dance



February 19 th - Sweetheart Scramble



February 28 th - Comedy Night



