



# Port Carlos Cove

## NEWSLETTER

Rick & Sue Hobot - Editors

December 2013



*Merry Christmas  
And a  
Happy New Year*





## **MEN'S CLUB COFFEE**

Welcome back everyone. It's nice to see so much activity in the park.

We've had two Men's club meetings this month and have already had two projects. All the boat trailer marking posts have been installed in the back 40. We still have to finish some of the marking. We are waiting for the labels to be made and then we will complete this project. Thanks to all of the guys that helped on this project.

The park has been decorated for Christmas.

The lights will come on at dusk on Thanksgiving night. The ladies decorated the inside of the clubhouse and it sure looks nice. Thanks to all the ladies and guys who helped to make our park look so nice.

The next project for the men will be to forming and pouring a new slab back at our boatlift in the back 40. We will plan on this project the first week of December.

Two events have been set for the coming year. The Bazaar has been set for January 18th, 2014. Sue Hobot has volunteered to chair this.

The Chicken Barbeque will be March 9th. John Rankin will be in charge of this event. Thanks to Sue and John for volunteering.

We need more people to step forward like this.

The next meeting will be December 16<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM. All the guys in the park are always invited to come to these meetings and share new ideas and socialize with your neighbors. We always meet on the first and third Monday of the month at 9 AM. See you all at the next meeting.

*Ken Eul*

## **Letter from Jan**

### **WELCOME BACK EVERYONE!!!!**

Hope you had a healthy and safe summer. We hope that everyone's travel back to Port Carlos Cove was a safe one. We are wishing that if anyone has any ideas for the Civic Association to make it a successful year, please come to the meetings that are the first Monday of the month at 7 p.m.

The holidays are coming upon us very soon.

There was a Thanksgiving dinner at the Clubhouse hosted by Mary Gumm, Ceil Moore, and Nancy Wilaby. We thank them for their hard work. Also, there will be a Christmas Eve gathering hosted by Joe and Nancy Wilaby.

Watch for details on the bulletin board.

President,  
Jan Thon

## **HARRY CHAPIN**



**FEED THE  
HUNGRY**

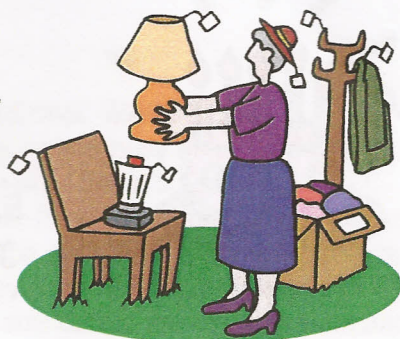
I was going to deliver the Harry Chapin box before Thanksgiving but you can not imagine my surprise when I looked into it. Practically empty!! SO I decided with the Thanksgiving

dinner it would be filled up, as so many were having dinner there. Well surprise again! Guess few thought of bringing a can or two on that day of being thankful. So here I am, once again reminding you of how blessed we are, how much we've been given and to ask you 'PLEASE' to remember those less fortunate. I also want to thank the Civic Association for their generous gift of \$200 which was sent to the Harry Chapin Food Shelf, and to wish you all a Merry Christmas, God Bless  
*Sue Hobot*



## Remember the Bazaar

Saturday,  
January 18,  
2014. If you  
have items to  
donate, please contact one of the reps that  
can help you put it into storage, or bring it  
to the clubhouse on Friday, Jan 17. If you  
can help with baked goods, soups, etc. that  
would be grateful as well. If you were one  
of the volunteers from last year, again  
thanks for your help as we will be needing  
volunteers again this year.  
For questions or comments contact  
Sue Hobot 239-765-1244



## NOVEMBER'S BOAT-TRIP

Thanks to Joe and Nancy Wilaby for getting the  
ball rolling on our

first boat ride of  
the 2013-2014  
season. Five  
boats driven  
by Captains'  
Tom Frana,  
Gene Tatge,  
Joe Wilaby,  
Vern Plante  
and Rick  
Hobot who  
took 36 fun,



anxious beach partiers. Numerous chairs, tables,  
umbrellas, grills, food and beverages were stored  
on board till we "found" Lovers Key". Guess  
one of the captain's was a bit confused on this  
point and another forgot the propane at home.

However, we landed, soaked up some sun,  
enjoyed a feast fit for a "captain" and enjoyed  
visiting with each other. What a wonderful first  
boat outing and thank you to all who enjoyed in  
and shared this experience.



## RECIPE

This is the recipe  
given to Jan Schweistal by her  
good friend, Judy Underdahl from Faribault, MN.

### RUBARB DESSERT

#### Crust

4 cups of rubarb

1 cup of sugar

Mix together and spread in a 9X13 pan  
2<sup>nd</sup> layer

1 small pkg. strawberry jello

1 yellow cake mix, dry

Chopped nuts to taste

1 cup coconut

Sprinkle on top of crust

#### Topping

1 ½ cups melted butter

Drizzle on top

Bake 350 degrees for 45 min. It can be served  
topped with ice cream of whipped topping.

## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

The park is all decorated for the Christmas  
season and residents have arrived and some  
left again, to spend the holidays with friends  
and family "up north." It is a special time to  
reflect on giving, enjoying family and  
friends, baking cookies and candies, singing  
Christmas carols, sending out greeting cards  
or putting up lights on our homes or most  
importantly, remembering the baby who was  
born in a manager so many years ago. It is  
also a time to remember all the men and  
women in the military service who can not  
be home for the holidays and some who will  
never return. So as this season approaches,  
please count your blessings and remember  
how blessed we are to live in our small  
piece of paradise and especially in this  
country. Merry Christmas and  
may your New Year be Bright!





*Please pray for our  
Neighbors who are  
having health issues.*



**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY  
JANUARY**

Ronnie Barnes  
Fred Buntin  
Vickie Edmundson  
Sara Fenton  
Mary Ann Hammond  
Diane Kean  
Carol Lenz  
Wally Michalak  
Anne Nelson  
Iverne Pruitt  
Ann Russell  
Jane Swartz  
Dianne Taylor  
Violet Zepp

*And all the others that we do not know of  
that are having health issues.*

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Wally & Judy Marusenko  
January 29<sup>th</sup>

Verne & Rita Plante  
January 30<sup>th</sup>

Diane Taylor	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Kathleen Haight	4 <sup>th</sup>
Sandy Johnson	4 <sup>th</sup>
Dennis Axford	5 <sup>th</sup>
Bruce Kullberg	8 <sup>th</sup>
Sandra Cecchini	10 <sup>th</sup>
Adele Moore	12 <sup>th</sup>
Herminia Warren	12 <sup>th</sup>
Dave Holkeboer	14 <sup>th</sup>
Deb Lozier	14 <sup>th</sup>
Karl Soderburg	14 <sup>th</sup>
Virginia Séguin	14 <sup>th</sup>
Paul Bellitto	15 <sup>th</sup>
Jeff Fansher	20 <sup>th</sup>
Judy Pitoni	24 <sup>th</sup>
Anne Olney	25 <sup>th</sup>
Neil Hughes	27 <sup>th</sup>
Jane Lozier	27 <sup>th</sup>
Margaret Anderson	28 <sup>th</sup>
Dick Wallem	28 <sup>th</sup>



### WELCOME WAGON

This year has been a busy one for selling and welcoming new owners. So let's welcome to PCC, Bill and Carole Hiniker from Hastings, MN. While on vacation they found the park and liked being so close to the beach. So they became the new owners of 59 Doubloon Way. Bill and Carole are the operators and owners of a Marina on the beautiful St. Croix which closes come Fall. They expect to be here for about 6 months. They have 3 children and are blessed with 12 grandchildren. They enjoy golfing, fishing and boating. Think they found the right place. So

WELCOME BILL & CAROLE

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The new owners of 102 Blackbeard Way are Dave and Fern Rusch. The Ruschs' are familiar with FL as they owned a home in Cape Coral, but decided they too, liked being closer to the beach. Dave is a funeral director and partner in a funeral home in the New London area of WI. They are parents to 2 daughters and 2 sons. They are also blessed with 6 grandchildren and 2 "greats."

WELCOME FERN & DAVE

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### WELCOME WAGON

At 64 Blackbeard Way the new owners are Wayne and Barbara Steffens. They are no relation to Gary and Judy Steffen who live on Doubloon Way. They liked the area, as they have lived on Emily Lane and on Nancy Lane before buying here in PCC. They live in Waldron, WI and are friends with Mary Lou and Ed Schenimann who live on Barbados Way. Wayne is a truck driver and farms. And they plan on enjoying our piece of paradise for about 4 months every year. They have a son Joseph and a granddaughter Paige. Lets WELCOME TO PCC WAYNE AND BARB

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Happy 50<sup>th</sup>

Gary & Judy  
Steffen

December  
14<sup>th</sup>

Tw'as the night before Christmas, he lived all alone,  
In a one bedroom home made of plaster and stone.  
I had come down the chimney with presents to give,  
And to see just who in this home did live.  
I looked all about, a strange sight I did see,  
No tinsel, no presents, not even a tree.

No stocking by mantle, just boots filled with sand,  
And on the walls pictures of far distant lands.  
With medals and badges, awards of all kinds,  
A sobering thought came to my mind.  
For this house was different, so dark and so dreary,  
The home of a soldier, now I could see clearly.

The soldier lay sleeping, silent, alone,  
Curled up on the floor in this one bedroom home.  
The face was so gentle, the room in such disorder,  
Not how I pictured a United States soldier.  
Was this the hero of whom I'd just read?  
Curled up on a poncho, the floor for a bed?

I realized the families that I saw this night,  
Owed their lives to these soldiers who were willing to  
fight.

Soon round the world, the children would play,  
And grownups would celebrate a bright Christmas day.  
They all enjoyed freedom each month of the year,  
Because of the soldiers, like the one lying here.

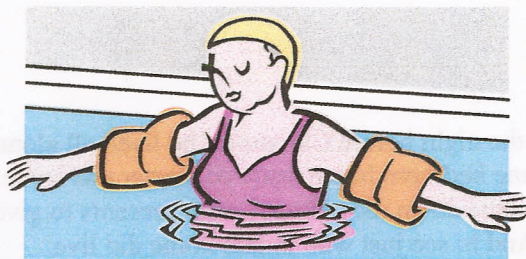
I couldn't help wonder how many lay alone,  
On a cold Christmas ever in a land far from home.  
The very thought brought a tear to my eye.  
I dropped to my knees and started to cry.  
The soldier awakened and I heard a tough voice,  
"Santa don't cry, this life is my choice;

I fight for freedom, I don't ask for more,  
My life is my God, my country, my corps"  
The soldier rolled over and soon drifted to sleep,  
I couldn't control it, I continued to weep.  
I kept watch for hours, so silent and still,  
And we both shivered from the cold evenings chill.  
I didn't want to leave on that cold, dark, night,  
This guardian of honor so willing to fight.  
Then the soldier rolled over, with a voice soft and pure,  
Whispered, "Carry on Santa, it's Christmas day, all is  
secure"

One look at my watch, and I knew he was right.  
"Merry Christmas my friend, and to all a good  
night."

By Lance Corporal James M. Schmidt





**WATER AREOBICS**  
**MONDAY ~ FRIDAY**  
**9:10 AM**

♥ ♦ **Euchre / Hand & Foot** ♠ ♣  
**WEDNESDAY NIGHT - 7PM**

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**PLAY DAY / HAND & FOOT**  
**MONDAYS @ 1PM**  
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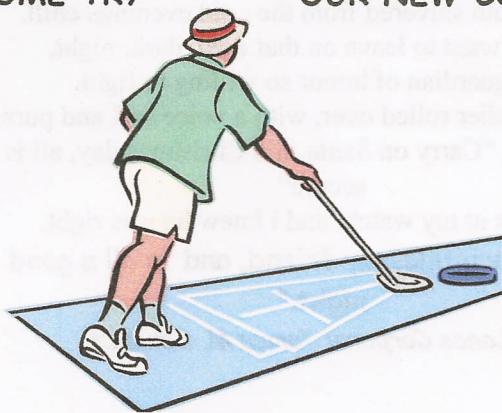
**BINGO**  
**THURSDAY**  
**NIGHT**  
**7PM**

**BEGINS**  
**JANUARY 10<sup>TH</sup>**



**SHUFFLE BOARDING**  
**MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY**  
**9AM**

**COME TRY OUR NEW COURTS**



**ATTENTION**  
**COWBOYS AND**  
**COWGIRLS**  
**!!!PLEASE MARK**  
**TUESDAY,**  
**JANUARY 7th,**  
**2014 @ 10:30 AM**  
**ON YOUR**  
**CALENDAR AND**  
**EACH FOLLOWING**  
**TUESDAY UNTIL THE**

**END**  
**THAT'S RIGHT, IT'S TIME TO START**  
**BOOT SCOOTIN'.**  
**ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US.**  
**GET FIT AND HAVE FUN.**

**Line Dance Teacher – MURIEL MARSHALL**  
**Assitant - JANE LOZIER.**



**2013 ~ 2014 GOLF**

**Mondays**  
**CROSS CREEK**  
**Dennis Risley 463-6801**  
**Sign up by Friday before**

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**Wednesdays**  
**CROSS CREEK**  
**Tom Frana 463 -3741**  
**Sign up by Sunday**

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**Thursdays**  
**MYERLEE GOLF COURSE**  
**You must signup at the Moose Club**  
**by Monday**

***Don't forget BRIDGE***  
**Tuesday night @ 7PM**  
**Starting January 7th**



## Cards for St. Jude's Children's' Ranch

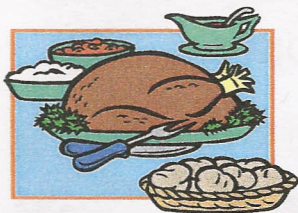
With Christmas approaching, maybe birthdays, events to say thank you or wish you well, many of us will be receiving greeting cards that we throw in the trash.

Instead, please save the tops for me so that I can send them to St. Jude's for the children to use in making cards, mobiles, etc.

I'm sure the children look forward to receiving a variety of cards they can use. I can't accept Hallmark, American Greeting, or Disney cards.

Just give me a call and I will be happy to pick them up, or drop them off at our house.

Many thanks and best wishes for a wonderful Christmas.  
Cecile Moore, Unit 82  
301-233-6453



It Was A Happy Thanksgiving!  
Seventy two park residents along with some family and friends celebrated Thanksgiving with a feast at the club house. We had

lots of sharing, laughter, and good times. Six take out dinners went to people stuck at home.

Six turkeys - 76 pounds! Our Civic Association graciously provided five of the birds and Ken Eul donated a turkey. Ceil Moore, Nancy Wilaby, Barb Lange, Betty Gumm, Judy Melson, and Jane Lozier cooked the turkeys to perfection.

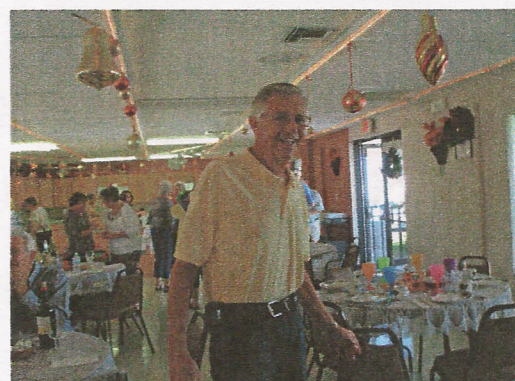
David Houck purchased 20 pounds of boneless spiral ham which was incredibly delicious.

Patti Irvin and Mary Gumm peeled, cooked, and mashed twenty five pounds of Yukon Gold potatoes. The great dressings, gravies, cornbread casseroles, sweet potatoes, green beans, broccoli casserole, lima beans, carrots, cold slaw, cranberries, salads, deviled eggs, fresh fruit, and numerous pumpkin and apple pies, cherry cheesecake, carrot cake, and fruit and truffle desserts made our meal a feast.

Thanks again to everyone for making our Port Carlos Cove Thanksgiving such a great event.

Sincerely,

Mary Gumm





## A Few Reminders for New Owners and Old Ones as We Return

Dumpster pickups  
Tuesday and Friday

If the dumpsters are overflowing, please take your garbage home for a few more hours.  
The collectors do not pick up your garbage off the ground.

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**Please crush your own aluminum cans.**

Lee County has changed the recycling rules ~ you can now put glass, cans, plastic, cardboard and paper all in the same container. **NO GARBAGE**

**ONLY AGRICULTURAL WASTE IS TO BE PLACED IN IT'S CONTAINER.**

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Please try to conserve water every chance you can. Hand-water your grass & flowers.  
Check your home for leaks.

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**ALL CANALS PLUS THE NEW CHANNEL ARE NO WAKE ZONES.**

**Idle speed only**

Idle speed is usually the first click in forward with only enough speed to control your boat. **PLEASE COMPLY**

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Please follow pool rules and use towels on the chaise lounges.  
Suntan lotion is harmful to the webbing.

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Please keep the surroundings around your unit neat and orderly.

Feeding seagulls is a nuisance to your neighbors. It's **noisy** and **dirty**.

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The Boat ramp is for the exclusive use of OWNERS, RENTERS and GUESTS  
**NOT FOR FRIENDS OUTSIDE OF THE PARK.**

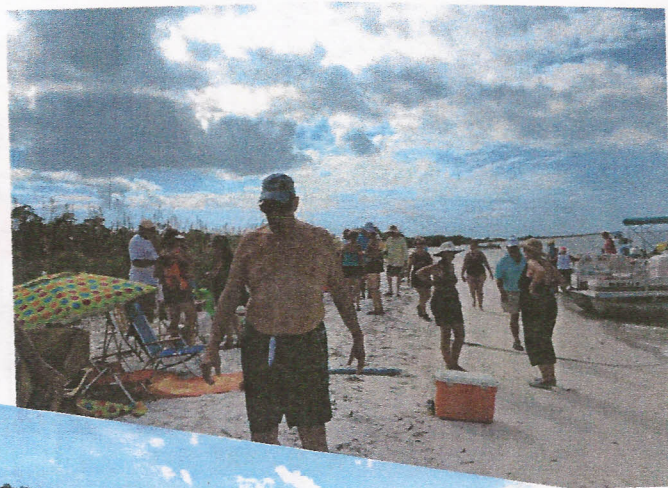
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Maybe it's time to reread section 5 (RULES & REGULATIONS) of the prospectus.

*We thank you for your consideration of others and the Park.*



# Lovers Key Boat trip





# January 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1  NEW YEARS BRUNCH 10AM	2 <a href="#">Golf@Myerlee</a>	3	4
	<b>WATER AREOBICS</b> <b>MONDAY- FRIDAY</b> <b>9:10 AM</b>					
	<b>LADIES SHUFFLEBOARD</b> <b>MON - WED - FRI 9AM</b>					
5	6 Men's Club Coffee 9AM Golf @ Cross Creek CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING 7PM	7 POTLUCK 4PM  Line Dancing  BRIDGE	8 BOARD MEETING 9AM Happy Hookers Tom's Golf Cross Creek Card Night	9 <a href="#">Golf@Myerlee</a>  BINGO	10	11
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