

November 2016

Saint James City Civic Association
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BOOSTER CLUB

This year the Booster Club is undertaking an ambitious project in which we need your help. We are trying to raise enough money to replace the floor in the Big Room at the Civic Center, one of the projects in the Long Range Plan.

There will be two opportunities to help:

1. We are collecting pocket change-pennies are welcome. Each activity group will have a collection jar to fill at their regular meetings with your contributions. We also accept checks.
2. Also there will be a raffle with gift certificates from local restaurants as prizes. Raffle tickets will be \$10.00 a ticket or 3 tickets for \$25.00. Let's all pitch in and get this done!

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PINE ISLAND FOOD PANTRY

Giving opportunity: With upcoming holidays, many of our neighbors could use some help. Consider a monetary or non-perishable food donation. Canned or boxed food can be left in a collection box in our building. Please encourage those participating in your SJCCA activity to contribute.

Contact **Barb La Plante** (2343 Date St, SJC) with questions or if you want to make a monetary contribution.

Note: The Pine Island Food Pantry is housed at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Catholic Church in Bokeelia.

SJCCA BOOK CLUB MEETS NOVEMBER 14

On Monday, November 14, we will gather together 9:30 am to discuss Roland Merullo's **BREAKFAST WITH BUDDHA**. This is the tale of a man and the guru of his sister on a journey home that takes them to many different interesting places, each with its own unique flavor on the American landscape. It is also a tale of a personal journey with those big questions we all have about life and death, meaning and futility. The sequel is titled **LUNCH WITH BUDDHA**, a read for another time.

Gene Scarzafava will lead the discussion. Appropriately enough, some breakfast munchies will be served, along with coffee and tea. The gathering starts at 9:30 a.m. and lasts an hour.

Anyone can participate in the book club. There is a \$2.00 fee for members and a \$4.00 charge for nonmembers. Membership renewals will be available.

BREAKFAST WITH BUDDHA is available through the library, also as an eBook, an audiobook, for MP3CD, and in hardcover and paperback.

We hope to see you on November 14 for a lively and thoughtful discussion. Contact **Lynn Sarda 283-4095**

A warm welcome back to the members of the **THE ORDER OF THE GOLDEN BRUSH!**

We are looking forward to a fantastic season of interesting workshops, as well as the comradery of old and new members joining us in an informal morning atmosphere of playing in the paints. We will continue to meet on Tuesday mornings from 10:00am to 1:00pm starting the first Tuesday in November.

Members of the association will continue to contribute a \$2.00 per session and a non members contribution will be \$4.00 per session. Association membership is \$20.00 per year and is always encouraged and appreciated. A variety of workshops have already been confirmed for the 2016/2017 season, with more workshops to be announced. Workshops are always open to the public so please mark your calendar now for any

workshops that pique your interest. Our workshops are always fun, enjoyable and full of interesting tips and techniques.

Confirmed workshops:

January 17th Joan Roberts..acrylic/oil painting..three hour afternoon workshop from 1-4

January 28th Roy John Fuller and his Big Brush water color workshop Saturday from 9-5

March 21 gourd workshop with Barbara Gomez..afternoon 1-4

March 28 mixed media workshop with Mimi Little from 1-4

Please feel free to suggest a workshop you think would be of interest or a talented artist to instruct a workshop. We are looking forward to seeing you, welcome your return and look forward to sharing another great season together. For continued information and updates, check our website at www.sjccapi.org

Music concerts

We are excited to announce John Reno will be back (he was here last year for the Croce Tribute show). Mark your calendars for Sunday, Feb. 12, at 6pm, for "**America Pie Revisited**" concert featuring songs of Don McLean, James Taylor, Paul Simon, Jim Croce, John Denver, Gordon Lightfoot, Harry Chapin, Neil Diamond, and many more. Tickets are \$20 each and must be purchased in advance. Seating is limited. **Contact Cindy Bickford for tickets 282-9478.**

We are trying to get **Uproot Hootenanny** back in January or March. Their show was a huge hit last year. Watch Facebook and SJCCA bulletins for more info.

Activities: For a complete list, visit our website. All activities are listed on the calendar; easy to download or print.

Friday Night Bridge will resume the second Friday in November, November 11th. Hopefully we will have enough players back from "Up North"! If you haven't played with our group before, please consider joining us. We start play at 7:00 pm promptly, and finish around 10:00 pm. You don't need a partner. Just come on down to the St. James Civic Center for some good bridge and make some new friends.

Hosted by **Bill and Bonnie Love**. Any questions call 230-220-0272.

Ping Pong: Come out and join the fun (singles and/or doubles) every Monday and Thursday 9:30 to 11:30am.

Mah Jongg: Meets every Thursday at 1:00pm. We are looking forward to the return of our Snowbird players. Everyone is welcome and as always we are willing to teach newcomers.

YOGA CLASS: from 6:15 to 7:15pm every Tuesday.

Exercise continues every Tuesday and Thursday morning, in air conditioned, roomy comfort, from 8:30 to 10:00am. Everyone is welcome. Bring a mat or towel, and weights or stretch band if you have one. Come a few minutes early; we begin right on time!

Line Dancing will resume the first Monday in December, from 4:00 to 5:30 pm.

Come join the fun with **Island Crafters!** The group meets every Wednesday from 10:00am to 12:00 noon, and will resume meetings this Wednesday, November 2. Share your creation, be inspired, learn something new; this group is open to all who enjoy any type of craft. Call **Ellie** if need more information at **973-650-9168**.

November Membership Meeting - Monday, November 21:

Potluck 6:00pm, bring a dish and place setting

Membership meeting 6:45pm. All are welcome

Program 7:00pm: Hot Shot Photographer **Bob Skribiski** will share a slide presentation from his trip to Cuba last fall, with discussion to follow.

Our first **Big Breakfast and Rummage Sale / Fall Festival** will be held on **Sat Nov 19th**. Breakfast from 8:00am-10:00am. Rummage sale is 8:00am-12:00 noon.

To Volunteer there will be signup sheets on the bulletin board or you can:

Volunteer for the Breakfast by contacting: **Charles Epranian** (239) 410-2515 or email frshfish5@aol.com.

Volunteer for the Rummage Sale or want to donate items, please contact: **Shelley McManusat** (239) 910-3203 or email sksmcmanus@yahoo.com.

If you like delicious, be sure to mark your calendar for Saturday, 11:30am, **December 10**, for the annual **Members' Holiday Dinner**.

Announcements

We are pleased to announce **Paula Bruckner**, a newly elected board member, has accepted the position of **Activity Coordinator**. If you have a change or general question on activities, you can reach Paula at paulabrucknersjccapi@gmail.com. Paula and her husband relocated to Bokeelia full time from Long Island.

Kathy Myers, our Treasurer, has designed a new web site www.sjccapi.org. Please look at it for any additions, corrections, or something you think we need. It is a work in progress.

Our Civic Association flourishes with the variety of volunteers who share their skills and fresh perspective in our organization.

Printing: We are pleased to announce that we are now set up to do our own printing of flyers, tickets, anything all activities may need. SJCCA will not pay any outside vendors for any printing without prior approval of the board.

Membership News: If you paid your 2017 membership dues, but don't have your card (payment was mailed in or dropped off at the Civic Assn.), you can **pick up your card in our building**. Members' cards are stored around the corner from the ladies' room, beside the blank membership forms. Our membership year begins October 1, so if you haven't renewed your membership, please pick up a form next time you are in the building, or go to <http://www.sjccapi.org/membership-form> to print a form. Thank you!

Got News? Send your article to SJCCAnews@gmail.com. The next newsletter will be published December 1. Submit your news by November 25.

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Check out the SJCCA website
