

**Saint James Civic
Association Newsletter
December, 2010**

Contact us at: info@sjccapi.org

For Membership

E-mail us at: membership@sjccapi.org

Or call 283-0242

Holiday Dinner

**Your reservation is made for the annual
Holiday Dinner, Saturday, December 11.**

To be served from 11:30AM to 1:00 PM

The menu is turkey with all the trimmings. And it is FREE if you are a member in good standing (meaning you've paid your membership and are not currently in prison). If you've not renewed, you have two choices: send in your renewal using the form below and breeze through the check in desk; or, renew at the door – risking a modest wait in line. If you renew by mail, do it soon to avoid a “the check's in the mail” hassle. **Don't forget to bring your table service – plates, silver, etc.** Also, you are free to round out your meal by bringing the adult beverage of your choice for personal consumption or sharing with the kitchen workers. And this is a good opportunity to bring your friends and neighbors along. For ten bucks they get a great meal, the opportunity to meet a lot of nice folks and find some activity group they might join and enjoy. **And, speaking of workers**, the volunteer sheets are up and the choice jobs are going fast. It takes a lot of help to pull this thing off, so please sign up now or call Bill Brabbs at 283-8484.

A good listener is usually thinking of something else.

SCOOT YOUR BOOTS!

You've watched line dancers and wished you could join in but afraid you'd look foolish. Or worse yet, knock a bunch of folks down. NO MORE! Judi Rivercomb will teach you at her **Line Dancing Classes**, which meet **Sundays from 4:00 to 5:30**
P.S: It's also good exercise!!

There's no trick to being a humorist when you've got the whole government working for you!

SJCCA Photography Show & Sale

The Second Annual SJCCA Photography Judged Show and Sale will be held **Saturday, December 4th, 10AM to 4PM** at the civic center.

SJCCA members will be displaying their latest and greatest photos for all the island to enjoy. Awards will be presented in 3 categories - traditional, nature and creative. Photos and cards will be available for purchase. For more information call Dave Priest at 282-2216

Government is too big and too important to be left to the politicians.

CENTURY CLUB CONTRIBUTORS 2010

According to our records, the following have joined the Century Club for 2010. A heartfelt THANK YOU to:

MEMBERS

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| Sal Anastasi | Mr. & Mrs. Anonymous* |
| Mike & Sharon Astle* | Kristen Bartlett |
| Ann & Bill Brabbs* | Jim & Naomi Brewer |
| Harold & Maxine Crispi | Rose Dekker |
| Jim & Verdena Dolph | Rachi Farrow |
| Geo. & Ellie Fenyohazi | Petie & Gordon Havey |
| Fred Jamsen | Don & Dottie Kernaghan |
| Joanne Niven | Martha Peyer |
| Lynn Sarda | Helen Shewman |
| Lynne Smith | Dennis & Ruth Ward |
| Janis Winder | Veronica Zongora |

Anonymous

Activity Groups

- Hobby Club - \$100.00
- Monday Happy Islander Bridge group - \$300
- Tuesday Duplicate Bridge group - \$100
- Wednesday Slam Bidders Bridge group - \$300
- Thursday Duplicate Bridge group - \$200
- Friday Open Bridge group - \$100

* Indicates contribution from each member

If we've overlooked anyone, please let us know. It will soon be 2011, and we hope these generous folks will reenlist and many others will join them to help support the SJCCA for another year

If the world were to blow itself up, the last audible voice would be that of an expert saying it can't be done!

Hobby Club

Hobby had a very successful craft show, thanks to everyone who attended and gave a helping hand. We are starting to plan for our Annual Valentine Card Party to be held on Feb. 9th at the Civic Center. This is always a great event. Look for ticket information in the next Newsletter.

Would you like to attend hobby and see what we are doing, we meet every Wed. from 9. to 11:30 AM. We have ladies making cards, knitting, crocheting, working with plastic, canvas etc. We welcome anyone and if you have a craft that you wish to share or teach come on down to the Civic Center on Wed. morning. If you would like more information call Laurie Dockus at 283-3268.

Politics is the art of looking for trouble, finding it whether it exists or not, and applying the wrong remedy.

Women to Women

Women to Women resumes its bi-weekly Friday 3:30 PM gatherings at SJCCA December 3rd (previewing the Photo Expo) and on December 17th (making a Holiday Project with artist Rachi Farrow). Wine or tea \$2.00 donation. The Dates are Dec 3rd, Dec 17, Jan 7, Jan 17, Feb 4, Feb 18, Mar 4, Mar 18, Apr 1, Apr 15, & Apr 29. Members--bring a guest Gal Pal because "When YOU smile, we know you're thinking of something that we all want to do, too!"

A suburbanite is a man who hires someone to cut his lawn so he can play golf for the exercise.

Board Elections

At our January meeting, we will be electing several members to the Board to fill open spots. **We need candidates** – no surprise there! The pay isn't much except the satisfaction of helping support our one-of-a-kind Association. Please search your soul and decide to serve by calling Mary Ann Harms (283-9337) or saying YES!! if you are asked.

America's National Flower has become the concrete cloverleaf.

FREE TAX HELP

SJCCA will again be hosting the AARP Tax Aide Program at the Center in 2011. Tax Aide is the nation's largest FREE, volunteer-run tax assistance and preparation service. It is available to taxpayers with low and moderate income and gives special attention to people age 60 and older. Watch for sign up details in the January Newsletter, on our website (sjccapi.org) and in the Eagle.

A computer once beat me at checkers but it was no match for me at kick-boxing!

December Membership Meeting

The mission of the Beacon of Hope will be the topic for our December 20 Membership Meeting. The Beacon of Hope is Pine Island's own community service organization. What assistance it offers, its funding and its interaction with other Island charities will be explained by Elsie Stearns and another associate from its Board.

At this holiday time, the Beacon like other charities, needs our help. All persons are invited to this informative meeting at 7 PM at the Civic Center

SHUFFLEBOARD

The puckies are flyin' Tuesdays and Fridays starting at 8:45. Come on down and join the shufflers. No reservations needed. No skill either. Just a desire for some old-fashioned fun.

EDITORIAL: Something to think about - - The current SJCCA membership is about 450 . Our annual budget is about \$35,000. Doing the math shows it costs about \$75 per member to keep the place afloat. Annual dues don't come close, especially after a free dinner. Activity fees are our lifeblood. But full-timers need to average over one activity a week. And seasonal folk like me have to do about 2 ½ per week. Of course not all of us do that, and that's where fund-raisers like the Bingo, Century Club and our Festivals come in. Which is a long-winded way of saying "please support our fund-raisers by contributing, volunteering and attending.

A sneak peek at the Holiday dinner sign-up sheets indicates we especially need more turkey bakers and more hosts/hostesses. Other slots are also open- DON'T BE SHY!

Ann and I keep finding more ways to support the medical profession. She is scheduled for cataract surgery in December. Immediately thereafter, I will

be having a hip replacement as part of my bionic-man program. This will mean missing Christmas up north and some infirmity at Winter Festival time. time.(That was a blatant hint that more than a little help will be needed for the January Breakfast!)
Bill Brabbs – Board Certified Curmudgeon

**December Membership Meeting
Monday, December 20, 7:00 PM**

**Elsie Stearns will describe the Mission
of the Beacon of Hope**

2011 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please Mail to: SJCCA PO Box 605 St. James City, FL 33956

Dues payable in September for January – December calendar year.
One year: \$10.00 per person, \$20.00 per couple.

MEMBERSHIP:

New
 Renewal

MOST OFTEN ATTENDED ACTIVITIES:

1. _____
2. _____

NAME:

Mr.: (first) _____ (last) _____

Ms. OR

Mrs.:(first) _____ (last) _____

LOCAL ADDRESS: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

Please send my SJCCA Newsletter to: (Save us postage if you can!!!)

My E-mail address (No need to give us a summer address)

My street address

PHONE :Local: _____ Off season: _____