

# St. James City Civic Assn

3300 Fourth Avenue, St. James City, FL. 33956  
(Fourth and Lemon)

## March 2015

For a complete list of activities, including Yoga, Ping Pong, Bridge, Pinochle, Line Dancing, Hotshots Photography, Exercise, Shuffleboard, Golden Brush, Hobby Club, Bingo, E-Learning, Cribbage, Mah Jongg, Pickin' In The City, Speaker Programs, and more, see the activity schedule on our web site at:

[www.sjccapi.org](http://www.sjccapi.org).

Directors, Officers & Committee leaders are listed under contacts on our web site at: [www.sjccapi.org](http://www.sjccapi.org).

Got news?

Send to [SJCCANews@gmail.com](mailto:SJCCANews@gmail.com); due date 3/25

The **General Member's Meeting** for Monday **March 16** will include a pot luck supper at 6:00 pm, and a program on "Assisted Living" with McKenzie Millis of Shell Point at 7:00 pm. You won't want to miss this informative talk, covering topics that include 'When is it time to move ----(or if)', and understanding the differences between assisted living, independent living and skilled care.

All members and friends are all invited to enjoy an old time bring a dish pot luck dinner and program.

Mark your calendar for the last **Big Breakfast** of the season held alongside the **From Our Hearts BreastFest** on **Saturday March 14**.

**Breakfast** will be served from 8-10 am.

**BreastFest** is held from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm with the 5K walk starting at 8:30 am. There will be music, auctions, food and fun! Pickup your shirt at the SJCCA on Saturday, March 7, between 10:00 am and noon. For more information and/or to **register** online, please go to [www.fromourheart.org](http://www.fromourheart.org).

BreastFest raises funds to provide breast cancer screening and treatment for any Greater Pine Island resident who is in need of financial assistance.

Note: additional parking has been made available at the First Baptist Church of Saint James City located at 3417 Eighth Avenue. Golf carts will be shuttling attendees between the parking lot and the Civic Assn.

If you have a golf cart and are willing to help shuttle, please contact Wayne DeMeyere at 209-8047.

Did you ever notice: When you put the 2 words **'The'** and **'IRS'** together it spells **'Theirs...'**

Last month's **Valentines Day Breakfast/MOTI** sale was a great success! There were about 250 breakfasts served with many of you folks enjoying the strawberry topped pancakes and bacon. As usual, by the end of the breakfast we were scraping the bottom of the roaster pan for that last bit of sausage gravy. Thanks to the expertise of Lynne who was operating that ladle with great skill! Thanks to all of the kitchen and dining room volunteers. These events would not happen without you!!

**Membership Report:** As of 2/18/15 we have 406 paid memberships for 2015. Although the good news is that included in that number are 91 new members, the not-so-good news is that many 2014 members have not yet renewed for 2015. A membership application is attached to this newsletter. It is worth noting that the \$5 increase in membership dues has generated an additional \$2000 to the SJCCA for much needed building repairs. A reminder to 2015 members who have not picked up their membership cards: membership cards are stored in the small room at the Civic Center, near the library books, in a manila envelope marked "Membership Cards".

### SPAGHETTI DINNER

Spaghetti Dinner will be held on **Tuesday, March 10th** 4-6:30 pm. The band Idle Speed will be playing music at this time. The cost is \$10.00 for all adults and \$5.00 per child. We will have vegetable and gluten free choices also. Contact BJ AUSTIN, 989-288-2728

**ORDER OF THE GOLDEN BRUSH**, painting group at SJCCA meets year round and continues to welcome new members on Tuesday mornings at 10 A.M.

### MARCH ART WORKSHOPS:

- Mimi Little on March 3 from 1 to 4 P.M. Come explore where the "sky meets the sea" with acrylics. Most materials will be provided. Mimi exhibits at Wild Child and her work may be seen at MimiLittle.com Call Linda at 283-5207
- Pat Smelkoff on Saturday, March 21 from 9:30 to 4:30 P.M. A batik watercolor on rice paper workshop. Limited to 8 participants. Call Diane at 203-592-9417
- Barbara Gomes and Veda on March 24th from 1 to 4 P.M. A Gourd Making Workshop. No experience necessary. Class size up to 10. Call Cynthia at 558-8763

**St. James Hobby Club** would like to thank everyone who attended our card party in Feb. Also a thank you to all who donated door prizes.

The Hobby Club meets all year, every Wed., from 9 to 11. Participants work on all kinds of crafts. Card making continues until May. Our group also makes lap quilts for Hope Hospice and veterans homes. Newcomers always welcome. Come join us.

### --2015 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - also available at: [www.sjccapi.org](http://www.sjccapi.org)

Please mail to: SJCCA, PO Box 605, St. James City, FL 33956 person Dues payable Jan – Dec calendar year \$20 per

NAME(s):Mr. (first)\_\_\_\_\_ (last)\_\_\_\_\_

Ms. or Mrs. (first)\_\_\_\_\_ (last)\_\_\_\_\_

LOCAL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

City: ( SJC BOK MAT or ?): \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: Local \_\_\_\_\_ Off Season: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: (PLEASE!!) \_\_\_\_\_

Please send my SJCCA Newsletter to: (Save us postage if you can!!!)  
\_\_\_\_ My E-mail address (Best option ) \_\_\_\_\_ My LOCAL address, above

Activities I attend \_\_\_\_\_

**Mahjongg** continues to grow on (Thursdays 1:00 to 5:00). New players say they enjoy the challenge of the game and friendliness of the players. All are welcome. For questions call Julienne Thorstenson @239 282-1449.

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**Love Music?** Mark your calendar for "**Pickin' In The City**" March 8 and March 22 (the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month) 2-4 pm on the lanai. Bring your instrument if you play or just bring yourself if you would like to listen or sing along. We usually have 8-10 musicians with an assortment of guitars, banjos, harmonicas, standup bass, etc. Sometimes there is even a small bake sale (key lime pound cake has been a favorite). Contact Cindy 282-9478 for more information.  
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**Bingo:** The crowds are starting to get bigger! A new pull tab game has been added. The tickets are \$1, with a possible prize of up to \$100. There is a jackpot coverall with a prize of \$250. If the jackpot is not won within a set amount, it is a guaranteed \$100 give away. Wednesday nights, doors open at 5 for Buzz's snack bar. Bingo starts at 6:30 pm.

Note: We are looking for a new Bingo activity leader. Interested? Call Cindy with any questions 282-9478.  
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**'Easy Does It' Line Dancing** for Beginners (Mondays 4:30-6 pm) will continue through March and in to the first week of April. Last class of the season will be April 6. New dancers are always welcome. *Note on Monday, March 16 the start time has been moved up one half hour. Class will be held from 4 to 5:30 (March 16 only).*

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**Ping Pong** (Mondays and Thursdays from 9:30-11:30) has 2 tables set up for single or doubles play. Please come join our fun and competitive group! Everyone is welcome. Ping Pong is a great sport to keep your body young and mind active!

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 SJCCA Volunteer opportunities for vacant positions: Vendors, Speakers Bureau, Publicity, Rentals, Pop Machines

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 Is the post office delivering your newsletter by 'snail mail'? Please consider signing up for **electronic delivery**. Send an email to the newsletter editor at [SJCCANews@gmail.com](mailto:SJCCANews@gmail.com), requesting the change. Be sure to **include your name & phone number**. This will **reduce SJCCA's operating cost**, and volunteer effort. Thank you for your support!

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**For Building Rentals, contact any member of the SJCCA Board of Directors**  
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**MOTI - Museum of the Island** - celebrates its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary "A Land Remembered" on March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm with Rick Smith, Jr., Fishers of Men Lutheran Church. Contact Sharon at 239-283-9155 for tickets  
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**Computer Tutor** has changed its time to **10:30 am until 12:45 pm** each Thursday. Attendees can get help or training with their laptops, tablets and phones. Many Thanks to Phil Rosenberg, Jack and Shelley McManus, David Spence, Pat Johnsen, Nina Pulliam, Casey Robbins and Ray Robbins, our Tutors who helped in February. *Note Phil Rosenberg will not be available for trouble shooting during March but will return in April.*  
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**Many thanks** to Richard Cleenput and John Basham for finishing the "detail" painting of the shuffleboard area. Also thanks to the kitchen crew carpenters Steven and Howard for repair and replacement of the deteriorated wood. Denny and Alan completed the team effort. Way to go!! It looks terrific!!  
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**Thank you volunteers**, for donating generously of your time and donations for the February Rummage Sale to benefit the Museum of the Island. Special Thanks go to Co-Chairman Anne Sayers and Shelley McManus, Bob House, Betty Robey, Betty Simmons, Shari Perkins, Ken Johnsen, Naomi and Jim Brewer, Frank Tuma, The Exercise Group, The Community Church, The Eagle and its editor Ed Franks, The Calusa Land Trust, Sherry Liber, Rachi and John Farrow, Buzz LaPlante, Corine Beving, John Nyhus, Paula Bruinsslot, Pam Anderson, Margret Felt, Ellie Fenyohazi, Nancy Ruby, Dottie Kernaghan, Denny Dekker, Carl and his golf cart, the MOTI volunteers, The Big Breakfast volunteers and many others who donated their home goods and time.  
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Attention Activity Leaders: mark your calendars for Sunday, March 15, 2 pm First Annual **ACTIVITY LEADERS Group event**. You will be getting an invitation, but mark your calendar now for this important event! Details to follow.

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 Exercise Class....Tuesdays and Thursdays....8:30 am to 10:00 am.....stretching, strength training and much more for men and women of all ages..\$4.00...all year round. Questions...Jodee 283-4790.

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 Our rummage sales are over for this season but we are still collecting for the next sale! So if you are cleaning out those closets, redecorating or want to rid yourselves of clutter, think of The SJCCA. We will be glad to take your donations for our Fall Rummage Sales. Just call Shelley McManus at 239-910-3203 and she will pick up your items or meet you at the SJCCA garage.  
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**Monday March 16,**  
**Potluck 6 PM**  
**Program 7 PM**  
**Topic: Assisted Living, Learn All the Facts**