



# April 2019

## "End of Season" Bulletin

Saint James City Civic Association

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April has arrived at the SJCCA and as many of us begin to make summer plans, we would like to take this opportunity to highlight the activities and events of the 2018-19 season.

**Safe travels to those of you leaving** Pine Island until our fall weather draws you back to us.

**Happy Summer to those of you staying** to continue "playing" at the SJCCA!

### **A Letter from the President.....**

Well, another winter season is drawing to a close and what a busy season it has been! The **Big Breakfasts set new records for attendance** and the **Rummage sales were very successful**. A big **Thanks to Denny Dekker, Anne Sayer and their entire crews**. Once again **Cindy Bickford produced three sell out concerts** and promises to do it again next year. Not to be forgotten was the Card and Game party hosted by the Mah Jongg and Bridge groups. The Mah Jongg group also hosted an inaugural Mah Jongg Tournament that was well attended. Thank you Ladies. For those of us more athletically inclined we have added

Tai Chi to our Friday schedule.

But even as we wish a fond farewell to our winter residents remember the Civic Center doesn't close. So check the calendar for the activities that go on year round. Wishing you all and safe and happy summer. **Pat Johnsen**

## Activities News

### **Activities that are "on hiatus" until next season.....**

**Cribbage** - last game April 25th

**Exercise** - last class May 9th

**Island Crafters** - last meet May 8th

**Line Dancing** - see you in December

**Ping Pong** - last game April 25th

**Photo Club** - see you in November

**Shuffleboard** - last game April 26th

**Yoga** - see you in November

**Euchre** - The Euchre group celebrated its **last meeting of the season on March 27** with mouth-watering **mini key lime pies and chocolate chip cookies**. A big **"Thank You"** to all who brought in snacks to share during our breaks this year.

This summer would be a good time to sharpen your skills by trying one of the many euchre apps available on the Internet. **Our group will restart this fall in November**. We'll meet on Wednesdays, as before, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. We promise to have you home by nine o'clock.

A special shout-out to Kathy Myers for keeping us well informed on all the activities this year. Her upbeat newsletters were always welcome and greatly appreciated. Thank you, Kathy!

**Happy euchring, everyone! Have a good summer!**

**Darlene Bender and Jan Robertson**

**Golden Brush** - Golden Brushers are on vacation! Some will meet informally this summer, but all look forward to starting at SJCCA on October 29th at 10 A.M.

Call Maryann at 283.9337 if you wish to play with paint

### **Activities that carry on all or part of the summer.....**

- **Monday and Wednesday Bridge** - Kay Winter will continue as long as 2 tables show up. We will likely just fade away for a couple of months and resume full speed in the Fall.

- Even as the winter season is winding down **Thursday Mah Jongg** is going strong. We will be playing all summer at our nicely air conditioned SJCCA . So come on down and check us out **every Thursday at 1:00 p.m.**
- **The SJCCA Book Club** meets the **second Monday of each month, October - June, 9-10:30 a.m.**
  - **On May 13th**, Lorie will lead the group in discussion of **Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens**. Get your copy soon. There is a very long wait for a library copy.
  - **On June 10th**, we will discuss **Bad Blood: Secrets and Lies in a Silicon Valley Start-Up by John Carreyrou**. This is "the full inside story of the breathtaking rise and shocking collapse of Theranos." According to Bill Gates,- "The story is even crazier than I expected, and I found myself unable to put it down once I started. This book has everything: elaborate scams, corporate intrigue, magazine cover stories, ruined family relationships, and the demise of a company once valued at nearly 10 billion." Whew!
  - **On October 14th: In the Distance by Hernan Diaz**
  - **On November 11th: The Day the World Came to Town by Jim DeFede**
  - **On December 9th: The Rent Collector by Camron Wright**

New members are always welcome! **Contact: Carol Roscher**  
[carol.roscher@gmail.com](mailto:carol.roscher@gmail.com)

**Remember - Check our calendar** for the most current information of our activities and events! As season winds down, **Activity Leaders need to contact Susie Quattro [smq@embarqmail.com](mailto:smq@embarqmail.com) for additions/corrections to the calendar**

## Mah Jongg Tournament

The **Thursday Mah Jongg** players hosted their [first all day tournament on April 13](#) and it was a **HUGE SUCCESS**, adding \$797 to the Center's coffers. 28 players competed for cash prizes in the morning and afternoon 3 round (12 games) sessions:

**First Place - \$100   Second Place - \$75   Third Place - \$50**

Morning winners: Peggy Finley (285) Maureen Goranson (225) Peggy Gilbert (200)

Afternoon winners: Kathy Richardson (185) Hope Holleran (170) Stephanie LaHines (160)

In addition to all the playing, a continental breakfast, sub sandwich luncheon, door prizes and a 50/50 raffle added to a fun-filled day! Plans are already being made for 2020.....

**Thanks to Mary Halbleib, BJ Skribiski and Sandy Sacco** for all of their

efforts in organizing such a fun event!



**Ross Halbleib**  
Mah Jongg Scorekeeper and Timer



**"Chillin in the kitchen"**  
Sandy Sacco and BJ Skribiski

**And** a special "High Five" to **Ross Halbleib** for his distinctive "**purple flair**" - Ross gets my vote for the best pic of the season!

Yes, again we are asking for volunteers. **Before you skip past this section**, please think of how much the SJCCA relies on volunteers to keep it open....

## **99% Volunteers**

yes, only the lawn and building cleaning are a paid service.



Please consider lending a hand to help out - a little of your time or expertise can make a big difference!


We need a volunteer to head the **plant area sales** for the Big Breakfast for next season. The dates of the Breakfasts are Nov 16 2019, Jan 18 2020, and Feb 15 2020. Reply to Pat Johnsen, SJCCA President, email [pkj127@aol.com](mailto:pkj127@aol.com) or phone 283-8368.

Our **website** needs someone to update information and keep it interesting.

Our **newsletter** needs an editor to publish the SJCCA news.

Both the website and newsletter can be **done at your home!** **Contact Kathy Myers**  
[info.sjccapi.org](mailto:info.sjccapi.org)

## Reminders and Clarifications

 If you have ideas, suggestions, pictures or articles for our newsletter, our website, or our Facebook page, please contact us! We want to know how we are doing and if we can improve. Feel free to share your news or celebrations with other members in our newsletter  
- Email: [info@sjccapi.org](mailto:info@sjccapi.org)

**\*\*SJCCA Contact Information:** A list of contact information is located on a **new page** that is private and can only be viewed by **registered members of the SJCCA - click on the "Help" button below the "Members Only" tab for instructions.** We will continue to post contact information on the bulletin board at the Civic Center if you do not wish to register as a member on the website. Inactive members and the public can complete the "Contact Us" section on our website and their inquiry will be forwarded to the appropriate contact person.



**\*\*A Members Only page** was created to provide our members with information such as financial reports and minutes to board/association meetings. To access the Members Only page you must first "Sign Up" to be approved as a valid Member of the SJCCA. Once approved, you need to "Log In" each time you enter the Members Only page. **For Help - click on the "Help" button below the Members Only menu tab.**

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