

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

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**FALL FESTIVAL IS COMING!!**

**November 20, 2010 7 AM – 1:30 PM**

**BIG BREAKFAST 8 – 10:30 AM**

This Fall Festival will have a very different look than previous Festivals. . There will be NO RUMMAGE SALE! Instead, here's what you will find:

**INSIDE the building**, Hobby Club will host their annual **Craft and Vendor Sale from 7 AM to 1:30 PM**. This event has been held in January in the past, but they are moving it to November to appeal to Christmas shoppers who would enjoy finding one-of-a-kind gifts for friends and relatives. Tables are \$10 for SJCCA members, \$15 for others.

Contact Dixie Smegal at 283-7253 to reserve a table. And don't miss the Bake Sale, featuring delectibles from the Island's best cooks.

**OUTSIDE**, we will host a **St. James City Community Yard Sale**, sponsored by the SJCCA. This will include many of the local vendors you have seen before. But this time, you can bring your own treasures to the big **yard sale** surrounding the Civic Association Building on the shaded and grass covered area. All spaces are \$15. To reserve your space call Mary Ann at 283-9337.

Of course, we will also offer the traditional **BIG BREAKFAST** from 8AM to 10:30 AM. This will be the usual belt-buster, featuring All You Can Eat for FIVE BUCKS. To volunteer for the kitchen team or host duty, call Bill Brabbs at 283-8484.

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*I want to die in my sleep like my grandpa. Not screaming in terror like the passengers in his car.*

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**NEW BINGOMEISTER**

Ruth Shreve, a dedicated SJCCA member and bingo player, has taken over managing the Wednesday night Bingo. Dennis' long service will be a hard act to follow, but I'm sure Ruth will be up to the task, Aply assisted by husband Norm, she has a few new tricks up her sleeve to boost attendance. Come on down any Wednesday around 5:30 or so and enjoy one of America's most popular games.

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*When your gecko is broken, you have a reptile dysfunction.*

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**TRIPLET UPDATE**

The Jendrusiaks are now the proud parents of triplet boys, all healthy and likely keeping their parents up all hours. Congratulations, folks!!

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*A bartender is just a pharmacist with a limited inventory.*

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**HOLIDAY DINNER**

This year's holiday dinner will be Saturday, December 11, 2010. This is the whole nine yards – turkey and ALL the trimmings, and pie for dessert. It's FREE to members, \$10.00 for guests (which includes a membership!). Just bring your own table service and your appetite. Coffee and Iced Tea will be provided and you are free to bring your own adult beverage of choice.

P.S.: Volunteers are of course needed to pull this thing off. Sign up sheets will be on the bulletin board next to the kitchen right after the Fall Festival – pick your favorite job before all the good ones are taken! Or call Bill Brabbs at 283-8484 to win a spot on the team.

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*Don't sweat the petty things.*

*Don't pet the sweaty things.*

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**Thanks Wards!**

The Ward Family Limited Partnership has generously acquired and donated a neat little parcel of land to the SJCCA. We are now stewards of the three northernmost lots in the triangle formed by Poinciana, Palm and Fourth Avenues. If anyone has an idea how this property can be used to benefit the Association, the Community or both, please contact a Board Member.

## HOBBY CLUB

We are busy preparing for the Craft and Vendor sale mentioned above, It is always amazing to see the quantity and quality of craft work by our own members and local crafters. We invite everyone to come down and share our excitement. And while there you can pick up some special Christmas gifts that WalMart can't match.

But this activity doesn't keep us from having a great time every Wednesday.. We cordially invite all ladies in the community to become members and join us every Wednesday morning , 9 -11:30 .AM .

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*The economy is so bad I bought a new toaster and got a bank as my free gift.*

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## HOTSHOTS PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

Hotshots will present their **Second Annual Photography Judged Show at the Civic Center on Saturday, December 4, 10AM to 4PM.** SJCCA members only may exhibit. Entry fee is \$15, which will include membership for 2011 Ribbons will be awarded in categories of Traditional, Nature and Creative. Entrants may submit up to 4 entries of any size in each category. For more information or to reserve an entry space, contact Dave Priest at 282-2216. Hotshots regular meetings are at 7 PM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month. Photographers of any skill level are invited to share and learn.

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*The economy is so bad a picture is now worth only 200 words. And my ATM gave me an IOU.*

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## MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

The November Membership Meeting will be held Monday, November 15 at 7 PM. The program is yet to be determined. And why not join us for potluck before the meeting. Bring your table service, a dish to share and show up at the Center about 5:30 or so. Election of the SJCCA Board of Directors will be held at the January membership meeting. Nominations can be made at the December meeting or by contacting any Board Member. Please think about donating a few hours of your time to help lead and shape the Association's future.

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*The economy is so bad, parents in Beverly Hills have fired their nannies and learned their kids' names.*

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## Activity Schedule\*

The very busy activity schedule for this season is posted at each entrance to the Center and also available at our Web Site (sjccapi.org) There's a lot going on, so find the things that suit you and check with the listed organizers to get more information..

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*The economy is so bad, Exxon-Mobil laid off 25 Congressmen.*

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## Membership Application

You will notice an application on the last page. To escape the hassles and lines at the Holiday dinner, and to make our membership person's life easier, please take the time to fill it in, enclose your check and mail it to the center, give it to any activity organizer or drop it off at the office door.

Applications are also available at the website or next to the office door.

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*I have kleptomania, but when it gets too bad, I take something for it.*

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EDITORIAL: First, a correction – In the last Newsletter, I indicated we had “300 or so” members. Actually, the SJCCA membership stands at **462!!** Even more reason that we should have more volunteers to help run this organization. Now, it's good to be back in Saint James City, even though the transition from frosty nights to 90+ degrees is a bit much. Ann and I have a lot of good friends here – probably more that in Ohio if you don't count kinfolk. And it's always surprising how we both get right back into our various activities just days after arriving.

This year, I have decided to concentrate my volunteer efforts on the SJCCA, and most specifically, the kitchen work. As a start, I would like to form a group of KITCHEN COMMANDOS, who can be counted on for special events but also could expand our meal dates (and our income!) Possibilities include Spaghetti Nights, Fish Fries, etc. Other ideas are welcome.

And that's where YOU come in. If you enjoy cooking (or even washing dishes), give me a call at 283-8484. Let's make something happen.

**Bill Brabbs**

**Board Certified Curmudgeon**

**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:

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NAME:

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

Ms. OR Mrs.:(first) \_\_\_\_\_ (last) \_\_\_\_\_

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

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Local Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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Please send my SJCCA Newsletter to: \_\_\_\_ My E-mail address \_\_\_\_ My street address