

Old Patrician



www.s-i-inc.com/Patrician

Volume 3, Number 6 – September 2010

Fall Is Here and We Are Back

Because there was little interest in SocComm organized activities we reduced our events. This meant that we only ran barbeques and wine 'n cheese on the beach parties. That being said, these summer get-togethers were most successful.

But the seasons roll around again and we are once again looking at getting into the whirl of a new one. With that in mind we are holding an organizational meeting of the SocComm on Wednesday, September 29, 2010, at 7:00 PM in the Social Room. We will meet in the evening so as to attract people who are away from the building during the day.

While we will talk about the season in total, our focus will be the last quarter of 2010. Our goal is to repeat those activities, events, and parties that have been a success in the past and try out one or two new ones on an experimental basis. So if there has been some of these that you have liked, or you want to suggest a new one, please come to the meeting.

As has been true in the past, every event needs a point-person to do the organization. As committee chairman I will be

that person on many events and will always be ready to lend a hand so that the person in charge will not feel like they are hanging out there all alone.

Some of the things that are going to be discussed for the near term are as follows. High on the list is the very successful Meet 'n Greet. We will want to carefully set the date soon enough to be meaningful, but late enough so as to attract those who come down a tad late.

There is no doubt that we will do a Wine 'n Cheese. For that event participants bring food that goes way beyond just cheese, so don't let the name fool you.

The barbeques will continue on a regular basis. As the holidays approach these cookouts will be very family and visitor friendly. Feel free to invite friends who live elsewhere to these events. It is the very rare event that we restrict to Patrician residents only. In fact, since the founding of the current SocComm there has never been one! Barbeques are an excellent opportunity to hold a themed common meal. Holidays, ethnic days, and temporal (like a 1950's sock hop) provide excellent themes.

Value meals and up-scale dinner parties have been a hit in the past. Our Meet 'n Greet has been a "foodie's" delight. And for excellent dining, nothing beats Carol's New Year's brunch.

Those folks who like to spend a day at the gaming tables will sure to like another trip to the Hard Rock Casino. We will more than likely hold such an outing early in the season.

The listing on the SocComm bulletin board is a large collection of things we have done and things that we could do. So come to the meeting and lend a hand so as to make this season the best one yet.



Pool Deck Fashion Show 1975

The Year Has Been a Good One; Next Year a Better One

The fall was always a time for me to reflect on the past year and look forward to the next one. This was probably because I have always been close to schools and people who were associated with schools. This past year has been a very good one for the SocComm. Barbeques became monthly and Wine 'n Cheese was done more than once. We did value meals and a dinner dance with live music.

The Meet 'n Greet and holiday parties were a big hit. We added theater to our standard offering with *Jersey Boys*. Our only error was not getting enough seats.

This year we are going to do all that again. If the demand is there we will add new activities. Bus trips seem to be very expensive, except for the casino outing. So I am going to propose that for day trips, or even over-nights, we caravan and "caravan" to our destination.

As the article above suggests, as does the list of potential activities, the SocComm will help make the social life here materialize. We can go in the direction of culture, sports, dances, etc. It is really up to you to turn out for our planning

meetings and then to the events themselves.

You should all remember that the building demographics have changed over the years. We comprise a much wider age distribution. Many of our units are owned by people who are neither snowbirds nor year around residents. They are what I call visitors. These people use their apartments as vacation homes. By getting this newsletter by e.mail, they can plan to attend events when they are in residence by contacting me by phone or e.mail. We hope to have various activities, parties, and events to appeal to segments of our age spectrum. Make 2010 - 2011 the best season yet!

We are on the Internet:

www.s-i-inc.com/Patrician

Send me e.mail at:

bob@s-i-inc.com