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The Year Ends and the Season Gets Cranked Up

We had a SocComm meeting on the first of December and the structure of the 2010 - 2011 season is starting to take shape. I will get into that in just a minute. Marti asked if I would run a picture of the water aerobics group in this issue so here it is. Everyone who attended the fall series had an excellent time so Marti is going to run a winter sequence starting in January. If you want to participate please let her know. It will be \$60.00 for 10 sessions.

There was a fair amount of planning at our meeting. The Dinner Dance will be described below. Barbeques are set for December 20th, January 11th, and February 14th. The last date will be a Valentine's Day themed party.

The Social Room will be available for New Year's Eve, but no official SocComm event will take place. We firmed up the New Year's Day party. There will be beef, pork, and turkey provided. We would ask all of you to bring sides, desserts, and drinks.

There will be a "value meal" planned for January 19th. The plan is to have it at the Anchor Inn. That old restaurant is under new management. Sigh... I can remember back to the 1970s when they served

fresh fish family style from huge platters. Those days are long gone and are not coming back any time soon. However, the feedback from people who have eaten there recently claim that the food is good and the prices are right.

We hope to get "Life-Long Learning" cranked up again this season after a successful run last year. For those of you who have a story to tell; give me a call. The three sessions we ran last year gives you some idea that we will talk about anything from the Civil War, to cooking, to a life in court.

Marti Weiss and Tommy Lagrega are planning another bus trip to the Hard Rock Casino. We have done this a number of times and everyone who went had fun; some even made money. If you are interested get in touch with one of those two.

Tommy has also begun the ever popular Monday night Bingo. Although not run by the SocComm, this is another activity that has found a home at the Patrician for many years. Like the various card playing groups the activity is self sustaining by the people who participate. I should like to point out that we vary the evenings on which we hold SocComm

events so that we don't always impact the same informal event. For example, the Valentine's Day party is on a Monday and the value meal is on a Wednesday.

I will be taking a poll about going to another Kravis Center Broadway show. They are doing West Side Story in March. I know this is not like last year when very few people had seen Jersey Boys, but they are not doing anything current this year. Let me know what you think.

Thinking into the late winter and early spring we are talking about a Big Band dance in the Social Room. If there is interest we will go back to the Delray Yacht and perhaps hold an upscale dinner.



Water aerobics group

We Need To Begin To Plan For the Dinner Dance

The biggest party we hold each year is the Annual Dinner Dance. I started to circulate a questionnaire asking if you would attend a dinner dance and if so would you break for \$60.00 with live music or \$50.00 for recorded music. We got 15 people signed up so far and every one of those said they wanted live music. So with that in mind, I will be contacting Martha Brown to see if she is free on

February 2, 2011. We will also clear the date with Benvenuto's. It will be at that venue because they can hold our price and they have rooms of various sizes so as to be able to scale to the number of people who actually show up.

OK, here is what you need to do. Get in touch with me in person, by e.mail, or the "under the door of 616" mail service. If I already have your opinion, you don't have to let me know again. But, if you have not declared on this important event, I need to hear from you.

Beyond that, you can start to tell me dance requests you would like Martha to

play. Pat has already informed me she wants *Devil With the Blue Dress On*.

If you have ideas for things like decorations, let the SocComm know. We don't have a huge budget for extras, but if we get 30 people we can spring for some nice "touches." Any other things that will improve the overall experience will be entertained. This party is a direct link with the 1970s and 1980s here at the Patrician. Let the traditions continue. I heard a comment at the Meet 'n Greet from a new resident: "This is such a friendly building." Keep up the good work people.

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