

ROUND TABLE NEWS

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Happy New Year!!

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OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY to **Sandy** and **Bill Hardesty** on the loss of **Sandy's** second son, **Jarrold Wayne Manford**. He was only 48 and died of a heart attack. He resided in Camdenton, Missouri. Condolences should be sent to **Sandy** and **Bill Hardesty, 264 Camelot Drive.** -- **Irene Bette**

KGC LOGO ATTIRE must be ordered today, Saturday, 12/31/16, if it is wanted before the KGC cruise. All orders are received 2 to 3 weeks after they are placed. -- **Judy Buckelew, 940-395-2111**

NOTICES from MICHELE RACHAL, KGC GENERAL MANAGER:

OFFICE CLOSED: Monday January 2, 2017 in observance of New Years. The office will reopen at 9 AM on Tuesday 1/3/17. Happy New Year!!!

PROXY: In the envelope you picked up a couple weeks ago, or had mailed to you, was a Proxy. Since this is the Annual Meeting, we must have a quorum to count the votes for the Round Table's election. So please turn them into the office, even if you plan on attending, so that the Round Table business can still take place on January 17, 2017.

RULES: Please make sure your guests know, and are following, all of KGC rules. We have had quite a few problems this season and the typical response is "I'm just on Vacation". Please help your guests understand that this is not just another resort but a community where people live. We want them to enjoy their time in King's Gate, along with all our residents.

LAWN SERVICE: Due to the holidays and scheduling, the lawn service will be in King's Gate on Friday, January 6, 2017. Then, they will go back to the every other Tuesday schedule.

HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP OFF REMINDER: When leaving items in the hazardous waste area, they must be in a container to be properly disposed at the dump. Regular household batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9-V), can be thrown out in the regular trash; rechargeable batteries, car batteries and golf cart batteries should be put in the hazardous waste area. If you need any clarification, please check your phone directory or call the office.

BULK DUMPSTER: Please do not over-fill the Bulk Dumpster in the 5 acres. Waste Management will not pick up the dumpster if it is over the top edge. When that occurs, Rich has to empty things out of the dumpster and then put them back in once it's empty. Also, make sure you do not throw appliances in the dumpster; leave them off to the side. A separate Waste Management truck comes and picks them up.

FLAGS: For several years now, **Tom Wiegele** has taken care of putting out the flags around the pool and patio for the various holidays and patriotic occasions. **Tom** is resigning from this duty as of January 1st. We need a volunteer to take over this activity. If interested, you can talk with **Tom** for more information. Notify me if you are willing to do the job. Thank you, **Tom**, for your years of service.

-- **Linda Lauzun, 941-375-4114, lindan908@gmail.com**

ART GROUP, January 4th, Arts and Crafts Room, 1-3 PM. SIGN UP IN CRAFTS ROOM! \$7 fee includes canvas board, special papers, glue. (Project: Collage, ready for framing.) We must have at least 3 people to hold class. ??? **Sara Robbins, 574-457-6067**

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS! Everyone is invited to **Alex Ferris's** 100th "Open House" Birthday Celebration, in the Great Hall, on January 4th from 2:30 to 4:30 PM. There will be snacks and cake to celebrate the occasion. We have planned it around the casino trip so that people who choose to go to the casino will make it back in time to wish Alex "Happy Birthday". Please, do not bring gifts, but consider that you are his gift. He appreciates all the years of memories and friendship, so come and give him the gift of your presence. -- **Sue Green**

LINE DANCING: New Beginner Line Dancing is on Thursdays at 8:45 AM in the Rec Hall. -- **June McMains**

MOVIE for Wednesday, January 4th: On January 15, 2009, the world witnessed the “Miracle on the Hudson” when Captain “Sully” Sullenberger (Hanks), glided his disabled plane onto the frigid waters of the Hudson River, saving the lives of all 155 aboard. However, even as Sully was being heralded by the public and the media for his unprecedented feat of aviation skill, an investigation was unfolding that threatened to destroy his reputation and his career. Movie 7:30; Johnny Carson 7 PM. -- **Arlene Hyde**

PANCAKE BREAKFAST: The first of 2017 will be from 7:30 until 9 AM, on Friday, January 6th, in the Great Hall. Come and bring your neighbors and visitors. -- **Jim Dufort**

BLOOD MOBILE: Help save 3 lives with one blood donation. The blood mobile will be here on Friday, January 6th from 8 AM until noon. The sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the back of the Great Hall. Appointment time is not necessary but helps save on your wait time and for the blood mobile to prepare.
-- **Linda Varty**

MUSIC APPRECIATION: Please note the first in the New Year will be held on Friday, January 6th in the Great Hall from 7 – 9 PM. Twelve videos will include music by Mozart, Beethoven, Tchaikovsky, Dvorak, J S Bach, Smetana, Eric Clapton, yes, the one and only rock and blues guitarist, Grieg, Bizet and Mendelssohn. Also featured is the first of four parts of a documentary entitled, “What does it take to become a concert pianist?” This documentary follows the journey of a number of world class pianist’s showing their dedication, talent and styles. Please feel free to bring and share snacks in the break; lemonade will be provided.
-- **Alan and Rosemary Holdway**

FOOD PANTRY on December 7th. Please bring your donation of non-perishable food (before their expiration dates), to the Saturday morning social. Monetary donations are also appreciated. Thank you!

SQUARE DANCE NIGHT: Our annual square dance will be on January 7th. Social hour 6-7 PM; dance will be 7-9. BYOB and a snack to share. Tickets will be on sale the month of December at Saturday meetings or from **Neil and Lois Crane**. Price is \$4 per person. Red Bates will be the caller. Come and learn the basics of square dancing and have a fun night.

INTERESTED IN LEARNING HOW TO PLAY MAH JONG, a Chinese tile game? Three weeks of lessons will begin on Monday, January 9th from 2-4 PM, in the library, and will continue on January 16 and 23. (Weekly play is on Tuesday at 1:30 in the Card Room.)

If interested or you have any questions, call **Karen Short, 330-466-3404** or **Ilene Hackney, 330-823-2739**.

TREE TRIMMING starts on Monday, January 9, 2017. Prices start at \$15 and up. If you need a quote, please call **Rich Davis** at **539-9340**. YOU MUST BE SIGNED UP BY FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2017 – PLEASE!!!

GREAT LAKES BREAKFAST: Let's start the New Year right by having breakfast at a brand new restaurant in Venice, The Original Word of Mouth, located at 1740 E. Venice Ave., on Wednesday, January 11th at 9 AM. Please sign up at back of Great Hall, and wear your name tag. If you are unable to attend after signing up, please call **Loretta (488-0664)** or **Dot (480-1544)**.

NEW ENGLAND BREAKFAST will be held on January 12th at 8:30 AM, at The Original WORD of mouth, 1740 E. Venice Ave. We invite all New Englanders and guests to attend. Please sign up at the clubhouse, and wear name tags. ?? **Claire, 484-8761** or **Adeline, 484-3025**

JETTY PICNIC on Thursday, January 12th. Dinner at 5 PM. Social Hour 4-5 PM. Come and enjoy the sunset and talk of the holidays. Everyone welcome. Bring your favorite dish for ten. Remember your social hour snacks and refreshments, plus your place settings. -- **Claire Becker , Chairperson**

AED/CRP and Safety Updates: Come to this discussion of emergency safety procedures, including using our KGC AEDs, hands only CPR and calls for assistance. This is NOT a certification class. The first session will be immediately after the Saturday meeting on January 14th, in the Great Hall and will last about 1 hour. If you prefer, attend one of the small group sessions in the Great Hall, between January 15th and January 30th. Watch for dates and times to be published. ?? **Connie, 260 Camelot, 937-477-5993** or **clgarrison@aol.com**

OHIO LUNCHEON: Join us for lunch at Joseph's Diner on Wednesday, January 18th at 11 AM. Sign up on the sheet in the back of the hall. ??? Call **Larry Myers, 375-2780**.

SOLOS' DINNER: Thursday, January 19th, at British Open Pub, 367 Jacaranda Blvd., Venice. Happy Hour: 4:30 PM. Dinner: 5 to 6:30 PM. Sign up on sheet in back of Great Hall. Please let us know if you need a ride.
-- **Barb Hoople, 414-232-9696** or **Sue Green, 302-521-1406**

HIPPIE REUNION 60s and 70s DANCE PARTY, January 19th, 7 to 10 PM. Come as you are now, or as you were in the 60s, and dance the night away with DJ and Party Man, Harry Wright. Costumes are optional but encouraged. Soft drinks and snacks provided. Tickets, \$10 per person, will be on sale Saturday mornings beginning December 31st, or from **Connie Garrison, at 260 Camelot**. ?? Call **Connie** at **937-477-5993**.

KGC CHILI COOK-OFF: Get out your favorite recipe as the cold snap comes in. We need 8 contestants to enter their chili: Texas, Cincinnati, Kansas City, Rocky Mountain or your family secret recipe - all are welcome. Cook-off is scheduled for Saturday, January 21st. Tickets on sale at next Saturday's meeting. Right now, we just need contestants and judges to see if this will work. ??? **Bonnie Blackburn, 275-4434** or **Sherry Oexman, 786-1254**

BOOK CLUB FIELD TRIP: Sarasota Public Library Has a "One Book One Community" program each year. A book is selected, and there are events planned around that book. 2017's selection is Daniel James Brown's, The Boys in the Boat. This is a non-fiction story of the Olympic Rowing Team that competed for gold in Hitler's 1936 Olympics, in Germany. This book was chosen largely due to the International Rowing Competition to be held at Nathan Benderson Park, in Sarasota during 2017. The first event is a presentation about his book by the author. This will be held on January 26th at 7 PM, in the Venice PAC. This event is free to the public. Since the book club read this book last year, several of the book club members are planning to attend. We will organize a car pool. If anyone who is not a usual member of the book club who has read or will have read the book prior to the date would like to join us, contact **Ellen Schleicher, 414-801-0268** or visit the library web site, where you will find a link to order tickets under the One Book tab.

KGC GAMES WEEK - February 18th to 25th: This fun new park-wide event is really coming together! We have 35 games and activities scheduled during Games Week, including sports activities, leisure activities, card games and intellectual challenges. Your registration fee covers your official KGC Games Week tee shirt, participation in any of the games you wish to join, all the ribbons you can win and the closing ceremony cookout with burgers and hotdogs. Programs and registration forms will be delivered to your home the first week of January, and registration will be open the entire month. We are hoping for a minimum of 150 participants, so get out your calendar and mark the dates. ??? **Connie Garrison, 260 Camelot, 937-477-5993** or **Sandra Young, 20 Castle Drive, 483-0117**

LUMINARIES: Thanks to everyone, from beginning to end, who helped to make another successful year for the luminaries. (Despite the showers which tried to rain on our activities.) Special thanks to **Wren** for capturing the beauty and the awe of them all. A Blessed and Healthy New Year to all! -- **Curt and Linda**

MANY THANKS!! Our Christmas Dinner at the clubhouse was a beautiful event. It could not possibly have happened without a fabulous group of volunteers, captains and table hostesses. Our overwhelming thanks goes out to all who pitched in and helped to make the event run smoothly. **Bonnie Blackburn & Larry Myers**

WELCOME BACK: **Bill and Jean Thurston** have purchased 213 Princess Ave!!

Renters: **Bud and Brenda Rose** are at 177 Princess until April 2017.

Sheldon and Donna Giles are at 83 Castle Dr. until 3/31/2017.

FYI: As you take down your Christmas decorations, you can recycle any lights that aren't working at Lowes customer service counter. -- **Bonnie Blackburn**

TRAVEL: January 4, 2017: HARD ROCK CASINO, IMMOKALEE. LOAD at 7:15 AM; \$25 INCLUDES BUS DRIVERS TIP. ALL NEW PLAYERS NEED THE FOLLOWING: Full name, address, email address...and drivers' license and state in which it was issued.

January 8, 2017: Phantom, sold out; wait list only...payments due, \$75. Load at 10 AM.

March 5, 2017: Anything Goes...wait list only; \$80. Load at 4 PM.

March 26, 2017: Abba Fab. \$84. Load at 4 PM.

March 30, 2017: Silver Foxes. 7 PM, Venice Theatre. \$29.

ALL AROUND TOURS OFFER MANY TRIPS. IF WE HAVE 10 OR MORE, THEY WILL PICK UP AT KING'S GATE CLUB. All checks for All Around tours should be made out to **ALL AROUND TOURS.**

January 21st: Ruth Eckert Riverdance, \$115. 15 signed up. STILL SOME OPEN SEATS.

January 29th: Terry Fator, \$135. WAIT LIST ONLY.

January 29th: Battle of the Big Bands; \$60. Wait list only.

February 2nd: Wicked, \$145. ?? SEATS AVAILABLE.

February 26th: Peking Acrobats, \$60. Open seats.

March 5th-10th: Ashville trip, 2 seats open.

March 11th: Capone's Dinner theater, \$67. Fun trip. Open seats.

April 29th: KINKY BOOTS. PLEASE GET YOUR PAYMENTS IN, \$78. THIS WILL BE CAR POOL.

NOTE: January 13, 2017: Document party for the upcoming cruise, 2 PM. Plan on attending. ?? See Mary Lou.

January Cruise, January 29-February 5, 2017,...ms/Koningsdam, brand new ship. It is time to fill out your documents on line, www.hollandamerica.com... And click on "already booked". Any problems, you are welcome to call Mary Lou.

TEE SHIRTS are available for the cruise...THEY MUST BE ORDERED BY 12/31 TO HAVE THEM IN TIME FOR THE CRUISE. THEY ARE APPROX. \$16, DEPENDING ON HOW MANY ARE ORDERED. SEE OR CALL **JUDY BUCKELEW, TODAY....940-395-2111 ?? Mary Lou, 941-484-6807**

Exciting news! We have booked our January 2018 cruise...only requires \$100 deposit to hold your space. You don't even have to pay the insurance at this time, and the deposit is fully refundable if you can't go. Pick up a flyer, call VIP and get booked. We have several cabins reserved already, and they can withdraw this offer at any time. 10 Days, Royal Princess Eastern Caribbean, January 19 to 29, 2018. Shipboard credits \$200 per person for mini suites and balconies; \$100 per person for inside cabins. Dinner for two at a specialty restaurant, while onboard. Reduced Deposit of only \$100 per person is fully refundable until final payment. DON'T MISS OUT! TRAVEL COMMITTEE: Don and Mary Lou Richmond, 941-484-6807 or drichmond@comcast.net TRAVEL PARTNERS: Jim and Bev Purkey, 941-412-1228 or bjpurkey@gmail.com

CELEBRATING LIFE - Please wish a very, Happy Birthday to these King's Gaters with early January birthdays:

January 3	Gloria Carey
January 3	Lois Luther
January 4	Alex Ferris
January 5	Rich Orzechowski
January 6	Steven Pettit
January 7	Gloria Abraham
January 8	Gigi Conway
January 8	Sally Swabey
January 9	Chuck McIntyre
January 9	Carol Taylor
January 9	Carole Weber
January 10	Linda MacMillan
January 11	Leo Gallo
January 12	Ralph Garver
January 13	Reo Leach
January 14	Marj Brink
January 15	Sandy Fleck
January 15	Dick Galanti
January 15	Alan Holdway
January 18	Chuck Collins
January 19	Cathy Sudmann
January 19	Helen Tebbets

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