

SUNSPORT GARDENS NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2012

Happy New Year! Happy New Year! Happy New Year! Happy New Year!



AND NOW... A WORD FROM MORLEY SCHLOSS

Many Sunsport members

participated in our wonderful traditional holiday activities. On Christmas Eve there was caroling and a visit from Santa with gifts for all the children. On Christmas, we shared a community pot luck holiday dinner. On New Year's Eve, we danced 2011 away and welcomed 2012 in the pavilion while the children had a family party in the game room. New this year were luminaries making a path for golf cart caroling.

Sunsport has two new amenities. We now have a Water Walking Roller for the pool. People of all ages love playing hamster inside this giant inflated cylinder. New to the fitness center is an Inversion Table for body stretching and relaxation. The Inversion Table may be used by people 4' 9" to 6' 6" tall and weighing between 130 and 300 pounds who have signed a Release of Liability form available in the office. Both the Water Walking Roller and the Inversion Table were donations by a member.

If you haven't seen it yet, come enjoy the renovated expanded restaurant deck with its magnificent pergola and beautiful flowers, a real work of art. The

playground renovation is also progressing well with new sand, a balance beam and high and parallel bars added in December. The clubhouse lawn, between the restaurant deck and the playground, has been graded to direct water toward drains in order to avoid flooding after heavy rains. All this is the work of our dedicated and skillful maintenance and grounds staff.

I am very proud of Sunsport's staff and volunteers. I regularly hear compliments from visitors on the first impression given by the welcoming professionalism of our front desk staff. Many people judge a resort by the cleanliness of its rest rooms and showers - and Sunsport receives top ratings. I am thrilled when I hear from guests who have visited many naturist resorts that our restaurant has the best food and service of all. Charlie Murray who handles Sunsport's recycling program reports that we recently earned \$150 from recycled aluminum cans, money that was used toward purchase of the flowers that brighten Sunsport.

Our friends from the North have returned. Our rental sites are full. All is well at Sunsport.

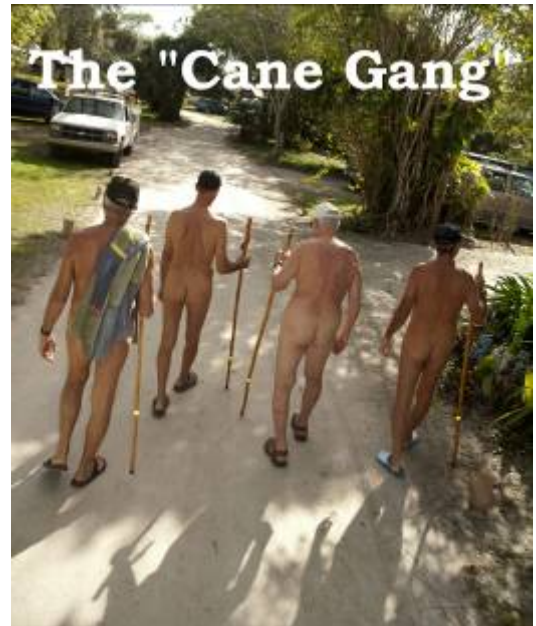


The "Cane Gang"

This is an all too short story about 4 walking sticks. Chosen for their look; curved... yet straight, debarked and dried for months. Then carefully carved, painted and finally decorated with the right amount of accessories such as feathers and cowhide. Now they are ready.

Every morning, 4 older men, known as the "Cane Gang", make their morning journey around Sunsport Gardens with these wonderfully crafted

sticks. We think... no... **we know** that these men are a little wiser with each daily journey as they observe the nature & wildlife that exists here, (humans included), during their trek around Sunsport Gardens; stopping to visit and share their wisdom and adventures from the past with any and all of the residents willing to listen. Eventually... we too become wiser! Thanks "Wise Men"! March on!and I'll be looking for you tomorrow!



Where's the Party?

Why it's here at Sunsport Gardens! As you can see in the photos throughout the Newsletter, members and guests are here, having fun, enjoying the event packed Social Club Calendar and the improved amenities here at the resort. As I've said before, a picture is worth a thousand words... so enjoy reading the following photos! by Don Sanborn, Editor of the Sunsport Gardens Newsletter.

My name is "DJ" Don Sanborn and I am the editor for the Sunsport Gardens Newsletter. It is my intention to inform members, visitors and the curious as to the activities and the "goings-on" here at SSG. Your input, suggestions and contributions are anxiously and eagerly accepted. Contact me at Lot #3, or e-mail the Sunsport Gardens office. Please have any articles, letters or digital photos delivered to me by **January 28th** for review and possible inclusion in the February issue. Thank you.

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Bob & Helen Fekete at the 50's Sock Hop



Human Hamsters in the New Hamster Wheel Pool Toy

Medieval Times comes to Sunsport Gardens



Here Comes Santa Claus!

Apparently the kids have been nice this year!



Social Events for the 2011-2012 Season

ON GOING EVENTS

Children's Dance
Sat. 6 – 8 PM

Saturday Night DJ Dance
Sat. 8:30 – 12 PM

Country Line Dance Lessons
Tues. 11 AM (Starting Jan. 3rd)

Square Dancing
Mon. 8 PM (Starts in Dec.)

Drum Circle
Friday 9 -12 PM

Volleyball
Mon. – Fri. 4 PM
Sat. & Sun. 1 PM

Petanque
Everyday 2 PM (Listen for the Bell)
Sun. & Wed. 7:30 PM (Listen for the Bell)

Water Aerobics
Mon., Wed., Fri. 11 AM (Starts Nov. 7th)

Pot Luck Dinner
Wed. 6 PM (Pavilion)
Bring a prepared dish to share, your own
drink, plate and utensils as needed

JANUARY SPECIAL EVENTS

- Tue. 3rd **Country Line Dancing Lessons** begin: 11 AM in the Pavilion
Wed. 4th **Game Night-** (After Pot Luck) Bring your cards, board games, dice games, darts.
Fri. 6th **Happy Hour** – BYOB and snack to share - 5-6 PM – in the Pavilion;
ALSO: WIGGLE-WAGGLE BINGO - \$1 let's you play all night – priceless prizes!!!
Sat. 7th **Toga Dance** – DJ Dance 8:30 PM - Midnight in the pavilion. Also: Birthday
celebration for people born between Dec 22 and Jan 19. Complete with Birthday
Cake for all Capricorns! **Bring Cash for 50/50**
Sun 8th **Karaoke** – 8 PM in the Pavilion
Wed. 11th **Bingo Night** - \$1 per card; “priceless prizes”, After pot luck until ?
Fri. 13th **Happy Hour** – BYOB and snack to share - 5-6 PM – in the Pavilion
ISLAND GETAWAY THEME WEEKEND **Poolside music all weekend**
Jimmy Buffett, Bob & Ziggy Marley, Steel Drum Reggae, Hawaiian guitar.
Sat. 14th **Music by the pool with Walt Rooney. Also: Bring Cash for 50/50**
PROM NIGHT! 8:30-Midnight. Grass skirts, flower leis, coconut bras and a Hawaiian
War Chant or two will make this a prom to remember! Hey Guys, don't forget to get
your sweetie a nice corsage!
Wed. 18th **Game Night-** (After Pot Luck) Bring your cards, board games, dice games, darts.
Fri. 20th **Happy Hour** – BYOB and snack to share - 5-6 PM – in the Pavilion
Also: Stardust Memories Romantic Dance w/ John & Maureen 8:00-10:00 pm
Sat. 21st **Petanque Tournament** (Number 1 of 2) - Sat & Sun – must register a week prior to
the tournament. Sign up during the daily 2:00 pm Petanque game – meet at the
Petanque court at 10 AM to pick teams.
Red Carpet Dance – Come walk down the red carpet as your favorite movie star,
rock star, or entertainer. We will be judging for the funniest, most look a like, and
the best couple – prizes will be awarded – 8:30 to midnight – **also a 50/50**
drawing.
Sun. 22nd **Movie Night** – new release in the Pavilion 7:30 PM

JANUARY SPECIAL EVENTS (continued from page 5)

Wed. 25th **Bingo Night**- \$1 per card; “priceless prizes”, After pot luck until?

****ATTENTION ALL HIPPIES**** (Past and Present)

AGE OF AQUARIUS WEEKEND

Just like it was – **3 days of fun and music**. Poolside music all weekend.

Led Zeppelin, Joan Baez, Bob Dylan, Hendrix, CSN&Y, Donovan, Doors, Cream, and more...

Fri. 27th **Old Time “Coffee House”** – 8:00-10:00 pm. **Psychedelic 60’s**. Get your peace signs, head bands, love beads, incense and sandals. Dig the scene, music and munchies as you release your inner Hippie. We will have fresh coffee, tea and delicious era appropriate snacks available for purchase.

Sat. 28th **DERBY DAY** – A day at the races like you’ve never seen! Starting gun goes off at 1:00 pm POOLSIDE! Derby Day Auction follows immediately. (Rain date – Sunday, Jan 30)

Also: The AGE OF AQUARIUS Dance – 8:30-Midnight. Birthday celebration for people born between Jan 20 and Feb 18. Complete with Birthday Cake.

Bring Cash for 50/50

Sun. 29th **Movie Night** – 8:00 pm in the Pavilion.

FEBRUARY SPECIAL EVENTS

Fri. 3rd **Happy Hour** – BYOB and snack to share - 5-6 PM - in the Pavilion

Also: Country Western Dance (Including some line dancing) 8:30-??? PM

Sat. 4th **Tricky Treasures Trek** – See flyers for details.

ALSO: Switch-a-Roo Dance – Hey gals dress as a guy and guys dress as a gal. Prizes for the best “guy” and “gal” 8:30-Midnight in the Pavilion

Sun. 5th **CHILI COOK-OFF AND SUPER BOWL PARTY** – Sign up in advance if you want to submit your special chili and don’t forget the Super Bowl Pool (\$5 per square) – 4:00 pm in the pavilion - Super Bowl Party at 6 PM

Tues. 7th Activities Club Meeting – 7:30 PM in the Pavilion – All invited

Wed. 8th **Bingo Night**- \$1 per card; “priceless prizes”. After pot luck until?

Fri. 10th **Happy Hour** – BYOB and snack to share - 5-6 PM - in the Pavilion

Also: Stardust Memories Romantic Dance w/ John & Maureen 8:00-10:00 pm

Sat. 11th **Valentine’s Day Dance** – Come wearing your red and white – guys get your sweetie a corsage and dance to your favorites – 8:30 – Midnight

Sun. 12th **Festival Volunteer Meeting** – 8 PM in the Pavilion with **Karaoke** following the meeting.

Wed. 15th **Bingo Night**- \$1 per card; “priceless prizes”, After pot luck until?

Thru. 16th - **MID-WINTER FESTIVAL** – see Festival program for activities.

thru Tues. 21st

Wed. 22nd **Game Night**- (After Pot Luck) Bring your cards, board games, dice games, darts.

Fri. 24th **Happy Hour** – BYOB and snack to share - 5-6 PM - in the Pavilion

Also: Movie Night in the Pavilion – 7:30 PM in the Pavilion

Sat. 25th **MARDI GRAS!** – Dance the night away. Come in costume or not. Who will end up with the most beads??? 8:30 PM – Midnight in the Pavilion

Sun. 26th **Third Annual Coed Volleyball Tournament** – sign up in advance – limited to 36 players – At the volleyball court at 10:30 AM (date is tentative)

Wed. 29th **Game Night**- (After Pot Luck) Bring your cards, board games, dice games, darts.

Luminaries and Carolers... A Good Combination!



New Years Eve at Sunport Gardens



Happy
New Year!
Wishing you a
Funtastic 2012!