



BOARD MEETING and ACCOCIATION FORUM: Thursday, March 7 at 7:00 pm

WOMEN'S CLUB: OUR NEW START TIME IS NOW AT 10:30. WE will meet on March 12th in the community kitchen. Lunch will follow at Wildflower Café in Clearwater. We will carpool there after the meeting. Reservations are at 11:30. Come join us!

ALL YOU CAN EAT ICE CREAM AND GOODIE SOCIAL: The date has been changed to Sunday, March 10 from 4:00—5:30 at the community building. The cost is \$3 per person at the door. Please plan to attend. We need participation for all activities and parties to make this a great place to live and have fun. See you there!



WE WILL BE RAFFLING OFF a gift basket at the ice cream social. This basket will be filled with spirits, goodies and surprises ! Tickets for the raffle will be sold at the ice cream social for \$1 per ticket or \$5 for 8 tickets.

FLEA MARKET: This was a big success. A great big thank you to Janice Burke for running the event, to ALL who volunteered. A profit of \$716 was made to Women's Club! Thank you to everybody for the response to the sale and for all the hard work that went into it. The profit from this event, the ice cream social and all events goes to the Women's Club which eventually benefits all who live here .

MEN'S LUNCH: Meet at 11:30 on March 12th in front of the community building. The men decide on where to have lunch at that time. All men are welcome!

SKYE LOCH VILLAS HAS A WEBSITE! www.skyelochvillas.com. Is our new website. Our Declaration of Covenants, Rules and Regulations, applications and other helpful information is on this site. Check it out !

GET WELL WISHES: Ed Conroy and Rose Matisse.

NEW OWNERS: Gordon Haining and Dorothy Wohl.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Cheryl Corey and Gordon Haining who were married on February 22nd and are now Mr. and Mrs. Haining!

COFFEE TIME: The dates are March 5th and March 19th. Bring \$1, a mug and a dish to share and enjoy a great breakfast with your neighbors!

CONDOLENCES TO: Family of Dan Fassnacht and to Judy Ferrante whose mom passed away in December.

EXTERIOR CHANGE TO YOUR VILLA: We encourage residents to improve their properties but remember, an "Application For Exterior Change" and Board approval is necessary before you begin. This is stated in our Rules and Regulations, Article 3.3 and 3.10. For any exterior change, addition or alteration to your villa including mansards, front doors, windows, plantings lawn ornaments, etc. needs to be approved. See your copy of the Skye Loch Villas Rules and Regulations before you begin any outdoor project to be sure you are in compliance.



MARDI GRAS PARADE & FESTIVAL: The festival is on Tuesday, March 5, beginning at 4:00 in downtown Dunedin. There will be live entertainment, food and drink. The parade begins at 7:00p.m. and leaves from Dunedin Stadium and runs along Douglas Ave. to Skinner Blvd. The parade will feature over 50 unique and colorful floats.

Skye Loch Community Schedule

- **BINGO—Tuesdays 6:30. Sales end at 6:15.**
- Shuffle board—Monday at 1:00
- Lady's Cards—Mondays at 6
- Coffee Time—1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 6
- Men's Cards—Wednesdays at 6
- Bocci ball—Thursdays at 1:00
- Billiards—Fridays at 12:30
- Military Bridge— March 28th at 7pm. Signup In the kitchen. 20 players needed.



INTERESTING FACTS ON LIVE OAKS:

The *Quercus virginiana* is also known as the Southern live oak tree.

The live oak tree is a southern symbol of strength and is the state tree of Georgia.

The U.S.S. Constitution reportedly received its nickname, "Old Ironsides," during the War of 1812 because of its live oak hull. The hull was so tough that the cannon balls of the British war ships literally bounced off it.

Live oak trees are planted in historical cities for their character and appearance.

Live oak trees weigh over 55 pounds per cubic foot when air dried.

LIVE OAK TREE FRUIT:

Live oak trees produce sweet edible acorns that turkeys, ducks, jays, quail, deer and other animals like to feed on. Live oak trees start producing acorns when they are around 20 years old.

LIVE OAK TREE GROWTH & LIFE:

Live oak trees can live for hundreds of years!

The name live oaks came from the fact that they remain green and "alive" throughout the winter when other oak trees are dormant and leafless.

Live oak trees can grow in forests, in front of buildings such as schools, parking lots, gardens, backyards and more.

Live oak trees also grow by oceans. They do great resisting the salt spray.

Live oak trees support many types of epiphytic plants (including Spanish moss to a point); giving live oak trees more character.

The live oak tree grows 1 inch of caliper and around 2-4 feet overall per year when young.

A mature live oak tree can draw up to 50 gallons+ per day through its tap root deep in the ground.

LIVE OAK TREE USES:

The live oak tree is the broadest spreading of the oaks producing an abundance of shade.

Live oak tree wood is very strong and tough and is often used for structural beams and posts and

were used in colonial times to make navy ships.

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St PATRICK'S DAY is celebrated on March 17, the anniversary of his death in the fifth century. The Irish have observed this day as a religious holiday for over 1,000 years. On St. Patrick's day, which falls during the Christian season of Lent, Irish families would traditionally attend church in the morning and celebrate in the afternoon. Lenten prohibitions against the consumption of meat were waived and people would dance, drink and feast—on the traditional meal of Irish bacon and cabbage.



SPRING AHEAD: Daylight savings time begins Sunday, March 10th. Remember to change your clocks and your batteries in your smoke alarms.



FUN AROUND TOWN: The Dunedin International Chorale will be performing at the Dunedin Public Library on Sunday March 17th at 3:00. There will also be a Piano Lovers Recital at the Dunedin Library on March 23rd at 2:00. Both performances are free. You can call 727-298-3080 x1707 for more information.

VOICES OF JAZZ: This is a live concert featuring big band jazz, swing music and modern arrangements of popular songs. The performance is on Friday, March 8th at 7 p.m. at the Dunedin Community Center. This is free but donations are accepted.

