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SKYE LOCH HOME OWNERS
ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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BOARD MEETING AND ASSOCIATION FORUM: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6 AT 6:00

Location: SKYE LOCH COMMUNITY BUILDING AND ZOOM

DIRECTORS CORNER:

Yes, Spring will be upon us before we know it.
Time to start our Spring Cleaning List:

Driveway and carport pad – Does your driveway need cleaning? How about your carport flooring – cleaning or a new coat of paint for faded or chipped/peeling paint?

Plants – trim overgrown plants, remove dead ones and you might even have to thin them out. Check to make sure your plants are not blocking your villa address numbers. This is important for deliveries but also for emergency services.

Yard Debris – Leaves and small branches, twigs or cuttings should be bagged and placed inside the dumpster. The Association does not have someone to pick up these items for you.

Another way to spruce up your villa is to paint your metal mansard cap if it is rusty.

Exterior Change Requests - As a reminder, no structural additions, alterations or improvements may be made to the exterior of any unit and/or yard without submitting an Exterior Change Request form. The form must be submitted to the Board for review and approval before any work begins.

Also, as a reminder, furniture and large items are not to be placed in the dumpster. If you need large items hauled away, the City of Dunedin will pick up items of this nature. You just need to call our property manager, Keith Phillips at 727-480-2249 and indicate you have a large appliance or furniture to be taken away. He can give you more specifics as to the day of the week it would be picked up.

SKYE LOCH ELECTED OFFICERS:

Dan Borba, President
James LaLonde, Vice President,
Jed Lowry, Treasurer
Janice Burke, Secretary,
John McGilvery, Director at Large

BAKE SALE: Bakers.....start your ovens!
Come join your neighbors at Saturday's Community Sale and Bake Sale!

We had a fun day at the bake table last year and it was very successful!

Bake your favorite recipe and bring it to the community building Saturday morning, February 8 by 8 AM. Any questions text or call Janet Lowry at 727-333-5232. Thank you and see you Saturday!!

FLEA MARKET REMINDER:

We are collecting only slightly used items that are clean and in good condition. Please bring your donated items to the CB kitchen and leave it by the back wall by the sliding glass doors. All workers for the Skye Loch table and people who have rented a table, please show up at 8 a.m. Saturday morning. More information on the next page.

SKYE LOCH BROWN BAG AUCTION

AND PIZZA: Don't miss this event. It will be Saturday, February 22 at 4:00 p.m. in the Community Building. Tickets are \$8 and include pizza, salad and dessert. Can you help? We need items to raffle off! The more items we have to auction off the more fun it will be. Maybe an unwanted or unneeded Christmas gift. See next page for more information and ideas for items to donate.

THANK YOU!: The Crazy Cooks Chili Cook Off was a huge success. Thank you to Dave and Debbie Wylie for the great idea and to Dave Wylie and Mary Ann Taranto for chairing it. Thank you to all the chili cooks and all who assisted for the event, preparation and clean up. All the chili was delicious and difficult to choose a winner.

1st place: Tony Taranto

2nd place: Wayne Atherson

3rd place: Jim Bue

Best in Show: Janet Lowry

Profit was \$488 !

There is a more detailed profit report in the CB kitchen. This was the 1st annual Crazy Cooks Chili Cook Off. Looking forward to next year.

SHOW ME THE MONEY:

Or Card Bingo is every Tuesday at 6:30 in the CB kitchen. Bringing dollar bills is helpful regarding making change. BYOB.

SOCIAL CLUB MEETING:

Our next meeting will be February 4 at 10:00 at the CB kitchen. All are welcome.

SKYE LOCH DIRECTORY:

Once again, it is almost time for the annual Skye Loch Villas Resident Directory to be published and distributed. The 2025 edition will be printed & distributed in March. Any residents who have last minute updates, corrections or additions to their contact information that they would like to be included in the new directory, please email them to: skyelochdirectory@yahoo.com by February 15, 2025. (This email to be used for directory updates only).

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE:

We are looking for someone to volunteer for this. You would be responsible for sending get well cards or sympathy cards to Skye Loch residents after being notified of the card needed. You would also be responsible for buying cards and stamps that you would be reimbursed for. Contact Patti Ratajczak at 440-376-8471 if you would like more information or would like to volunteer.

WELCOME NEW RESIDENT: Shari Hammond

LADIES ONLY GOLF CART HAPPY

HOUR: Join us for happy hour on February 16. We will meet in front of the CB at 3:45. Bring your golf cart to provide rides for those who don't have one. There is a sign up sheet in the CB kitchen so we have an idea of how many are going.

SKYE LOCH VILLAS BREAKFAST:

February 11 and 25 we will meet in the CB kitchen. Bring a mug, \$1 and a dish to share if you can. We need volunteers to host upcoming breakfasts. If you would like to host and haven't hosted before, one of our veteran hosts will help you. There is a sign up sheet in the CB kitchen for hosting a breakfast.

WE HAVE A GROUP ON FACEBOOK:

If you use Facebook, Christine Tabor created the "Skye Loch Villas Social Hub" for Skye Loch residents only. This is a private group. No one has access to it but Skye Loch members. Events, event photos, Skye Loch information etc. are posted for members only to view. If you haven't done so already, join the group!

FOOD BANK COLLECTION:

Did you know that nearly 40% of Pinellas County is food insecure. This is a reminder that we are collecting food for the Dunedin Cares Food Pantry. There is a cart in the CB kitchen to put your donated unexpired/non perishable food items on. The donated food is taken to the food pantry every Tuesday. The need is great. Food items needed urgently are pasta sauce, pasta, condiments, cereal and rice. Even the smallest donation will help someone in need. The BO-GO's at Publix are a great way to help.



FLEA MARKET

2/8/2025 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 p.m.

Looking to have a successful FLEA Market to boost funds for the Social Club to continue to do GOOD DEEDS in the community.

Volunteers are needed to work the Skye Loch tables. In addition, volunteers are needed to price donations the week prior to the sale and to place tables on the 6th (Thursday)

You may rent a table, if you would like to sell your own treasures! \$10 per table.

Tables are limited so reserve yours right away!

Most importantly we need donations of slightly used, clean items to sell. (* No large electronics, Televisions, etc). Donate only items that you would purchase.

Proceeds will go to the Social Club for future needs. (Celebrations, Updates to pool furniture when needed and Charitable donations).

Donated items may be brought to the community building kitchen beginning January 31st.

Please call or text Janice Burke (207-671-6808) for more information or rental of a table.

IMPORTANT DATES:

1/31/25 - start bringing donations to clubhouse kitchen

2/6/25 – Set up of room for Flea Market tables

2/7/25 – Renters of tables may set their tables up.

2/8/25 – Renters be at your tables by 8:00 a.m.

There will be a bake sale as well. Details on Page 1.





SKYE LOCH BROWN BAG AUCTION AND PIZZA!

Saturday, February 22 at 4:00
At the Community Building



All proceeds will continue to help the Social Club to improve our Skye Loch Community and help fund additional Socials and Celebrations.

Pizza, Salad and Dessert—\$8 per person. Pay at the door. Water provided. BYOB

WE need your help to make this fun. We need your BEST donated items to raffle off. We are looking for donations of: Gift cards (Asking a business you frequent, restaurants, salons, barbers, manicurists, massage therapists, etc.) to donate a gift card or product. Or if you work for a business that would donate a gift card or product. You could donate a bottle of wine, beer, spirits, candy jewelry, new tools, etc. Is there a Holiday gift you received that you won't use or don't need that you would donate? Anything that you or someone else would like to win. If you would like a donation letter to give to a business you are asking for a donation, contact Patti, Susan, Janet or Maryann (phone numbers below).



When you walk in the Community Building, all items will out for display with a brown bag attached to it. You will have time to browse all the items. You can place as many raffle tickets in any bag of the item(s) you would like to win.

Contact: Patti Ratajczak, Susan Brackett, Janet Lowery or Mary Ann Taranto to pick up your donations.

Raffle ticket prices: 2 tickets for \$1, or 15 tickets for \$5.

50/50 Raffle tickets are: 1 - \$1, 6 - \$5 and 10 - \$15.

RSVP: Patti Ratajczak 440-376-8471, Susan Brackett 207-572-6891, Mary Ann Taranto 813-943-6831 or Janet Lowry 727-333-5232 by February 18 so we know how much pizza to order.