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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

BY NANCY SISLOW PRESIDENT OF THE POA

Your POA Board spent the past month finalizing and approving the 2025 budget.

The threats to our income from more property owners with expired covenants who decide to not pay dues and comments made by the Hancock County Assessor that he may begin assessing property taxes on our amenities led to the decision to raise the dues by \$6 per month.

The Board has continued its work of exploring ways to streamline the association while assuring the best possible retention of all the amenities.

When you take a moment to think of all that the amenities encompass, you feel the enormity of what needs to be maintained.

The Property Owner's Association is responsible for 1.) an openair, fenced RV and boat storage area; 2.) the 3500ft. long airport runway and area maintenance; 3.) the marina, docks, ship's store, and Camphouse (formerly known as the Yacht Club) building; 4.) the Community Center building, grounds and parking lot; 5.) the East Rec pool and deck area, playground, tennis and pickleball courts and pro shop/offices, and ballfields; 6.) the North Rec pool, pool deck and playground; 7.) the Twin Lakes pavilion, frisbee golf, grounds, walking trail and lakes; 8.) the Holiday Village pool and grounds; 9.) the Main Pool, splash pad pool deck, walking trail, and

pickleball/tennis courts; 10.) Club and restaurants, patio, outdoor spaces; 11.) two 18-hole golf courses, pro shop, practice range, education facility, cart barn; 12.) maintenance garage and equipment; 13.) and the POA administration offices. That is a lot to manage for such a small fee per member!

In my last message, I mentioned all the challenges Diamondhead has faced and our history covers many of them.

By 1990 there were 4500 people who made "this thriving resort their permanent home" (as was noted in a marketing brochure). The Mississippi Gaming Control Act of 1990 and the expanded mission of NASA to test new solid fuel rocket motors for the space shuttle brought many new folks to find homes in Diamondhead. The new casinos employed thousands of people who wanted to live in communities like Diamondhead where the land was relatively inexpensive, and the parcels already had water and sewerage infrastructure.

The Glen Eagle subdivision was developed during this time and consisted of 189 lots averaging 100-foot frontage in an area of gently rolling hills wrapped around the newly built Cardinal Golf Course.

The population of Diamondhead increased to 5,912 residents in the year 2000 and property owner's dues increased from \$15 to \$25 per month. There was conflict among members and one group began to push for Diamond-

head to become a city.

That plan was unsuccessful in 1994 but gives us clues to the actions that have taken place since then.

I, and all the Members of the

Board, thank you for the opportunity to serve the Diamondhead Property Owners Association and its great amenities.



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DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB & PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. Board of Directors Financial Summary, October 31, 2024

Month		Revenue	Expense	Net Income (Net Loss)	Budget	Budget Variance	Dues Allocation
Membership Dues	_	251,913	716	251,197	252,008	(811)	716
Country Club		334,961	388,692	(53,731)	(22,510)	(31,221)	53,731
Community Center		2,923	12,701	(9,778)	(4,192)	(5,586)	9,778
Tennis		6,300	13,253	(6,953)	(845)	(6,108)	6,953
Golf Shop		249,488	73,595	175,893	167,910	7,983	-
Golf Course Maint		20,072	156,604	(136,531)	(136,969)	438	-
Golf Academy		1,115	11,088	(9,973)	(5,484)	(4,489)	9,973
Grounds Maint		-	39,715	(39,715)	(33,123)	(6,592)	39,715
Facilities Maint		-	34,568	(34,568)	(36,550)	1,982	34,568
Marketing		-	16,080	(16,080)	(10,560)	(5,520)	16,080
Pier House		5,625	10,241	(4,616)	4,007	(8,623)	4,616
Airport		1,200	883	317	780	(463)	-
Marina		7,308	11,941	(4,633)	(1,496)	(3,137)	4,633
Recreation		132	22,906	(22,774)	(14,445)	(8,329)	22,774
Administration		9,263	154,704	(145,441)	(101,860)	(43,581)	145,441
	Totals	890,300	947,687	(57,387)	56,671	(114,058)	348,978

Year-to-Date		Revenue	Expense	Net Income (Net Loss)	Budget	Budget Variance	Dues Allocation
Membership Dues		2,613,587	14,685	2,598,903	2,515,080	83,823	14,685
Country Club		2,722,974	3,160,102	(437,128)	(129,631)	(307,496)	437,128
Community Center		15,067	96,033	(80,966)	(52,226)	(28,740)	80,966
Tennis		64,430	104,508	(40,077)	(13,930)	(26,147)	40,077
Golf Shop		2,340,538	681,222	1,659,315	1,598,582	60,733	-
Golf Course Maint		20,072	1,433,063	(1,412,991)	(1,549,765)	136,774	-
Golf Academy		38,225	106,645	(68,420)	(56,813)	(11,607)	68,420
Grounds Maint		-	324,704	(324,704)	(328,323)	3,619	324,704
Facilities Maint			286,957	(286,957)	(345,244)	58,287	286,957
Marketing		830	137,961	(137,132)	(123,272)	(13,860)	137,132
Pier House		56,250	30,940	25,310	9,090	16,220	-
Airport		12,000	11,804	196	7,519	(7,323)	
Marina		103,757	100,894	2,863	(26,187)	29,050	-
Recreation		12,442	236,326	(223,884)	(157,607)	(66,277)	223,884
Administration		107,154	1,181,431	(1,074,277)	(1,028,696)	(45,581)	1,074,277
	Totals	8,107,326	7,907,275	200,051	318,577	(118,526)	2,688,230

Capital Projects	Expensed	Approved	Variance
Grounds			-
Country Club	3,745	3,745	
Golf	66,140	66,140	
Tennis	-	-	
Recreation	9,918	9,918	-
Facilities/Maintenance	-	-	-
Administration	-	-	-
Marina	-	-	-
Airport	-		
Contigency	42,079	42,079	-
Totals	121,881	121,881	-

BUSINESS

MINUTES OF THE
MEETING OF THE BOARD
OF DIRECTORS
THE CLUB AT
DIAMONDHEAD AND
PROPERTY OWNER'S
ASSOCIATION, INC.
OCTOBER 21, 2024

A meeting of the Board was held at 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead Mississippi. President Sislow chaired the meeting and called it to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present were President Sislow, Vice President Giarrusso,

Treasurer Blackwood, Secretary Damiens, Director LaFontaine, Director Lee, Director Nutting, Director Stromeyer, Director Tubbs, Director Pineau, and Ex-Officio Becker. Absent: None. Also present were GM Abadie, Legal Assistant Kinsley, Legal Counsel Jones and Controller McInnis..

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of the meeting of September 16, 2024 were approved by e-mail vote completed September 23, 2024

A P P R O V A L / A M E N D MEETING AGENDA – A motion to approve the agenda was made by Director Nutting and seconded by Treasurer Blackwood. The motion passed unanimously

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – President Sislow provided her report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

-Airport/Marina CommitteeNothing to report. Recreation
Committee reports- nothing to

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COMMUNITY

East Hancock Library: A Season of Gratitude in Diamondhead

BY LEAH HOLMES

Happy Thanksgiving to each of you! As noted last month, I am so very thankful to be here in Diamondhead, managing the East Hancock Library (though like you, I sure will miss seeing Gerri McCleskey's easy smile and helpful ways around the branch; Mrs. Gerri, enjoy your well-deserved retirement, dear friend!). I offer special thanks to those who have have stopped by recently to say "hello and welcome," and hope that I might have the chance to meet even more of you in the days ahead!

Before mentioning the flurry of

events and programs characteristic of the holiday season, I feel it is appropriate to pause and reflect on a particular blessing which our local library enjoys: the support of several highly talented library program leaders, without whose generous volunteerism, the vibrancy and range of patron opportunities at the EH branch would not be possible. Mrs. Elen Black leads both our Children's and Adult Painting Classes. She accepts participants "where they are" and works patiently to advance their skills, then pivots effortlessly to "habla Espanol" in our Adult Spanish Class. Similarly, Mrs. Penny Crawford creates a multitude of arts and crafts projects for various groups and enhances the décor inside the library itself! If you haven't yet had the chance to view Penny's extraordinary mural on the back wall of the children's room, well you're just letting some tremendous talent pass you by.

Mrs. Mary Gobert, who previously wrote this monthly article, oversees the Literary Society of Diamondhead, and assists in myriad ways large and small. Finally, one might easily mistake both Mrs. Diane Stechman and Mrs. Beryl Laird

for library employees, as they devote such time and expertise to assisting the staff. THANK YOU to these and all our library volunteers for your joyful energy, creative efforts, and your willingness to get involved in your community library; we owe each of you a debt of gratitude that is quite simply, beyond measure.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Have you finished reading the book selection—MY TWO ELAINES-

• See LIBRARY

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report but wanted to take the time to give a shout out to Nancy Perkins. The Fall Festival was a smashing success over 70 vendors turned out. The weather was perfect.

Trunk or Treat is coming this Wednesday over 400 bands were given out to POA members, over 70 vehicles signed up. The main pool will remain open on the weekends till the end of October then we will move to East rec only operational position. Thanks to seasonal staff in welcoming guests and there were over 16,000 people that visited our pools since June. Administration/Legal Committee- Trying to find a collection firm for the outstanding liens, may try temporary collection position internally with somebody making the phone calls. Miles Sharp contract ends December 31. We

are not renewing it. Looking at the proposed budget; brief discussion of Purcell meeting and amenities used and not used. Airport fuel issues are ongoing. Update on internal software adjustments for the late fees. House/Club Committee- The toast inventory control, and staff training is on schedule is scheduled for completion December 31st. Working on getting card readers for use on the course to save time. The banquets, Oak room, patio and latitude business has been very good; customer satisfaction has been an all-time high. Golden Tee Video game will be installed soon. Futures Committee- Primarily made up of board members, had a presentation by two legal consultants, Mr. Sharp and Mr. Tubertini regarding ways that the POA can be strengthened. Facilities/ Safety Committee- Nothing to report Golf/Grounds Committee- New pump system

installed on the Cardinal will help during current drought. Remedial treatments on the Cardinal greens has made significant improvements.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT – GM Abadie provided his report including financial data.

POA MEMBERS COM-MENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS - None

REGULAR AGENDA – None at this time.

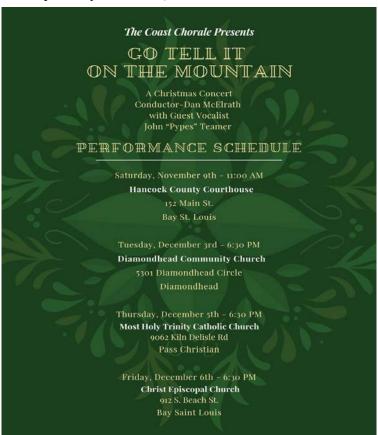
POA MEMBERS COM-MENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS – Debra Moore spoke to Holiday Village concerns. Jessie Harwood spoke about member input to future plans and important amenities.

NEXT MEETING – The next scheduled meeting will be on Monday, November 18, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. at the Diamondhead City Hall Chambers

ADJOURN to Executive Session – A motion was made by Vice President Giarrusso and seconded by Director Stromeyer to adjourn to Executive Session. The meeting adjourned at 6:27pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Meg Damiens POA Board Secretary



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103 Kona Way | Diamondhead

3 Bed | 2 Bath | 1438 sqft | \$189,900

No steps! Large condo on the ground level. Unit is Move-in Ready. Freshly painted. Enjoy all the amenities including the Golf Club with 2 - 18 hole golf courses, pools, tennis courts, walking trails, boat launch and more. Check out all the activities in the Diamondhead News. Lots of parking.









85565 W Diamondhead Dr Diamondhead

3 Bed | 2 Bath | 1381 sqft | \$235,000

Lovely custom built 3 bedroom 2 bath home in Diamondhead, MS offers quick access to I-10 for shopping, dining, beaches, and casinos. Enjoy an active lifestyle in Diamondhead making use of two championship 18-hole golf courses, 10 tennis courts, pickle ball, swimming, boating, walking trails, marina, and kayak launches.



654 Kiko St Diamondhead

3 Bed | 2 Bath | 1687 sqft | \$239,900

Lovely home with a screened porch and fenced yard. Located close to the golf course and the Country Club. Home is move-in ready and in excellent condition.



406 Ramaux St | Bay Saint Louis 3 Bed | 2 Bath | 1390 sqft | \$385,000

Coastal Cottage sits in one of the highest elevated Subdivisions in Bay St. Louis and is less than 4 years old. Featuring a split bedroom floorplan with a master walk-in shower, walk-in closet, LVP floors and granite countertops throughout the home, gas powered fireplace & stove and a screen in back porch.



11162 New York St | Bay Saint Louis 3 Bed | 1 Bath | 2026 sqft | \$479,000

This 3 Bedroom Home sits on a deep water canal. This Home has an oversized porch, great views and features: Stainless Appliances, Granite Countertops, Luxury Vinyl Floors. Upstairs Offers a spacious bedroom and storage area. The outdoor living space offers a Second Lot that offers covered storage for the boats, the jet skis, and the camper.



Come see this Prime Water Lot in Diamondhead with a bulkhead already in tact. This lot is just minutes from the Jourdan River which is perfect for fishing, boating, swimming, and all the fun water sports. Close to

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8042 Hancock Dr | Bay Saint Louis 3 Bed | 2 Bath | 1188 sqft | \$120,000

Come see this affordable and newly renovated 3 Bed/2 bath home in Bay St. Louis. This home boasts a spacious Master Suite, Stainless appliances, and an open floorplan. This home is close to entertainment including the Local Casinos and the Beautiful Coast of the Gulf of Mexico.



8176 E Cypress Dr | Perkinston 4 Bed | 3 Bath | 2468 sqft | \$289,000

Custom built home with 6.1 acres. Fenced Pastures, New carpet and flooring throughout, stocked pond, detached Shop that is 1200 sqft with a roll up door, a small office and a 900 sqft apartment: 1 bed/1 bath spacious living and kitchen area and a private laundry room for friends and family to stay in.



63724 N Diamondhead Dr | Diamondhead 3 Bed | 2 Bath | 1750 sqft | \$192,000

3 Bed/2 Bath with Stainless Appliances, Granite Countertops and an Oversized Fenced Backyard! Covered Parking, Bonus Office Space and Conveniently located in the Front of Diamondhead and Just a quick walk to the nearby pool! Affordable Flood Policy in Place!



5163 Forest Ave | Bay Saint Louis 2 Bed | 2 Bath | 1068 sqft | \$239,000

This home sits on an oversized lot within walking distance to the Gulf and Just a quick car or bike ride to the Casino. Fishing, Crabbing, Swimming you can do it all.

This Camp has been recently updated and is ready for new owners: New Stainless Appliances, Updated vanities, new flooring, New AC units and the list continues.



354 Loulu PI I Diamondhead Water Front Lot | 0.2 Acre | \$65,000

entertainment and casinos. Your options are endless!



05 Molokai Village Diamondhead 1 Bed | 1 Bath Rent: \$1150/mo

Furnished Unit on Bottom floor.

Stack Washer/Dryer in Unit.

Rent includes Water only.



239 Molokai Diamondhead 1 Bed | 1 Bath Rent: \$995/mo

Fully Furnished Updated Condo.

Freshly painted. Located In Molokai Village. The back porch overlooks the pool.

Water And Sewer Included.



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8185 Ridgewood Dr | Kiln 4 bed | 2.5 bath 2775 sqft | \$425,000

Beautiful house in Kiln situated on 3 acres. This house is in great shape with an open & split floor plan, formal dining room, granite countertops, and so much more.



25541 Broadridge Dr | Picayune 4 bed | 2 bath 2339 sqft | \$275,000

Situated on 7 private acres (only about 2 acres cleared). The main level offers an open floor plan, large living room, spacious kitchen, lots of decks, workshop/garage, & so much more.

Call or stop by

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1100 W Beach Boulevard Unit #309 | Pass Christian 2 Bed | 2 Bath | 1281 sqft \$374,900



Both the living room and the primary bedroom have direct access to the balcony. Off the kitchen is a small room that can be used as a dining nook, office or third bedroom. Pass Marianne amenities include gated entrance, security, covered parking, atrium/lobby for visiting with other residents, workout room, clubhouse meeting area, elevators and an inground, saltwater pool overlooking the beach. HOA dues cover building security; part-time manager; building, grounds & pool maintenance; insurance; pest control; water/sewer/garbage and satellite TV/internet. No short term vacation rentals allowed. Rentals must be for a minimum of 6 months.



415 Highpoint Dr | Diamondhead 2 Bed | 2.5 Bath | 1217 sqft | \$219,000 Beautifully remodeled Townhome located across from community Club House. Back yard features an oversized deck over looking the prestigious Cardinal Golf Course. Kitchen features stainless steel appliances, quarts counter tops, and vinyl plank flooring.



Gina Bradley D: 985-290-0280 O: 228-467-0244



307 Turner St | Bay Saint Louis 3 Bed | 2 Bath | 1104 sqft \$292,000



Completely remodeled within the last few years. X Flood Zone. Golf Cart Community. Granite countertops & stainless steel appliances. Large corner lot, fenced in yard, lots of parking, large workshop with 110 power. Exterior HardiPlank Type. Furniture is available with listing.



246 Lakeside Villa Unit #J | Diamondhead 1 Bed | 1 Bath | 645 sqft | \$109,500 Newly Updated with a fantastic view of the Golf Course off your Balcony. Walking distance to Diamondhead Country Club



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73664 N Diamondhead Dr Diamondhead 3 Bed | 2 Bath | 1630 sqft \$240,000



654 Mauna Loa PI Diamondhead 4 Bed | 2.5 Bath| 2977 sqft \$350,000



15067 Chickasaw Rd | Kiln Jourdan River Shores Waterfront Lot | 0.11 Acre \$110,000



85537 W Diamondhead Dr Diamondhead 2 Lots| 0.46 Acre \$62,000



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103 Saint Joseph St | Waveland 0.15 Acre Lot | \$159,000

Cleared lot ready for a custom-built home in a coastal community blending convenience with natural beauty near downtown Waveland and walking distance to the beach.



305 Third St | Bay Saint Louis 4 Bed | 2.5 Bath | 1700 sqft | \$709,000

Renovated historic home in Old Town, Bay St. Louis, featuring details like pine flooring and beadboard accents. Modern kitchen, master bedroom with ensuite, screened porch, fenced backyard and flexible layout. Conveniently located near beach, downtown, marina, and golf course.





845 E Scenic Dr | Pass Christian
3 Bed | 3 Bath | 2500 sqft | \$5,499,000

An exquisite 8.5-acre lot on Scenic Dr. overlooking the Gulf of Mexico. Property includes six parcels extending from Beach Blvd to Second Street. This valuable land is open for new construction and multiple-home development. It's completely fenced and gated at the front and rear entrances. The expansive grounds still have two 1940s cottages that were combined to create a saddlebag cottage with the new addition of a master wing. Use this land as an investment opportunity to build multiple homes or for your private sanctuary.



206 Idlewood Dr | Waveland 3 Bed | 2 Bath | 2198 sqft | \$225,000

Beautiful brick home situated in an established neighborhood, conveniently located to shopping and entertainment. This home features ceramic tile throughout, a bonus room, a sun room, freshly painted throughout and new light fixtures.



Diane Brown D: 615-584-9444 O: 228-226-1402

Testimonials

"Diane Brown was professional and a pleasure to work with."

-Patrick Q.



6533 Shawnee St | Kiln 2 Bed | 1 Bath | 1100 sqft | \$168,000

Looking to live in Jourdan River Shores? Cute house on high ground w/ access to community swimming pool, tennis court, and boat launch. This house would make a great starter/retirement home or investment. The interior was freshly painted and with plenty of natural lighting this cozy house will be bright an cheery.



5034 Kilimanjaro St | Bay Saint Louis 3 Bed | 3 Bath | 2000 sqft | \$385,000

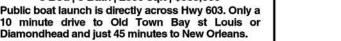
Public boat launch is directly across Hwy 603. Only a 10 minute drive to Old Town Bay st Louis or



This season, as we come together with those we cherish, we're reminded of the comfort and joy a place called "home" brings.

Whether you're settling in or dreaming of new beginnings, we're here to help make every season bright in a space that's just right for you

Here's to a wonderful season filled with comfort and joy!





COMMUNITY

Diamondhead Aviation: New Challenges

BY PAUL GILBERT

One question I often hear from people is, 'Do you ever get scared while flying?' It's a legitimate concern that I assume goes hand in hand with a fear of heights as the more common fears. Most fearful passengers cite turbulence as a big concern. It's understandable. While travelling in a car or a boat, a sudden bump may cause the seat to drop away, and you think nothing of it. In a plane, those same sensations may play tricks on the mind, with a possibly overactive imagination telling you the airplane is now going to plumet to the ground.

While in flight, an aircraft feels similar to a boat on the water. As the plane moves through the air, its invisible wake acts just like the wake behind a boat. If another plane passes through that wake, it must ride

through the disturbed air. This and other atmospheric phenomena cause a rough ride that may be uncomfortable but not dangerous. Nervous fliers could benefit from taking a flight lesson or two. Learning how the aircraft flies can alleviate many of their fears.

Within the first couple of flight hours, a new student has already seen how the airplane can glide with even zero power from the engine. That fear of the plane falling out of the sky disappears. The turbulence that used to be troublesome becomes just a bump in the road, just as a skilled mariner navigates the continuous ebb and flow of the waves. Hours later, when the time comes for the instructor to step out and let you take that first solo flight, those initial fears are long gone, replaced with

new fears and a sense of excitement. As you make your way through the training, you start to welcome new challenges. Fear has given way to a constant yearning for that next milestone.

After a few solo flights, you start working on navigation and a new fear develops in the form of, 'where are we?' and the search on the horizon for the destination airport and your landing runway. It's an amazing feeling when you touch down at a distant airport after an hour or more of checking off landmarks on your carefully prepared flight plan. But even that seems a bit more routine by the time you take the check ride for the new certificate.

So many years later, I still enjoy every hour I spend in the air and try to never take such a wonderful experience for granted. But when I'm asked if I'm ever scared, I can never think of a time when I was truly scared. Excited or anxious maybe. But aviation presents us with so many challenges that I find myself welcoming each new challenge and future goals.

If you've ever wanted to experience the wonder of flight or if you've got a fear of flight, maybe a lesson or two can help you see those fears are unfounded and the experience may just open doors to a new passion as well as a very convenient form of transportation.

If you have any questions about aviation, I'm always reachable at: aviatorandwriter@gmail.com

Blue skies PG

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WINE CLUB BY MARSHALL KYGER

The Diamondhead Wine Club is dedicated to the exploration and enjoyment of wine.

At each monthly tasting, we sample at least 6 different wines and learn a little about their history and origins.

The Club is open to any who are interested in enjoying and learning about wine.

Join us at our upcoming tastings:

Thursday, December 19th - High End Reds - 7:00 at the Club

The annual Wine Club Christmas blowout is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, December 19th.

We will pick some outstanding wines for you to enjoy and you can bet that a white wine or two will find its way to the event. Further details will follow.

Tentative cost is \$80 for DWC members and \$100 for guests.

Please make your reservations by mailing you check payable to DWC to: P.O. Box 6523 or by emailing Lou at louertel@aol.com

or Marshall at mekygs@mail.com.

PEO CHAPTER Q BY GAY YOUNG



P.E.O. Chapter Q's Officers for 2024-2025, Carolyn Richardson, Corresponding Secretary; Barbara Knapstein, Chaplain; Fran Yates, Treasurer

Karen Komenko, President; Margaret Sherwood, Vice President; and Joan Daigle, Recording Secretary.

Diamondhead Lions Club

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Learn more about the Lions Club – come to a meeting to hear about our plans for the rest of this year. Be our guest at our next Club meeting on December 20, at 11:30 AM in the Diamondhead Country Club. Future meetings are on the 3rd Friday of each month. Contact Lion Dwain Simpson at 228-363-2557 or dwainsimpson@aol.com for more information.

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GARDEN CLUB BY BRIERLEY ACKER

Garden Club member Penny Crawford and her husband Ping assisting Sanders Bennett with his Eagle Scout project of making and installing 4 blue bird houses at the Maluhia Garden. He will add flowers for the pollinators in the Spring. The Diamondhead Garden Club is providing \$150 to help fund this worthwhile project.



Diamondhead Garden Club

THURSDAY MORNING LINE DANCERS BY MOLLEY KOONEY

Lessons and dancing, led by Molly, will be held from 10:00 -11:00 am on THURSDAYS at the DIAMONDHEAD COMMUNITY CENTER. New solid flooring and a huge space. Plenty of room for social distancing.

Everyone is welcome.

Great exercise, great fun, \$1 room rental per person, per session.

FOR DETAILS OR CANCELLATIONS see our web site:

https://sites.google.com/site/get-



Garden Club assists Eagle Scouts.

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DIAMONDHEAD WOMENS CLUB BY ROBIN GAINES

Our November 6th was a lot of fun, with our own very talented vice president, Renee Risso, holding a "Holiday Bow Creating" class. We also collected new blank greeting cards for Woodland Village.

On November 9th, several members attended the Pink Hearts Gala held in Biloxi, with the Women's Club



Garden Club member planting a raised bed at Woodland Village with fall vegetables

being honored as their main contributor to this very worthy cause. This year's theme was "Boots and Bow Ties" and everyone dressed the part, decked out in our best boot and bowties, and, lets not forget, lost of Glitz and glamour.

Please plant to attend our December 4th annual Celebration Luncheon, with entertainment and wonderful comradery, which will be held in the Emerald Ballroom of the Club at Diamondhead. This year, we have invited the Newcomers group to join us. This is an event you will not want to miss. The cost is \$35.00, cash or check made payable to the DWC.

We will be collecting donations for our Veterans in Need (Coats, hats, socks, etc.). We will also have our CASA Angel Tree ornaments available until they are all purchased. They are available for \$25+ per ornament, cash or check made payable to CASA. Ladies, these are absolutely beautiful!!

We strive, through diligence, hard work, creativity and friendship, to

LIBRARY

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-for our DIAMONDHEAD READS! community reading initiative yet? A few free copies remain on hand at the library. You may wish to hurry though, as it is almost time! The book's author, Martin Schreiber will visit Diamondhead on Thursday, December 5th, 2024, to discuss his personal experiences as a caregiver for his wife Elaine. "Marty" is a former governor of Wisconsin and has become a nationally recognized advocate and educator for memory loss and Alzheimer's caregivers. We hope you'll make plans to meet Marty in person, ask questions about the book, and have your own copy signed by the author! This very special opportunity happens at the City Council Chambers at City Hall (5000 Diamondhead Cr.) from 6 to 8 pm, and represents the culminating event for this, our inaugural community read project. It's also a wonderful chance to connect with caregivers and others whose lives may have been impacted by memory loss.

And speaking of memory loss ... if you or a loved one is experiencing memory loss, we invite you to attend the new Memory Café on the fourth Friday of each month from 10–11 am (though our December Café will be held Tuesday, December 10th, from 9 to 10 am). The Memory Café offers an inviting, low-key low stress opportunity for the aging population who may be experiencing Alzheimer's, dementia, or other forms/stages of memory loss. Programs include arts & crafts, music, and pet-friendly sessions where seniors and family mem-

bers or caregivers can come together in a supportive social environment.

Please plan to join us for our annual East Hancock Library Tree Celebration on Thursday, December 19th, from 5 to 7 pm. View the festive trees of our local businesses, socialize with friends, and be merry and bright!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

We invite you and your "littles" (toddlers, preschoolers, and kindergarteners) to our popular Storytime program on Mondays from 10:30 to 11:30 am. Updates and adjustments to the Storytime schedule are available on the library's web calendar at [https//hcls.librarycalendar.com/events/]. Also enjoy our Adult Painting and Make-and-Take Craft classes on alternating Mondays. Always wanted to learn Mahjong? Our Dragon Ladies group meets most Tuesdays from 1 to 4 pm. And Thursdays

are the perfect time to practice your Spanish with Elen from 2 to 3 pm.

Not sure what to read? Come join our Literary Society of Diamondhead on the first and second Wednesdays of each month from 10:30 to 11:30 am—new members always welcome!

If your 7–11-year-old is interested in space, don't miss the INFINI-TY Science Center's special Saturday program, "The Moon Lights the Way" from 10 am to noon on December 7; it's a family-friendly STEM program with fun, hands-on activities!

Finally, stay in shape over the holidays with our Strength & Flexibility class each Friday at 10:30 (except the fourth Friday, which meets at 11:30 am).

Feeling thankful for our library and community, Leah, your new library liaison!

CHURCHES

ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

5303 Diamondhead Circle Diamondhead, MS 39525-3203 (228) 255-9213 mail@stthomasdiamondhead.org WORSHIP TIMES Sunday 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Sunday 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

DIAMONDHEAD COMMUNITY CHURCH

5301 Diamondhead Circle (288) 255-5556 dhcommunitychurch.org **Weekly Schedule**

SUNDAY

Worship: 10:00 a.m. Lifeline Discipleship Classes for all ages: 9 a.m.

Adult Christian Education Classes: 9 a.m.

"Wired" Rehearsal : 5 p.m.
TUESDAY

GriefShare: 2 p.m. WEDNESDAY

Youth Activities: 5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal: 5:30 p.m. ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

Friday, Dec. 13 from 6 to 8:30

Come and enjoy a delicious dessert and beverage with ladies from our community at beautifully decorated tables followed by an Advent program, including singing, special music, scripture readings with lighting of Advent candles and speakers.

Sign up at the church with \$5 for dessert by Nov. 17. (Please make reservations early, as space is limited.)

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Pass Christian, MS 39571 228-255-1294 Email: admin@mhtcatholic.org Website: http://mhtcatholic.org Mass Times: Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday: 4:00 & 6:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. &

7:00 p.m.

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00-3:30 p.m., or by appointment

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Adoration: Tuesday 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Friday 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Waveland, MS 39576 228-467-6771 Pastor Brock Cain Services every Sunday morning are at 10:00 a.m. Sunday School for children and adults at 9:00 a.m. Every Wed., we offer Bible study at 1 p.m.

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THE CHURCH AT 112

Romans 1:12 -- "When we get together, I want to encourage you in your faith, but I also want to be encouraged by yours." (NLT) 17077 Kapalama Dr., Suite B Pass Christian, MS 39571 Pastor: James Reardon Email: james@c112.org.

Our mission is to help encourage the people of Diamondhead and the surrounding areas towards faith in Christ. Our desire is to minister to both the unchurched (those with little or no church experience) and those we call the de-churched (individuals who have been hurt in the past or disillusioned by the actions of some within a church setting). Join us in worship -- Sunday at 10 a.m. We also extend an invitation for you to attend one or more of C 112's monthly activities and events. We offer men's, women's and mixed small groups/Bible studies; children, youth, and family activities. Please check out C 112's regularly updated Facebook page and our website to find out the time, place and description of the events in which you are most interested.

Facebook: C112 Website: c112.org.

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The Members of St Thomas Episcopal Church in Diamondhead are hosting their annual fundraiser again this year. The proceeds will go to LOCAL OUTREACHES. In the past we have doubted to Alliance for Health forescriptions, Caristian Women's Job Corp, Hancock County Kids in need, Hancock County food pantry, and to MAP kids Hancock County.

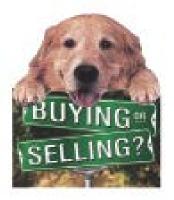
Let us help you with your HOLIDAY wants. We will have delicious Appetizers, Homemade Jams and Jellies, Frozen Soups, Casseroles, Entrees, Fresh Dessetts, Cakes and Cookies for sale. These make wonderful gifts and are perfect to pop in the oven for a homemade dinner during the hectic days of Christmas. Also, Art, Pottery, and Jewelry created by local artisans will be available for purchase.

What bener way to make a neighbor or a friend feel special than to receive a gift of a home cooked meal for their table. The word is out, so come early as these wonderful items won't last long. We start promptly at 10:00 and end at noon.









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Diamondhead Women's Club

continue our efforts to 'Support and Celebrate Women'.

The theme for our DHWC is Supporting & Celebrating Women. The objective of this club shall be to promote an informed and active interest in the civic, social and moral welfare of the community: to serve the community through the dedication of time and energy for worthy purposes; and to undertake and complete one or more charitable, humanitarian or social welfare projects each year.

Our meetings (we do not meet in June, July, or August), are held the first Wednesday of each month from September to May, beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the Diamondhead Country Club, Emerald Ballroom. Membership is \$20.00 and is open to all women.

Dates and times for upcoming meeting, events and fundraisers to be announced in upcoming issues of this publication and you can follow us on Facebook.

For more information about the Diamondhead Women's Club or any of our events, please contact the DHWC President, Rachel Huskins @ (504) 400-3013

GEAUX HIKING CLUB BY SHEILA EDWARDS

Our unseasonably warm fall has lasted into "winter" with many days of "jacket-less" weather and balmy, summer-like nights (but they are starting much earlier, since the time change). Our Crime and Vice tour of the French Quarter matched the "steamy" weather as we explored the seedy side of the Vieux Carre. We

dug into the stories of the characters and venues of the historic and legendary tract as we wandered through the streets. Lunch was, unfortunately, only so-so at the French Market Restaurant. But will we go back to the Quarter? Mais oui!

Other hikes that were planned were, unfortunately, cancelled due to weather.

The Saturday, November 16, Renaissance Festival in Hammond, LA. hike will take place after this article is submitted for publication, so watch our article in the January issue of the DH News for our "tell-all" report <tee hee> We'll also share any "juicy tidbits" from our Thanksgiving Dinner.

Up-coming hikes:

Saturday, December 7-- Fountainebleau Trail, Ocean Springs. This hike is regularly scheduled and it is FREE! It is sponsored by the Jackson County Recreation Department, Mississippi Sandhill Crane Wildlife



Lunch at French Market - Geaux Hiking Club



Lisa Loth at oldest building - Geaux Hiking Club

Refuge, and the Audubon Society and is led by an expert naturalist. We'll enjoy our coastal environment and have lunch somewhere nearby after the hike. Meet at Twin Lakes a bit before 8:00am. Leave at 8:00am.

Hike starts in Ocean Springs at 9:00am. Leader from Diamondhead to Ocean Springs: Sheila Edwards

Thursday, December 12—Noma Drive Trail: this is a new trail that starts near the Diamondhead City



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Hall. We'll meet there and see what this recent addition to our neighborhood has to offer. Meet at 10:00am and then we'll lunch somewhere in "our fair city". Leader: Jan Redd

Tuesday, December 17—Let's take a walk along a pier: the Washington Ave. Pier in Bay St. Louis. Starting at the lighthouse, we'll hike along the shore towards the Bay St. Louis Hwy. 90 Bridge; and we'll stop when everyone gets tired. Lunch somewhere in one of the many great spots in the Bay. Meet at 9:00am at the Country Club. Leader: Betty Whittington

Our next planning meeting will be Tuesday, December 3, at 6:00pm in the Kanaka room at the DH Country Club. We'll be planning the hikes that we'll begin 2026 with.

DIAMONDHEAD NEWCOMERS BY ALISON MCCRAW

The Diamondhead Newcomers Club held its monthly luncheon on Wednesday, November 13th at The Club at Diamondhead. The November theme was "Friendsgiving" and members celebrated the spirit of friendship and gratitude over a delicious thanksgiving meal.

During the meeting, members and guests were treated to a photo





Diamondhead Newcomers

slideshow of years past meetings, and members with November and Decembers birthdays were celebrated! The monthly prize raffle featured lovely Christmas themed gifts, with the proceeds from the raffle benefiting the Hancock County Food Pantry.

We are looking forward to our upcoming joint Christmas luncheon with the Diamondhead Women's Club. The reservations for this event have closed, but mark your calendars for the January meeting, which will be held on Wednesday, January 22nd.

Whether you are new to Diamondhead or have lived here forever, we hope you will join us for some fun! Call Marilyn Lott for more information 601-528-3336.

ROTARY CLUB OF CENTRAL HANCOCK COUNTY

By Dr. Virgina Boyle

What an awesome meeting we had on Nov 14. We had a full house!!! Amazing!! We so enjoyed our guest speakers from Samaritan's purse, Amy Rupert and Shannon Lavinghouse!! What a wonderful service they provide!!

We also had the pleasure of inducting our newest member, Heidi







Shannon Lavinghouse, Dr. Virginia Boyle and Amy Rupert

Boyanton!!

Our club's upcoming service projects are donating \$\$ for turkeys to the Hancock County Food Pantry for Thanksgiving and adopting a family for Christmas.

We would like to wish everyone Happy Holidays!!

For more information about becoming a Rotarian please call Dr. Virginia Boyle 228-243-8889



Dr. Virginia Boyle and Heidi Boyanton.

Service above self!!

MAH JONGG GROUP BY SANDY PRICE

We will be playing a Mah Jongg group in a card room in the country club on Tuesday's at 12:30. We usually play after having lunch first at 11:30. Play from 12:30 - 4:00 PM. Then we like to stay a while in the Latitude 30 lounge for a cocktail un-



December 2024 Club News

DECEMBER 2024 THE CLUB AT DIAMONDHEAD NEWS

How has this year flown by so quickly? We appreciate each of you for your support of the Club and our monthly events. You make it fun!

If you haven't already, sign up to receive emails about the Club and other events. https://diamondheadms.org/email-signup/

And, if you haven't visited the Club Facebook page, you could miss out on interesting and fun happenings! https://www.facebook.com/ClubatDiamondhead

UPCOMING NOVEMBER EVENTS: BINGO NIGHT DECEMBER 3 & DECEMBER 17

Join Brigitte & Sylvia for Bingo Night at Latitude 30! It's always fun, so bring your friends and enjoy an evening of laughter and prizes. Note, we're changing the dates up a bit – now Bingo will be held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday. Time: $6:00~\rm pm-7:30~\rm pm$

TRIVIA NIGHT & TRIVIA WEDNESDAY SPECIAL

Latitude 30 is the place to be every Wednesday night for Trivia with Ronnie Hammons from 6:30 – 8:30! We have a special snack combo to fuel your brain while you play trivia! Our Trivia Plate includes Southwest Eggrolls, Chicken Bites, and Mozzarella Sticks. Available from 5:00 – 8:00. \$13. No substitutions.

No Trivia on Christmas Day or January 1.

KARAOKE THURSDAYS

Let your inner superstar shine every Thursday at Latitude 30 with Karaoke hosted by Ray Walters. Whether you're up on stage or cheering from the sidelines, it's a night of fun for everyone! 6:00-9:00. No Karaoke on December 26 or January 2.

THURSDAY NIGHT SEAFOOD SPECIAL – ROYAL REDS SHRIMP BOIL

Every Thursday night in December, treat yourself to peel & eat Royal Reds served with Corn, Potatoes, Sausage, Mushrooms, and Drawn Butter.

1 pound - \$23 Half Pound - \$12

Saturday Night Prime Rib Special

 $14\mbox{-}\textsc{ounce}$ Herb-Crusted Prime Rib served with Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Side Salad, and Chef's Dessert. \$34

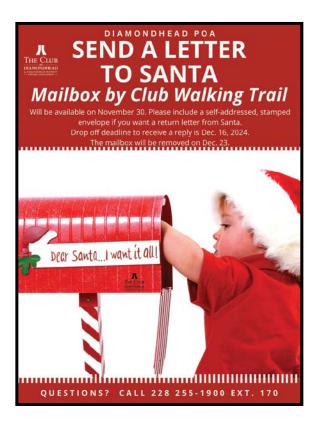
LIVE BANDS FRIDAYS

Kick off your weekend with live music from some of the best local bands at Latitude 30!

· December 6 - Tease Me Band









- · December 13 Razzoo
- · December 20 Silver City Band
- December 27 Crow the Culprit 7:00 10:00

CHRISTMAS WINE DISCOUNT

50% off Selected Wine for December. While they last. Additional discount is available for POA members in good standing.

BOURBON/WHISKEY DECEMBER SPECIAL

Enjoy your favorite reserve whiskey or bourbon (shot only) and receive a 30% discount! POA members in good standing receive an additional discount.

BOURBON AND CIGAR NIGHT DECEMBER 21

Join us on the Patio for a night of bourbon and cigars. You'll enjoy rare and unusual bourbons, cigars, light appetizers, and a great atmosphere.

Ticket Includes: 2 bourbon tickets, 1 cigar ticket, and light appetizers (additional pours and cigars available for purchase).

Time: 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Price: \$45 per person (plus tax and gratuity; POA members receive a discount)

Cigars provided by: Natal's Tobacco Hut & Fine Cigars

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA - DECEMBER 21

Join us for a festive breakfast with Santa for POA members and their guests from 9:30-12:30. It is a perfect way to celebrate the holiday season with the family!

Reservations are required. Call 228-255-2918 ext. 3 before we sell out!

CHRISTMAS-THEMED BRUNCH DECEMBER 22

Come for a special Christmas-themed brunch where Santa will be available for pictures from 12:00 pm -2:00 pm. Brunch will be served from 10:00 am -2:00 pm.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY & \$10,000 DRAWDOWN - DECEMBER 31

Ring in the New Year with us at our New Year's Eve Party! Enjoy live music from Tease Me Band, a Chef's Buffet & Carving Station, party favors, a champagne toast at midnight, and the chance to win \$10,000 to start off 2025! \$100 per person/\$84 for POA members in good standing. Call 228-255-2918 ext. 3 to make reservations.

CLUB CLOSED

At $5:00~\mathrm{pm}$ on Monday, December 2, and Monday, December 16

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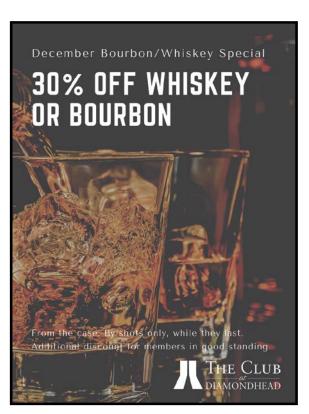
Please save the date for our Great Gatsby Dinner on March 22. Unique paired cocktails with a delicious five-course dinner prepared by Chef Ricky.

We look forward to seeing you!









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til we adjourn for the following week. Please join us!!!

Sandy Price 228-255-5457 or 228-342-5217. Thanks!!!

PEO CHAPTER U BY KATHRYN LEWIS



Leanne McElroy (center)...PEO MS State Coordinator makes her official visit to PEO (Philanthropic Education Organization) Chapter U in Diamondhead. McElroy commended Chapter U for their commitment to Community projects, supporting and recommending women for PEO scholarships, and continuing to grow their membership.

PEO CHAPTER T BY DINAH KNOBLOCH



The P.E.O. Chapter T sisters recently participated in the Diamondhead Farmers Market. The sisters sold homemade baked goods and crafts. A beautiful basket of wine, chocolates, gift cards, and other goodies was raffled. The monies raised go to the philanthropy P.E.O. projects which assist women in continuing their education through scholarships, grants, loans, and stewardship of Cottey College.



Happy 25th Anniversary P.E.O. Chapter T. The sisters celebrated with dinner, silver decorations, and a special program. Over the last 25 years Chapter T has raised and donated over \$70,000 to P.E.O. projects at the international, state, and local level thereby allowing women to complete their education. The chapter was organized on November 19, 1999. Two of the sisters, Jerry Ingraham and Carrie Perkins are charter members of the chapter and are seated in the middle of the front row. Jerry and Carrie and all the sisters of Chapter T will continue to participate and be a part of this international organization that assist women in achieving their educational goals.

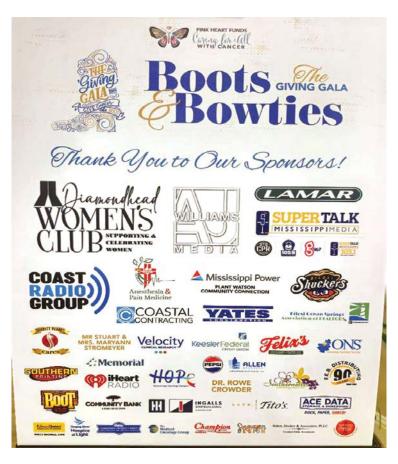
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THE CLUB AT DIAMONDHEAD GOLF BY CHRIS ALTESE PGA

As we wrap up yet another great year of golf at The Club at Diamondhead, we hope you will consider wrapping up your holiday season by supporting your Golf Shop. We will once again host our "12 Days of Christmas" Sale running December 3rd through December 14th. We encourage all DPOA members to check out this annual sale for their holiday buying. The Golf Shop offers more than just golf equipment. You can purchase lifestyle items such as Oakley sunglasses, Diamondhead wind shirts, jackets, and fleece. Don't forget that the golf shop is receiving new items regularly. Please stop by and check out our inventory. We might just have something you are looking for. Diamondhead Property Owners should take advantage of their 20% discount on all regularly priced apparel in the golf shop. Your Golf Shop is open Monday through Sunday and we would be happy

to assist you. Top apparel brands are available such as FootJoy, Sunday Swagger, Under Armour, Gear for Sport, and The Club at Diamondhead Private Label.

Our Diamondhead junior golfers completed their high school golf seasons with incredible performances at their respective state championships over the last two weeks in October. Hancock Boys and Girls golf teams both won their MHSAA Class 6A State Championships. Diamondhead junior golfers Logan Jensen and Kartsvn Altese secured individual MHSAA Class 6A State Championships for Hancock along with Kenley Archer (2nd place), Rowdy Foster (4th place), Kaylee Mays (6th place), Madden Baughman (8th place) and Owen Russell (14th place) securing a top individual spots as well. Our Lady Academy won their MHSAA Class I State Championship. Diamondhead junior golfer Gabby Haas shot up the leaderboard with a final round 75 to finish in 4th place



SPORTS

individually. Another Diamondhead junior golfer, Carissa Hester, won the individual MHSAA Class 5A State Championship for Stone High School. St. Stanislaus captured the MHSAA Class 3A State Championship Runner-Up with solid performances by Diamondhead juniors Mitchell Thompson, Jack Lawson, and Collin Wahl. Biloxi High Senior and Diamondhead junior, Katie Estridge, earned a TOP 5 finish at the MHSAA Class 7A State Championship. Great seasons by all! If you see any of these young golfers, please congratulate them!

We are asking all golf members and golf guests to abide by our golf cart regulations. All carts must remain on the cart path (all four tires) around tees and greens. Par 3s are cart path only at all times. Carts shall not be driven around the opposite side of the cart path of tees and greens. Instead, return to the cart path prior to 30 yards of the aprons of greens and bunkers. Be sure to avoid any soft, wet ground or standing water on the golf course to help prevent unnecessary turf damage. If we all do our part, we can make a difference.

Our Diamondhead golf courses are amenities that we want all to enjoy. Still, we must do so within the rules while keeping everyone safe and not disrupting the golf experience for those (annual golf members and daily fee guests) that have paid for a round of golf and paid to use the golf cart trails. Recreational activities such as walking, jogging, and sightseeing in golf carts are not allowed during operating hours. Golfers are genuinely concerned and frightened of the thought that their golf ball could hit and injure someone that was in the field of play. We often have to inform residents and guests that being on the golf course during operating hours is not permitted for their safety. Bicyclists, parents strolling babies, even a youngster riding a

motorcycle are examples of what we have seen. Could you imagine the chaos that would occur if someone decided to stroll their baby or take walk to center court during the playing of an NBA game? Not alluding to our golfers being professionals, but me either. These rules help all of us, no matter which side of the golf ball you are standing on. Respectfully taking a golf cart path for a short period (less than one hole) to get to the clubhouse or an adjacent street is acceptable at any time if done so correctly. Proper etiquette would be to limit your movement while golfers are playing or preparing to play a shot. The best opportunity to briefly travel the golf cart path safely and without disrupting golfers is when all players in a golf group start moving to their next shot. For your safety, never put yourself within range of an errant golf shot. Your courteous consideration of golfers while playing will be appreciated by our golf members and daily fee guests. The Club at Diamondhead and POA. and all related individuals are not responsible for any accidents or injuries that may result from your use of the golf cart paths.

The Club at Diamondhead hosted their annual 3-person Scramble tournament, aptly named The Gobbler, on Saturday, November 30. This event supports the Hancock County Food Pantry and the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots. We look forward to posting results in next month's newsletter.

If you have tournament credit, please remember that all golf shop credit must be used by Saturday, December 14th. After this date, all golf shop credit remaining on the books will be locked and cleared.

Upcoming events...

12/3 12 Days of Christmas Sale Begins; All Shop Credit earned from this point until year end will be added to 2025

12/8 Hancock Hawks Golf Fund-

raiser (open to all)

12/14 DMGA Play Day

12/14 12 Days of Christmas Sale Ends & Last Day to Use Shop Credit

12/24 Christmas Eve (all play 9am shotgun; must register for hole assignment in golf shop; golf shop closes 1pm)

12/25 Closed on Christmas Day 12/31 New Year's Eve (open regular hours)

1/1 New Year's Day (golf shop opens at 10am; course opens/first tee time begins at 11am)

During this time of year, it is critical that we all fix two ball marks and fill two divots every hole...any two will do...they don't have to be yours! We look forward to seeing you "PLAY MORE GOLF." Let us know how we can help.

DWGA BY COLLEEN JONES

The weather was so nice in October and we had five play days to enjoy it. October 3rd we had our Trophy Day on the Pine Course. First



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Flight Gross winner was Liz Austin and the Net winner was Amy Swint. Second Flight Gross winner was Joanne Fried and the Net winner was Cathy Weber. Closest to the pin winners were Liz Bell on hole #2, Marta Wald on hole #6, Liz Austin on hole #13 and Tiff Webb on hole #15. Birdies were had by Liz Bell and Liz Austin had 3 birdies. Chip Ins were had by Colleen Jones, Marta Wald, Terrie Garrett, Carol Kirschenbaum, Jill Wiles, Liz Austin had 2 and Terri Woolbright had 2.

October 10th we joined with the DWGAN and had a fund raiser tournament for the Pink Heart Funds. We raised \$2,236 to donate to this great cause. The winning team was Liz Bell, Pam Cornelius, Carol Kirschenbaum and Pattie Blackwood. The second place team won by a scorecard playoff was Cassandra Godbold, Mary Ann Stromeyer and Fran Smith. The third place team was Mary Lou Czaplicki, Nancy Barker, Colleen Jones and Judith

Trophy Day Winners: Amy Swint, Liz Austin Joanne Fried, Cathy Weber



Hooky Spooky Winners: Tiff Webb, Ruth Holmes, Georgeann Luxion, Karen Doughrty, Rita Durham, Amy Swint

Brannan. Closest to the pin winners were Cassandra Godbold on hole #4, Dianne Ackerman on hole #7, Nancy Barker on hole #13 & 17.

October 17th we played a game were you counted how many hole you made par or better played on the Pine Course. First Flight winner was Georgeann Luxion and second place was a tie between Margie James and Amy Swint. Second Flight winner was Colleen Jones and second place was Joanne Fried. Closest to the pin winners were Georegann Luxion on hole #2 & #15, Joyce Teerling on hole #6 and Amy Swint on hole #13. Birdies were had by Carol Kirschenbaum, Joyce Teerling and Amy Swint had two. Chip Ins were had by Carol Kirschenbaum and Terri Garrett.

October 24th we played Black Marks on the Cardinal Course. The First Flight had a four-way tie for first between Marta Wald, Bet Bowen, Jodi Crosby and Amy Swint. Second Flight winner was Terri Woolbright, second place was Jo-



Par or Better Winners: Joanne Fried, Margie James, Georgeann Luxion, Amy Swint



Pink Heart Fund Winners Pam Cornelius, Carol Kirschenbaum, Liz Bell, Pattie Blackwood

anne Fried and a tie for third place between Carol Kirschenbaum and Colleen Jones. Closest to the pin winners were Marta Wald on hole #4, #13, #17, Tiff Webb hole #7. Birdies were had by Marta Wald had 2, Tiff Webb, Karen Dougherty, Amy Swint. Joanne Fried had a Chip-In.

October 31st Halloween we played our Hooky Spooky Tournament on the Pine Course. The First place team was Amy Swint, Rita Durham



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and Karen Dougherty. The second place team was Tiffany Webb, Georgeann Luxion and Ruth Holmes. Closest to the pin winners were Karen Dougherty on hole #2 and hole #6, Rosa Humphrey hole #13 and Cassandra Godbold hole #15. Karen Dougherty had a birdie.

DWGAN BY SHIRLEY HALTERMAN

We sincerely hope you are becoming accustomed to getting our golf results from mid-month to mid-month in a more timely fashion. The past four Tuesdays have been very eventful with many special competitions. Even though we had five Tuesdays in this time frame, weather played havoc with our final Tuesday, 11/12, so the remaining four events are being reported.

On Tuesday, October 15th, we played our Annual "Beat the Pro" competition. Twenty-seven of our gals turned out to try to beat the score entered by Richard on the front Nine of the Cardinal Course. He did give us the option of hitting for us on the Par three Hole #7. While Richard did post a most respectable 39, we had the advantage of using our handicaps against his score, and 22 of our players did manage to Beat the Pro. Special congratulations to Beryl Laird for posting the lowest score of 31 after her handicap. In addition, the following posted the lowest Putts for the day: In Flight 1, Susie Fontenot (15), Flight 2, Janice Murray, and Flight 3, Kathy Jones, each posting (16) putts. Additionally, Susie Fontenot and Kathie Pierson both posted Chip-Ins during today's game.

The following Tuesday we played Hooky Spooky on the front Nine of the Pine Course. This game is a NET team game. The A player is the Skeleton, the B player is the Cat and the C player is the Ghost. Signs are posted on each Red Tee Box of the of the following hole determining which two players scores will be posted for the team. Our First Place winning team was composed of Pattie Blackwood, Cathy Gesell and Toni Rossol. The Second Place Team included Sue Hebert, Kathy Jones and Therese Mauterer. And, Third Place honors went to: Sylvia Corban, Mary Alice Harfoush and Ann Nutting. Toni Rossol also scored a Chip-In on Hole #1.

As stated earlier, this set of Tuesdays included a couple of special events. Tuesday, October 29th, we held our Annual Club Championship. This year's Overall Club Champion with a Gross Score of 44 was Georgeann Luxion. Special Congratulations to her. Toni Rossol entered a Net Score of 32. Following are the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Flight winners. Flight 1 - 1st Place = Judy Lakota, 2nd Place = Therese Mauterer and 3rd Place = Ann Nutting. Flight 2 - 1st Place = Shirley Halterman, 2nd Place = Nancy Sislow and 3rd Place = Susie Fontenot (Nancy & Susie's positions were determined by a Scorecard Playoff). In Flight 3 - 1st & 2nd Places were also determined by a Scorecard Playoff) with 1st Place going to Kathy Jones



Beat the Pro Winners

and 2nd Place to Sylvia Corban while Sharon Gerchow took the 3rd Place. During this game we also track Lowest Putts and Closest to the Pin. In Flight 1 Georgeann Luxion scored Lowest Putts followed by Mary Alice Harfoush in Flight 2, and Dinah Knobloch in Flight 3. When it came to Closest to the Pin, Ann Nutting took the honors in Flight 1, Cheryl Saak in Flight 2 and Pauline Singer in Flight 3. As usual, this competition was followed by a delicious luncheon at the Club.

November 5th found us playing a Scramble. weather is improving so more of our members are able to play and 34 showed up for this event on the front nine of the Pine Course. Our First Place Team was composed of Nanette Braud, Monica Jordan, Therese Mauterer and Nancy Sislow. While the Second Place Team included Sharon Gerchow, Cathy Gesell, Georgeann Luxion and Margaret Sherwood. In Third Place was the Team of Susie Fonenot, Shirley Halterman, Beryl Laird and Krista Lee. Both Susie Fontenot and Monica Jordan posted Chip-ins during this

round.

We hope you will continue to follow our adventures chasing the little round ball



2024 Nines Club Champion

into the hole. Until next time, keep hitting them long and straight



DIAMONDHEAD MARDI GRAS

Ball season has begun in Diamondhead



Jazz Ball Hosts (L to R seated) Gina Miles, Sue Warren, Dinah Rhoades, Jamie Stockstill, Lisa Pretzello, (standing) Penny Majors, Henry Majors, Brenda Hays, Ralph Hays, Kevin Miles, Thomas Warren, Ron Rhoades, Jonathan Stockstill, Renee Kirschenbaum Drew Pretzello, and John Kirschenbaum; Not Pictured were Shade and Gina Newman

BY RENEE KIRSCHENBAUM

As the sun began to fade in the sky on Saturday October 19th, beautifully dressed guests began arriving at The Club at Diamondhead in anticipation of the start to ball season.

As the doors opened, guests were greeted by the Jazz Ball hosts and ushered into the ballroom that was fully transformed in lively colors and musical theme. The room was lit up for a night of fantastic food, drinks and outstanding music by Joni Campretta and the Baytown Groove.

Guests filled their glasses and found their seats for the evening as they prepared for the entertainment by the Jazz Ball hosts. Inspiration for the hosts skit was the Rat Pack and a little swing. The hosts entered the ballroom to Sing, Sing, Sing with a Swing before launching into their skit to the song "Can't Take My Eyes Off of You." At the conclusion of the

skit hosts found their seats and the meal was served.

Chef Ricky and his staff outdid their selves with the dinner of loaded potato soup, the signature dish of the Jazz Roll and a blueberry lemon cake for dessert. Guests did not leave hungry but did fuel up for dancing and merriment as the band played on into the evening.

Each guest was given musical sticky notes as a thank you for attending. Located on each table and around the room were QR codes that guests could use to upload photos directly to the Jazz Ball Facebook page.

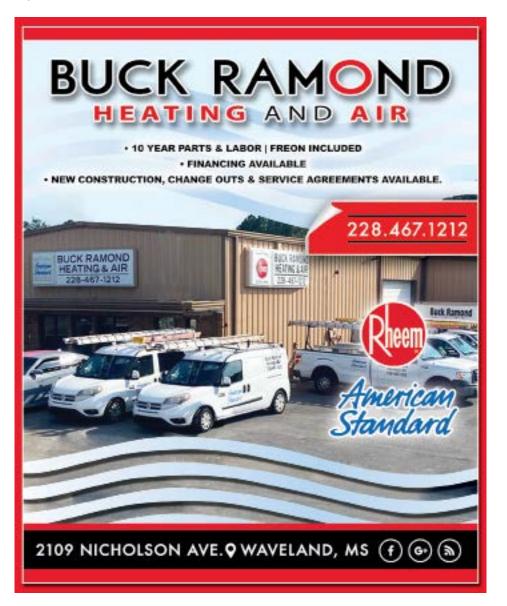
The Jazz Ball hosts, Ron and Dinah Rhoades, John and Renee Kirschenbaum, Henry and Penny Majors, Thomas and Sue Warren, Ralph and Brenda Hays, Drew and Lisa Pretzello, Kevin and Gina Miles, Jonathan and Jamie Stockstill and Shade and Gina Newman, who were



Gene and Janet Woosley enjoying one of the photo areas of the Jazz Ball



Guests Mickey Hatam, Larry Torguson and Hoppy Smith



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unable to attend and were deeply missed. The ladies wore the traditional black dresses with their signature treble clef necklace. The men wore black tuxedos and bubble gum pink vests and ties as a tribute to Breast Care Awareness month.

As the evening continued guests took pictures in front of the many beautiful lit displays and danced the night away. The Jazz Ball was truly a wonderful start to a ball season that will bring fun and joy to all attending.

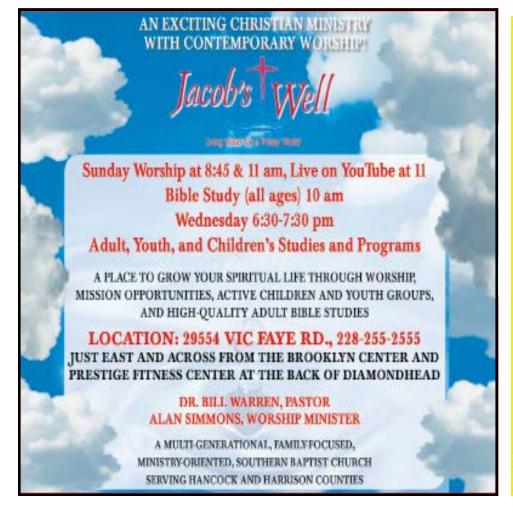


Guests and Hosts take advantage of one of the signature backdrops of the Jazz Ball.



Guests, Kevin and Sarah Parrington arriving for the Ball.









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