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April 2024

Dear Members

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Thanks to all who supported our past three events, The Hooley, Tiki Hut, and Picnic. A special Thank you to Joe Nolan for making the arrangements for the Tiki Hut, and Bart Cournane for the wonderful entertainment. We had a very enjoyable Picnic. My thanks to Chairwoman, Lauretta Dustin and our entertainer Tommy Barr for a great day of food and music.

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Here we go with not such good news: three of our Board and Executive members have decided to retire. Our Secretary, Ruth Ann McAfee, Treasurer, Bill McAfee and our Board Member, Tom Sheehan have all been with the Club since it was established in 2005. I wish them all good health and happiness and thank them for their service. (It's not all bad news though, Ruth Ann will continue to do our newsletter)

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Our last meeting for the season will be April 8th. We will have "The Floridians" to entertain us. They are newcomers to our Club and a fun group who will sing and play your favorite songs. I hope to see you all there .

*Happy Easter
Mike Faherty,
President*

The Club needs a Secretary! Please consider volunteering your time and energy to help this club continue to function as a viable organization. This position requires you to attend 2 meetings a month during season, not during the summer months. Duties will include taking minutes of the meetings and providing them to the Newsletter editor in typewritten form. If you are interested and want more information, please call Mike Faherty at 203-640-8927.

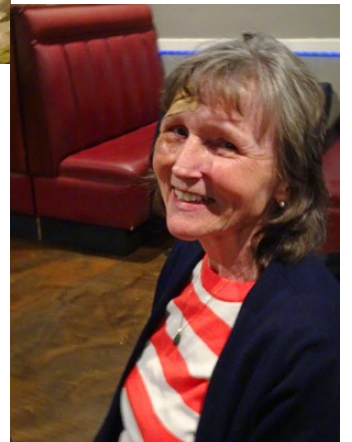
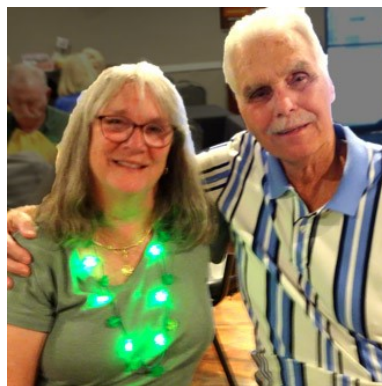


Don't forget we have one more meeting in April with the introduction of a brand new group of entertainers, "The Floridians".

April 8th, 7:00 P.M. at Snappers Comedy Club
8595 College Parkway,
Suite 270
Fort Myers, FL 33913
(239) 479-5233



The Hooley





Tiki Hut



Picnic



Member Updates

*WE COULDN'T DO IT
WITHOUT YOU!
A Very Special Thanks
to Our New Patrons:*

Daniel & Jane McWeeny
Constance & Richard Shaw
Eileen Simon
Lorraine Wagner

Happy Birthday!

*Jim Dempsey
Gary Freudenthal
Alice Garquilo
Kimberly Zuponcic
Dennis Lavoie
Ruth Ann McAfee
Constance Shaw
Paul Sullivan
Bill Willson
James Wright*



4/8/24 General Meeting

All General Meetings are held at
Snappers Comedy Club
8595 College Parkway, Suite 270
Fort Myers, FL 33913
(239) 479-5233
Meetings at 7:00 P.M.

Welcome

**WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST
MEMBERS. IF YOU GET A
CHANCE, BE SURE TO BID THEM
WELCOME!**

**DANIEL & JANE McWEENY
BRIAN & GERALDINE
O'CALLAGHAN
KATHLEEN SCHUBERT
CONSTANCE & RICHARD SHAW
EILEEN SIMON
LORRAINE WAGNER**

**Drank a little wine
last night and did my
Taxes. I'm getting
back 4 million.**





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**United Irish of Southwest Florida
General Membership Meeting
March 11, 2024**

Executive Committee present: President, Mike Faherty; Treasurer, Bill McAfee; and Secretary, Ruth Ann McAfee. Board Members present: Chairman, Joe Nolan; Pat Long; Tom Sheehan, and Laretta Dustin.

The meeting was drawn to order with 30 members present at 7:05 P.M. by President, Mike Faherty, followed by Joe Nolan leading the Pledge of Allegiance and the Lord's Prayer.

Mr. Faherty voiced his pleasure with the Hooley and thanked helpers and patrons, especially Donal Dowling, a major contributor to the event.

Mike explained to the membership that the club needs a Secretary since Ruth Ann McAfee, Secretary, has decided to let go of that position but remain as the Newsletter editor. Ruth Ann was asked to say a few words in which she explained further about her relinquishing the Secretary position and asked membership to

provide any information they would like to have published in the Newsletter.

In the absence of Membership Chairman, Anne Marie Farrell for medical reasons, Mr. Faherty stated that we presently have 105 members.

Treasurer, Bill McAfee was asked for the current account balance and he provided it to members.

Laretta Dustin was asked for any update on the scheduled Club Picnic. Laretta provided details for the event.

Mike described the few events for St. Patrick's Day in the area including the St. Patrick's Day parade in Naples. He stated we will not participate in that parade but will consider it for next year.

With all pertinent items discussed, the meeting was drawn to a close at 7:40 by Motion to Adjourned proffered by Scott Dustin and seconded by Laretta Dustin.

Our entertainment for the evening was Colleen Kelly who kept membership busy with band instruments to the delight of the audience.



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Happy Spring