



Have More Fun! | Make New Friends!

### Activities & Socials



Brian & Suzie Schmitz

Spring has sprung! We made it through the chilly winter and are looking forward to some beautiful “chamber of commerce” days. This year has been busy, with hopefully what you all think is a good variety of events. Some of our newer events are proving themselves to be very popular, especially the ones that involve food and cocktails. Knowing this group, why am I not surprised?

Some of our new events include: “It’s Happy Hour Somewhere” where we visit local restaurants and take advantage of their happy hour deals, “Casual Cocktails” where various members host happy hour style events at their homes or even on their boats, “Girls Night/Day In” where various members host the ladies for a get together and the “Men’s Breakfast Club” where the guys meet up at local restaurant for some coffee and good conversation. Keep an eye out for more of these events on our schedule.



A lot of our new events are a result of our activity planning meetings. If you are interested in hosting an event, planning an activity, or just learning what is available, please join us at these meetings. The next planning meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 8th. Lunch will be provided at Carol Kaminsky's home.

Welcome to our newest members as our club continues to grow. We are excited about the growth of our club and hope to see you all soon!

If you are registered for an event, and you cannot make it for whatever reason, please cancel your registration or let us know that you will not be attending. You can cancel on our website or in the Wild Apricot app (see below for more information on the app). Additionally, we always have contact information for the event leaders in the event information. You can reach out to them with a quick text or phone call. This is helpful as we make any necessary arrangements for the event, or even a last-minute cancellation is helpful so the event leader is not holding up an event waiting on any late arrivals.

We are busy making preparations for our next fiscal year which starts June 1st. You will be getting a ballot for a new slate of executive officers very soon thanks to our nominating committee of Mary Moccia, India Hughes, Chrissy Button, Jo Jo Shamp and Lana Schaeffer. Thank you for your time spent on this ladies. Also, you may have seen the recent email asking for help with some administration of the club. Thank you for your responses. It is heartwarming to see that people are enjoying the club and want to help out in some way. For those of you that have expressed interest, we will be contacting you shortly to discuss how we could best use your talents.



Thank you to our event leaders and hosts. This group would not be a success without all of you stepping up so that we can offer so many varied activities. I have to recognize and thank a few people for their special efforts over the last couple of months. Thank you, Stefanie Gilbert and Todd “Piano Man” Hahn, for hosting a movie night in their home theater as well as entertaining us at Carino’s. Joe Silberberg has been doing a great job coming up with great lunch spots for our bike rides with our safety in mind. Lois Baird has taken on organizing mahjong every week. Mark Aarons keeps us busy with croquet, the Men’s Breakfast Club and It’s Happy Hour Somewhere. Chrissy Button hosted our first Girl’s Day In. Lana and Charlie Schaeffer hosted our first Casual Cocktails event on their boat. Mollie Harrigan continues to lead our book club and organized our first line dance lesson night. Gaia Banovich has helped grow our mahjong group by continuing to teach to those who want to learn the game. A special thanks to Mary Moccia and Carol Kaminsky. I don’t know where we would be without them as they both create, plan and execute a myriad of events that keeps us all moving.

I also want to thank our Board members for their time and efforts which have made this club a success. Thank you for all that you do behind the scenes!

Thank you all for supporting our club and bringing us all together. Making new friends and building our community is what this club is all about. Please check out the pictures in the newsletter and on our private Facebook page for all the highlights.

Our newsletters are quarterly. To stay current on happenings you should receive event emails or visit our website at [pyccnewcomers.com](http://pyccnewcomers.com). Also, please visit our private Facebook group (PYCC Neighbors and Newcomers) for lots of pictures!

Hope to see you soon at our next event.

Suzie Schmitz  
*President*

**Board Members:**

Executive Board:

President: Suzie Schmitz

VP Membership: Sharon Morell

Co VP Activities: Carol Kaminsky

Co VP Activities: Mark Aarons

VP Socials: Marilyn Schmitz

VP Communications: Mary Moccia

Secretary: Mollie Harrigan

Treasurer: India Hughes

Parliamentarian: Carol Kaminsky

Board Chairs:

Pelican Bay Condo Liaison: Lisa Matamoros

Welcome Contact: Betty Sullivan

Socials Asst: Nancy Maude

Ex Pres/Advisor: Monika Vainius

Pictures of our Officers can be found on our website under the tab "Contact Us".

**New Members:**

Pat and Ed Alberque – St Petersburg

Meg Ames – Kipps

Janice and Jim Chaltas – Pasadena Point

Melody and David Costenbader - Kipps

Susan and William Cunningham – Treasure Island

Lauren and Neal Fiske – Pasadena Point

Lynne Gerald and Alan Horowitz – Kipps

Lisa Hoppe – St Petersburg

Beth and John Jostrand – Pass-a-Grille

Fran Lasky – Kipps

Brighid Miller – Kipps

Janet and Iqbal Paroo – Pasadena Point

Phyllis and Jim Powell – Pasadena Point

Lona and John Pritchard - Kipps

Liz and John Reinhart – Skimmer

Dwayne and Deborah Rosenburgh – Pelican Bay

Marilyn and David Stein – Pelican Bay

Marita and Jim Sullivan

Debbie and Jeff Suppowit - Kipps

Mary Walrond – Pelican Bay

Maureen and Sam Wright – Pasadena Place



**Club Info:**

For questions about PYCCNN, please contact Suzie at 561-289-8840. On using the website, Mary at 305-304-8632. Interested in hosting or starting an activity, or for any activity related questions, please contact Carol at 203-770-6995 or Mark at 646-404-3339. For Membership questions, please call Sharon at 410-507-9078.

**Upcoming Activities and Events:**

- Mahjong – Every Tuesday 1:00 PM @ PYCC Dining Room, Lunch at noon
  - Beg/Adv Beg Pickleball – Every Thursday 8:30 AM @ Skimmer Courts
  - Book Club – April 17th and every third Wednesday 12:00 – 3:00 PM @ PYCC Clubhouse (summer hiatus)
  - Men's Breakfast Club – April 3rd and every first Wednesday 9 AM
  - Disney Trivia at the Club – Poolside – April 3rd 6:30 PM
  - Art in Bloom at the Museum of Fine Arts and Lunch – April 4th
  - Casual Cocktails – April 5th 6:30 PM
  - Karaoke and Kocktails – April 6th 6:30 PM
  - Activity Planning Meeting – April 8th 12:00 PM
  - Birthday Bash – April 9th 4:30 PM and every second Tuesday 4:30 @ PYCC Hagen Grill
  - Tampa Bay Women's Expo – April 13th 9 AM
  - Music Trivia at the Club – April 18th at 6:30 PM @ PYCC Pool Bar
  - Shopping and Lunch at Armand's Circle – April 24th
  - It's Happy Hour Somewhere – May 3rd at Hollander Hotel at 4 PM
  - Girl's Night In – May 9th at 6 PM
  - Dillard's Beauty Day – June 5th at 9 AM
- Even more to come!!

If you would like to start a group, plan an event, or have any questions concerning activities, please call or text Carol at 203-770-6995 or Mark at 646-404-3339. We will help you!!



**HOW TO SECTION:**

**How to find our Facebook group:** Search for “PYCC Neighbors and Newcomers”. Current Members are encouraged to access the page to enjoy viewing postings of club events and to post their pictures and make comments. This is a private group and only the cover picture is viewable to the public.

Please note that there is another Facebook Group called PYCC Newcomers and Friends which is a community page, and this is not us, although we occasionally post some marketing materials on it.

**How to Update your Profile:** To access your profile, log into [www.PYCCnewcomers.com](http://www.PYCCnewcomers.com). Your name will be shown on the top left corner. Click on it, click on “edit profile” and go through the list, maybe add your photo, then SAVE!! Your profile should be updated annually. Profiles are secure and only visible by other members. To update using the APP, see the following instructions.

On the phone app, go to My Profile.

**How to Download the App:** The software company we use is called Wild Apricot. Go into your mobile phone’s App store and put this in the search bar. Wild Apricot for Members. If you are an administrator, use Wild Apricot for Admins.

**Things to do with the app:** Sign up for events, cancel your registration, access member directory, see what events you are registered for, and update your profile. To update your profile using the app, just touch the clue circle with 3 dots under your name.

**How to register for two people attending an event:** There has been some confusion around how to register for an event when both you and your spouse/partner will be attending. There are two important fields to look for when you are registering for multiple people. The first field is the “total number of people in your party”. The second field is the “guest registration” field.

The “total number of people in your party” should be completed with a 2 if you are attending an event with your spouse/partner or a guest. If you have multiple guests, this number can be higher. We do limit the number of guests at some of our events.

The “guest registration” field is particularly important and should not be overlooked. If your spouse/partner is joining you, or if you have any additional guests, please put a “1” in the guest registration field. If you have others, please indicate that total number of guests that will be attending (not including yourself). This is the more important field as the software uses this field to keep attendance for an event. We then use this attendance when we plan for an event and make any necessary reservations at outside venues.

