MAY NEWSLETTER

SUMMERHILL SOCIAL CLUB

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The 2007 Run for The Roses - Summerhill Style

OK, so it wasn't Churchill Downs, and it wasn't the actual "Run for the Roses", but we did have Kentucky native Debbie Huey lead us in our own version of Derby Day. Under Debbie's spirited leadership, we were able to pull off three wildly competitive sprints before the rains came and forced our golf carting members to retreat for the night. It was fascinating to see the animation in the events, and to watch the volunteer "horses" move from the gate to the flag. Club Trustee Larry Keschl held the crowd spellbound as he narrated the event. Here are some of the action photos from the night.











Once again, a good time was had by all! This was a good tune-up for the spring horse racing season, and especially for the 133^{rd} Kentucky Derby on May 3.

Next Meeting - May 9 - The Poker Run!!!

The *Poker Run event on May 9* will take the place of our regular monthly meeting. Since I know everyone looks forward to our exciting business meetings, though, we will set aside a few minutes at the Pot Luck Dinner after the event to discuss a few items. As of this writing, we've passed the 100-entry mark, so this is going to be a wild event!!! Don't forget your assignments for the Pot Luck (A to L - salads, M-Z - deserts). We'll see you all at the Postal Facility at **3:00 pm on May 9**.

By the way, remember that this event has a slight "mystery twist" to it. When you show up at the Postal Facility, you'll receive a set of clues (mini-poems, really) that you'll need to decipher in order to plan your route. Don't worry, they won't be that tough. We tested them at the University of Florida, and a full 20% of the senior class members were able to figure them out (just kidding!!!)

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Neighbor-Helping-Neighbor Program

Our Executive Committee met last week to continue the planning for this new program, and we've made some progress. We'll talk more about at the May and June business meetings, but here are some of the basic framework items we've laid out for the first phase of the program:

- To begin, we plan to limit the program to medical appointments only. Our definition of medical appointments includes doctor appointments and hospital appointments.
- The program will be limited to medical appointments in The Villages and Spruce Creek only
- The program will be open to all Summerhill residents
- The program will be for scheduled appointments only (in other words, medical emergencies must be handled via EMT services and/or 911 calls)
- Scheduled appointments must be between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm, and must be a weekday (Monday through Friday)

We need to have a minimum roster of 20 volunteer drivers before we can launch the service. There are still some issues that need to be resolved, most notably the issue of liability, before we can begin the program, but we would like to begin building the roster immediately. Those of you willing to volunteer should contact Jack or Nancy Mills at **751-5199** and let them know your availability. We ask that you specify which days of the week you would be available, and we ask that you commit to full half day blocks of time (e.g., 8:00 am to 12:00 noon, noon to 4:00 pm, or both).

Special Thanks to Door Prize Donors

Our parade of door prizes is continuing, and this month we were again able to offer a drawing for a second prize. These items are contributed by local businesses, and your Executive Committee encourages all of you to visit those businesses and thank them in person for their generosity. So far this year, we've received prizes from:

- Shang Hai Chinese Buffet, Southern Trace Shopping Plaza (January)
- Edible Arrangements, Palm Ridge Plaza (February, March, April)
- Reasonable Elegance, Palm Ridge Plaza (March)
- Quiznos Subs, Southern Trace Shopping Plaza (April)

Looking Ahead to June Meeting

Our June 13 meeting will feature the Sumter Electric Company (SECO) traveling storm preparedness roadshow. Not a pleasant thought, I know, but you all know that the magic date of June 1 signifies. This will be an entertaining and informative night, following an equally entertaining and informative business meeting. No, really! We'll be unveiling our new Summerhill Social Club Website at that meeting, so that it's a pretty big deal. Club member Charlie Campney has been working diligently on this project for the past several weeks, and we know you'll be delighted with the product.