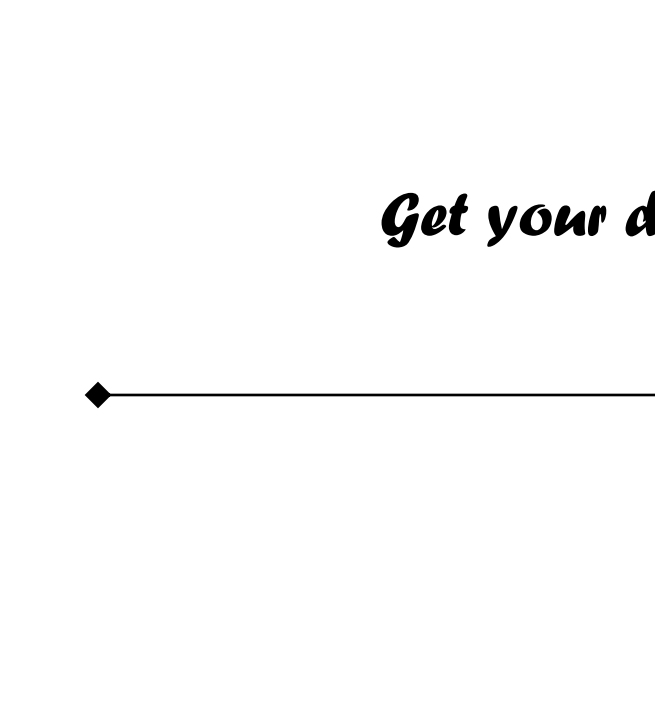




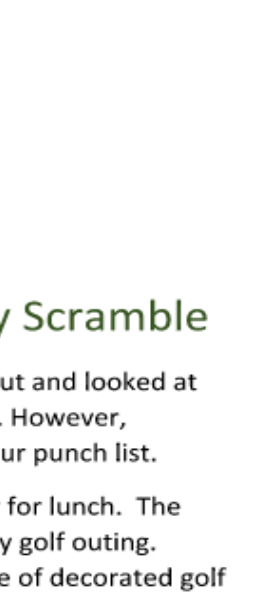
Look deep into nature and then you will understand everything better.
~ Albert Einstein

*Westminster lost one of its long time residents on Sunday.
Donna Sue Walters passed away.
She and her husband Wayne live on Carnaby Court
Our thoughts and prayers are with Wayne and their family..*

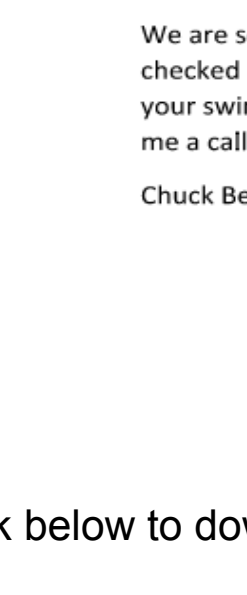


Pot Luck Dinner

Bring a Dish to share
BYOB

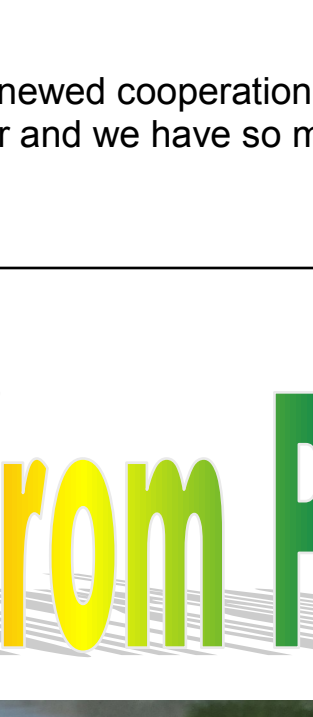


Saturday, January 16, 2016
6pm
Community Center



Professional Disc Jockey,
Lenny Roth will DJ the
Sock Hop
(Free of charge!)
Thank you Lenny!

Get your dancing shoes ready!



2016

The return of the Westminster St Patrick's Day Scramble

I first played golf at Westminster in 1998. We totally enjoyed the course layout and looked at model homes in Westminster while continuing to look at other communities. However, Westminster stood out as it provided most of the community attributes on our punch list.

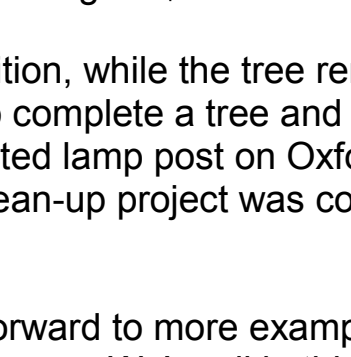
On March 17, 2001 we decided to look at Westminster again and stopped by for lunch. The dining room was closed but totally decorated for the ongoing St. Patrick's Day golf outing. Lunch was being offered on the Patio and we sat down and watched a parade of decorated golf carts go by with many driven by golfers in Irish garb. Clearly everyone was having a good time. The Staff was very friendly and praised the friendliness of Westminster residents and told us how much we would enjoy living here. And you know, they were right. This is a great place to live. Anyway after mulling over our experience and watching the home prices soar we returned in 2002 and purchased our lot and home. But there is no doubt that the St Patrick's Day golf outing was what tipped the scale for us.

After playing in several St. Patrick's Day events and enjoying ourselves immensely I was extremely disappointed when the event stopped happening. When trying to find why such a popular event stopped I was told that the event needed a community organizer. After receiving encouragement from Joe Adrian and Ray Thorpe I decided to take on the challenge. As my Mother's maiden name was O'Leary, I feel more than qualified. I hope all of you Irish and wannabe Irish golfers will come out and join us. March 17, 2016 is the date mark your calendars

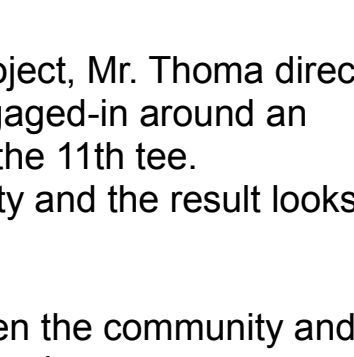
We are scheduling a 1PM shotgun start and are expecting a full field and everyone has to be checked in, so we would ask that you start arriving at noon. This will give you time to sharpen your swing with the free range balls. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Chuck Bennett, 2242 Bainmar Drive, Lehigh Acres Fl. 33973 --home phone 239-368-0293

Click below to download and print the sign-up sheet, see the menu & the prizes!



[Sign-up Sheet](#)



Cooperation between The Community and the Golf Club

~Bill Cossart, Board Treasurer & Golf Course Liason

I would like to thank the Westminster Golf Club (specifically Dick Thoma) for the cooperation shown regarding two recent projects:

-The Community was prepared to spend \$6500 to remove two oak trees on the edge of Oxford Ridge Circle and repair the damage the roots had caused to our walk-way. Mr. Thoma agreed to take on this project and apply a cross charge to the Community of just \$3000 saving us \$3500.

-In addition, while the tree removal crew was here doing that project, Mr. Thoma directed them to complete a tree and brush removal project we were engaged-in around an obstructed lamp post on Oxford Ridge Circle at the entrance to the 11th tee. That clean-up project was completed at no cost to the community and the result looks great.

I look forward to more examples of renewed cooperation between the community and the Golf Course. We're all in this together and we have so much to gain.

Pictures from Paradise



Another good reason not to wade in the ponds around Westminster. This fresh water Gar was caught recently by resident, John Maestrelli.

Thanks for the picture, John!

Save the Date(s)...



- January 16, 2016 - 50's Sock Hop and Pot Luck Supper
- January 19, 2016 - Board Meeting 7pm Community Center
- February 4, 2016 - Ladies Luncheon
- February 6, 2016 - Morning Coffee Gathering & detailed explanation regarding the plans for a new fitness center & Community Center Expansion.
- March 12, 2016 - 4th annual Relay for Life Golf Tournament
- March 17, 2016 - Westminster St Patricks Day Golf Scramble & Dinner
- March 19, 2016 - Family Fun Day
- March 22, 2016 - Annual Meeting

Watch upcoming editions of the Crier for further information.

Mike Scott
Office of the Sheriff



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LCISO Launches Partnership with Innovative Online Crime Prevention Tool

January 2016

In an effort to bring neighbors, neighborhoods and public safety agencies together in a "virtual" type of Neighborhood Watch, Lee County Sheriff Mike Scott kicked off a new and innovative partnership this morning between the agency and the online social networking site, Nextdoor (www.nextdoor.com).

The Sheriff's Office is the first Southwest Florida law enforcement agency to partner with Nextdoor, giving participants in the program an opportunity to connect and collaborate with the agency in a way that hasn't been done in our area before.

"Our agency has always invested in innovative ways to reach out to the community and increase the safety of our residents and seasonal visitors", said Sheriff Scott. "With the use of Nextdoor, I believe we are taking Crime Prevention and Community Policing to another level, allowing us to reach residents quickly with valuable, sometimes urgent information.

Residents can participate by either joining an already existing private neighborhood website that's available in their location, or if one does not already exist for their neighborhood, Nextdoor will allow a new one to be created. All of the information that is shared on Nextdoor is password protected, and profiles, content and private messages remain private and can't be accessed by search engines, or seen by Sheriff's Office personnel. It is important to note that Nextdoor is NOT the appropriate way to request emergency services, law enforcement assistance, or file a police report. As always, 911 is the number to call for emergency assistance.

Residents who participate in the Nextdoor program will receive valuable information from the Sheriff's Office on topics such as safety and security tips, community events and workshops, crime bulletins specific to their area, alerts and emergency notifications. There is no charge to be a part of Nextdoor and the partnership comes at no cost to the County.

Visit www.nextdoor.com to see if your neighborhood is already participating in the program, or to find out more information on how to start your own. Additional inquiries can be made to the Lee County Sheriff's Office Community Relations Unit at 258-3280.