

# PRIME TIMERS SARASOTA

Sarasota, Florida



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## Official Newsletter

Articles and letters are due no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.

All other communication should be directed to...

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## PrimeTimers Worldwide Newsletter

You can now read our Primetimers Worldwide newsletter, online free. Just go to [www.primetimersww.com](http://www.primetimersww.com), click on Newsletters, and select the issue you want to read. The World Wide HQ recently began publishing the newsletter in .pdf format, and any member can access them on their computers. This saves the society mucho dinero in printing and postage costs. Try it. You'll like it!

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## A Few Words from the President

What We Need and What it Takes!

Michael Stone



I chose this picture for this month's article because it involved two things I love most in life: the City of Vienna, Austria and Chinese food! I just came across it; it was taken just a year ago. I felt it appropriate because it best illustrates happiness!

Our group has the potential to be the greatest chapter in the Prime Timers family. Our membership continues to climb and I've been thrilled to welcome back many members who have chosen to rejoin in addition to new members.

Since I rejoined the board we've worked hard to provide activities that will make us all want to attend events. Working with 79 chapters during my 8 years on the Worldwide board has given me the experience to know what it takes: volunteering, planning, work and purpose. Volunteers is what it's about and that's what we need right here!

So, in a nutshell, what we really need is: **YOU!** We are still sadly lacking in "in-home" hosts. There were only two events in 2011 in homes: Crazy John and I hosted those 2 events. Starting with the new year we will be telephoning members and asking you to help our group by hosting. Remember, hosting can be something as simple as arranging an event such as dinner out and a play, or having a group in for party games, or visiting an exhibit or museum. The board will be happy to assist you.

Now that the Selby Library is permanently closed on Sundays we've been fortunate to have a new, permanent home for our monthly meetings. Starting with the November 27<sup>th</sup> meeting we'll meet at Church of the Trinity MCC. Reverend Charles Tigard has generously offered us the entire sanctuary for our monthly meetings, including use of the kitchen facilities. There is no charge for use of this meeting space. The church is located at 7225 N. Lockwood Ridge Rd., just North of University. A special thanks to Wayne and Henry for talking to, and getting me in touch with Reverend Charles.

Starting in January we're expanding our monthly luncheons to two: the first Friday will see us lunching North of Fruitville Road and the third Friday we'll eat South of Fruitville. We are working to have guest speakers at each and every monthly meeting. You'll all agree that our August and October speakers made for lively discussions and great interaction. We all learned something new. We're working toward group 'theatre nights' and some exciting 'field trips'. With you, working together with the board, it will happen.

A special thanks to those who volunteered at our Pridefest booth last Saturday. If just 50% of the guys who took applications send them in then we'll have a real boost to our membership. We want to make the start of our new year a true membership drive. Ask someone you know to attend one of our meetings and have them share in all our group has to offer. Some of us are off to the Prime Timers Worldwide Convention in Palm Springs this next week. Lets have a huge turnout this Sunday for our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary picnic. Remember a group is not a group without its members; let's all celebrate together.

# Holiday Party

**Prime Timers of Sarasota**

**Thursday, December 8th, 2011, 6:00 pm to ???**

**Bobby Jones Country Club**

**1000 Circus Blvd.**

**Sarasota, Fl. 34232**

**Music & Dancing by DJ Joseph**

**Menu**

**Dinner including Caesar Salad (served at your table); Chicken Francaise w/buerre blanc, or Boneless short ribs or sliced roast beef w/gravy, Roasted Rosemary potatoes, mixed vegetables and dinner rolls. Dessert will be Cheesecake w/strawberries. Also included are fountain sodas, iced tea, lemonade and coffee.**

**There will be a Cash Bar.**

**Cost is \$25.00 for members and \$30.00 for non-members and quests.**

**Please make reservations by mailing your check "Marked Holiday Party"**

**Payable to Prime Timers of Sarasota**

**3755 Eagle Hammock Drive**

**Sarasota, Fl. 34240**

**Deadline will be December 1st, 2011**



## October 9<sup>th</sup> 2011 Sack Lunch Picnic Pictures



## Spanish Point Pub Luncheon October 21<sup>st</sup> 2011 Pictures



## Pridefest October 22<sup>nd</sup> 2011 Sarasota, Florida



**Prime Timers Travels for 2012**  
Michael Stone, Your Traveling Man!

Due to several cancellations the **21-Day China Trip** is again available. This is the trip of a lifetime. For information phone me at 941-359-8212!

**RUBY PRINCESS TO THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN!!**

**January 8, 2012 to January 15, 2012**



**NEW LOWER PRICES**

**Inside Stateroom**  
**Ocean View**  
**Balcony**

**from \$ 424**  
**from \$ 624**  
**from \$ 724**

**DEPOSIT \$250 PP**

Port charges of \$175 plus taxes

fees of \$85.13 pp

Final payment due Oct 18, 2011

All fares based on doubles

Single fares 150% of above fares for

Inside & oceanview ~ 200% balcony

**Proceeds to benefit Prime Timers!**

Visit Princess Cay, St. Maarten, St. Thomas, Grand Turk and return to Ft. Lauderdale

**ROME TO FT LAUDERDALE REPOSITIONING CRUISE**

**December 1 to December 16, 2012**

**On the new Celebrity SILHOUETTE**



**Proceeds to benefit Prime Timers!**

**Inside Stateroom**  
**Balcony**

**from \$ 729**  
**from \$ 1019**

**DEPOSIT \$450 PP**

Port charges of \$240 plus taxes

fees of \$137.77 and a \$10 pp group amenities marketing fee are additional!

Final payment due Sept. 8, 2012

All fares based on double occupancy

Single fares 200% of above fares

Visit Rome, Florence, Genoa, Provence, France, Barcelona, Canary Islands and end up in Ft. Lauderdale.

For information and reservations contact

**COURTYARD TRAVEL**

Phone (1) 800-437-9685 (Bobette) or call

Marc Solomon at 917-359-3888

# Miniature Golf October 27, 2011



# Birthdays & Anniversaries

Tim Bell	11-01	Toshi Okada	11-17
Ralph Morey	11-01	Robert Kelly	11-19
Paul Acheson	11-02	Frank Balogh	11-21
Rob Ritchie	11-05	Charles Tramer	11-22
Jack Carrier	11-09	Jack Corn	11-24
Melvin Philbrook	11-09	James McNerney	11-25
James O'Donnell	11-11	Andy Makowski	11-30
Jeff Murphy	11-14	Wayne Officer	11-30
Nick Robbins	11-16		

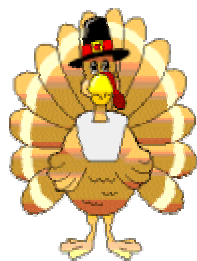
## ANNIVERSARIES

No reported anniversaries for November

In memory of the passing of a long time member "Charles Mitchell". Charles was one of the first members of Prime Timers. He also headed up the Romeo Group when it was first started. Charles passed away at home after a lengthy battle with heart problems. He may be gone but will not be forgotten.

## "IMPORTANT NOTICE"

Everyone should be aware that we have an "election" time coming up in the very near future. There are currently four positions available. We have heard from Tom Imholt therefore we still need three more volunteers. Anyone that is interested in volunteering for the upcoming board election please give your name to either Michael Stone at 941-359-8212, or to Charles Tramer at 941-371-0720.



# Events

## **General Meetings on the Fourth Sunday of each month 3:30 PM.**

Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will be at MCC Church of the Trinity, 7225 Lockwood Ridge Road, Sarasota, Fl. 34243, in the Sanctuary.

**There will be no meeting for December.**

## **Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm:**

Our monthly Sack Lunch Picnic at Twin Lakes Park. Pack yourself an easy Lunch and beverage and plan to meet us there under the gazebo. The park is about ½ mile east on Clark Road from I-75.

## **Friday, Friday, November 18th:**

Prime Timers Monthly Luncheon: **1:00 PM Two Chef's Restaurant**, 1617 Desoto Road, Telephone 941-355-5151. Please contact Dale Curtsinger at 941-346-0757, or [wcurtsinger@yahoo.com](mailto:wcurtsinger@yahoo.com) if you plan on attending.

## **Board Meeting: Friday, November 18th at 2:45 PM.**

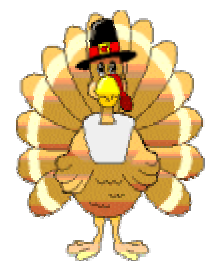
The meeting will be at the Fruitville library, 100 Coburn Road, Sarasota.

## **Sunday, November 27th:**

Our monthly "General Meeting" at 3:30 pm. The location will be at **MCC Church of the Trinity, 7225 Lockwood Ridge Road, Sarasota, Fl. 34243. The meeting will be held in the sanctuary. Special Guest Speaker to be announced.**


**We the members of the Board for Prime Timers Sarasota would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every member a wonderful "Thanksgiving Day".**

Lets give a "warm welcome" to our newest member.  
Michael Fiorentino Jr.



# November 2011

## Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Daylight Saving Time Ends	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Twin Lakes Picnic at 1 pm	14	15	16	17	18 Luncheon Two Chef's 1 pm	19
20	21	22	23	24 Thanksgiving Day 	25	26
27 General Meeting 3:30 pm	28	29	30			