

# Club Raphael

## At Pelican Bay News

### From the Manager's Desk

During March we see our largest population at St. Raphael. We currently have 139 residences occupied and many of our residents have guests and family visiting as it is spring break for schools during the entire month of March. Many children have made great friends at the swimming pool. I try to visit the pool area each afternoon on these picture perfect days and feel the energy of all the visitors enjoying their time with us.



Included in this newsletter is information on our social events this season, rooftop gardens completion, visitor information, Things You Should Know, bicycle tagging in the garage, wireless access at St. Raphael and our new list of Board of Directors.

Sincerely,  
*Lisa Philip*

Lisa A. Philip, CAM  
General Manager

### Notes and Information

**Use our Wireless Network and Visit our Website** – Did you know that there is free wireless internet service available in the Lobby Area for owners and their guests? The access code is STRAPHAEL.

Have you visited our website recently? This is a great way to get to know all of the happenings at St. Raphael. Show your friends and family, your home here in Naples as pictures scroll on the home page. Please go to [www.straphaelpelicanbay.com](http://www.straphaelpelicanbay.com)

**Old Bicycles** – Most of the bicycles have received new bike tags. If your bicycle has not been tagged, please stop by the office to obtain one. If you no longer want your bike, and it is in good condition, call the office and a Naples based charity will pick it up. If it is no longer useable let us know and we will dispose of it.

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- **SAVE THESE DATES!**
- **March 30<sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM**  
End of Season Pool Party  
Weather permitting the party will be poolside
- **April 5<sup>th</sup> 8:00 AM**  
Round Robin Tennis

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# SOCIAL CALENDAR



## Tennis Round Robin

On Sunday, April 5, 2009 at 8AM, we will have a tennis round robin at our tennis courts. Please sign up in the mailroom or contact the office to attend. This is a way for our resident tennis players to socialize and will be a fun event. Play will be mixed doubles.



*THE RED WHITE AND BLUE PARTY ON JANUARY 19<sup>TH</sup> WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!*



## End of Season Pool Party

Join your friends and neighbors for a "poolside" casual get together on Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 6PM.

A picnic buffet will be provided including grilled chicken, hamburgers and hot dogs, as well as other typical picnic food.

Music will be provided by a local entertainer, Omar Baker for your listening and dancing pleasure.

The cost is \$25 per person. Please sign up in the mailroom or contact the office.

**WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.**

## THE ACADEMY AWARDS PARTY ON FEB. 22<sup>ND</sup> WAS AN EXTRAVAGANT GALA





## Things you should know...

### Foundation Member Re-Carding Project

The Pelican Bay Foundation is re-carding association members. The specific date for St Raphael has already passed but if you still need to be re-carded, you may go to the Pavilion Shopping Center office space, Monday through Friday from 9AM to 5PM. This space is located directly behind Flemings Restaurant. You will be required to relinquish your existing Foundation photo ID card and present a government-issued form of picture ID (i.e. driver's license, passport, state ID).

### Garage Area and Bicycles

The staff has been working on assuring that our garage area is as clean and orderly as a garage can be. Summer plans include painting several areas of the garage. We have recently purchased additional bike racks to accommodate the many bicycles in our garage. All bicycles must be in a bike rack and space is on a first come-first serve basis. We will again be inspecting all bikes after season to determine if they are tagged and in working order or if they should be removed. We ask you, while you are here, to inspect your bikes to make sure they are operable and tagged. Tags may be obtained at the front desk. We have such a growing number of bikes, we ask that you please evaluate if you are using your bicycles and remove them if they are not operable or being used.



### Turtle Season

The beaches of southwest Florida have long been an important nesting area for the loggerhead sea turtle. The sea turtles emerge from the Gulf of Mexico to nest on our beaches each summer from May 1 to August 1. Females crawl from the Gulf late at night to lay their nests. The eggs will hatch after 60 days. Beachfront lights must be turned off and any lighting such as flashlights are strictly prohibited on the beach throughout the night from May to October as they can confuse sea turtles during the mating season. Suggested alternatives to decrease artificial lighting include use of motion sensors for safety, dark window tinting and curtains to cover inside light, and yellow incandescent light bulbs. Perhaps you will be lucky enough to witness the hatchlings leave their nest and head to the Gulf!



### St. Raphael Visitor Information

We have many visitors throughout our winter season that come here to enjoy our weather and amenities at St. Raphael. Here are some points of interest for our visitors:

**Boarding Passes-**Do you need Boarding Passes when you leave our paradise? Just stop in at the office or front desk and it would be our pleasure to print these for you.

**Swimming Pool Rules-**Our pool at St. Raphael is open from 8AM to dusk each day. The route to our pool is through the garage. Our lobby requires proper attire and the chlorine water and sand are very hard on the marble floors. Children must have adult supervision. Glass beverages are not permitted on the pool deck and all food should be confined to the tables provided.

**Guest Parking-** Parking is provided around the perimeter of the building in front of the villas or alongside the north and south garage areas. Please ask the gate staff to assist you if you cannot find parking.

**Wireless Internet Service-** Feel free to bring your laptop down to the lobby and connect to our wireless internet service. The front desk can assist you with connecting to this service.



*A gorgeous view of Clam Pass*

## Board of Directors at St. Raphael

The Board of Directors held its Organizational Meeting on March 12, 2009. Here is a listing of the St. Raphael Board of Directors:

<b>President</b>	<b>Michael Gaschler</b>	<b>Unit 605</b>
<b>Vice Pres.</b>	<b>Jack Ribeiro</b>	<b>Unit 306</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Deborah Ball</b>	<b>Villa 3</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Alfred Flynn</b>	<b>Unit 505</b>
<b>Director</b>	<b>William Westerfield</b>	<b>Unit 205</b>
<b>Director</b>	<b>Timothy Kelly</b>	<b>Unit 1805</b>
<b>Director</b>	<b>George Coin</b>	<b>Unit 1008</b>

### Rooftop Garden Project

The 2<sup>nd</sup> floor and cabana garden rooftops are now completed! This was a large project involving several sub-contractors including roofers, landscapers, electricians, plumbers and irrigation specialists, just to name a few. **We hope that everyone enjoys the plantings and we welcome your comments.**

*South Cabana Rooftop*



*View of 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Rooftop Garden from a Unit*