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Year round and part time visitors are welcome. No residency or term restrictions. Anyone can join at any time. If interested in membership, you are invited to attend one of our monthly meetings every fourth Thursday of the month at the German American Social Club at 9:30 am, or contact Nancy Montange, at 734-368-6499 / membershipCCSC@gmail.com or check out our website: capecoralsocialclub.org for details and more information.

Monthly meeting

Meetings are held every fourth Thursday of the month (except **November & December** when

we will meet on the third Thursday of the month) at the German American Social Club on Pine Island Rd. Doors open at 9:15 am for coffee and pastries, opportunity to socialize and to sign up for the dance and activities. The meeting starts at 10:00 am Nonmembers are always welcome to attend our meetings so please feel free to invite relatives, friends, and neighbors.

NOTE DATE CHANGE FOR THE DECEMBER MEETING DUE TO THE HOLIDAYS

Thursday, December 18th - 9:30 am – we will have music, games, Singo Bingo. It will be a fun time. Holiday attire encouraged. The club will provide each member with a bingo card listing song titles. Our Singo bingo caller will play songs. If the name of the song is on your card, mark it. Three games will be played on the one card. To increase your chance of winning, additional cards can be purchased for \$1. We will have prizes for the winners.

Thursday, January 22nd – 9:30 am – our guest speaker will be a representative from 1st Response Home Watch.

The Club does not buy pastries, donuts, cookies, etc. for the monthly meetings. Instead, we depend on donations from our generous

members. Your food donations are appreciated and quickly consumed by members.

2026 Board

The swearing in of the 2026 Board will take place at the December General meeting. The officers elected in November are:

Ron Montange – President

Bob Fano - 1st Vice President

Nancy Montange - 2nd Vice President

VACANT – Secretary

Dawn Chambers – Treasurer

Gloria Mazzagatti – Assistant Secretary

Colleen Hinz– Assistant Treasurer

It isn't too late to raise your hand and volunteer to fill one of the empty slots. We NEED your support and help bring us through another fun year. Please consider volunteering for the Secretary's position, for dance set up, or serving as the Community Liaison.

Message from the Treasurer

Dawn Chambers

Some of you have asked why we keep funds in "Reserve". This practice is highly recommended by the National Council of Nonprofits along with other Financial Experts. They recommend that we keep between 3 to 6 months of "Operating Expenses" in a cash reserve to cover our expenses. Therefore, we have purchased a CD in the amount of \$15,000 and have opened a Money Market account in the amount of \$15,000 to cover our expenses.

President's Corner

Ron Montange

Many volunteers are needed to run this Club. The 2026 elected board has been serving in their positions for many years and most of them will not be running for board positions in 2027, including committee chairs. We will face some very serious decisions regarding the continued operation of the club. We need volunteers for 2027 no later than June of 2026 to continue club operations. Please consider volunteering. While 2027 seems a long way off, we do have some immediate needs for 2026.

Community Liaison – Not a hard or time-consuming job. You would oversee collecting member food or other donations at the general meetings and dances. These are then delivered to The Cape Coral Caring Center. The other part of this role is Do the Right Thing for the Cape Coral Police Dept. This includes a yearly review of student scholarship applications (all done via email) and an occasional report on students who have gone above and beyond to do the right thing in their communities. Janice always found this to be a rewarding experience. This could be divided between two people if desired.

Secretary-Take minutes at the board meetings and general membership meetings. These get emailed to members each month. This could also be a shared role, between Cape Coral full-time resident and/or a snowbird.

Dance Set-Up -The day of the dance – help to set up decorations and tables. Takes less than one hour and starts at 10 a.m. at the German American Club.

More information on other positions will be coming each month. Please see if any position seems like a good fit for you and let any board member know of your interest or questions. Sincerely, Ron Montange.

Membership

Nancy Montange

We currently have 305 members. Please extend a warm welcome to our newest members:

- Rachelle Downey
- Gary Granese
- Dixie Lee Gutierrez
- Harry Hiscock
- Sheila Mitchell
- Millie Mitchell
- Elaine & Richard Obershaw

2026 membership renewals are due. The dues remain at \$25.00 per person. You may pay at the general membership meetings, dances, activities, website (extra charge) or snail mail to 4009 Palm Tree Blvd, #401, Cape Coral, FL 33904. Please make checks payable to CCSC.

Janice Tribble

It is with great sadness that I inform you of the passing of Janice Marie Tribble on November 25. Janice served as our Community Liaison for many years. Janice will forever remain in the hearts of those touched by her presence in their lives. We will miss her generosity and common-sense contributions to the club. In lieu of flowers please send donations in Janice's name to Cape Coral Caring Center.

Dinner Dances



We host dinner dances every first Saturday of the month at the German American Social Club on Pine Island Rd., Cape Coral.

Please do not take home the dinner dance table decorations. There will be occasions when we will announce that the table decorations may be taken home. If not sure, just ask one of the board members. Thank you.

Saturday, January 3rd – 5:30 pm – Music will be provided by Jay Smith. The theme is “Great Gatsby”. Dress for the period (Jazz Age or Roaring Twenties). Reservations and payment are due by December 30th.

Saturday, February 7th – 5:30 pm – music will be provided by Johnny & Patti. The theme is “Roses are Red”.

The 2026 dance schedule is available on our website, or you can pick up a printed schedule at a meeting or a dance.

Community Liaison

77.5 pounds of food was donated this month to the Caring Center and many pet items to the Cape Coral Animal Shelter. Soda tops collected for Shiners and many glasses were given to the Cape Coral Lions Club.

Activities

Note: Please take note to whom you RSVP for each activity as various members of the Activities Committee are collecting RSVPs.

Wednesday, January 7th – Hacienda Jalisco Bar & Grill– 5 PM – 4820 Candia St, Cape Coral. Dinner will be off the menu with separate checks. An Authentic Mexican restaurant where flavor, tradition and a vibrant atmosphere come



together to create unforgettable moments. Enjoy an experience full of rich taste and warm hospitality. Delicious, traditional dishes. Your new home for true Mexican flavors is closer than you think! ****Sign up by December 31st**** with Dawn Chambers at dawn.ccsc@gmail.com or call/text 239-839-3325.

Thursday, January 13th – First Manatee & Eco River Tour – 9 AM – 16991 FL-31, Ft Myers. **\$32 pp must be paid in ADVANCE by January 8th** - Checks preferred. Make them out CCSC** Contact Colleen Hinz at cc252.HINZ@yahoo.com or call/text 810-664-6590 for questions.



Thursday, January 15th – Second Manatee & Eco River Tour – 9 AM – 16991 FL-31, Ft Myers. \$32 pp must be paid in ADVANCE by January 8th - This is the second tour. The first tour is full. ****MUST PAY in ADVANCE by January 8th. Checks preferred. Make them out CCSC**** Contact Colleen Hinz at cc252.HINZ@yahoo.com or call/text 810-664-6590 for questions.

Monday, January 19th – Oyster Bar & Grill - 1 PM – 5785 Cape Harbour Drive, Cape Coral. The freshest catch, seafood to table. Seafood, chicken, soups, sandwiches & salads. ****Sign up by January 12th**** with Karen Karkoska at kkark24@att.net or call/text 630-309-9442.



Tuesday, January 27th – Swamp Cat Brewery – 11 AM – 1943 Fowler St, Ft Myers. \$20 p/p includes a flight of four craft beers and a behind-the-scene tour. ****Sign up by**



January 20th ** with Cathy Fano at cathycapesocialclub@aol.com or call/text 239-691-1507.

Wednesday, February 4th – Fish Tale Grill by Merrick Seafood – 5 PM – 1229 SE 47th Terrace. A fusion of New England and



local fresh seafood, with an international flare that is sure to entice. Freshly shucked oysters, delectable fresh seafood entrees, homemade soups, fried seafood baskets and awe-inspiring seafood tower platter. ****Sign up by January 28th**** with Karen Karkoska at kkark24@att.net or call/text 630-309-9442.



Tuesday, February 10th – Pinchers – 11:30 AM – 5991 Silver King Blvd, Cape Coral, located at the Westin Resort at Marina Village. Seafood focused restaurant offering American cuisine featuring fresh oysters, grouper and salmon sandwiches, conch fritters, steaks, and vegetarian options. The restaurant has a casual yet inviting atmosphere, with outdoor seating offering scenic views, and is praised for its wide menu selection and friendly, attentive service. ****Sign up by February 3rd**** with Karen Karkoska at kkark24@att.net or call/text 630-309-9442.

Tuesday, February 17th – Seaside Expressions, A Happy Place to create. – 10 AM-12 PM - 16500 Burnt Store Rd, Suite 110, Punta Gorda, Located in Turtle Crossing Plaza

- **\$32 paid in ADVANCE**. Let's enjoy a couple hours of creativity. We will be making the "Lost Treasure". Mixed media on a 5" x 7" board. There are some nearby restaurants. ****MUST PAY in ADVANCE by February 10th**, checks preferred made out to CCSC**. Questions contact Colleen Hinz at cc252.HINZ@yahoo.com or call/text 810-664-6590.



Wednesday, February 25th – Top Golf– 9 AM - 2021 Top Golf Way, Fort Myers. \$46 p/p Includes Breakfast Buffet and 2 games of golf. The premier entertainment destination in Fort Myers. Enjoy year-round comfort in their hitting bays with cooling fans in the summer and heated bays in the winter, all with HDTVs in every bay and throughout their sports bar and restaurant. Use their complimentary clubs or your own, take aim at the giant outfield targets and their high-tech balls will score themselves. ***** MUST PAY IN ADVANCE*** by February 11th** to Nancy Montange at Ron.ccsc@gmail.com or call / text 734-368-6499.

Saturday February 28th – Red Sox vs Minnesota Twins – 1:05 PM – JetBlue Park, 11500 Fenway South Dr, Ft Myers. \$45 p/p. Fully shaded infield grandstand. *****MUST PAY IN ADVANCE***** by December 18th with Cathy Fano at cathycapesocialclub@aol.com or 239-691-1507.



Wednesday March 4th - Seaside Expressions, A Happy Place to create. – 2PM-4PM – 16500 Burnt Store Rd, Suite 110, Punta Gorda, Located in Turtle Crossing Plaza - \$40 paid in ADVANCE. Paint & Sip. Acrylic painting on two wine glasses. Several designs to choose from. Bring your own wine & snacks. Wine glasses for sipping will be provided. There are some nearby restaurants. ****MUST PAY in ADVANCE by February 25th, check is preferred, made out to CCSC **** with Colleen Hinz at cc252.HINZ@yahoo.com or call/text 810-664-6590.

Saturday March 14th – Immokalee Cattle Drive and Jamboree, at Roberts Ranch Pioneer Museum – 1215 Roberts Ave Immokalee. Breakfast from 8 – 9:30 AM (additional charge). Join us for the annual Immokalee Cattle Drive down Main St which starts at 10 AM for an immersive experience of local culture. Includes live entertainment, food trucks, and a marketplace of handcrafted goods. Many vendors accept cash only. Bring your lawn chairs. **Sign up by March 7th** with Cathy Fano at cathycapecsocialclub@aol.com or call/text 239-691-1507.

Monday March 23rd – The Cafe Restaurant – 9:30 AM - 2301 Del Prado Blvd, Cape Coral. A local gem for breakfast. ****Sign up by March 16th**** with Karen Karkoska at kkark24@att.net or call/text 630-309-9442.

Community

Community items are events of interest to members, organized by club individuals rather than the CCSC.

Dance Lessons: After many wonderful years, it's time to hang up my dancing shoes. My last class at the Kennedy Center will be on Monday December 15th. It has been my pleasure to teach you and introduce so many of you to the joys of social dancing. I will surely miss this. If a new teacher is found, the classes could eventually start up again. Warm regards, Judy Noe.

Cruises

Christmas Time on the Romantic Rhine: 9-night Emerald Cruises Starship journey, November 30, 2027, visiting the Netherlands, Germany, France, and Switzerland. Starting at \$4,416.00 Per Person. Free Airfare & Savings Promotion

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The Hobby Club meets every Monday 9am-11am at Lake Kennedy Center. Contact Hilary on 301-502-2026 or Toni on 239-225-8093.



Cape Coral for the Children's Men & Women Lunch Bunch - If you are not on the email list for the Lunch Bunch, please contact Julie Lombardi at 239-823-8288 or CCFClunchbunch@comcast.net. Cape Coral for Children is a 501(c) (3) charity working to provide scholarships to Cape Coral students.

January 14, 2026 – Misto Bar & Grill, 231 Del Prado Blvd, Cape Coral, Florida 33990 – 11:30 am. Luncheon will be a set menu at \$22.60 (gratuity included) with individual checks. **RSVP by January 9** to Julie Lombardi at CCFClunchbunch@comcast.net or 239-823-8288 so that the restaurant has a head count.



Bingo - Sunday, February 22, 2026, at Rusty's in Cape Coral. Doors open at 11 am, games start at 1 pm. More information to follow. Tickets are on sale NOW at capecoralforthechildren.org.



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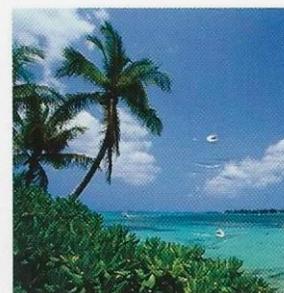


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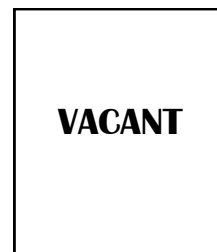
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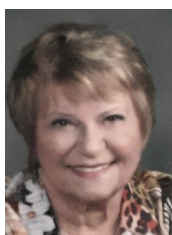
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"Great Gatsby" January Dinner Dance

Cape Coral Social Club—Open to the Public

Saturday, January 3, 2026

5:30 pm — 9:30 pm

German American Social Club

2101 SW Pine Island Rd., Cape Coral

Music by: Jay Smith

Menu: Choice of one - Pork Loin with Caramelized Onions and Mushrooms in Cabernet Sauce OR Crab & Cheese Stuffed Whitefish OR Vegetarian Lasagna. All served with:

***Rolls & Butter**

***Green Salad w Ranch**

***Baked Potato**

***Vegetable du Jour**

***NY Cheesecake with Cherry Topping**

NO BYOB—Cash Bar Available

**Soft drinks, coffee & water
provided**

****PAYMENT REQUIRED BY NOON DECEMBER 30th****

\$35* members/\$40* guests (cash or check) —NOTE: \$38 or \$43 when using a credit card. Payment taken at the general meeting, Farmer Joe's, Family Hardware on SE 47th Ter., on web at www.capecoralsocialclub.org or contact Judy at 239-699-0123 or Joyce at 765-307-1063. Indicate entrée choice & table seating preference. No refunds for cancellations. Checks preferred.