



# Walton County Snowbirds, Inc.

Hello Walton County Snowbirds, from Jan & Len Hoover; Co-Presidents

Twenty + years ago all we knew about "Snowbirds" was that they came to Florida to escape the cold and snow. Then we met Nancy Gerke (a former WSC President) in the pool at Emerald Shores. She told us about the Club and the Ballroom Dance activity. We joined the Club and took the dance lessons. Now, 20 years later, we (along with Gail & Dave Tudman; Dave also a former President) are teaching that class! Little did we know then that we would also become Co-Presidents of the Club!

Thanks to all of you for a successful 22-23 season! When we needed help at the end of the 21-22 season to fill out the Board, people stepped up to fill 2nd Vice-President, Treasurer, and Information officer. Many of you were Activity leaders. Two new Registration leaders and their workers got us started. Two new couples took on Storage, a new Webmaster came aboard, 50-50 Scholarship volunteers, Prize committee, Entertainment, Socials, people helping to sell Coupon books for CIC and many others did everyday jobs that needed to be done. You all know who you are! You made all of these things happen! We can't thank you enough for all your help and support.

There's no way we could have done this ourselves; the WCS Board did an excellent job. They worked together like the proverbial "well-oiled machine" to keep us moving in the right direction. We are profoundly grateful to all of them.

And now we look forward to next season; and succeeding seasons. The Board is already looking forward to future changes. New ideas are afoot! We hope you will continue to be part of it. In our comeback from COVID our membership has improved for two years in a row, much of it from an influx of about 250 new members! We are about half-way back to our pre-covid numbers. Talk to your non-member friends and encourage them to join. Direct them to Facebook and the new website. When you return to Florida next season, keep up that spirit of volunteerism so the Walton County Snowbirds can continue to function as that "well-oiled machine".

Finally, at all our General Meetings, we have a moment of silence to remember friends and family lost during the past year. This year seemed especially difficult, so as you finish this letter, think about those family and friends who were, and are, dear to you.

Have a great Summer. See you next Season! Jan & Len