



Walton County Snowbirds, Inc.

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A great crowd attended the Walton County Snowbirds General Meeting at Destin United Methodist Church on January 12. Pastor Newton welcomed the group and led a prayer for the snowbirds. Len and Jan Hoover, co-presidents then led the meeting. Numerous local vendors came and provided snowbird deals, samples, and giveaways. Professional singer Chuck Lawson entertained the group with his guitar and steel drums. The meeting wrapped up with the 50/50 drawing (proceeds used to provide scholarships to local high school students) and door prizes. The next General Meeting is Jan 26.



Upcoming Snowbird activities include two bus trips to the casinos in Biloxi. Members can leave first thing in the morning and be back the same night. The first trip that is on Jan 23 to the IP Casino is completely full. However, a second trip is on Feb 15 to the Hard Rock Casino. The trip costs \$30 and each member gets \$15 of free play. The bus leaves from The Track in Destin at 8:00 a.m.

The Southern Star Dolphin Cruise is sailing exclusively for Walton County Snowbird members on February 10 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. leaving from Destin Harbor, 100 Harbor Boulevard. Boarding begins at 3:00 p.m. The \$30 per person fee consists of the 2-hour harbor cruise where you are guaranteed to see dolphins and the sunset. It also includes live entertainment, door prizes, wine, beer, soft drinks, and appetizers. Contact Marty and Nancy at mschmidt547@yahoo.com to sign up for the cruise or attend a Snowbird registration prior to Feb. 10.

Do you have a knack for the arts? The Walton County Snowbirds have an art group that meets every Tuesday through February 28 at 9:00 a.m. to noon at Good News United Methodist Church, 4747 Route 98, Santa Rosa Beach. Members gather in an open art workshop to work in any media including water colors, oils, pastels, and acrylics. This is an opportunity for advanced beginners to work on the media of their choice and co-mingle in a caring and sharing environment. The group shares styles, stories of their background and experiences, and artistic tips. Each artist brings their own supplies and ideas for what they want to create. This is a great group to share their art and conversation.

The Snowbirds also have a creative writing group that meets every Wednesday through February 22 from 1:00 pm to 3:30 p.m. at the Cabana Café, Ariel Dunes, 112 Seascap Dr. This group ranges from new composers to



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published authors that share their craft with others in this small group. Each week, the participants are given a prompt to write about and they bring copies for the members to provide a positive critique.

Besides these activities and events, there are over 30 other activities including basketball, bowling, aerobics, line dancing, water aerobics, golf, and more. We have very active card groups including bridge, hand and foot and euchre.

Additional opportunities to register for this season of the Walton County Snowbirds activities are on Monday, January 16, and Monday, February 6 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at Faith Assembly Hall at 306 S. Geronimo in Miramar Beach. Dues are \$20 per person for the season.



You can also register one hour before any of our General Meetings, which are on January 26 and February 9 at 10:00 a.m. at Destin United Methodist Church, 200 Beach Dr, Destin. The final General Meeting is on Feb 23 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 207 Harbor Blvd, Destin.

For more information on registration and all the activities and events the club has to offer, go to the website at www.waltoncountysnowbirds.com or join the group Facebook page "Walton County Snowbirds."

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