

What's Up With PARC?

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Well, it looks like we've survived the Mayan calendar apocalypse, so I guess we can go ahead and start planning for 2013. But first, our last three events of the year—the Turkey Trot, Christmas Flotilla and Christmas Parade—were huge successes! We had over 140 people walking, running or riding their bikes on Thanksgiving morning despite the cold wind. There were 13 boats all decked out for the flotilla. Hats off to Tina and Bill Keefe for their energetic efforts for those two events. Special thanks to Kathy Furtner and the Furtner family for their support of the flotilla and also to our Santa, Frank Wallace. The parade was terrific thanks to the hard work of Darlene Smith and Jacquie Pipkin.

The PARC cards are now on sale for \$20. If you buy now, you will have 13 months to use them. How can you resist such a deal? Here are the businesses giving discounts:

- A Team Service Management – 25% off labor for first service
- April's Turtle Moon Therapeutic Massage - \$10 off first visit
- Beach Book Mart – 10%
- Bert's Surf Shop – 15%
- Big Oak Drive-In & Bar-B-Q – free drink with purchase of sandwich
- Captain Stacy – 10% (not valid on sale items)
- J Chalk Designs – 10%
- Circa 81 – 10%
- Country Club of the Crystal Coast – discounted rates as follows: special tennis rates year round of \$18 per person for two hours of court time. Special golf rates also apply: In-season (March 1 through October 31) before 1 p.m. - \$49 and after 1 p.m., \$39. Off-season rate (November 1 through February 29) is \$39. These rates include golf, cart and tax for open play only.
- El Zarape – 10% (Atlantic Beach location only)
- Ernie's Gift World – 10%
- Island Furniture & Accessories – 20% off accessories
- Luigi's - \$1 off one pizza; \$3 off two pizzas
- Monkey Bar - \$1 off any meal, with an \$8 minimum
- Port of Call – 10%
- The Athlete's Foot – 15%
- The Old Siam – 10%
- Sound Side Steak & Seafood – 10%
- Surfari – 15% (not to be used with Special)
- Watermark Restaurant – 10% (not to be used with Special)

Remember that proceeds from the sale of the PARC cards help to fund a variety of Pine Knoll Shores' activities, including the Easter Egg Hunt, October Fest, Turkey Trot, Christmas Parade and Flotilla. We anticipate that others will be joining the growing list of businesses offering discounts. It's a win/win for everybody!

Have you seen the new shirts? The Pine Knoll Shores tees come in blue, green, red and white and are long sleeved. The design on the back was provided by Swann Island, and it looks terrific! The shirts are on sale at town hall for \$20. Word is that koozies are on the way and short-sleeved tees will be available in the spring for \$15.

Speaking of shirts, Kayak for the Warriors women's and youth sizes are now available. They also are on sale at town hall.

Thanks to Cheryl Smith and Brian Grenier, work is under way for the third annual Tour de Bogue Banks—our bike ride in support of Hope for the Warriors that will take place on Saturday, April 20.

Under the leadership of Bud Pitzer, we are also gearing up for all the Kayak events coming in June. Please keep an eye out for information regarding dates in *The Shoreline*. Bud has assembled a great team for June. The following have volunteered as team leaders:

- Overall Team Leader – Bud Pitzer
- Team Leader - Friday Night Reception – Celeste Lindley
- Team Leader – Friday Night Live Auction – Kathy Furtner
- Team Leader - Saturday morning family bike ride – Gary Watkins
- Team Leader - PKS veterans reviewing tent at McNeill inlet – Walter Schmid
- Team Leader - Food preparation at Garner Park Saturday morning – Cam Anderson
- Team Leader - Raffle at Garner Park on Saturday morning – Elaine Holt
- Team Leaders – Parks Setup – Josh Race and Pete Flynn
- Team Leader Race Details/Time Keepers – Chris Suggs
- Team Leader – Kayak Loaner Coordination – Marty Bourdeau
- Team Leader – Hope for Warrior Presentation – Judi Matzke
- Finish Line Photographer – Tom Powers

We appreciate their stepping forward! They will be on the lookout for volunteers, so please consider helping them.

The early risers have changed the PARC meeting dates and time. We will meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 9 a.m. rather than at 10. Therefore, our next meeting will be January 8 at 9 a.m. If you have any suggestions for PARC, please do not hesitate to e-mail me at PARCPR@ec.rr.com, or come to one of our meetings.

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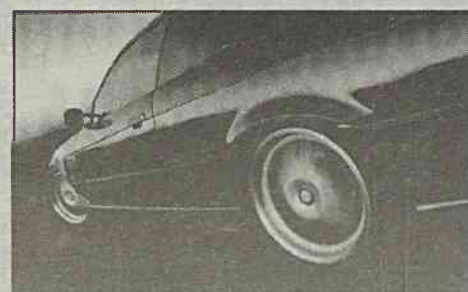
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