





P/C Susan Kneeland shared the following history of this ever-popular event:

In the mid 1980's, Jim and Marilyn Mascolo, restaurateurs from New Jersey, joined the organization. They lived in Cocoa Beach and opened a small restaurant, Italian Gardens, in the Publix shopping center on A1A across from the Double Tree Hotel.

At that time the club met in the Cocoa Women's Club's white building on the southwest corner of the rotary circle at the south end of Cocoa Village. The building had a large commercial kitchen. The Mascolos offered to cook and serve buffet-style an American Italian dinner. The squadron would purchase the food and supplies, the Mascolos would provide the labor and the attendees would pay a nominal fee to cover all expenses. This proved to be a big hit. Members we hadn't seen in years attended.

After a couple of years of this arrangement, it was decided to change the format. Each family would bring an Italian type dish to share. The club would furnish drinks and eating supplies. Each attendee would pay a small fee to cover club expenses. With a few exceptions due to things beyond our control, Italian Night has continued through the years to be our most popular and best attended meeting of the year.

## **Italian Night Specials:**



• The family of P/D/C Fred Adame, SN has donated a numbered, framed picture of the 1915 USPS maneuvers with the Naval Fleet in the Marble Head Harbor. This collector's item will be offered at a silent auction. A copy of the print can be viewed on the website:www.cbsps.org. Proceeds will go to Education Fund.

 P/Lt/C Elmer Bakalla has donated a basket of cleaning supplies for a raffle. Proceeds to the FIT Scholarship Fund.



 AO Lt/C Terri Porter is bringing back the Name Tag Raffle. Each attendee wearing their CBSPS name tag will be given a raffle ticket for a <u>free</u> drawing of a bottle of wine.

## DONATIONS NEEDED Can you help??

Remember to bring non-perishable food for the homeless; uncrushed aluminum cans for the FIT scholarship; can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House.



Last Call for Education Classes beginning this month:

Marine Communications: September 13: Hobb's Pharmacy

Inland Navigation (formerly Piloting) September16: BCMVC

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Coming Events:

- 05 October: 6:30 pm business meeting: The Shark Man will return with more stories of his encounters with these predators of the sea
- 03 November: Election Night-no meeting
- 06 November: Alternative Meeting Date. 1200 at Kiwanis Park. Bring your own lunch; dessert and drinks provided.
- 03 December: Holiday Party at Brevard County Veteran's Center; catered meal with music. Guaranteed to be a great event.