

Hi to you all,

August 28, 2016

As this is my penultimate Commodore's Message (I learned that word early in my business life. It means second to the last...) I thought I'd share a picture of my beautiful Mother who passed away on Friday night, 8/28/16. She saw my Dad through Alzheimer's for many years, then had a few good years with a High School boyfriend. When he died, she slowly slipped into her own state of dementia for the past 10 or so years. She has been at the Cass County Medical Facility for the past 4 years, and it was a blessing that she passed away while I was here this summer. I was able to see her most every day this summer, and although she didn't know me, and many days didn't open her eyes, I think she still knew someone was there who cared about her. Her full obituary is now on the Wagner Cares website, so if you're interested, you can read more about her there. She has donated her body to the University of Michigan's Medical School, so there will not be any Memorial Service until her ashes are returned. She was a wonderful mother and will be sorely missed.



Thanks to Barb Scalise and the Diamond Shores members for a wonderful cocktail and appetizer party on Saturday Night. Here's a summary from Barb:

Our Saturday party was a very big success. We had people add their beach location on their name tags and it was a big hit. We made a point to invite two new members from our beach to participate. That welcomes the new ones early on. Part of the fun of our beach is that I shove a drying towel in the hands of the men and put them to work in the kitchen! It turns out to be great fun and we all get everything done in record time. Our contributors were Margie Yarger, Pat and Angelo Daberio and Bonnie Shaffer. Those that helped were, Kathy and John Seidl, Jackie and Mike Bankowski, Ann and Fred Dean, Carol and Bob Wurster, Anne and Eric Coles, and Mary Ellen and Dave Mount.

Thanks for the great summary Barb! I wish I could've seen the guys in the kitchen! How fun!

Please be sure to mark your calendars for the Annual Meeting on Monday, September 5th. We need 30 members to attend or submit a proxy to Laura Ferris, so please let her know as soon as possible if you think you won't be able to make it!

Hope to see you all at the Hog Roast on Saturday 9/3 at 6 PM.

Sincerely,
Marilyn Quackenbush
DLYC Commodore

