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Hello all – I wanted to first give a big thanks to Shirley for all that you do for our club. Your enthusiasm and continued support of our group is always such a blessing – what would I do without you ?! Your portrayal of Sister Mary at our last meeting for our Wake/Memorial service for our retired pieces was hilarious as well as touching. Thank you for taking the time to put on a great “service” for us – we had a small group last month but the entertainment and oh yes, the ooh, aah, eats were fabulous!

Last month I went to Kansas City for a soccer tournament for our son. I looked up on the D56 website and found that there were 4 stores that carried villages. I was able to visit two of the stores. Unfortunately it was a complete disappointment. The first store had quite a bit of merchandise and had a few displays but had none of the new pieces. When I travel I like to get at least one thing from that area but unfortunately I found nothing that I didn't already have at this first store. The second store had hardly anything on the shelves but the staff there was so friendly. They said that they had just sold out of everything that they had over Christmas and that nothing new had come in. I had a lovely chat with them and then was on my way back to soccer. The trees were all blooming down there as it was spring in full swing. When we left MN it was snowing and to get down there to the 70 degree temp it was the best!

I'm getting super excited to go the gathering in San Diego. I think this gathering will probably rank up there as one of my favorites. It sounds like the hotel is full but the gathering registrations are not that high – so if you haven't sent in your registration please do so right away. I've heard bits and pieces about the speakers, the make & takes, and different activities that they are going to have and we are going to have a blast. The clubs out there have been hard at work getting everything ready for us.

Hope to see you all on May 7<sup>th</sup> for our next meeting. Happy Spring!

Your Prez - Chris

### Special points of interest:

- Next meeting:  
Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>
- Mother's Day  
Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>
- Memorial Day  
Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>
- Only 44 days until  
Summer
- Only 176 days until  
Halloween
- Only 231 days until  
Christmas

# April's Wake Pictures

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## As the Village Turns by Lisa Tuset

(The following is a fictional soap opera)

Season 2 Episode 5

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### Birthdays

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Chris Riley	May 6 <sup>th</sup>	Jane Sumi	Jun 17 <sup>th</sup>
Debbie Oheme	May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Lisa Tuset	Jul 19 <sup>th</sup>

## Celebrate Mother's Day with D56

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Mother's Day is coming soon. Are you ready? [Find amazing gifts at Department 56.](#)

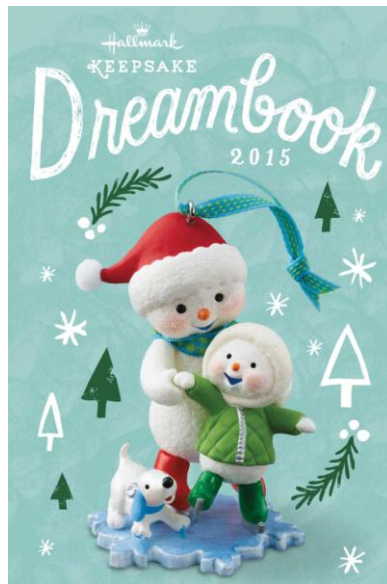


## Dreambook 2015 at Dept 56

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Time to make your lists.

On April 21<sup>st</sup>, Hallmark released this years [Dreambook](#).



## Upcoming Events



[California Gold Gathering](#)  
Surf, Sun & Fun  
September 11 – 13  
2015  
Sheraton Hotel & Marina  
San Diego

## Cash Corner

Carmela Ariemma

holding steady at \$ 1,792.59.

Just like Dubnyk in goal.

Shoot the puck, score that goal !!!!!!!

Go Wild !

Your Treasurer,

But we are not going wild with our bank balance,

Mel

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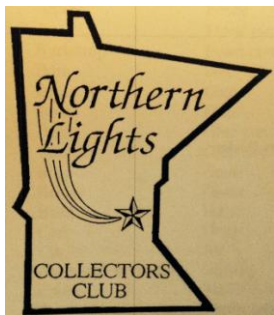
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## Recipe Showcase

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### Tortilla with Chorizo



¼ cup extra-virgin olive oil  
1 medium yellow onion, sliced  
1 red pepper, roughly chopped  
1 (7 ounce) package pre-cooked choizo, thinly sliced  
½ pound red potatoes, cubed, boiled until tender and drained.  
1 galice clove, minced  
3 Tablespoons chopped cilantro leaves  
1 teaspoon kosher salt, plus 1 pinch  
½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper  
12 eggs

Preheat oven to 450 degrees F.

Heat canola oil in a 12-inch nonstick or cast iron sauté pan over medium high heat. Add onions and peppers, cook until tender, about 5 minutes. Add chorizo, potatoes, garlic, and cilantro stirring carefully as to not break up the potatoes. Cook 1 more minute. Season with salt and pepper.

In a large bowl whisk eggs with a pinch of salt until well blended. Add eggs to the pan with the chorizo mixture. Stir gently with a heatproof spatula, allowing the bottom to cook, pulling away at the sides to allow the egg on top to run underneath as if cooking an omelet.

When eggs are mostly set but still a little runny place pan in oven for about 5 minutes until set and slightly puffed and brown on top.

Remove from oven. Cut into wedges. Serve warm or at room temperature.

[Recipe courtesy of Angie Ketterman from Foodnetwork.com.](#)

## Club Charity Updates

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Did you know that you can donate to Toys for Tots all year around? They have two programs, ["In Memory"](#) and ["In Honor"](#), that allow you to make donations in the name of an individual or even in a family's name.

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Meetings are held the first Thursday of the month at the [Crystal Police Outreach Office](#). This is directly across from the Hallmark Store.