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Community News & Update

By Kenneth Colen, Publisher

On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association

Thank you for submitting a proxy or a ballot on the vote to amend the Articles of Incorporation and the By-laws for On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association. This turned out to be an interesting process that actually validated the need for such amendments with respect to the number of votes to establish a quorum for the conduct of Association business.

Your Association was successful in gathering the required 66% of votes needed to amend both the Articles of Incorporation and By-laws. The current set of By-laws required that proxies be submitted up to five-days before the meeting. Because of the proxies that came in after that date, your board requested that the meeting be continued to Jan. 11, at 9 a.m. to establish the final, official count.

Getting 66% of any population to vote is a tall order, even in a small community such as ours. Again, this validates the need to address the number of votes needed to obtain a quorum for the conduct of business. I want to thank all the resident volunteers, Parkway, COA, SCA, and On Top of the World employees who assisted in canvassing the community to gather proxies.

Remember, every vote counts!

Insurance

Several questions at the On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association annual meeting focused on insurance. It is worth additional discussion in this article. Insurance markets seem to be regaining some measure of stability. Property and wind coverage has become more available, but costs remain high.

Insurance companies mitigate possible risk by reducing limits of coverage, raising premiums, and creating certain "carve-outs" for high risk underwriting. With over \$300,000,000 in insured value, the On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association represents a significant book of business.

Under the present policy, each owner now has an out-of-pocket expense of five percent (5%) of the value of the home in the event of wind loss. The wind-loss coverage does not kick in until the first \$250,000 of loss has occurred. Practically speaking, many homes would have to be affected in a storm event to meet this minimum. As a practical matter, in back-to-back storms in 2004, total wind-related losses were in the range of \$100,000. We didn't even come near the much lower deductible in effect at that time.

The Association maintains a \$10,000 (non-wind related) deductible for any occurrence other than wind or hail damage. The Association's insurance does not cover the contents of your home. All owners must have an HO6 Unit Owners policy (or similar) with coverage for all contents such as floor and wall coverings, cabinets, appliances, light fixtures, etc., owner additions such as lanais, deductibles or loss assessments by the Association.

Residents are advised to consult their insurance agent for specifics regarding the amount of their loss assessment coverage and possible supplemental windstorm coverage. This non-windstorm deductible applies to any damage to a single dwelling or multiple dwellings, and is based on each occurrence of damage. In any case, it is probably time to speak with your agent and review your insurance limits.

Other Updates

As discussed at the meetings, there are many new developments taking shape around the community. Walgreens is moving forward quickly with constructing a store on the corner of S.W. 80th Avenue and Highway 200.

The traffic signal slated for S.W. 80th Avenue and S.W. 80th Street is in final design review by the Marion County Transportation Department. At this juncture, we cannot offer a start date. More information will be available to update everyone on this much-needed improvement in my next article.

Construction on Water Treatment Plant 3 is complete and awaiting final permitting approval before coming online. The recent updates to the Reuse Plant will allow for expansion of irrigation to common areas thus decreasing our reliance on the potable water supply for common area irrigation along S.W. 90th Terrace.

The recreational amenities at On Top of the World underwent some major work this year. The Arbor Club pool was resurfaced and the showers were updated.

In addition, the Arbor Club tennis courts were resurfaced with a resilient surface, reputed to be easier on aging joints. So far, all the reports have been positive.

The Health & Recreation Building lower courts have been completely rebuilt, paved and surfaced for pickleball courts. Later in 2010, we will consider the use for the other remaining courts at Health &

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Photo by Ray Cech

In the center, Ken Colen and Jaye Baillie, President & CEO of the Ocala/Marion Chamber of Commerce perform the ribbon cutting.

Seven New Energy Star Homes Introduced

By RAY CECH
WORLD NEWS WRITER

On Saturday, Nov. 21, the Ocala/Marion County Chamber of Commerce ambassadors assisted with the ribbon cutting at the new Model Center located in Candler Hills.

As our natural resources grow scarce and energy costs spiral upward, it behooves developers to build more efficient and environmentally friendly homes. Towards that end, On Top of the World is meeting the challenge. For the past nine years, construction in our community has held to the mantra of building the best and most efficient energy-wise homes in Florida.

Director of Marketing, Jo Salyers said, "While using the best materials and building the tightest possible home adds a bit to our cost, the need to conserve energy and exceed EPA guidelines gives us comfort that we are doing the right thing. In the long run, everybody wins, the homeowner as well as our environment."

Ms. Salyers went on to say that, "On Top of the World is recognized for building the most single-site ENERGY STAR® homes in Florida. Not only do houses meet the highest energy efficient standards, but all landscaping is designed with an eye on conserving our critical water resources."

Ken Colen expressed his views on the need for energy conservation and said that, "All On Top of the World homes will continue to meet or exceed ENERGY STAR® guidelines. We're also committed to our goal of achieving net-zero homes,

with each home having the capability to drive its energy while utilizing solar power."

Attending the ribbon cutting ceremony was President & CEO of the Ocala/Marion Chamber of Commerce, Jaye Baillie, along with On Top of the World participants Vice President, Phil Faranda; General Manager, Lynette Vermillion; Director of Sales, Vince Ritacco; Construction Manager, Sheryl Johnson; and Director of Marketing, Jo Salyers.

Under a giant tent, vendors displayed energy conserving products, including a shiny new Toyota Prius. Neighbors David and Paula Shira demonstrated the savings they are achieving after installing solar panels. Believe it or not, their total monthly electric bill adds up to a bit less than a \$9 customer service charge—an unbelievable savings of more than \$100 each and every month. Besides putting some money in the bank, Paula and Dave are doing their share for Mother Earth.

Also, under the tent, Landscape Superintendent, Phil Hisey, demonstrated water conservation products, including some new (and now available) sprinkler systems, and a recently introduced sprinkler-timing box that senses how much water a lawn requires and then adjusts sprinklers accordingly. It's a real water and money saver.

To be ENERGY STAR® rated, every home built within On Top of the World is inspected by Professional Testing Associates. Their inspectors walk through a

house and check its construction, evaluate how tightly it was built, and whether appliances, fans, carpeting, windows, insulation, etc. meet ENERGY STAR® guidelines. Using an infrared gun, they check for air leaks and hot spots. The end result is a computer-generated model of each house that determines if the total structure meets ENERGY STAR® qualification. Rod Kosares of Professional Testing said that homes in On Top of the World Communities have a long history of meeting and exceeding both ENERGY STAR® and EPA guidelines.

In a conversation with Planning & Design Manager, Tom Czikk, this writer learned of another rating agency—HERS (Home Energy Rating System). Under the auspices of the Department of Energy, it measures how efficiently a home is utilizing its energy resources. Tom used the term "building a healthy house," referring to all the products and parts that go into a finished home. Before going into an On Top of the World home, suppliers must warrantee that their products meet all energy-efficient and safety standards.

On Top of the World homeowners can rest assured that from Mr. Colen down to the worker hammering the last nail into a finished home, the final product exceeds all EPA, DOE and HERS standards. To visit any of the new models, stop in at the Model Home Center office on S.W. 83rd Loop, Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Photo by Ray Cech

Mr. and Mrs. Claus participate in the Golf Cart Parade on Dec. 9.

Here Comes Santa Claus

By RAY CECH
WORLD NEWS WRITER

On Dec. 9, the annual Golf Cart Parade ushered in the holiday season, and this year it was bigger and better than ever. Santa Claus, sitting atop a classic Corvette, was the official greeter, wishing a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all those On Top of the World residents lining the parade route.

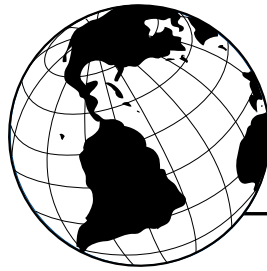
Golf carts were beautifully decorated, with everything from teddy bears and toy Santas, to ride-along poodles that prac-

ticed their barking whenever the police sirens sounded off. The clowns added vivid color to the parade, as did the Glitzy Gals and those individually adorned carts driven by holiday revelers.

This year's parade was the 10th annual. Parade goers convened behind the Arbor Club and, at the appointed hour of 2 p.m., they began winding their way down the hill to 94th Street, and from there throughout many of the On Top

of the World neighborhoods. Along the way they were met with cheers of good wishes by residents, who camped out in deck chairs.

The traditional golf cart parade ushers in the spirit of the holidays, and marks the beginning of festivities for On Top of the World residents. It's a wonderful time of the year that gives pause for memories of Christmases past and heartfelt hope for the year to come.



On Top of the World NEWS

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Is It Legal?
Gerald Colen

Q. What is your view about the Health Care Bill requirement of end of life counseling?

A. Well, I am not going to get into a political discussion of this issue. I want everyone to read and to enjoy this column without having any concern that I might have some political agenda that I am seeking to espouse.

Here is what I can say, I believe that it is important for folks to have a written Advance Directive in place so that at such time as one is seriously ill or at such time as one may be nearing the end of his or her life, family members or friends will have a good idea as to the wishes of the one who has made the Advance Directive (think of the Terry Shiavo matter).

What is important, it seems to me, is that your wishes are in place. What those wishes may be, are a personal matter and not one that I wish to discuss except, of course, in private conference with a client.

NOTE: As of the writing of this column, the U.S. House of Representatives has passed a bill, but the U.S. Senate has not. Thus, there is no bill that has been signed

Golden Oldies Humor

By Stan Goldstein



How do you tell when you're out of invisible ink?

into law at the time I am writing this.

Q. Have you examined any of the constitutional issues that might exist with the new health care bill?

A. First of all, there is no bill that has been signed into law as of the time I am writing this column. Thus, I have no idea what, if any, constitutional issues there may (or may not) be.

Of course, I am well aware of the many statements that have been made by folks from various degrees in the political spectrum—some in support of a health care bill and others in opposition to one. However, I believe that it is not in the interest of anyone who reads my column for me to engage in a political discussion and I won't do it.

As I said in answer to the question above this one in this column, I want everyone to read and enjoy my column without any concern that I have some political agenda I wish to espouse. Of course, I do have my own views; but I intend to keep them totally and completely out of this column. Here is what I will say, I think that everyone should take the time and

effort to study the issues involved and then make up your own minds.

Q. Is there any law that requires members of a board of administration to reside in the community, which they serve?

A. No. I would imagine that what is most important is that whoever is elected to a board is experienced and educated in the many management issues that a board may face. If I were electing a board member I would read his or her written resume before deciding.

Q. Just for curiosity sake, will you tell us who are the people who most influenced, or still influences, your life and work as an attorney?

A. Sidney Colen. Kenneth Colen. Two of my law school professors, whose names you would not know. Three Circuit Court Judges, whose names I guess I should not mention. And of course, my parents. In many wonderful ways, all of these folks helped me, hopefully, to be a better person and a better attorney.

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**Shutterbugs
Photography**
Marilynn Cronin

We want to thank Ken Colen, On Top of the World staff, friends, neighbors and other area photography clubs for supporting us this past year.

January's display at Master the Possibilities is by John Bauer entitled, "Travels through Peru." December's display by Mike Gattozzi consisted of a few photos taken years ago, scanned into his computer, and blown up.

The displays at Freedom Library are a mixture of photos used in the annual exhibit and others taken at various times throughout their photography lifetime. Norbert Sachs, display chairman, changes displays monthly at Master the Possibilities and Freedom Library.

Webmaster Tom Frostig has updated our website with this year's winners.

A special thanks goes out to Brad Pease, John Bauer and Rick Nelson who comprised our nominating committee. As every club knows, this is not an easy task. The new board will be announced in next month's column.

Photo Tips

If you have a new camera, or one you don't use enough, and have questions, or if you just like to take photos, now would be the time to join the ShutterBugs.

The best advice I can offer for the coming year is threefold:

- Read your manual, become comfortable and knowledgeable with your camera's capabilities;
- Visit photography websites (we have many links on our website) to see how professional photographers compose their shots; go to the library and look at photo books; and most importantly,
- Get out and "shoot" - you won't learn your camera or how to improve your photography skills if you don't practice; stop and think what you want the shot to say. As



Photo by Doris Mauricio

**Intermediate, first place:
Chicken.**

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Photo by Daisy Rowell

Masters, first place: Dragonfly.

I am so fond of saying (since we don't have to stand for hours in a developing lab anymore), digital cameras are great because you can always delete and it doesn't cost you anything!

If hundreds/thousands of images are sitting in hard drives or boxes around your house, you can put them to work by making gifts with them for family and friends, and all those other people you feel you want to give those little holiday something to.

First, start with family and others you love. Assess their living space so that you can match a photo with the décor—you can make them a framed photo with matching colors in it or coordinate the matting. Go to CVS or Walgreens, or use Photoshop or iPhoto and make a memory or scrapbook. Use your imagination as to the topic—a special trip you took together, their birthday celebrations, a special anniversary, etc. Start practicing now for next year.

ShutterBugs—On Top of the World Photography Club stresses education, sharing, and fun!

The ShutterBugs meet the first three Tuesdays of the month at 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. All residents, at all skill levels are welcome to join. If you would like more information about the ShutterBugs, visit our website at www.otowspc.com or contact Gary Uhley at 854-8536 or bugs@otowspc.com.



Orchid Club
Linda Rose

There was no meeting in December due to the holidays. Our January meeting will feature guest speaker, Pete Wood whose hobby is the Art of Bonsai.

The main focus of his topic will be to present the Art of Bonsai, its culture and how it compares to the culture of orchids. Several of our members have expressed interest in this hobby; we hope that you will join us for this most informative meeting.

We would also like to extend an invitation to anyone living in On Top of the World Communities to join us for this presentation. I've always been fascinated by this form of art and am looking forward to learning more.

We want to thank Anke Linthorst for her presentation about the Jewel orchid at our November meeting. After the meeting, we toured Don Porterfield's collection as well as my own. It's always interesting to see how we cope with the different species of orchids and what grows best for us with our lanai exposures; it's not always easy in this ever-changing climate in central Florida!

Our next meeting will be Thursday, Jan. 21, at 1:30 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. Hope to see you there!

World News Deadline
Noon, 13th of the month



Honor Flight

Oct. 29, 2009

The following On Top of the World resident was also selected to join the first Ocala Honor Flight on Oct. 29 to visit the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C. Photo by Bob Woods.



Seymour Bernstein
U.S. Army Special Engineer

"I thought the trip to Washington, D.C., was wonderful and I understand it was a tremendous job."

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All Around Our World

Lynette Vermillion

Happy New Year! I can't believe it is 2010 already. It is once again time to set our New Year's resolutions. Have you made yours? As I was thinking of my resolutions from a work prospective, I realize it is all about service. Whether it is serving your needs to create the work order, maintain your lawn or serve you in the restaurants, it is all about service. And with service comes quality. We can never avoid thinking about safety. So, in 2010, we will be focusing on service, quality and safety.

Association Meetings

Annual meetings were held in December for Circle Square Ranch Master Association, On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association, Candler Hills Neighborhood Association and Indigo East

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Neighborhood Association. Operational challenges, traffic safety, cart path striping, community improvements, entertainment coming to Circle Square Commons and the number of enforcements issued were topics of discussion.

The On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association, Inc., will reconvene its meeting on Jan. 11, at 9 a.m. in order to continue to receive proxies until Jan. 4 to amend the governing documents to:

- Ensure a +55 and older community by strengthening governing documents on age restriction.
- Update governing documents in compliance with Florida Statutes.
- Change member vote to 50% plus one.
- Expand board of directors to seven members.

Yard Debris

For On Top of the World Central residents, this is a reminder to please place your yard debris in front of your home on the curb and not in the back of the home. This is especially important for the villas that back up to S.W. 99th Street Road so that our trucks do not have to stop and block the golf cart lane. Please place your yard waste on the curb the day of pick-up only and please do not include any other waste or animal feces.

Holiday Decorations

Please make sure that all holiday decorations are removed by Jan. 16. Live Christmas trees may be placed on the curb in front of your home for pick-up on your community's regularly scheduled debris pick-up day.

Amenity Rules and Calendar of Events

Don't forget that amenity rules and a calendar of events are located on a tab on the left hand side of the community page on www.otowinfo.com. The link provides access to information on events, facilities, phone numbers, building information, customer service, etc. Be sure to check out what is planned for 2010.

Posting of Information and Events

We have had several residents say that they didn't know about an event and were wondering how it was advertised. Please be advised that we post events and announcements several ways: community bulletin boards at the Health & Recreation Building, Arbor Club, Post Offices, Candler Hills Community Center, Indigo East Community Center and Customer Service; www.otowinfo.com; channel 17/22; ads and articles in the World News; and flyers at Customer Service. We attempt to ensure that ads are posted in various locations so that you will not miss an opportunity.

Lamp Posts

A friendly reminder to all residents, please keep your lamp post clean and replace bulbs as they burn out. Make sure the light sensor is clean and not covered by debris. Some of our evening walkers requested that we pass on this friendly reminder.

Appliance Disposal

Please do not dispose of appliances or other similar items such as TVs, microwaves, vacuum cleaners, etc. at any garbage receptacle or compactor location other than at the S.W. 90th Street compactor location. At that location, please place in the area marked for such items.

Handicap Parking Spaces

Please leave handicap parking spaces available to others if you truly do not need this benefit. It is illegal to borrow someone's handicapped placard and use it when that person is not in the vehicle. It's also illegal to use the placard of someone who has died or to park in a handicapped space without a permit. We say this as a reminder to everyone not to take spaces away from the people who truly need them.

We wish you a wonderful New Year, filled with happiness, success and good health. I look forward to a very successful 2010.



Wood Shop

Ray Utiss

The annual Wood Shop breakfast will be at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 23 in Suites G and H of the Arbor Conference Center. This year, Friendship Catering will cater our breakfast. There will be a charge and reservations will be required. Information is available on the Wood Shop bulletin board. We look forward to seeing you there.

If you have any questions, please call Gordon Cich at 873-2839.



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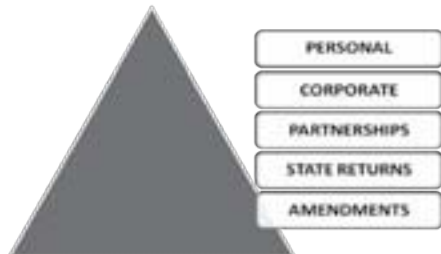
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Hospitality

Linda Tiffany

Welcome to 2010! Look for new menu items, entertainment and just plain old-fashioned good times at The Pub and Candler Hills Restaurant.

A great big thank you from the Hospitality department is sent to you, our residents, for helping to make 2009 an exciting and memorable year. Chef Dave and Chef Greg brought you great food as well as new and innovative menu items.

Candler Hills Restaurant Manager, Donna Little, took care of your creature comforts, and ensured that your needs were met, and the staff of The Pub and Candler Hills Restaurant provided a friendly atmosphere to make your meals enjoyable.

Friendship Catering hosted many private events, as well as golf banquets and events at Circle Square Cultural Center. It has been a pleasure working with all of you, and I thank you on behalf of the staff for your kindness, and praise of our contribution to the success of your events. The entire Hospitality department is pleased to be a part of this great community and we look forward to 2010 with great enthusiasm!

The Pub

The Pub hours are: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Wednesday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Pub is closed on Sunday.

Check out the specials posted daily, and look for some new and exciting features. Every Wednesday and Friday, we continue to offer the following favorites:

Wednesday - Open-faced Prime Rib served with an onion tower - \$8.95.

Friday - Fried Whitefish Filet on a hoagie roll with lettuce, tomatoes, French fries and coleslaw or Fish & Shrimp Basket - \$8.95.

Be sure to warm up with one of Chef Greg's hearty soups. Every Friday he features either New England or Manhattan clam chowder, and there are special soups daily.

Candler Hills Restaurant

Come taste the Tapas menu offering small portions at a great price served everyday and enjoy signature martinis from "around the world" as a tribute to On Top of the World neighborhoods with a variety to fit every taste. Come in and try The Candler Cosmo, an exciting blend of premium vodka, Gran Marnier, splash of cranberry with a twist of lime.

Tapas are served from 4 to 6 p.m. daily and Fridays and Saturdays from 4 to 8 p.m. Martinis are always available.

Candler Hills Restaurant hours are: Sunday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday - 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday and Saturday - 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Brunch is served every Sunday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. featuring fresh fruit, scrambled eggs, bacon, home fries, assorted Danish and bagels, coffee, juice and made to order omelets and eggs - \$7.95.

Early bird dinner specials can be found in a display ad in this issue of the World News.

Self-serve coffee and doughnuts are available for golfers at 8 a.m. Monday through Saturday.

The Prime Rib special every Friday and Saturday includes baked potato, vegetables, salad, rolls and butter for \$12.95 and is served from 4 to 8 p.m. Fish Fridays will feature the fresh catch of the day from 4 to 8 p.m. Price and feature will vary.

The Pub and Candler Hills Restaurant offer a Dessert Shooters menu with six varieties from which to choose. Residents and guests can now enjoy espresso mocha crème brûlée, key lime pie, NY cheesecake and other exciting flavors. Just \$2 a shot or \$10 for all six served in mini martini glasses in Candler Hills Restaurant, and small plastic cups in The Pub, so they are portable.



Grandchildren Visiting?

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Keeping It Green

Phillip B. Hisey

Here's hoping you had a wonderful holiday season!

As a reminder, cut back your irrigation timer. Even though current restrictions allow once per week watering, depending upon the community you live in, your grass, plants and temperature you may not need to water as frequently. Try reducing the run time a little at a time.

Many factors should be taken into account before reducing the run times. How long have you lived at the location? Is it a new home or has it been there for longer than one year? If your landscape is older than one year, reducing run times gradually, in small increments, is the best way to reduce run times. Small increments will keep you from creating a severe problem if you don't add enough water. If you do too much at once, waiting on the next run day could cost you your landscape.

Research conducted by the University of Florida indicates that during the shorter, cooler days of winter, grass and plants are growing slowly or not at all. During this time, their need for water is greatly reduced from that of the long, hot days of summer. Many people never change their automatic sprinkler system to compensate for this change in water needs and water is needlessly wasted.

We have seen a flare up of brown patch recently. Early in December, we put out a quick blurb on www.otoworld.com to try and forewarn you about the problem but I want to go a little further in depth about the problem and what you can be doing to prevent and control the situation before it becomes a serious problem.

Brown patch fungus is attributed to the abnormal weather conditions we have been having. Humid days with regular irrigation and warm day time temperatures with cool evening temperatures has created the perfect storm for growing conditions for this fungus. The fungus typically flares up when conditions are favorable and the leaves are wet for 48 hours or more. Turning off your irrigation after rainfall events or simply turning it back using the seasonal adjust feature will help too.

You can normally spot fungus issues in your yard by a large symmetrical ring or circular patch that has a yellowish edge. The spots typically start as one-foot diameter areas and grow from there. Keep from walking on and mowing affected areas. Fungus travels from spores and disturbance of the fungus could potentially cause more areas to pop up.

Routine lawn maintenance and pest control is key to keeping pest problems such as brown patch fungus from popping up in your lawn.

Identification and treatment of this pest is crucial in control and will help keep the pest from spreading. Keep from fertilizing these areas until the fungus has been treated and has been eradicated. Fertilizers will actually feed these fungi creating more problems in the future.

Area garden centers should carry a product that is labeled for fungal control. Lowes carries one such product called Spectracide Lawn Disease Control Systemic Fungicide. Though I have never used this product, it will probably handle most fungal problems.

Lesco also carries many fungicide products. Chances are they are more concentrated products and will require mixing. Lesco carries Manicure and Heritage, Armada and T-Storm.

Be sure to read the label before using, and make sure you have proper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

If you have a maintenance company taking care of your lawn, they can easily treat for the fungal problem.

Fungus is preventable and controllable. Make sure when treating fungus, you use a product that has a different mode of action for controlling the fungus. This will help with resistance issues and better control.

January is also a great time to think about trimming your Crape Myrtles, Lantana and other dormant species.

The method I prefer to follow when pruning Crape Myrtles is the "pencil pruning" method. Basically, you remove all branches pencil size and smaller. This method is the least invasive to the tree and still provides an aesthetic quality to the tree even when the leaves have fallen and all you have is sticks. Since Crape Myrtles bloom on the newer growth, this provides the new growth for summer blooms.

Lantana will need to be cut back in the late winter or early spring to remove dormant growth. You can trim them now or wait until late winter or early spring to make sure the plant is at its fullest stage of dormancy. If these plants are trimmed too soon, the pruning could cause the plants to flush new growth resulting in potential frost burn.

Stay warm and good luck in the landscape!

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Recreation News

Theresa Fields

Happy New Year to all! Hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable holiday season. We are looking forward to a prosperous New Year.

Many of our residents joined us for the Festival of Lights at Silver Springs. We enjoyed dinner and gazed at more than a million twinkling lights and neon displays throughout the park.

Health & Wellness Expo

Now that the holidays are behind us, what better way to start the New Year then by taking care of our health? Join us on Saturday, Jan. 16 at Circle Square Cultural Center for our Health & Wellness Expo from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This event is sponsored by Munroe Regional Medical Center and On Top of the World Communities. Munroe representatives from various departments will be available to answer any of your medical questions.

Additionally, many other health agencies will be on hand to assist in answering your questions.

Wellness Screening

You can never be too cautious with your health. We have scheduled a free Wellness Screening Seminar to help with some of your concerns on Thursday, Jan. 28, in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. The Centers Rebuilding Hope will be offering several screenings. The screenings you can expect to see will be: blood pressure, medication review, bone density and depression. Please register at the Health & Recreation office, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Happy Hour

The following schedule is for the Friday night Happy Hours for the month of January:

- Jan. 8: Ray & Kay
- Jan. 15: Dave Barnes
- Jan. 22: The "Don" of Doo Wop Sal G. (Sock Hop Theme)
- Jan. 29: Tomaura

Room Request Forms

It's that time of year again to submit

your room request forms for the 2011 calendar year. If you have not turned in your request forms, please turn them in as soon as possible. You can locate the request forms at the Health & Recreation Building behind the information desk.

Additionally, this is the time to turn in requests for any special events that you are planning and any special set-ups required.

Please note that there is a minimum of 10 people required for reserving the rooms.

Also, note that a food service fee applies when residents utilize any On Top of the World Communities, Inc. facilities (including Candler Hills & Indigo East) and have food catered from outside, a potluck or food brought in personally from other caterers.

This fee will be refunded if facilities are left totally clean (tables wiped, chairs placed in proper position, no food spills and all garbage bagged and placed in dumpster).

Telephone Directory

The new 2010 On Top of the World Telephone Directory will be coming out soon, so please monitor the crawl on channel 17/22/703 for the dates to pick-up your directory at the Health & Recreation information desk.

Cookbooks

The On Top of the World Cookbooks are here and ready for purchase; pick-up your copy at the Health & Recreation office, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The books are full of recipes from

many of our residents at On Top of the World. The cost is \$11 each, and half the proceeds will go to Marion County Senior Services.

Seminole Casino Trips

Attention gamblers! We have our 2010 schedule available for all of our casino trips. You may obtain the schedule at the Health & Recreation office, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

These trips have been so popular that we have scheduled two busloads a month. So don't delay, sign up today as the seats are going fast.

You may sign-up at the Health & Recreation office, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or call the office at 854-8707 ext. 10.

Our next trip is scheduled for Jan. 26. The cost is \$20 per person. This includes the round trip bus ride, \$25 in free play and a \$5 lunch voucher.

Dinner Get-A-Ways

The monthly dinner run for January will be at Mimi's Cafe on Tuesday, Jan. 19. Pick-up location for this trip will be in the Health & Recreation parking lot by the bus stop sign. The departure time is 4:30 p.m. Reservations are required for these trips by contacting the Health & Recreation office, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Community Updates

For all of our Bingo players, we will resume Bingo starting in January of 2010.

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Avalon Social Group
Lorraine Rourke

We had a wonderful turnout for our ham potluck; nice job with the food folks. The excess ham purchased from our savings was then sold off by the bag and I found quite a few takers for the ham bones for making soup. I'm delighted to see so many folks that make soup from scratch.

The food that folks brought was varied and delicious. We raffled off the 50/50 raffle with two winners for money and two with gift certificates to Winn Dixie. Congratulations winners.

Everyone had a great time visiting. Thank you Larry Rourke for checking on cost, making arrangements for purchase and pick-up of the ham. For cutting, heating, and serving the ham, thank you to Lorraine, Larry, Dori and Jane. Also, many thanks to the folks doing set-up, take down, assigning food to serving tables and clean-up. Thank you Sandy for the name tags and Ed and Wilma for running

the raffles. Many hands make things run smoothly.

Our next potluck is Jan. 11. We will have Rick Callum as our guest speaker on homeowners insurance; he represents several insurance companies. This is not a sales pitch but informational so that we have a better understanding on what On Top of the World covers for our homes and what we need to have coverage for. He is reviewing the On Top of the World coverage and talking to several insurance companies in detail to determine their recommendations as to what the owners need for internal coverage (some may not realize how much coverage they really do need).

Come prepared for an interesting presentation and discussion after dinner around 6:30 p.m. There will be time for questions and answers, however if you want to give them questions ahead of time, please contact Larry Rourke at 390-2120.

This a potluck so bring a dish to share (appetizer, soup, salad, vegetable, casserole, meat, fruit (no desserts, those were assigned), a non-alcoholic beverage and serving utensil. Set-up is 5 p.m.; start is 5:30 p.m. at the Arbor Club Ballroom. We will have a 50/50 raffle to raise funds for 2010 events.

On Feb. 1, we will have a sweetheart potluck (come dressed in red). On March 1, we will have an outdoor event in Avalon; we're checking now to make sure the neighbors on the cul-de-sac are okay with this.

Our 2010 dates are: Jan. 11, Feb. 1, March 1, April 5, May 3, June 7, Sept. 13, Oct. 4, Nov. 1, and Dec. 6 (the first Monday of the month unless it falls next to a holiday then we go to the second Monday).

If you have any questions or ideas, call Lorraine at 390-2120.

Providence II
Tekla Krause

Nine people met for the steering committee for our 2010 events. We now have chairpersons for: Helping Hands, Suzanne Janssone; treasurer, Meridel Jellifer; la-

dies lunches, Lynn Schimmel; membership and communications, Tekla Krause; and callers, Ruth Kuntar and Mary Bartel.

We are continuing monthly lunches and are planning a few larger events that will include the men of our neighborhood. This month we will have game night at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F on Tuesday, Jan. 26 at 6 p.m. Bring a snack, soft drink and your favorite game to share. We did this a few times last year and had a lot of fun. Hope to see you there.

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Winds of Windsor
Clementine Fox

I am delighted to write this month's column for Windsor and want to share with you some of my family's history. My husband, Alex, and I moved to Windsor last year, however we are still an "on the road couple." We plan to live here permanently in March 2010, at which time we want to join clubs and meet more of the other residents of the On Top of the World community.

We have been married for 40 years now and have two grown sons.

I was a former therapeutic dietitian in New York, and my husband has his own business. We love to dance, see movies and shows and take different trips around the U.S. We plan to travel abroad as soon as we get settled here, and want to join the computer club.

We both love going to Health & Recreation Building to take balance classes and aerobics. I also take the Zumba class and recently the instructor asked me to substitute instruct while she was away. I even plan to take martial arts, which are being offered at the Arbor Club. I am sorry that while we are away from Windsor, I cannot go to any of the activities that the women enjoy here such as cards, Bunco and luncheons.

I'm originally from the Philippines. I was born in Candelaria, Quezon, which is a city 170 kilometers south of Manila where I finished college and graduated with a B.S. degree in nutrition.

If you see our car parked in front of our house, please knock and we will be glad to visit with you. Happy New Year!

Community News & Update

By Kenneth Colen, Publisher

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Recreation.

Putt-Putt golf is scheduled for a complete makeover later in 2010. Initially we will do only nine-holes in 2010 and plan to catch the second nine-holes in 2011. As you might imagine, this project is happening at considerable expense. I'm sure you will be pleased with the results.

Master the Possibilities

This will be the busiest month ever for our Master the Possibilities program. Every weekday and several evenings will have a variety of classes and presentations taught by an exceptional faculty. In fact, four visiting scholars from the Northeast will enhance our faculty.

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Along with an extensive curriculum this month, Presidents' Day has a special event. Actors William and Sue Wells will recreate their first persons performance of "The Presidents and their First Ladies." Come and hear from FDR, Eleanor, then Ike and Mamie. These two presentations are well documented, fascinating and have been done in several states and eight Presidential Libraries. You won't want to miss this!

We will also be offering a tour of the new Water Plant 3 through Master the Possibilities.

All in all, Master the Possibilities is the best place to be. I hope to see you in many classes. This is one of the most unique centers in the country!

Circle Square Commons

January kicks off a new entertainment line-up at Circle Square Cultural Center. Tickets are going fast for Johnny Maestro on Jan. 9 and The Duprees on Jan. 23. The rest of the year is looking very entertaining with a wide variety of music genres.

The Farmers Market will take place on New Year's Eve morning, so take a trip over to see what's happening and support your market vendors. They keep coming back when you keep coming back.

We have some tenants coming onboard in the retail space in the next few months: suite 14 will become home to Visiting Angels, an in-home assistance provider, and suite 2 will be Financial Design of Central Florida, an insurance agency. There are some more tenants on the horizon, and we hope to announce them in the near future.

Additionally, suite 3 will become a multi-use facility under the auspices of Master the Possibilities where a variety of topics will be taught including stained glass, other art disciplines, a place for visiting artists to work in the future, art lectures and a place to display resident and faculty artwork.

Look for more details in the days to come.

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Candler Connection

Don Grosner

The Candler Connection elections for the 2010 governing board produced three new members to the seven person board. New members Shizuka Campagna, Caroline Caprano and Bob Scherff will join Ray Cech, Bob Davis, Don Grosner and Fred Jankowski to help the organization provide social opportunities and information about clubs and activities here in Candler Hills.

The Candler Excursion Club hosted its first holiday party on Wednesday, Dec. 2. Thirty-six members attended and were entertained by our talented neighbor, Gates Landry, who provided live music and vocals for all to enjoy.

A Toys for Tots collection and a "left-over pizza" auction (a new fundraiser, call for details) generated toys and cash donations which were given to our local Friendship Fire Station for distribution to needy children.

The Excursion Club will hold its first 2010 gathering on Feb. 2 at the Candler Hills Community Center at 6:30 p.m. All Candler Hills neighbors are invited to attend.

The Candler Hills fourth annual holiday party took place on Dec. 9 at the Circle Square Cultural Center. Beautiful holiday decorations greeted all who entered and Sounds of Time provided upbeat music for nearly 200 partygoers. All enjoyed a fine buffet dinner prepared by our own Chef Dave Blaud.

A Toys for Tots collection box over-

flowed with donations. Heddy Racinowski, event coordinator and her committee are to be congratulated on an outstanding evening for all who attended.

The first of our 2010 Candler Hills speaker series will kick off on Tuesday, Jan. 26 at the Candler Hills Community Center. David and Paula Shire will tell us about their experiences producing solar energy. As you've probably noticed driving along SW 81st Loop, there is a solar paneled roof, under it lives Dave and Paula. They will share with us what it was like from exploring the concept, selecting the vendor, installing and finally living with a net-zero energy bill. They will also share with us their latest environmentally friendly project, capturing the rain.

The monthly potluck dinner will resume on Monday, Jan. 25 at the Candler Hills Community Center at 5:45 p.m. Please check the January newsletter or bulletin board for your culinary contribution. To RSVP or for further information, contact Bev at 854-9416.

A reminder to all, "What's Cooking in Candler Hills," our neighborhood cookbook, is available for purchase. To purchase a cookbook (\$10), contact Diane at 873-3869 or contact any Candler Connection board member.

New to Candler Hills? Please call John Podkomorski at 875-9890 to update our neighborhood directories and learn about our New Neighbor Welcome events on the third Tuesday of each month, at 3 p.m. at Candler Hills Community Center.

For residents of Candler Hills, or if you'd like to see what our neighborhood experience is all about, you can find more information at the Candler Connection website at www.candlerconnection.org.



Citizens Emergency Response Team
Caroline Scott

After eight years of leading our CERT team, my husband Norman and I are ending our leadership with this group as of the end

of this year. It has been a very important, interesting and enjoyable part of our lives. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the members that have given their time and energy making sure that their families and neighbors would be safe in times of emergency. It is through their dedication that our team is one of the largest and most successful in Marion County.

We are very proud of all the members, including those who for one reason or another, had to leave us. They have all proved that retirement can be a very productive age, where you can expand your horizons while being an asset to your community. Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts.

As of Jan. 1, Pat Woodbury will be taking over this leadership with the help of a team that she has already organized. We wish them all the best, and we will still be with all of you to help where needed.

Again, our heartfelt thanks to all of you for your support over the years.



Helping Hands Providence II

Suzanne Jeansonne

A happy New Year to everyone and hope you look forward with enthusiasm to all the fun things that are ahead of us this New Year.

Our last meeting together of our neighborhood captains was full of new ideas. As a group, we are getting to know each

other and bonding together to meet your needs and ours!

We now have eight captains. We need one more for SW 92 Place Road. Six wonderful men have signed up to help those who have problems and need a volunteer handyman.

Diane Lawrence is our newest lady in our group that has expertise on social services issues. She is going to make available information that is relevant to us in Marion County. She will present different topics to us from the latest Social Security updates to nursing home information, which we will hope to pass on to you.

Remember, we are here for you as your neighbors to help in anytime of need or crisis from delivering a meal to relieving a caregiver. We will be there even just to encourage you. We have nearly all streets in Providence II covered with your own captains. We will give all the relevant information for your street when the new telephone book is available in On Top of the World.

Please let us know if you are interested in being part of our group, contact Suzanne Jeansonne, 873-9361 or e-mail sjeansonne@cfl.rr.com.

Women's Cancer Support Group

Patricia A. Woodbury

In November, Marsha Foreman RN, MSN, OCN, an Oncology educator for 26 years spoke on the causes, treatment and prevention of selected cancers. Ms. Foreman's presentation included many anecdotes from her professional work, confirming her wealth of experience and expertise.

The next meeting will be Thursday, Dec. 17. The group will take this time to

share stories and resources. This group meets on the third Thursday of each month in Health & Recreation Building, Room #2 at 1:30 p.m. Women who are cancer survivors or may be a caretaker for someone with cancer or interested in learning about cancer issues are welcome to attend. For further information, contact Diane Kirol at 854-8152.



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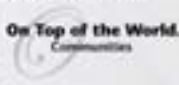


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Concert Chorus
Anne Merrick

Our concert on Sunday, Dec. 6 was a rousing success. We all looked so good in our black and white with a hint of color in the men's bowties and the women's corsages. About 300 people attended the concert.

The solo, Ring the Bells, sung by Sally Misuraca gave us all goose bumps with its purity. The duet, Pie Jesu, sung by Carol Slimm and JoAnn Nyren, did the same thing. They were wonderful.



Photo by James Merrick

The Concert Chorus in concert on Dec. 6.

Bob Wroblewski did a splendid job of narrating and Joyce Walchak kept us in tune with her accompaniment. Jean Muncy also accompanied some of the numbers and Paul Willink played with Joyce in the four handed Pachelbel's Canon. Suzanne Womack assisted by Odd Bjerkmann played percussion. Way to go folks.

Our director, Jean Monroe, was not

able to participate but Carol Slimm took over as acting director and did a terrific job of keeping us all together and singing well. Thank you, Carol. Jean, we are looking forward to seeing you in January, when we start practice for our spring concert.

Thank you to the audience for the generosity of your donations. New and excit-

ing music can be purchased for future use. Look for us next year when we will have a different selection for your enjoyment.

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Opera
Bernie Kelly

On Dec. 3, the opera appreciation class saw a very high level performance of Turandot by the Metropolitan Opera Company. Plácido Domingo, Eva Marton and Paul Plishka starred with Leona Mitchell performing marvelously in the supporting role of Liu. We had a nice turnout and there is still time to get involved on Jan. 7 when we will see the comic opera, Don Pasquale, by Gaetano Donizetti.

Donizetti was born on Nov. 29, 1797, in Bergamo, Italy, and died there on April 8, 1848. In his early years, he studied music in Naples and was very much influenced by the operas of Rossini. He later studied in Bologna with Stanislao Mattei who was Rossini's teacher.

He really wanted to continue and become an opera composer but his father disapproved. He, therefore, joined the army. However, his military duties did not make it impossible for him to continue writing operas. His fourth opera, Zoraida di Granata, was produced in Rome and was a triumph. It was so successful that he got an official release from the army in early 1822 and he began composing operas full time. In the next six years,

he wrote 21 works all of which showed a striking influence of Rossini.

Anna Bolena was composed in 1830 and was done essentially in what was to become Donizetti's style and was a great success being performed all over Europe. In 1832, L'Elisir d'Amore and, in 1835, Lucia di Lammermoor were performed one in Milan and the other in Naples. They are still part of the opera repertory performed today. Two other of his 67 operas are still performed fairly often today. They are La Fille du Régiment and La Favorita.

Finally, Don Pasquale, which we will see and his second to last opera was successful in 1843 and is still today.

In 1844, Donizetti was struck by an illness, which led to mental deterioration requiring him to be hospitalized. After several years he improved enough to be released to live with his brother in Bergamo. However, in a few months he died and was given a hero's funeral by his native city.

Don Pasquale is an opera buffa in three acts with the libretto by Giacomo Ruffini and the composer. There are four main characters: Don Pasquale, a bass, is an old bachelor in his 70s; Ernesto, a tenor, is his nephew and in love with Norina, a soprano; and Dr. Malatesta, a baritone, masterminds the scheme that is the plot of the opera. The cast is all in their 20s except Claudio Desderi who sings the role of Don Pasquale.

The plot consists of a sham wedding between Don Pasquale and a disguised Norina. Once "married," she proceeds to act as a shrew spending his money and disrespecting him. Even after the conspirators confess what they have done, the Don is so happy to be out of his "marriage" that he gives Enrico and Norina his blessing on their marriage.

This is what we have for our program on Jan. 7 at 1 p.m. in Suites B and C of the Arbor Conference Center. If you missed the first class, it is not too late to join for the final four operas. It would be nice to have some more new members.



Karaoke Friends
Vivian Brown

The weather outside was frightful for people to come out but for those who did, our show was very well received and the Salvation Army was pleased with our donation.

Believe me; we enjoyed it as much as those in the audience.

Remember, "Where there is music there is love and happiness."

We are now preparing for our show at the Southern Club on Thursday, Jan. 7. See you there.

We meet every first and third Monday of the month at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. There are no dues and everyone is welcome. You're never too old to sing!

Happy New Year to all, and God bless everyone with good health and happiness.

If any club or organization would like us to entertain or have any questions, please call 291-0246.

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Community Patrol

Patricia A. Woodbury

A letter was received from Captain Tom Terrell, Commander, Southwest District Office, thanking the community for its generous support and participation in the annual Halloween Party held on Oct. 31 at the Brian Litz Building. Our assistance helped to make the party a success!

A few patrol volunteers are making Seniors at Risk Assistance (SARA) visits.

This service program of the Sheriff's Department provides periodic observational visits to referred homes to check for health and safety issues. Persons interested in making a referral should contact Sergeant Grady Grimes at 402-6060.

The On Top of the World Sheriff's Office volunteers from the Patrol and Citizens Emergency Response Team (CERT) attended a luncheon hosted by Ken Cole and attended by Sheriff Ed Dean on Monday, Dec. 14 at the Candler Hills Community Center. This is an annual event to thank the volunteers for their service to the community.

At the November meeting, Garry Gerlach put members of the patrol to the test, when he gave them a pop quiz. Some of the questions included also applied to any resident: What do you do when you see a dog running loose? Pets that are lost or found can be referred to Melanie Vititow, 873-8690 or Ralph Mills, 390-3446. What do you do if you see a blinking porch light at someone's house? If you know the person living there, call them. If there is no answer, call 911. They might not be able to answer the phone. If you do not know the person, then call 911.

The next regular meeting of the Community Patrol is Monday, Jan. 25 at 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. Anyone interested in learning more about the patrol is welcome to attend.



Genealogical Society

Elizabeth Kyle

A new year, a new article, and some unappealing truths that I hesitate to tell my own family that the "authentic" coat of arms that you proudly display in your home may not be authentic at all. We have all seen ads for such things, and may have been approached by someone selling your "family history." Without careful research, properly supported with properly referenced sources, your best stance is skepticism.

The truth of the matter is that a coat of arms belongs to one individual person and can only be used by that individual. Originally, coats of arms were designed for use in battle to differentiate friend from foe. Even sons did not wear the

same insignia as their fathers. Each had their own insignia and colors. When the father died, only the oldest son could use the father's original design.

Registration was required in the 15th century and is still expected today. If you display a coat of arms without written permission, you are guilty of forgery. The official office regulating coats of arms and granting of new arms for England, Wales and Northern Ireland is the College of Arms at www.college-of-arms.gov.uk/. Information on the coat of arms granted in Scotland can be found at the Court of The Lord Lyon at www.lyon-court.com/lordlyon.

Both of these sites are worthwhile if you have an interest in arms and heraldry. The College of Arms publishes a free newsletter four times a year. In one, I found the novelist, Barbara Taylor Bradford of New York City. How do you register for a coat of arms? What documentation is necessary? What is the cost? All of your questions are answered on these websites.

Don't forget, classes on Family Tree Maker will resume at Master the Possibilities this winter. Online registration begins on Dec. 24. Classes are limited to 10. Each person will use a computer preloaded with the program for an optimal learning environment.

Our business meetings are held on the second Monday at 10 a.m. in room three of the Crafts Building. Visitors are always welcome. Helen Grollmusz will show you our very good library of resources to help you get started. Educational meetings are held in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C at 10 a.m.



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Grandparents

Barbara Greenwood

The visit to Romeo Elementary School in Dunnellon occurred on Dec. 10. All volunteer grandparents were decked out in the season's colors of red and green. We received a very warm welcome from Mrs. Coy, assistant principal, and Mrs. Thomas, dean of the school.

The best part, of course, was when we entered our individual classrooms and read to the children. They seemed excited about our visit and greeted us with warm smiles in anticipation of our time together.

Romeo is a kindergarten through grade five elementary school. Our aim is to have a grandparent reader in each and every classroom. The children are great. The teacher provides a place to sit and the books that we read. It's always a plus when we read a story that the students can participate in.

We're always looking for people who would be interested in joining our group. This is not a "you must be there group." We do not have monthly meetings or dues. It is fully understood that appointments, company or other plans create

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times when you might have to miss going out, therefore making you hesitant to put your name on our list. However, that is exactly why we have a list of potential grandparents.

When we hear that someone cannot make the visit to Romeo, we use that list to find someone who just might be able to fill in for that occasion. Think about it, and if you are interested, please call or e-mail Barbara Greenwood, 861-2539, barbg@cfl.rr.com to add your name.

We go by school bus on the second Thursday of the month. Our group is picked up at approximately 9 a.m. in the Winn Dixie parking lot by the empty Porter's store. We return to the same location around noon. Our next visit will be Thursday, Jan. 14.

Thank you for so faithfully clipping and delivering the Campbell soup labels, and the Labels for Education to the red schoolhouse located under the stairs in the Health & Recreation Building.

Thank you to all who contribute to our Food-for-Kids backpack program. Foods such as cereals, snack bars, pop-top canned goods, (macaroni, spaghetti, beef stew, tuna fish, etc.) crackers, peanut butter and/or jelly, may be delivered to Elliott and Marlyn Barbour's home and placed in a tote located on their front porch. Their address is: 8680-H SW 94th Street. Mr. and Mrs. Barbour deliver the food to the church that makes up the backpacks for Romeo and Dunnellon Elementary children. This ensures that the children will have something to eat over the weekends.



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Native Plant Group meetings take place the second Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. (no longer 1:45 p.m.) in Suite H of the Arbor Conference Center. Please join us as we learn about native plants.



Photo by Ron Broman

In the lava fields of Aricife in the Canary Islands, November 2009.

Upcoming Hospice Events

By RUTH GOLDSTINE

Margaret Orlando and Ruth Goldstine are co-chairwomen for two upcoming Hospice events. The committee for the events includes Eileen Utiss, Larry Wilver, Penny Leutkemeyer, Mary Curry, Patty Griffith and Toni Lagattuta. Betty Chadwell represents Indigo East and Heddy Racinowski

represents Candler Hills.

The first event is a raffle for a five-day/ four-night cruise or a cocktail ring valued at \$600. Raffle tickets are \$1. The drawing will be on March 27 (you do not have to be present). Tickets may be purchased every Monday in the Health & Recreation Ballroom from 8:30 to 10 a.m.

The second event is the 10th annual Hoofin' It For Hospice two-mile walk, which will take place on Saturday, Feb. 27.

To date, On Top of the World has raised more than \$100,000 for the Legacy House and our latest gift was the third room we purchased for \$30,000. Other needed amenities have also been purchased.

Please call Margaret at 854-7306 or Ruth at 854-1128 for tickets or information.



Back at The Ranch
David Gibas

The time is perfect for establishing a personal path to a happier, healthier you! The Ranch has everything you need to meet your fitness goals. Let us help you get started and keep you motivated!

After indulging in holiday affairs, weight loss becomes a top priority for many of us. The concept of a weight loss program is simple ... but simple is not always easy! For most of us it is not that we don't know how to lose weight, it's that we don't know why we can't lose weight.

We have just the thing to help you with this challenge! Join us for our six-

week weight-loss program entitled "Who Shed That?!" where we will unravel some of the weight-loss mysteries. The weekly weigh-in sessions will be accompanied by lifestyle discussions on topics such as nutrition, exercise for weight loss and deciphering food labels. Get all the program details and reserve your spot at the front desk for \$25.

The member who loses the greatest percentage of body weight in the six weeks will win a free personal training session. You just might be the person who answers, "I shed that!"

We also have some exciting new class offerings to keep you on track with your fitness goals. Check out Aqua Zumba in the pool on Saturday mornings at 10:30 a.m. with Traci Rivera.

Boot Camp is a great way to step up your exercise intensity (and your fitness level!). You can do this every Friday at 5:30 p.m.

If you're looking for something unique and outrageous, join us for the Drum C.O.R.E. class on Saturday, Jan. 23, at 10 a.m. This class pairs drums sticks with stability balls for a rhythmic cardio explosion!

Lastly, as a special thank you to all of our Ranch members, we will be presenting "Member Appreciation Week" Jan. 11-15. Look for special fitness events every day that week! Bring a guest for free, health screenings and even free personal training!

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Poinsettia



**Nature
Around Us
Doris Mauricio**

Many of us will have purchased a Poinsettia this holiday season. If kept moist, your Poinsettia will hold its blooms for at least a month. After all danger of frost has passed, your Poinsettia can be placed in your garden in a container or in the ground. If you choose a protected area, the plant could last for years.

Poinsettias can be used as landscape plants in Central Florida. They are considered a woody perennial and the bracts can begin showing color as early as mid to late November. The colorful bracts will remain until March or later unless hit with freezing temperatures.

The colorful portion of the plant, commonly referred to as the blossom, is called a bract, which is a modified leaf. The flower is actually the tiny yellow and green nubs in the center of the bracts. The bracts now come in many colors from pale yellow to salmon to shades of red.

January is a great month to take a close look at your garden plan. Most of your plants are dormant and the deciduous trees are bare of leaves. Standing at a distance, maybe at your neighbor's house, or taking digital photos of the areas of concern, allow you to see what others see.

Now assess how you can make your gardens better, or larger, or smaller, or more private, or more open, or more balanced. One goal that is exciting is to have something blooming year round. Petunias, pansies and snapdragons will continue to bloom until June. Camellias are starting to bloom and will continue through February, then in March, Azaleas.

Be prepared to cover your tender plants this month. Local weather reports will inform you if there is a danger of frost or

freeze. After the freeze, do not prune or fertilize cold damaged plants until spring. They will not be pretty, but pruning will only cause new tender growth that can be destroyed in the next freeze.

Dehydration is another problem with freezes. Be sure to water tender plants well before evening in order to prevent damage. There are a lot of leaves and pine needles falling out there. Remember to recycle them in your garden for the sake of your soil and your pocket book.

Norma Samuel, Horticulture Agent for the Marion County Extension Office, will be repeating her popular "Gardening for Dummies" classes beginning Feb. 1 through 5, Monday through Friday from 3 to 6 p.m. Registration deadline is Friday, Jan. 16. There is a \$20 fee to cover materials. Call 671-8400 to register, and ask for Cindy. Some of the topics to be covered include vegetable gardening, lawn care, pruning, fruit trees and attracting wildlife.

If you would like me to assist you with your gardening concerns, please e-mail me at dmauricio@cfl.rr.com. Happy gardening!



**Birders' Beat
Jane Callender**

While hiking along the Withlacoochee River, our bird group spotted an Eastern Phoebe. The flycatcher is found in mixed

pine and hardwood forests near streams. A distinguishing characteristic is the rapid tail-moving up and down. Its preferred food is insects but will munch on berries as well. You may hear the phoebe call its name, "phoe-bee, phoe-bee."

Phoebe's nest consists of a cup of mud and moss. The female lays three to eight white eggs. Young birds fly from the nest in about 15 days. A second and sometimes a third brood follows.

Our Nov. 17 bird hike occurred on a perfect day for a walk in the woods with the sighting of many different bird species. After the walk, everyone enjoyed a feast at a nearby restaurant.

The Unique Birders will have their next hike on Jan. 28. Call me at 861-2983 for more information. Our next meeting will be on Jan. 19 in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite H at 1:30 p.m. Hope to see you there!

Submitted by Sid Jarvis



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Eastern Phoebe on the Oxbow Trail in the Withlacoochee State Forest.

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Consider making a commitment to becoming more flexible. Flexibility, the ability to move joints through their full range of motion, is vastly underrated. Your level of flexibility affects virtually every movement you make from getting out of your bed, lifting a carton, even gardening. Limited flexibility means limited movement.

The good news is when it comes to flexibility; a little effort goes a long way. By doing simple stretches before working out and especially afterwards, you can go far in improving your flexibility, and your quality of life.

MAINTAIN YOUR BRAIN: Much of what we do to keep our bodies healthy will also contribute to overall brain health. But there are some things you can do that specifically benefit the brain itself. Danielle Messick, a licensed professional counselor, recommends a regime of exercising, eating a healthy diet and engaging your brain to keep your mind sharp.

EXERCISE: Maintaining good blood flow to the brain is important. At least 30 minutes a day of moderate aerobic activity—anything that gets your heart rate up like exercise, walking, biking, or even gardening—should do the trick.

DIET: Eating a healthy diet is very important for brain health. Studies have shown that consuming too much saturated fat and cholesterol can increase your risk for Alzheimer's disease. HDL (or the

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9:30-10:30 Arbor Club Ballroom	Yoga* Ronnese	Yoga* Teaching Class Ronnese	Yoga* Ronnese				
11:45-12:30 Arbor Club Ballroom	Get Fit While You Sit Kitti		Get Fit While You Sit Kitti		Get Fit While You Sit Kitti		
1:30-2:15 Arbor Club Indoor Pool	Shallow Water Aerobics* Traci		Shallow Water Aerobics* Traci				

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"good" cholesterol) can help to protect the brain cells, so it's a good idea to consume mono- and polyunsaturated fats, such as olive oil.

Some studies also suggest that dark-skinned vegetables and fruits that contain antioxidants are helpful for protecting brain cells. So, include vegetables like kale, spinach, brussel sprouts, alfalfa sprouts, broccoli, beets, red bell pepper, onion, corn and eggplant. Also, include fruits like prunes, raisins, blueberries, blackberries, strawberries, raspberries, plums, oranges, red grapes and cherries.

Cold-water fish contains beneficial omega-3 fatty acids, so include halibut, mackerel, salmon, trout and tuna in your diet for brain health. In addition, some nuts like almonds, pecans and walnuts are a good source of vitamin E, an antioxidant that is good for your brain.

ENGAGE YOUR BRAIN: Being a life-long learner is a great way to keep your brain strong. Activities like reading, working puzzles, playing games, attending classes and lectures will help keep your brain engaged. Social activity is also helpful for reducing stress and maintaining healthy connections between brain cells.

Brain health impacts everything we do and has a fundamental bearing on the quality of our lives. Taking care of your brain isn't really that difficult. If you're already exercising regularly and eating a healthy diet, you're more than half way there. Simply taking the time to read or work a puzzle or play a game with your family can be the final component to keeping your brain sharp.



**Larry's
Fit Tips**
Larry Robinson

Exercise is Medicine

Time flies! It seems like only yesterday we were going through the madness of trying to figure out where the time goes and the many excuses we make not to exercise. If I only had more time, or exercise is so boring and the best one of all, I'll start tomorrow.

The evidence is in for fitness. Regular exercise has been associated with more health benefits than anything else known to man. Studies show that it reduces the risk of some cancers, increases longevity, helps achieve and maintain weight loss, enhances mood, lowers blood pressure and even improves arthritis. In short, exercise keeps you healthy and makes you look and feel better, why not make this your New Year's resolution?

Start out slow and gradually increase your duration, frequency and intensity; this makes a fitness routine more feasible.

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ble. Sometimes it is good to have a workout partner who makes you accountable to be there.

Sometimes it's good to have a personal trainer to make sure your form is correct and you are performing the exercise properly. A trainer can recommend doing exercises several different ways to maximum your time spent in the fitness center. A trainer can get you started with a lot of useful information, so you are far ahead in knowing the proper way to train.

One of the most frequently asked questions I get in the fitness center is, "How do I get rid of the extra weight around the midsection?" You can't say, I want to target one area to lose weight; it doesn't work that way. Rule of thumb is you can spot tone but you can't spot reduce. You have to work all the major muscles in the body that in turn will burn fat from all over.

Losing those extra pounds takes commitment, consistency and the desire to reach your goal. You will be surprised how fast one can transform their body. Eating right is 80% of the total equation, portion and serving sizes are equally important along with a diet rich in vegetables, fruits, protein and essential fatty acids.

So, make that decision this month and take the first step toward improving your life by visiting the fitness center. Find that workout partner or stop by the fitness desk and ask for Larry Robinson. I will be happy to help you along to make exercise more enjoyable and to reach your desired goals.

There is a scheduled orientation of the Cybex machines every Tuesday at noon or you can contact me at 854-5198 x12, if you would like to set-up an appointment and get a head start on improving your health.

FIT TIP #1: In go out go, you have to burn more calories than you take in, in order to lose weight.

FIT TIP #2: Muscle and fat weigh the same, fat is not as dense as muscle so therefore fat is larger by volume. The more muscle you have the more calories you burn.

FIT TIP #3: Weight bearing exercises are great but you also need to keep your muscles strong because you know as we age muscle is lost and then a host of complications follow. So, pump up those muscles and stay strong.

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Fitness Happenings
Cammy Dennis

Top 10 Best Things You Can Do to Improve Your Health in 2010!

Happy healthy New Year! This top 10 list may not be quite as humorous as David Letterman's, but it is probably far more important! The idea is to adopt all of these lifestyle changes slowly but permanently. Focus on one thing at a time and then move on to implementing another one.

Within this New Year, you can achieve all of these top 10 healthy habits! It's a good idea to monitor how you are feeling along the way. When you pause to notice positive changes in how you feel, you will be inspired to continue on your top 10 wellness journey!

1. Include lean protein with each meal to stabilize your blood sugar level and keep your energy up.
2. Monitor your sodium intake; about 2000 milligrams a day would be considered okay, but less is better.
3. Monitor your sugar intake. The average American eats approximately 24 pounds of sugar a year! Try to keep your sugar intake to 32 grams a day.
4. Eat five fruits and vegetables daily.
5. Drink plenty of water.
6. Limit processed and fast foods.
7. Become a savvy shopper and learn to decipher nutritional labels.
8. Take a healthy multi-vitamin for additional support for your body.
9. Get some form or exercise for at least 30 minutes a day.
10. Get eight to 10 hours of sleep every night.

Fitness happenings at Health & Recreation:

- Swim Lessons starting on Jan. 12. Sign up now at Health & Recreation fitness desk.
- The Biggest Loser starting on Jan. 14.
- Health and Wellness Expo. Saturday, Jan. 16 at Circle Square Cultural Center.
- The Medical Exercise Connection at Master the Possibilities on Jan. 26 at 9:30 a.m.
- Fabulous Friday coming in February!



Theatre Group
Marilyn Bettinger

In November, the Theatre Group performed two successful shows of "So Long Sunny Pines" and the cast and crew are still reeling from the wonderful accolades that they received for it. We even have a wonderful DVD for our memories.

With our new board of directors and new members to stir us all on, we are now gearing up for a new season, the first being in April. The group has established a storyboard committee and they will be brainstorming for the November show and future productions.

Our April extravaganza will be a totally new adventure and auditions are scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 10 at 2:15 p.m. in Suite D of the Arbor Conference Center.

This new show will be a "cabaret" style format and with that in mind you should bring in two songs (a ballad and an up tempo) to show off your versatility. Please be prepared with your own sheet music, boom box or sing a capella if that is your choice. Preferably, your songs should be memorized.

There will be a piano in the room and the artistic director will be running the auditions. The show will be limited to six to eight people and you will be advised by phone if you will or will not be accepted for this production.

The concept is still in preparation and more information will be forthcoming. We are also looking for people who will work backstage in various capacities; such as, make-up, costumes, props, etc.

We invite anyone interested in entertainment to come to our general membership meetings to meet our fun filled group who might even entertain you at that time.

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HEALTH AND RECREATION CENTER GROUP FITNESS SCHEDULE
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Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7:15 Aerobics Rm.	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	Oxycize
8:00-8:50 Aerobics Room	Cardio Mix Jessica	Condition & Stretch Cammy	Cardio-Kick & Tone Jessica	Condition & Stretch Cammy	Cardio Mix Kitti	12:15 20 Min.
9:00-9:50 Aerobics Room	Core and More Jessica	Mind-Body Balance Mary Pat	Stretch for the Stars Jessica	Mind-Body Balance Mary Pat	Core and More Kitti	Sunday Oxycize
10:00-10:45 Aerobics Room	Balanced Body Jessica		Balanced Body Jessica	Strictly Strength Larry	Balanced Body Mary Pat	12:15 20 Min.
10:30-11:15 H&R Ballroom	Cardio Jam Kitti		Cardio Jam Kitti		Light Latin-10:45 Dunia	
10:45-11:30 Aerobics Room	Light Aerobics Jessica		Light Aerobics Mary Pat		S.O.S - "Serious on Strength" Kitti	
12:00 Fitness Center		Fitness Center Orientation				
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1:00-2:00 Aerobics Room		ZUMBA* Traci		ZUMBA* Traci		

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Women of the World
Terri Molnar

The Arbor Conference Center meeting rooms were transformed into a winter wonderland for the December meeting. Working the magic was decorations chairwoman, Paula Smith, and her committee members, Sharon Wasmund and Lorraine Paszek. Word has it that two elves (Richie Smith and Tom Paszek) helped to spread the snow around, too!

The members enjoyed a holiday feast, which was served by Judy Singer, Kathy Schajatovic, Melanie Vittitow, Angie Hook and Sue Goldberg; all of these gals substituted for our hard-working, long-



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Ray Utiss

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standing refreshment committee. Those gals deserved to be recognized for the many hours they devote to our organization. So, a big thanks to Betty Serwecki, Janet Abrahamson, Barbara Belz, Alice Connors, Pam Koch, Kathy Lang and Ellie Richards!

After the splendid repast, The Golden Troupers from Ocala Civic Theater entertained us with renditions of many favorite holiday songs. Sprinkled throughout the musical selections were some terrific comedy skits. However, the highlight of the program was the finale, which featured Bing Crosby (Ed, a Golden Trouper) and the Andrew Sisters aka Kathy Becker, Suzi Burdan and Ellie Richards. Our gals did some marvelous singing and dancing; all without any practice beforehand!

Operation Shoebox continues to be our on-going project. Items needed by our armed services personnel are listed on the raspberry containers at the Health & Recreation and the Arbor Club office. The lists are also available at: www.operation-shoobox.com. Click on the Supporter Info tab and then scroll down to Suggested Items. You can also contact chairwoman, Bonnie Salo, for more details.

We do thank everyone who continues to help fill the containers, knits or crochets the much-coveted helmet liners, and supports our efforts with donations to defray the cost of postage.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Friday, Jan. 8; please note it is the second Friday. The usual times will be observed and light refreshments will be served.

The New Year is bound to bring some surprises, too! Bring a friend to join in the activities.

A reminder that tickets for the luncheon and fashion show to benefit Hospice of Marion County will go on sale at this meeting. Tickets are \$20 per person. Please have your checks made out, particularly if you are buying a full table; it would be even better if you had the names listed of the gals sitting at your table, too!

At the January meeting, a three-person nominating committee must be formed to find a slate of officers for 2010-2011. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please contact Nancy Grabowski. One member must be from the board. Also, anyone wishing to be a candidate for an office should contact Nancy Grabowski or one of the other officers.

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**New York/
New Jersey**
Bunny Barba

I cannot believe that it is 2010. It seems that just yesterday we began our new century. Time really does go faster as we get older.

The November meeting was an event to be remembered. Vice President in charge of entertainment, Dottie Berkowitz, presented her new group called, "Let's Put On a Show" singing and doing skits written by Dottie. The name of the show was "A Perfect 10," and it was indeed perfect. Thank you to Dottie and to all the players.

Our catered Christmas party was on Dec. 15. It was complete with great food, gifts and everything that goes with this wonderful holiday season. A complete report will appear in our February column.

The New York/New Jersey famous Tampa Downs trip will take place on Friday, Feb. 12. Space is limited and reservations will be taken at the Christmas party. Price for the complete trip including a wonderful clubhouse dinner, transportation, clubhouse admission, programs and reserved seating is \$41 per member and \$42 per non-member. Please contact Liz Ettel at 861 0047 or Bunny Barba at 873 8009 to reserve and pay for your tickets. Non-members will be accommodated after all members have received their tickets.

If you are interested in joining this great club, please contact membership chairman Myra Post at 861 9223.

May your life be full of good luck and great joy, always in all ways.

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**Pennsylvania
Club**
Pat Utiss

The Pennsylvania Club Christmas party was a success, thanks to the enthusiastic participation of our members. We had a covered dish dinner, and the amount of food available was overwhelming. Many recipes were requested and shared.

Before the visit of Santa, a trivia game was played. I must admit the game was really hard and we had only a few members who got even one answer right. In the future, I promised to make the games a little easier. I wanted to challenge their brains, but I think I went a little too far.

Santa arrived and the first order of business was our exchange of gifts. Instead of our usual reading of the "Visit of Saint Nick," Santa read a story about the Right Family. This reading led to as much confusion and mix-ups as the Visit of Saint Nick. I think the confusion is what makes it fun.

Our next order of business was the awarding of our door prizes. As usual at our Christmas party, the first door prize was a basket of products made in Pennsylvania and donated by our members. Hazel Radabaugh brought this idea to our first Christmas party about 10 years ago. The basket has grown since that first party. This year, Bea Maxwell won it and she was really thrilled. Her comment was, "I never win anything." She cannot say that anymore.

Ten poinsettia centerpieces were also awarded to various members. Our charity is Salvation Army, and our members donated nine large boxes of new toys.

Once again, I am asking members to call me with stories of how they met their spouses for our February meeting. If you don't call me, I will call you.

Our next meeting will be Jan. 13, at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite E. The meeting starts at 3 p.m., but please come early for refreshments. Dues of \$5 per year will be payable at this meeting. The speaker will be Paws for Patriots.

Also, let me give my monthly reminder -- you do not have to be from Pennsylvania to be a member of this club. We welcome everyone, so come and have a good time.

Events January

To be listed, call Sid at 861-8775

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Southern Club
Charlotte Hancock

If snow was falling inside and out of the Health & Recreation Ballroom, we would have had a perfect Christmas Eve dinner. The tables were decorated with red tablecloths and a centerpiece of swag and candles.

Our dinner buffet was catered by Bruce and a delightful meal of chicken and pork with all the trimmings was served in a timely fashion. Who can resist pumpkin and apple pie this time of the year?

We had a wonderful Christmas program consisting of our own club members. The men sang "12 Days of Christmas," using their own imitations such as "lords a leaping," and "maids a milking." Then, the ladies sang the same song with their own personal touch. I don't think I will ever be able to listen to a dove cooing with a straight facial expression again.

Be sure and mark your calendars, as the next meeting will be Jan. 7. Dinner will be at the usual time of 5:30 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. Our entertainment will be Vivian Brown and the karaoke singers.

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**New England
Club**
Peg Corkum

A traditional way for a group of New Englanders to celebrate the holidays is to have, what else? A "Yankee Swap!"

So, we did just that at our December meeting. Lots of oohs, aahs and laughs were heard throughout. Light refreshments and holiday music (I'm sure I heard some singing too) were enjoyed.

Marge made keepsake trinket boxes for everyone to enjoy. We had the usual 50/50 and "guess the candy" in a festive jar (created by Lori).

In January, we will have a bread and soup lunch in Suites B and C of the Arbor Conference Center. Members, please bring soup, chowder or chili (potluck) enough to share with about eight people. Please feel free to share your recipe too! The committee will provide everything else, including dessert and coffee.

We plan to have a very well known local celebrity as our guest. Any questions about the lunch arrangements, please contact our refreshment hostess, Jean Nims.

Also, watch for info regarding our Feb. 12 meeting! The entertainment planned is very different, we think.

If you (or one of a couple) are a resident of On Top Of The World, currently and/or previously lived in a New England state, membership is still open. Just contact President, Lorraine Benotti or Vice President, Lori McMullen.

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January 8th - 1:00 pm



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January 15th - 1:00 pm



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Taking Control of Your Diabetes

January 19th - 2:00 pm

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Harley Worthit



Robbie Carson

Entertainment Group Presents 'Branson Meets Quebec'

Saturday, Jan. 30 promises to be a wild evening in the Health & Recreation Ballroom! This is when "Branson (Harley Worthit) Meets Quebec (Robbie Carson)" at 7:30 p.m.

Those that saw "Branson Meets Nashville" two years ago will agree, that Harley Worthit may just be the funniest comedian in town with outlandish costumes that will "wow" you. His most recent gig was at the Jim Stafford Theater in Branson.

Sharing the stage with Harley, from Quebec, is song stylist Robbie Carson. This talented vocalist offers a variety of

songs from standards to jazz to doo-wop not to mention an international touch that will charm the audience. Her performance will make you travel through time and bring back good memories.

Tickets for "Branson Meets Quebec" may be purchased from 8:30 to 10 a.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom starting on Jan. 4 and then every Monday, Wednesday and Friday thereafter. Ticket prices are \$6 general and \$8 reserved with a four-ticket limit for all On Top of the World residents.



Irish American Club
Bob O'Neal

Mhaise Dhuit (Happy New Year). We had a great Christmas program on Dec. 10 with turkey, ham and entertainment by the Inisheer Irish Dance Company. We have had them perform before but the practice they have been putting in, particularly on the precision hard tap routines, was most noticeable. Very well done and much appreciated by a club attendance of 173.

Like most countries, Ireland has a number of native traditions. Many of these came about during a time when the Gaelic culture and religion were being suppressed (the "Penal Times"). It may be that very idea that has helped them survive in modern times.

The Candle in the Window

Placing a lighted candle in the window is still very popular in modern day Ireland. It primarily is a symbol of welcome to Mary and Joseph as they traveled looking for shelter.

The candle also indicated a safe place for priests to perform Mass since during

Penal Times, this was not allowed. In later years, the candle was lit in memory of the emigrants, as a light in the window to let them know they would be welcomed home.

The honor of lighting the candle goes to the youngest member of the household and is only extinguished by a girl bearing the name of Mary. We've got that totally covered in our house.

Decorations

The placing of a ring of holly on doors originated in Ireland as holly was one of the main plants that flourished at Christmas time and gave the poor the opportunity and the means to decorate their homes.

All decorations are taken down on Little Christmas (Jan. 6) and it is considered not lucky to take them down before. Little Christmas is also known as Women's Christmas, in Ireland. This tradition holds that the men stay at home, do the housework and mind the children while the women go out socializing (one day a year is not too bad, right?).

The eighth most popular Irish name is O'Connor. The most prominent family group is that of the Connacht O'Connors, who gave us the last two High-Kings of Ireland: Turlough O'Conner (1088-1156) and Roderick O'Conner (1116-1198). They trace their heritage and name from the Irish "Ua Conchobhair," meaning from Conchobhar, a king of Connacht.

2010 is the 10th anniversary of the On Top of the World Irish-American Club and we are planning on an especially great St. Patrick's party on Thursday, March 11.

The first day of ticket sales for the party will be on Monday, March 1 and will be for members only. Memberships will be renewed at this time. This event has been a sell out for the past six years, so be sure and get there on the first day of sales.

May you always have these blessings... a soft breeze when summer comes, a warm fireside in winter and always, a warm, soft smile of a friend.



Lions Club
Dianne Lovely

On Top of the World Lions Club would like to welcome new member Ana Wright to our club. We hope you enjoy.

Congratulations to Governor Lion Estelle Clark for winning the President's Appreciation Award. Way to go.

The Lions would like to thank everyone who took a Christmas tag off the tree to help the underprivileged kids have a merrier Christmas. We want to thank the Friendship Fire Department for distributing these gifts out to the less fortunate.

On Feb. 27, the Lions will have their dinner dance at the Holiday Inn Suites behind Cracker Barrel. This is a formal to semi-formal dance. Watch for signs, ads, prices and times coming up.

We meet at Candler Hills Community Center every second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. and every fourth Tuesday at 8:30 a.m.

Call Membership Chairman Marty Schley at 307-1286 for more information.

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Italian American Club

Jerome Cauda

The club's last meeting of 2009 was a dinner at Olive Garden. It was a nice way to celebrate Christmas and a look forward to the New Year. All enjoyed the well-attended party as we enjoyed friendship and camaraderie.

The pizza party is being worked on and is planned to have a schedule available at the January meeting. Looks like a good chance that it will be held in March.

At this time, we will have the "Cavello Corsa" at the "Campo di Corso." A picnic is possible in May to close out our year.

The next meeting is scheduled for Jan. 5. This is also "The Night of La Belfina," which is an old Italian legend. The Belfina is an old ugly lady with a big nose and gray hair. She is always smiling, wears a shawl, carries a broomstick and a bag with candy and gifts. She flies around Italy on the night of Jan. 5 and visits all of the children by filling their stockings with candy or toys, if good, or coal or dark candy, if bad. This is a prelude to the epiphany.

The January meeting will be held in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F at 2:30 p.m. A board meeting is scheduled for the fourth Wednesday of the month in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite H at 1 p.m.

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American Jewish Club

Norma Seidman

The board of the American Jewish Club hopes that you all had a happy and safe New Year's and that the year ahead be filled with only good health and happiness for you and yours.

Our first general meeting will be held at Candler Hills Community Center on Jan. 11 at 2 p.m. We will be forming our nominating committee for 2010-11. For entertainment, we are honored to have Rabbi Yossi Hecht of the Ocala Chabad. He will speak to us about the history of Chabad.

On Jan. 21, the Lunch Bunch will be gathering at Latinos Y Mas for a delicious Spanish meal. Anyone needing transportation, please call Ruth Barnash at 231-9551.

A great calendar of events is scheduled for 2010. Don't miss out!

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Japanese Bunka Embroidery

Classes begin Jan. 6

Bunka classes start Jan. 6 from 12:30 to 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite C. Nine hundred years ago, the Ladies of the Japanese Imperial Court, were the only ones allowed to do Bunka Embroidery. The ladies worked so long on their embroidery in dimly lit rooms, that they were going blind. The emperor then banned the ladies from doing their embroidery and took all the needles away. The ladies missed doing their beloved embroidery so much that they grew their finger nails very long, filed them to a point and used them as needles.

Bunka Embroidery in its present form was started in Tokyo, Japan, about 70 years ago. At that time, silk embroidery was taught and practiced by many Japa-

nese. One Japanese gentleman while touring Europe noticed a form of embroidery being done with the use of a punch needle. His immediate thoughts were how much simpler this would make the silk embroidery done in his native land. Upon returning to Japan with this idea in mind, he experimented for 10 years with various threads and needles until he perfected the needle and thread we use today.

Working the picture with a needle from the front or back of the canvas is a definite variation. This is what makes Bunka Embroidery a unique art in a category by itself. Bunka, or Boonka as the Japanese say means "cultural" and this name has stayed with the art ever since. Bunka Embroidery is now being widely referred to as painting with thread.

Both men and women are invited to come and see on Jan. 6. Previous students are welcome.

The class will be taught by Pauline Upchurch, a certified instructor and a member of the Japanese Bunka Embroidery Association of the U.S.A. For more information, please call 854-8598.

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K-9 Club
Mary Chang

A new year is a new beginning for our members and canine friends everywhere. If you were not aware of it, many of the dogs in On Top of the World are rescue dogs. For a variety of reasons, there are many, many pets available for fostering or adoption at our local shelters and rescue organizations. One of the functions of our club as well as our sister organization, the SPCA, is to spread the news of a pet that needs a home, whether temporary or permanent. As a member, you will receive information of pets that become available.

Consider fostering if you are not prepared to take an animal in on a permanent basis. This has so many benefits for both the animal and you. It is a great

opportunity for the pet to prepare for his permanent home. He will experience more of the world than being limited to a shelter. It will increase his chances of fitting in with his next family. And for the foster parent, animals help you to appreciate the world around you. They calm you in times of stress.

All at the December meeting of the K9 Social Club had a grand time! With a variety of side dishes, desserts and a wonderful meat platter, those attending our party filled themselves up with some fine fare. Much kudos to Denise Howard who coordinated this gala! It was a huge success.

Our January meeting will be held in Suite G of the Arbor Conference Center at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 10. This will be a meeting for organizing, planning, and of course, socializing! All are welcome; come and see what the club has in store for the coming year! Dues remain at a mere \$5 per family for the year. What a bargain!

Again, the K9 Club wishes to thank the management at On Top of the World and our liaison Bob Paris for improvements made to our dog park! A crew was out there one morning adding stones to both entrances and sitting areas. Those who use the park couldn't be more appreciative or delighted! We are so very fortunate to have an administration who listens and acts upon our concerns. Thanks so much to Lynette Vermillion!

Finally, remember that if you have lost a dog or found a dog without identification, please contact the front gate (854-8935) or Ralph Mills (390-3446).

Decorated for the Holidays

By KAY CHANDLER

If you had a chance to visit the Health & Recreation Ballroom over the holidays, you saw the cheerful Christmas decorations created by generous On Top of the World resident volunteers.

First, a group of residents erected and decorated a large Christmas tree. Led by Shirley Schopf and Kay Chandler, the group consisted of Rita and Tom Miller, Mary Rongetti, Judy Dunn, Dick Wolfe,

and Grace Raymond.

In addition, 16 clubs and other groups from On Top of the World picked up Christmas wreaths from Kay, decorated them with their own clever themes and returned them for display. Tom and Rita Miller then hung the wreaths around the Health & Recreation Ballroom.

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We would like to remind all of our members and any prospective members that we have a new meeting place starting with our January meeting. We're moving from the Arbor Conference Center to the Arbor Club. We will have more room and less noise for guest speakers.

For our next meeting, which will be held on Thursday, Jan. 21 at 1 p.m., we are trying to line up a dog trainer from Petco as a guest speaker. She will have lots of training tips, so come on out to this meeting, even if you're a guest and not a member. You may learn something that will help your relationship with your favorite furry friend.

For the rest of the year, we're working on getting our own local dog whisperer as another guest speaker. He will be a wealth of information on dog behavior and training. We are also planning to have a holistic veterinarian speak about this branch of medicine. As you can see, we have a lot in store for our new venue.

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Anyone interested in joining the SPCA, participating in our foster program, or have any other questions, can call us at 362-0985.

Don't forget to join us at the Arbor Club for all future meetings starting Thursday, Jan. 21. We look forward to seeing some new faces.

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Activities January

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Monday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
7:15	Oxycise	H&R
8:00	Mixed Tennis D	CTS
8:30	Men's Softball	SBF
9:00	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
	Woodworking	WW
	Bocce League	BCTS
	Ceramics 9-2p.m.	Art
	Practice Bridge	CR
	Ladies Billiards	PLR
	Dancing Toppers	H&R
	Shuffleboard	CTS
9:30	Tennis Doubles	CTS
	Ladies Billiards	PLR
10:30	Tai Chi	AC
11:00	Bocce League	BCTS
11:30	Lap Swimming	AC
12:00	Ladies Poker	MR3
	Line Dance Level 2 (Resumes 01-11-10)	H&R
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Men's Golf Group	CR
12:15	Oxycise	H&R
12:30	Bridge	CR
	Northern Lights	
	Mah Jongg	CC:G
	Aqua Belles	AC
1:00	Bocce League	BCTS
1:15	Line Dance Intermediate (Resumes 01-11-10)	HR
1:30	Shuffleboard	CTS
2:00	Happy Hookers	Art
	Rummicube	CC:E,F
2:45	Line Dance Level 2 (Resumes 01-11-10)	HR
4:00	Line Dance Level 1 (Resumes 01-11-10)	HR
5:30	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Table Tennis	CC:D
6:00	Poker	MR3
6:30	Bridge	CR
6:30	Euchre II	CC:H
6:45	Ballet Club	ACF
7:00	Wood Shop	WW
	Dominoes	CC:G

1st Week

7:30	Marion Blood Bank (All Even # Months Only)	PL
9:00	Life South Blood (All Odd # Months Only)	PL
	RC Flyers Club	CC:B,C
1:30	D'Clowns	CC:B,C
2:00	Bocce	CC:AC
2:30	Readers/Theatre	CC:D
3:00	Ocala Clown Express	TR
3:30	Comp. Handicap	CC:H
5:30	Avalon Social Club	AC
6:30	Karaoke Friends	CC:E,F
6:30	Sunshine Singers	BR

2nd Week

10:00	Genealogical Society	MR3
	*Grandma Lee	HR
2:30	Casino Trip 01-11-10	
	Theatre Group	CC:D

3rd Week

10:00	Genealogical Workshop	CC:B,C
2:30	Readers Theatre	CC:D
1:30	D'Clowns	CC:B,C
3:00	Ocala Clown Express	TR
4:00	Billiards Club	Art
6:30	Karaoke Friends	CC:E,F
6:30	Sunshine Singers	BR

4th Week

3:00	Community Patrol	CC:B,C
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Tuesday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
7:15	Oxycise	H&R
8:00	Men's Tennis	CTS
8:30	Women's 18-Hole	GC
	Racquetball	HR CTS
	Fun Time Cloggers	BR
9:00	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
	Woodworking	WW
	Arts & Crafts	BR
	Bus Ocala Run	
	Women's 9-Hole	GC
	Horseshoe League	CTS
	Miniature Golf	MGC
9:30	Pinochle	MR3
	Sunshine Quilters	Art
10:30	Horseshoe League	CTS
11:00	Walleyball	CTS
11:30	Lap Swimming	AC
12:00	Lap Swimming	AC
	Men's Poker	MR3
	Cybex Orientation	GYM
12:15	Oxycise	H&R
12:30	Bridge	CR
	Stitch Witch Quilters	Art
1:00	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Badminton (Racquetball Cts)	H&R
	Ballet Club	ACF
	Shuffleboard	CTS
1:30	The New Pretenders	HR
2:30	Chess Club	MR2
3:00	Shutterbugs	CC:B,C
4:30	Table Tennis	CC:D
5:15	Square Dance Class	AC
5:30	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Miniature Golf	MGC
5:45	Mah Jongg	ACC:C
6:00	Pinochle	MR3/Art

6:30	Duplicate Bridge	CR
	Mah Jongg	CC:G
	Pattern Dancing	BR
7:00	Mixed Poker	CC:H
	Pattern Dancing	BR
	Circle Squares Dance	AC

1st Week

8:00	Men's 9 Hole Golf	P.R.
1:00	Sunshine Quilters	Art
2:00	Italian American	CC:E&F
6:30	Candler Excursion	CCC

2nd Week

9:00	Citizens Emer. Response Team	CC:E,F,G
1:30	Visually Impaired	CC:H
3:30	Alpha Investment	Art
6:30	German Club	CC:G
7:00	Lions Club	CCC

3rd Week

1:30	Unique Birders	CC:H
2:30	New York/New Jersey	HR
3:00	NY/NJ Club	BR

OTOW Community

4:30	*Bus Dinner Run	HR
	*01-19-10 (Mimi's Cafe)	
6:00	Caribbean Club	ICC
7:00	Democratic Club	CC:E,F

4th Week

8:00	*Seminole Casino Trip 01-26-10	HR
8:30	Lions Club	CCC
1:00	Scan/American	CC:E,F
3:30	Alpha Investment	Art
7:00	Karaoke	CCC

Wednesday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
7:15	Oxycise	H&R
8:00	Ladies Tennis	CTS
8:30	Men's 18 Hole	Golf
	Men's Softball	SBF
9:00	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
	Woodworking	WW
	Bus Ocala Run	
	Ceramics	Art
	Pickleball	CTS
9:30	Pinochle	MR3
	Crafty Ladies	CR
	Billiards 101	PL RM
10:30	Tai Chi Practice	AC
11:30	Lap Swimming	AC
12:00	Ladies Poker	MR3
12:15	Oxycise	H&R
12:30	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Bridge	CR
	Japanese Emb	CC:C
	Aqua Belles	AC
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Pan Club	CC:MR3
1:00	Bocce League	BCTS
1:30	Shuffleboard	CTS
3:00	Scrabble Club	CC:H
	Newcomers Line	AC
	Dance	
4:00	Softball Practice	SBF
	Newcomers Linedance	AC
5:30	Bingo	BR
6:00	Poker	MR3
6:30	Duplicate Bridge	CR
7:00	Poker	MR3

1st Week

9:00	Model Railroaders	MR1
10:30	Travel Toppers	CC:A
1:00	Stamp Club	Bank PAB

2nd Week

9:00	Citizens Emer. Response Team	CC:E,F,G
1:45	Native Plant	CC:H
3:00	Pennsylvania Club	CC:E,F

3rd Week

1:00	Stamp Club	PAB
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4th Week

6:30	Tall Tale Travelers (No mtgs. Dec, June - Sept.)	CC:B
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Thursday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
7:15	Oxycise	H&R
8:00	Men's Tennis	CTS
8:30	Racquetball	HR CTS
	Fun Time Cloggers	BR
9:00	Woodcarvers	Art:B
	Art Group	Art:A
	Wood Working	WW
	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
	Round Dance Classes	CC:E,F
	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
	Bus Ocala Run	
	Miniature Golf	MGC
9:30	Shuffleboard	CTS
10:00	Round Dance Class	CC:E,F
10:30	Advanced Tap	HR
	OTOW Concert Chorus	HR
	Friendship Bible Study	MR3
11:00	Walleyball	CTS
	Ballroom Dance	AC
11:30	Lap Swimming	AC
12:00	Lap Swimming	AC
	Advanced Square	CC:E,F
	Dancers	
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:15	Oxycise	H&R

12:30	Sewing Bees	Art
	Theatre Group	BR
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Bridge	CR
1:00	Bocce League	BCTS
	Badminton	H&R
	(Racquetball Cts)	
	Ballet Club	ACF
	Ten Pen	CTS
	Square Dancing DBD	CC:E,F
	Table Tennis	CC:D
	Swingin' Sisters	H&R
	Shuffleboard	CTS
1:30	Pickleball	CTS

4:00	Bus Grocery Run	
5:30	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Card Game	CC:B
	Miniature Golf	MGC
6:00	Poker	MR3
6:30	Bridge	CR
	Chess Club	ART
7:00	Poker	MR3
	Mixed Poker	CC:H
	Game Night	CC:G

1st Week

10:00	NY/NJ Board Meeting	CC:H
1:00	Rubber Stamping Cards	CC:G
3:00	Opera Appreciation	CC:C
5:30	Southern Club	BR

2nd Week

2:00	Singles Club	CC:G,H
	NARFE Chapter 2279	CH
7:00	Karaoke Night	CC:E,F,G

3rd Week

9:00	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
1:00	Rubber Stamping Card	CC:G
	S.P.C.A.	CC:H
1:30	Orchid Club	CC:B,C

4th Week

10:00	Wellness Screening	HR
	01-28-10	

Friday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
7:15	Oxycise	H&R
8:00	Ladies Tennis	CTS
8:30	Dancing Toppers	H&R
9:00	Woodworking	WW
	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
	Dominoes	MR3
	Bocce League	BCTS
	Pickleball	CTS
9:30	Shuffleboard	CTS
10:00	Racquetball	H&R CTS
11:00	Bocce League	BCTS
11:30	Lap Swimming	AC
	Tai Chi Practice	AC
12:00	Ladies Poker	MR3
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Mens Golf Group	CR
12:15	Oxycise	H&R
12:30	Aqua Belles	AC
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
1:00	Table Tennis	CC:D
	Canasta the Old Fashioned Way	CR
	Square Dancing	H&R BR
2:00	Fun in the Water	AC
5:00	Happy Hour	AC
6:00	Cribbage	Art
6:15	Nickel Nickel	MR3
	Euchre 4 Fun	CC:A
6:30	Advanced Bridge	CR
6:45	Euchre	H&R

1st Week

10:00	Emb. Chicks	CC:B,C
1:00	Women of the World	CC:E,F,G,H

2nd Week

9:00	RC Ladybirds	CC:A
2:00	New England Club	CC:E,F,G

7:00	Republican Club	CC:E,F,G
	3rd Week	
2:00	Blackjack Poker	CC:E
	4th Week	
10:00	Emb. Chicks	CC:B,C
12:00	High 12 Club	TBA

Saturday

8:00	Mixed Tennis	CTS
8:30	Men's Softball	SBF
	Fun Time Cloggers	HR
9:00	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Art Group	Art
	Wood Working	WW
10:00	Mixed Tennis	CTS
10:30	Tai Chi Practice	AC
12:15	Oxycise	H&R
1:00	Table Tennis	CC:D
5:30	Open Mah Jongg	CC:A
5:30	Saturday Pinochle	CR
6:30	Bridge	CR

3rd Week

10:00	Health & Wellness Expo 01-16-10	CC
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Sunday

9:00	Racquetball	HR CTS
	Miniature Golf	MGC
	Wood Working	WW
12:00	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Scrapbooking	CC:B,C
12:15	Oxycise	H&R
1:00	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
3:00	Pickleball	CTS
5:30	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Miniature Golf	MGC
7:00	Mixed Poker	CC:H

2nd Week

6:00	Movie of the Month	BR
7:00	K-9 Club	CC:G

3rd Week

2:00	American/Jewish	CC:E,F,G
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Advance registration and fee may be required. Please check in advance.

A full list of classes can be found in the Master the Possibilities catalog, available at the Education Building at Circle Square Commons.

Location Codes

AC	Arbor Club
AC CTS	Arbor Tennis Courts
ACIP	Arbor Indoor Pool
ACOP	Arbor Outdoor Pool
Art	Art Studio
BR	Ballroom
BCTS	Bocce Courts
CC	Arbor Conference Center
CCC	Candler Community Center
CLC	Computer Learning Center
CSCC	Circle Square Cultural Center
CR	Card Room
FF	Flying Field
GC	Golf Course
HR	H&R Exercise Room
H&R CTS	Tennis Courts
H&R	Health & Rec Bldg
HRP	H&R Pool
ICC	Indigo Community Center
MGC	Miniature Golf Course
MR1	Meeting Room 1
MR3	Meeting Room 3
PL	H&R Parking Lot
PL RM	Poolroom
SBF	Softball Field
WW	Wood Shop

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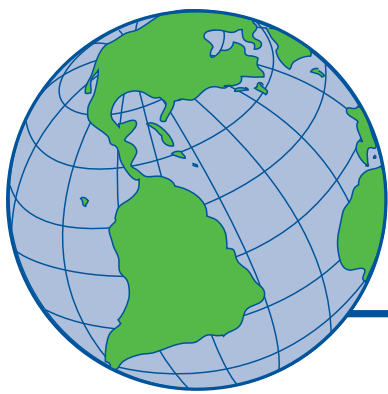
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Section 2

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So Long, Sunny Pines

By BOB WOODS
WORLD NEWS WRITER

At the conclusion of the performance of "So Long, Sunny Pines," many well-wishers congratulated the cast, in particular, Bob O'Neal who did a superb acting job as Bill Livingston in the play but also as the author of the two-act musical/comedy. The comedy/musical took place at Sunny Pines, an expensive senior residence complex.

The play, by the On Top of the World Theatre Group, concluded with a standing ovation after its two-night performances. Bob O'Neal authored the play and songs, Marilyn Bettinger directed while the music was arranged and performed by Walter Koenig. There were 14 residents who acted out this play plus a production and technical crew. Some cast members have previously performed in other productions while some had little to no acting experiences.

Mary O'Neal was in charge of make-up and she changed the looks of hubby Bob so it would take a second glance to recognize him. Not only was Bob, as well as other cast members spouting lots of make-up, but also Bob let his hair grow out so it could be dyed brown.

Talking to some of those in the audience attending this comedy/musical all had favorable remarks. Lolly Foos commented, "this was the best show I have seen performed at On Top of the World in my 12 years as a resident. It was great."



Photo by Bob Woods

The On Top of the World Theatre Group performed the play, "So Long, Sunny Pines."

Rita Mandl said the play was "lovely, very lovely" while Dodie Phillips stated, "it was great, everybody related to it." Jim Chandler commented, "good, very good." Both Vinnie Bonomo and Doug Graham

made the same comment, "nice."

The Theatre Group is looking for anyone in our community who would like to get involved in the group, either as a cast member or support personnel in future

productions. The group will be holding tryouts in January for their spring production.

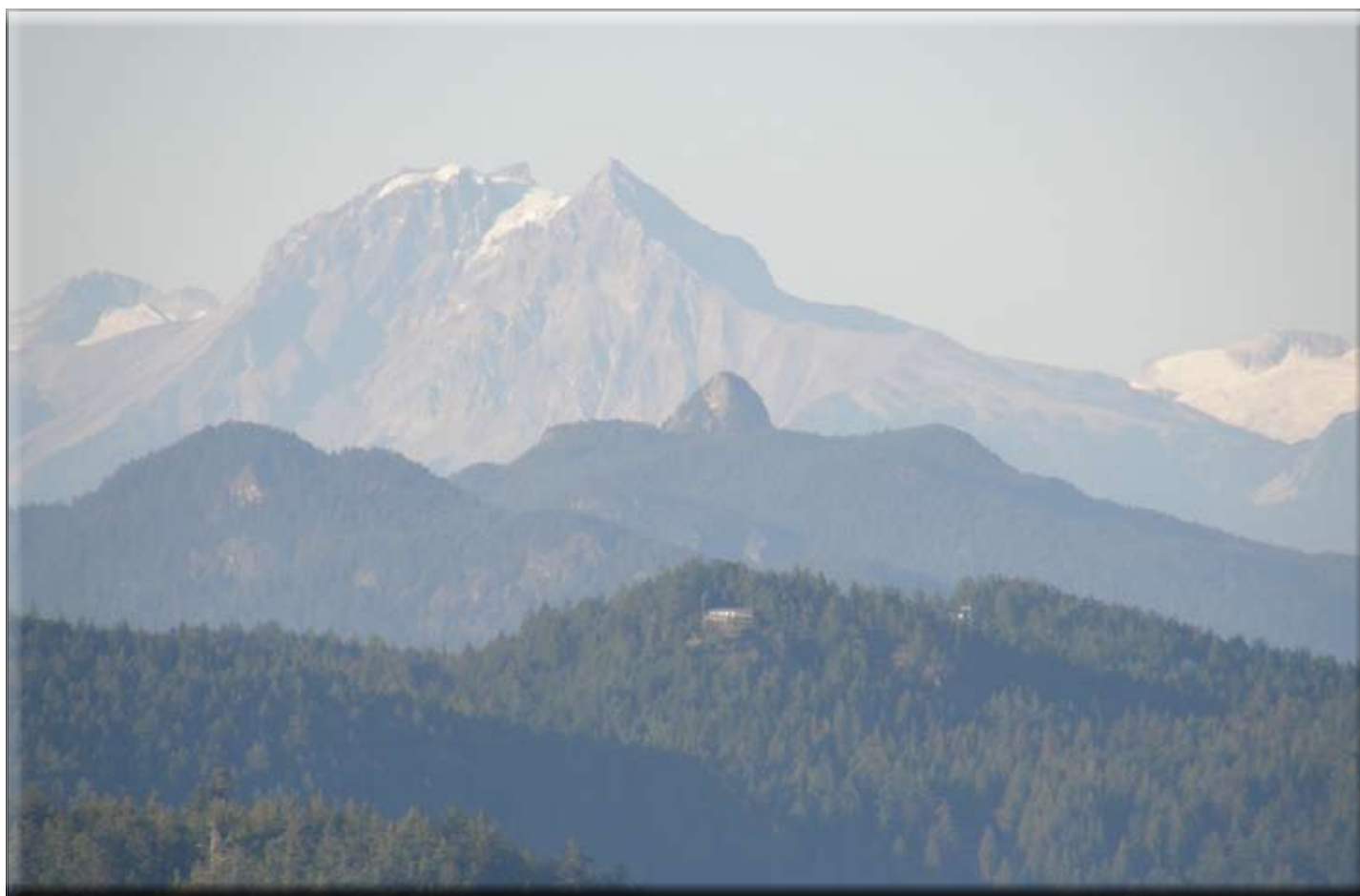


Photo by Bob Woods

British Columbia's coastline.

North to Alaska

Part 1 of 2

By BOB WOODS
WORLD NEWS WRITER

Our trip to the last frontier started with a flight from Orlando to Vancouver, British Columbia where we caught a beautiful ship heading north to Alaska.

I have been to Alaska before but never sailing on a beautiful cruise ship. My trips to the Alaskan state in the past were completed on those gray ships with large white numbers on either side of the ship's bow. That was the U.S. Navy's fast stream-line cruise fleet.

After departing the beautiful seaport of Vancouver, the vistas witnessed were aspiring, such as, beautiful spruce and hemlock trees reaching right down to just above the high water line on the shore. As we traveled further north, snow started appearing on the mountaintops. As the mountains grew larger, the different shades of green and gray gave those far away mountains depth.

The following day we were at sea cruising the passage before arriving in the port city of Ketchikan, Alaska, known as "The Gateway to Alaska." This port is generally the first stop for cruise ships plying the waters of the inside passage heading north. The town is also known as the "Salmon Capital of the World." There is a lot to see in Ketchikan especially the little shops along Creek Street that used to be houses of ill repute and barrooms.

One house along this Ketchikan street still exists but is now a museum and that is Dolly's House where a young lady in scanty attire waves you in as did madams

in the older days. All the dwellings on Creek Street are on stilts or pilings reaching into the creek. It is a sight to behold. When we were there the creek was filled, wall to wall with salmon making their way upstream to spawn.

Leaving Ketchikan in the evening the ship headed for the state's capital of Juneau. The capital is situated between two mountains flanked by forests. This was a miner's town at one time and all the old establishments have been renovated to today's standards.

There are two other must sees in the area: Mendenhall Glacier and Red Dog Saloon.

Mendenhall Glacier is just 14 miles



Photo by Bob Woods

One of the many totem poles seen during a stop in Ketchikan, Alaska.

north of Juneau. This glacier is run by our National Parks Service and is known as the "drive up glacier" as you can almost drive a vehicle right up to the glacier.

Red Dog Saloon in Juneau dates back to the 1800s when Juneau was a gold miner's town. It is something to see, right out of the past and you can just imagine the ladies of fortune getting the miners drunk, taking them to the brothel upstairs and filling their purses with gold nuggets.

At sundown, our cruise ship slipped away from Juneau and headed up the narrow waterways to Skagway. This community of 800 permanent residents is a living reminder of the Klondike Gold Rush history. Bev and I opted for taking a coach tour to the summit of White Pass instead of riding the train.

We stopped at Gold Rush Cemetery where we were given a blow-by-blow description of the biggest con man in the region by the name of Soapy Smith. He really was a slippery character. On the way to the summit, we were shown a valley where thousands of pack animals met their death during the gold rush for lack of food.

Another place to visit in this small town is the Red Onion Saloon, which was established in 1848. The gals are dressed in late 1800s clothing, scanty as it was back then as they served drinks and food items. A piano player complete with red garters holding up his shirtsleeves played old time tunes.

The community of Skagway is a National Park and if you would like, a park ranger will give you a tour of the town. The information office is right next door to the White Pass & Yukon Railroad Station.

As usual when the sun starts heading over the horizon or disappearing behind a mountain, it was time for the ship to depart heading for our next adventurous destination.

The New Pretenders to Perform 3 Shows

By BILL SHAMPINE

Mark your calendars for the best On Top of the World entertainment show of the year as The New Pretenders prepare to dazzle the audience with their renditions of 30 songs from the 40s to the 80s in their upcoming show "Moments To Remember." As anyone who has seen The New Pretenders perform will tell you this is a show you will not want to miss! This year's show has been in the planning process since last May, and the troupe began group rehearsals on Oct. 1.

The New Pretenders have expanded to include 34 of your friends and neighbors, which includes a 13-piece band, 21 singers and support staff. Everyone in the troupe is having a lot of fun and loves what they do, which shows in the excitement and enthusiasm they bring to the stage as they perform. Of course, they have to love what they do to put up with the long hours of practice stretching from October to June.

After many requests, The New Pretenders plan to increase their program in 2010 by offering three shows in the Health & Recreation Ballroom instead of their normal two. They will perform on Friday, Feb. 12 and Saturday, Feb. 13 at 7 to 9 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 14 from 3 to 5 p.m.

Tickets will be sold in the Health & Recreation Ballroom from 8:30 to 10 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, beginning on Jan. 11. Ticket prices will be \$8 for reserved seating and \$6 for general admission. You need to get your tickets early as previous performances have been sold out!

All profits generated by The New Pretenders go to benefit charity. In 2009, the charities selected were Hospice of Marion County and The Center for the Blind.

The costumes will astound you, the music will electrify you and the talent of your friends and neighbors will impress you! Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to decide if they actually are playing and singing for real!



Photo by Bill Shampine

Carol Shisler, Edie Dieckman, Hal Stanley, and Jeanne Nicholls rehearsing a song for the 2010 show, with band members.



Director of Golf Sally Collins

Welcome to all our new and returning golf members at both the On Top of the World Golf Club and the Candler Hills Golf Club for the year 2010. Our golf staffs look forward to servicing all your golfing needs in the upcoming months. We know all of you will enjoy the free golf lessons and delicious birthday desserts you received as part of the membership package. Please keep in mind, all outstanding membership payments are past due beginning Jan. 1.

Keep your focus on the Golf Shop bulletin boards on a regular basis to stay up to date on all the golf happenings. All the golf members will want to be sure to get all the details on the new competition - the World Championship. This event will be held Feb. 15, 17 and 19 over all three golf courses. There will be gross and net winners in men's and ladies divisions in both the nine and 18 hole flights. This event is only open to golf members at either club!

We are pleased to announce the promotion of Russ Smith to Assistant Golf Professional at Candler Hills Golf Club. Russ recently passed the Playing Ability Test to enroll in the PGA Apprentice program and also graduated from Central Florida Community College.

Russ will join Matt Hibbs, Nick Montanaro and Ryan Claunch in providing top notch professional service to the golfers at the On Top of the World Communities golf courses.

If your New Year's resolution is to become a golfer, you'll want to try out the

New Golfer Clinic scheduled Jan. 18, 20 and 22 from 10 a.m. to noon at Candler Hills Golf Club. Cost is only \$100 for the six-hour program taught by our staff golf professionals. Space is limited, so sign up at Candler Hills today - only 12 per class! All you need is a pair of sneakers and the desire to learn this great game. This is geared to the real novice, knows nothing golfer.

For the more experienced golfers, try the Game Improvement Clinic on driving skills on Friday, Jan. 8 at Candler Hills. Cost is only \$10 per person for a one-hour clinic that begins at 10 a.m. The free clinic at On Top of the World will feature methods to improve your putting. Mark Friday, Jan. 29 on the calendar and we'll see you at the On Top of the World putting green.

Every golfer has lots of rules questions. We will feature an On Course Rules Seminar on Wednesday, Feb. 3 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at Candler Hills. Cost is only \$5 per person and we ask you pre-register. Bring those confusing rules questions with you!

The New Year is a great time to clean out golf bags and golf supplies. When doing so, please return all those range totes and baskets that someone else could be using. We need your help so we can keep the range prices down.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Tim O'Neil eagled the #16 hole on the Links. Another On Top of the World golfer learned an important golf lesson recently. Never go to the golf course without enough money to buy drinks in case you are lucky enough to get a hole in one! Mike Drabicki scored an ace on the #5 hole at the Links - you know what they say Mike, don't leave home without the American Express card! Congratulations to both golfers!

As a reminder to private cart owners using the Candler Hills Golf Club restaurant - please park your cart at the clubhouse curb for a minimal 5 minute stop. If you are enjoying food or a beverage, please park in the grass cart staging area adjacent to the cart barn. Otherwise, this area becomes extremely congested and there isn't enough room for cart traffic to get through without an accident.

The next several months promise to be busy on the golf courses - we hope to see you partake in many of the different golf events. Watch for details on the Ocala Open scheduled March 23-27 at Candler Hills Golf Club.



Arbor Club Tennis Jorge Privat

It is my hope that you all enjoyed a wonderful holiday season, and that indeed, all your wishes come true in this New Year.

Of course, just as many of you, I enjoy all the special dishes, cookies and pastries, hot cider and all the delicious treats the season brings. And yes, I indulged a little more than I should have. As a consequence, the intensity of my physical activity went down and my calorie reserves went up, to the tune of approximately five pounds.

So, I, like many of you, made my resolution to burn those excess calories and get back to peak condition. Therefore, I look forward to seeing more of you out there on the courts on a regular basis, and encourage all of you to participate in the club tournament.

We will also resume our reciprocal tennis play with other communities, including Citrus Hills, if we can find a captain/coordinator to put together a team to represent us. And hopefully by now, we will have a team to participate in the USTA - senior category.

Tennis Tip of the Month: Coach Communication

Gustavo Granitto, a PTR Professional, like myself, wrote about this function more or less like this:

Similar to the way that players have evolved in the last 25 years, research during that time has given coaches' more information on how we can perform our jobs in a more effective manner. From all the current conclusions, and in my opinion, communication is still the most important resource in our objective to bring and retain players in our sport. And much more!

Communication is a bilateral process between two or more parties for which there is a primary objective for both. For the player, it is that they want to learn. And for the coach; that the player learns!

How does communication influence

methodology? In the communicative process of training, there is a transmitter (the coach) and a receptor (the player). For a long time, the transmitter has controlled most of the communication process; the coach speaks and the player acts on it.

Sometimes coaches like to talk a lot, and in an open skills sport like tennis, listening, then performing doesn't always assure the player a full comprehension of the game. By giving the player a chance to ask questions and lead in the communication process, it can help the player to further understand what they are capable of achieving.

When the player understands the concept - the how's and why's - behind each stroke, movement and thought process, only then, what they are asked to do will make sense to them and will improve their learning and increase their awareness of the game.

Throughout the process of effective communication, visual contact shows an interest in what is being expressed. Looking at the eyes of the student solidifies the dialog.

One of the largest obstacles in teaching comes in the process of persuasion, which is often observed during corrections

In my opinion, one person does not persuade the other. Persuasion is the art of showing and explaining with clarity to the receptor, the conditions, the process and the benefits of making the changes, in a way that the receptor understands and convinces themselves of those benefits in order to act on those changes.

A significant challenge is to awaken the curiosity in players, especially beginners, to discover their own capabilities. Another important time when communication has significant importance is in training the intangible aspects of the game, such as "concentration."

You can also think about your "thought process" when your partner hits an approach shot and moves toward the net.

Can personal image influence the coach and players? Our posture expresses the way we see ourselves, and it is the first visual impression our players and potential students have of us. Posture conveys our attitude and self-esteem. In our jobs as coaches, we are often the center of attention. Walking straight and standing tall portrays an image of self-confidence, and this image is important to help our players achieve self-confidence.

Communication is effective by the clarity and precision of the coaches statements, while confirming that the player understands what is being conveyed. Cooperative communication increases the coach's credibility and the player's willingness to follow.

Non-verbal communication is also very important. Most people learn by seeing and doing. The coach should demonstrate first and then give the opportunity to perform, keeping in mind the ability of the player to assimilate information.

A player's lack of knowledge (and often the coach's) is one factor that will result in ineffective communication. We could ask players: Why do they play tennis? Do they understand the sport? Do they understand game situations, tactics and techniques? Do they understand self-communication or communication with a partner?

Knowing and understanding which factors will support a player's progress is paramount to helping their development.

Bingo

By LOLLY FOOS

Bingo will resume on Wednesday, Jan. 6 in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. Cards will be sold at 5 p.m. at a cost of \$1 per card. Bingo starts at 6 p.m. and con-

cludes at approximately 8:30 p.m.

We had a very successful 2009. Come and join us in 2010.

The Bingo committee hopes you and yours had a safe and joyous holiday season.

If you have any questions, please contact Mort Meretsky at 237-5112 or Lolly Foos at 861-2165.

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Men's Golf Association
George Blankenship

As the year 2009 ends and we are preparing to begin 2010, let me be one of the first to wish each and everyone a very happy and successful New Year.

We concluded, for the most part, our 2009 MGA season with our last Chicken Day of the year on Dec. 9. During this successful year for the MGA, we crowned some talented and worthy champions in our tournaments. The champions of the latest tournament, The Memorial Tournament, were introduced and presented their trophies at the luncheon. Their names appear at the end of this article. Also, at our luncheon, we made our 12th consecutive annual donation of \$1,000 to Hospice of Marion County who was represented by Ms. Jenny Harmon. This is certainly a proud achievement for the members of the MGA.

As we look forward to an exciting 2010 for the MGA, I hope everyone has paid their dues for the coming year. One of the best deals around, dues are a mere \$10 a year. If you have forgotten to pay, just put your money in a white Chicken envelope, indicate on the front it is for MGA dues, and drop it in the "brown Chicken" box. Remember, you need to be an MGA member to play in the weekly MGA tournaments, which begin on Jan. 6.

There are a few items that are in the 2010 MGA handbook that I would like to mention. We have added a written rain policy in the book this year. The policy establishes for certain, how play and monies will be handled in the case of a rain-out. Also, if you will go to page 10 and notice that the paragraph, "Ornamental Areas" has been significantly reduced in content. Hopefully, this will clear up a lot of confusion in this area about where and when to get free drops. Also, the paragraph "Markers/barriers" has been changed to provide some clarification on this subject.

There is another item I would like to discuss. While not in the booklet specifically, I get questions about, or seem to get drawn into discussions about the dreaded red lateral hazard on hole #12 on The Links. While I am aware that there are

various opinions about why this hazard should even exist; the fact is, it's there and we have to deal with it.

The confusion for many seems to be how and where to take a drop. It is played like any red hazard on any other golf course with or without water. It does not matter that you have hit the ball while inside the hazard, and now find yourself in the rocks at the end.

You cannot declare an unplayable ball inside of a hazard; therefore, you do not drop inside the hazard. The drop is two club lengths from the spot where the ball last crossed the margin of the hazard; one stroke penalty. If that location is back at the opposite end of the hazard, so be it. The drop is not sideways unless that is where you last crossed the margin of the hazard.

Until next month, play well, have fun and remember we "play" golf. It's a game.

2009 MGA Memorial Tournament/Net
Nov. 11, 12 and 13

Flight A: 199-Tim O'Neil; 209-George Blankenship; 210-Marvin Williams; Tie at 213-Gary Hassett and Rudy Normandin.

Flight B: 200-Guy Russell; 210-Colin Adanson; 213-Chuck Nicholas; 215-Ronald Wilson; 218-Joseph Bologna.

Flight C: 201-David Miller; 203-Francis Caprez; 204-Steve Gregely; tie at 210-Freddie Moody and Norm Lallier.

Flight D: 207-James Merrick, 210-Joe Hayes, 211-Richard Schiller, 212-Bob Selmon, 215-Tom Marta.

Team 3 Best Balls
Nov. 18 / Links

182-Paul Wade, Carl Zeiler, Freddie Moody and John Oneil; Tied at 191-John Langville, Charles Casale, Calvin Apperson and Ray Messer; 191-Tim O'Neil, Ronald Wilson, Douglas Coleman and Joe Rappa; 192-John Hudacik, Jim Weaver, Ross Mac Donald and Jerry Segovis.

MGA 9 / Net
Nov. 18 / Tortoise & Hare

34-Robert Giljohann; 39-Gordon Blanchard; 40-John Ricciardone; 43-John Gartung.

MGA 18 Team Points
Dec. 2 / Links

162-William E Young Jr, Phil Johnson, David Miller and Alfred Wells; Tie at 158-Raymond Beloin, Joseph Bologna, James Merrick and Harry Brower; Paul Wade, John Bauer, Jimmy Johnson and Tony Capillo; John Hall, Art Dushary, Ken Cotte and Blind Draw; Paul B East, Dan Carty, Ross Mac Donald and John Oneil; 152-Ed Darichuk, Kenneth Vanderkolk, Art Frescura and Rogers Rice; 150-George Blankenship, Charles Casale, Paul Stone and Bob Selmon.



Photo by Bud May

The winners of the MGA Memorial Tournament: Flight A, Tim O'Neil; Flight B, Guy Russell; Flight C, David Miller; and Flight D, James Merrick.

MGA Chicken Day Scramble
Dec. 9 / Links

65-Paul Del Vacchio, Charles Casale, David Miller and Bob Selmon; 67-Larry Lucieer, Kas Kaske, Ken Cotte and Peter M. Peterson; 67-Gary Hassett, Tom Deegan, Mike Driver and Paul Stone; 68-George Blankenship, Sally Collins, Ray Messer and Calvin Apperson.

MGA Chicken Day Scramble
Dec. 9 / Tortoise & Hare

Tie at 65-Rudy Normandin, Bud May, Edward C. Wilson and Bernie James; John Hall, Tom Fragapane, Jimmy Johnson and Tom Marta; Tie at 66-William E Young Jr, Steve Becker, John Bauer and Tony Capillo; Ed Klodzen, John Hudacik, Armando Pena and Bill Walker.



Photo by Mike Roppel

Mike and Marie Roppel braved the traffic to get a live view of the Shuttle launch on Nov. 16. Even from the Visitor's Center (six miles from the launch pad), the view was spectacular and noisy.

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Ladies 18-Hole Golf Marilyn Rose

What a wonderful Christmas luncheon we had. The committee headed by Dot Muller did an outstanding job. We had over 40 ladies in attendance and they were all decked out in their dress up clothes. Some of us had a problem recognizing each other in our finery. Harriet Brower gave the blessing and we all enjoyed a lovely lunch.

As you are aware, we had some cancellations of play so we are a bit short on scores. But I do have the Koontz Ladies Golf Classic winners for all to see.

Koontz Ladies Golf Classic Two Rounds of Golf Nov. 2 and 5

Armoire Flight: 69/67-Beverly Ovrebo - 2nd low net.

Buffet Flight: 84/93-Iro Lisinski - 3rd low gross; 73/75-Joan D'Addio - 3rd low net.

Curio Flight: 70/79-Rose O'Neil - 1st low

net; 74/73-Pat MacMurray - 3rd low net.
Dresser Flight: 101/103-Chris McIntire - 3rd low net.

Hutch Flight: 111/116-Jo Apperson - 2nd low gross; 113/120-Harriet Brower - 3rd low gross; Closest to Pin - Par Three by Handicap - Rose O'Neil.

Four Clubs & A Putter Flighted Net Dec. 1/Tortoise & Hare

Flight 1: 67-Pat MacMurray; Tie at 68-Laurie Hall, Rosemarie O'Neil.

Flight 2: 64-Glenna Swank; 66-Angelita Pena.

Flight 3: 71-Marie Marquis; 73-Doris Holman.

Low Gross/Low Net Dec. 8/The Links

Low Gross Flight 1:80-Beverly Ovrebo; Tie at 85-Iro Lisinski, Joan D'Addio.

Low Net Flight 1: 65-Mary Lyon; 67-Sandy Chase.

Low Gross Flight 2: Tie at 91-Nancy Nicholas, Pat MacMurray.

Low Net Flight 2: 7-Mary Jane McAtee; Tie at 74-Laurie Hall, Lou Borders, Rosemarie O'Neil.

Low Gross Flight 3: 94-Christine McIntire; 99-Angelita Pena.

Low Net Flight 3: 68-Harriet Brower; Tie at 73-Carolyn Cummings, Glenna Swank.

Low Gross Flight 4: 100-Doris Holman; Tie at 106-Jeanne Rice, Yoshiko Young.

Low Net Flight 4: 66-Marie Marquis; 68-Rose Hoover.

We will have open play until Jan. 12. We will be playing a scramble on that day and will have our luncheon/meeting in the Health & Recreation Building. Be sure to sign up in the golf backroom. The cost is \$8. Join us for the event.



Candler Hills Men's Golf Joe Alfano

Happy New Year to one and all! Here's hoping that everyone had a healthy and happy holiday season. May the year 2010 bring us an abundance of pleasant weather, good health, lasting friendships, smiling faces, attainable resolutions and the occasional 18-footer for birdie!

Speaking of resolutions, my most important one is to eat sensibly as opposed to ordering the entire right side of the menu. If you can believe I can hold to that one, I have a bridge to nowhere that may interest you.

The membership wants to welcome new members Gene Francisco and Lonnie Schiebal to our lively yet unpretentious association. We hope you enjoy the experience, hit many fairways and greens, avoid those frustrating three-putts, banter with the best of us and buy a cold pitcher once in a while. Anyone out there interested in joining our group can contact me at tjalf8371@yahoo.com for more information.

For the months of January and February, we will push back our shotgun start to 9 a.m. This should give all of us more time to take advantage of our complimentary coffee and bagels over at Yalaha Delights. I've always found it more palatable to hook that first drive OB on a full stomach rather than an empty one.

The new schedule for 2010, a revised handbook and the duties and responsibilities of the board of directors has been finalized and will be sent out to all members via e-mail. Our website, www.chmga.com, will also contain this valuable information.

Our fundraiser for the scholarship fund has been so successful that we will be on hiatus until March. At that time, you can search out Leo Gorcery or Huntz Hall in order to purchase your winning ticket. I know I speak for the entire membership when I say we are looking forward to presenting our 2010 Scholar/Athlete Award to a worthy recipient. As we stated when we began this venture, we look at the

award as a gesture of goodwill and our humble way of giving back to the community.

The course is in excellent condition since the overseeding and it is the responsibility of all of us to keep it that way. Please continue to fill in your divots, repair your pitch marks, obey the "no carts" rule when posted and discard your garbage and cigarette butts in their proper places.

Golf Pro, Jimmy Demaret, once said, "golf and sex are about the only things you can enjoy without being good at it." Free of any extracurricular inclinations and focused entirely on their game this past month were Chris Jett, Garry Gerlach and Paul Moltisanti (73), Mike Buscher and Bruce Venslavsky (75), Walt Pacuk (76), Tom McGurk (77), Dave Weeter, Mike Rec and Larry Joseph (78) and Rick Daddio (79). Nice job golfing your ball gentlemen.

As always, I wish all of you a life of "nothing but fairways and greens."

Two-Man Stableford Nov. 17

Flight A: 82-Gil Scofield & Bruce Venslavsky; 76-Roger Whittle & Jim McGrath; 75-Tim Beaty & Paul Moltisanti and Steve Kupsch & John Larson.

Flight B: 74-Don Huston & Bob Shively; 73-Marvin Brooks & Norm Giannukos; 72-Phil Moherrek & JC VanBloom and Bill Horton & Tony Mysterly and Stan Jarmel & Fred Spain.

Four-Man Two Best Balls Nov. 24

114-Bruce Venslavsky, Fred Jankowski, Stan Jarmel & Joe Alfano; 115-Paul Moltisanti, Nick Nimerala, Bob Cooke & Bill Horton; 118-Tom Garrison, Bill Anger, Fred Hobbins & Jeff "Ooo La La" Ware.

Individual Stableford Dec. 1

Flight A: 40-Tom Garrison; 39-Mike Rec & Paul Moltisanti; 38-Bryant Giffin.

Flight B: 41-Bill Anger, Gil Scofield & Glenn Sauer; 40-Dave Masaschi; 38-Roger Whittle.

Flight C: 44-Marc Schaffer; 42-Fred Jankowski & Norm Giannukos; 37- Dick Williams.

Flight D: 43-Dave Green & Stan Jarmel; 42-Bob Starrett; 39-Don Huston & Ed Pozsony.

Four-Man Best Ball Dec. 8

50-Garry Gerlach, Gil Scofield, Norm Giannukos & Dave Green; 51-Walt Pacuk, Phil Bucchi, Phil Moherrek & Ken Zwebach; 53-Fred Spain, Marc Schaffer, Tom Racinoski & Bob Cooke and Bryant Giffin, Jack Gustafson, John Diaz & Bill Horton.

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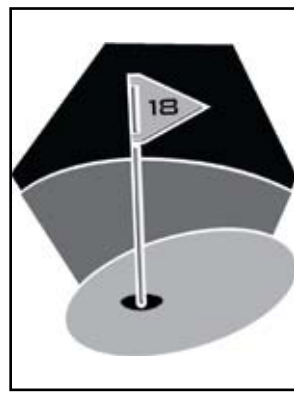
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Candler Hills Ladies 18-Hole Carol Joseph

Isn't Christmas just a wonderful time of year? The 18 hole ladies started it off with our ever popular Christmas luncheon at the Veranda. Again, this year we all brought a toy for Toys for Tots. Many decided that we should test these toys (to make sure they are as fun as they appear) prior to giving them.

Also, we should have mandatory nametags so that we recognize each other when not in golf attire!

We are excited about having shotgun starts at 9 a.m. on ladies day. We will now be able to gather afterwards for socializing. The third Thursday of the month is going to be designated as lunch day and everyone is invited to gather for lunch at Candler Hills Restaurant after golf. Also, on the third Thursday of each month, we will have a low net/low gross event designated as a tournament and scores will be posted as such by the Pro Shop.

We have many important events coming up such as our Member/Member on Jan. 7. Start thinking about the member you wish to ask. Please remember the handicaps cannot be more than a 10-point difference. Also, the Presidents Cup, Candler Hills Ladies Golf Association Club Championship and the Just Fore Fun group are all upcoming events.

Keep checking the ladies book in the Pro Shop for those wonderful outside invitations that are on-going.

The play days for January are:

- Jan. 7: Member/Member
- Jan. 14: Front or Back 9
- Jan. 21: Low gross/net tournament; stay for lunch
- Jan 28: T & F

Lady Luck Nov. 19

1: Mia Kolar, Kathy Beaty, Carol Clark, Irmgard Anger; 2: Joan D'Addio, Pat MacMurray, Kathy O'Leary, and Joan Gustafson.

Low Gross/Low Net Dec. 3

Red Flight: Low gross 83-Iro Lisinski; Low net 65-Pat MacMurray.

White Flight: Low gross 95-Carol Clark; Low Net 72-Kathy Beaty.

Blue Flight: Low gross 99-Joan Gustafson; Low net 69-Vivian Schofield.

Cha Cha Cha Dec. 10

1: 102-Mia Kolar, Carol Joseph, Pam Carpenter, Irmgard Anger; 2: 106- Tona Scheibal, Connie Norris, Carol Clark, Toni Stevenson.

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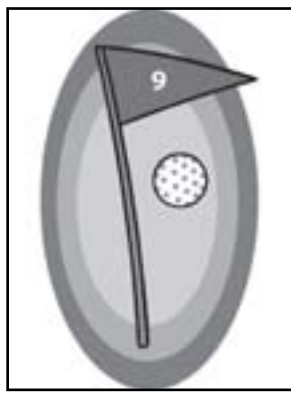
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Candler Hills Ladies 9-Hole
Dianne Masterson

As we usher in 2010, the number 10 has a lot of significance for the nine holers of Candler Hills. Our stroke counting beads and bracelets conveniently have 10 beads. (Fortunately, we have all reached the point that rarely do we need to use all the beads.) For many league members, their handicaps have decreased by at least 10 over the past year.

Scramble
Nov. 19

39-Sue Buckland-Mulhern, Carol Venslavsky, Cheryl Engeman and Vicky Salyers. 40-Peggy Borro, Judy Parisi and Dianne Bowles.

Bingo, Bango, Bongo
Dec. 3

17-Julie Crudele; 9-Heddy Racinowski, Carol Venslavsky and Marylyn Tymon; 8-Peggy Borro.
Congratulations to Judy Parisi who had a chipin on hole #7.

Low Net and Low Gross
Dec. 10

The Martini Team
Low Gross: Tied at 50- Sue Buckland-Mulhern and Peggy Borro.
Low Net: 37-Terry Alfano
The Cosmo Team
Low Gross: 53-Carol Venslavsky
Low Net: 36-Dianne Masterson
The Margarita Team
Low Gross: 60-Julie Crudele
Low Net: 36-Mary Giannukos

HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR FELLOW NINE HOLERS? In keeping up with our monthly profiles of nine holers, this month I'd like to highlight Sandra Noe and Dianne Bowles. Sandy came to Candler Hills from Massachusetts. Two years ago, she picked up a golf club for the first time in her life. She took lessons from Nicky and joined the nine hole league on his advice.

Sandy is now addicted to the game of golf and has made many new friends. One of those new friends is Dianne Bowles. Dianne is one of the newer members of our league. She too has been golfing about two years, and like Sandy took lessons from Nicky. She also attended a few golf



Photo by Dianne Masterson

Candler Hills LGA 9 10s: Carol Venslavsky, Heddy Racinowski and Olive Curtin.

clinics at Candler. She found out about the league through friends that were already nine holers.

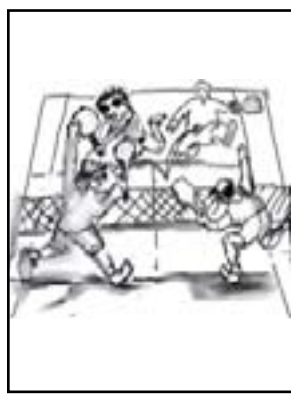
A big nine hole welcome goes out to Renee Aden who is our newest member.

At this time, we would also like to congratulate David Russell Smith on his graduation from CFCC and his new position of

assistant pro at Candler Hills. He will now oversee our nine hole league and in the future will conduct clinics for us. We look forward to his leadership!

Until next month, I wish you sunny days, long drives and short putts!

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Pickleball
Tom Seitz

Use of the new courts continues to grow. We now have about 60 active players, and more are joining us every week. Pickleball here at On Top of the World is a very social, friendly game, for both men and women of all ages and skill levels. We play open, mixed doubles games, rotating partners frequently. Just show up and you will play!

The courts are open to all at any time, but it is more fun to play with several others. The current schedule is as follows:

- Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. for

- experienced players.
- Thursday, 2 p.m. for newer players.
- Sunday, 3 p.m. for all players.

On Thursdays, an experienced player will be available to help you learn.

We would also like to add another day/time to this schedule. Tuesday afternoon has been suggested. At least six players are needed to make it fun. If interested, please let us know.

Pickleball is a true U.S. sport invented in Washington State. Although aimed at seniors, ease of learning, and smaller court size have helped to grow the game.

Also, of the 1,600 seniors competing in the Florida senior games in Cape Coral last month, many were playing Pickleball. Move over tennis, Pickleball is becoming the game of choice for active seniors!

Just come to the courts at the Health & Recreation Building, preferably Thursday, and you will play. Let one of the experienced players know you are new and he will be more than glad to introduce you to the game. After a short introduction, you can be playing a game that will help improve your life. All you need is some type of shoe appropriate for court play. We furnish the equipment necessary to learn.

If Thursday is not convenient, or for more info, contact either Tom Seitz at 390-3112, or Gordy Phillips at 854-7981.

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Shuffleboard
Robert Riedeman

On Wednesday, Dec. 9, the Shuffleboard Club played in a tournament on our home courts against Oak Run. Sixteen members of the club participated in eight matches. Although there were many close contests, the tournament ended with a victory for Oak Run by a score of 14-10. Those who participated from the Shuffleboard Club were (in no special order): Lou Fisher, Mario Migliaccio, Bob Schuck, Al Bice, Frank Scinlari, Armann Rohde, Charlie Lentz, Margot Thomas, Joe Veres, Maxine Malone, Vicki Lentz, Agnes Hickman, Jerry Griffin, Lois Rider, Willis Griffin and Joan Dudek.

There will be a return match against Oak Run in January (date not set as of this writing).

The members of the Shuffleboard Club are divided into six weekly playing groups for regular league play. The winners (those who won the most games) in

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this competition for the month of November are as follows:

Monday a.m.

Men: Tie between Tom Cullum, Charlie Lentz and Bob Schuck; Women: Helen DeGraw.

Monday p.m.

Men: Willis Griffin; Women: Margot Thomas.

Tuesday p.m.

Men: Gordie Phillips; Women: Edith Kolb.
Wednesday p.m.
Men: Bill Eberle; Women: Maxine Malone.

Thursday a.m.

Men: Tie between Vito Chieco, Frank Dubay and Jack Smith. Women: Tie between Phyllis Hershey and Carol Lopez.

Friday a.m.

Men: Jim Keller; Women: Nancy Kowsky.
Beginning on Jan. 9, training sessions will be held on the courts for both beginner and experienced players who wish to improve their shuffleboard skills. These events will take place each Saturday morning from 9:30 to 11 a.m. under the direction of member John Mataya with the assistance of a captain or co-captain from one of the weekly playing groups. Prospective new members to the club are urged to take advantage of this opportunity.

The next general membership meeting of the club will be held on Thursday, Jan. 14 at 10:30 a.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom.

Any residents who desire more information about the club are urged to call President John Mataya (237-9692), Secretary Jane Lipps (873-2745) or myself (861-1501). There is room for new members in all of the playing groups mentioned above. So come on down to the courts!



Photo by John Mataya

Shuffleboard Club members who participated in the tournament against Oak Run on Dec. 9. Front row: Agnes Hickman, Margot Thomas, Maxine Malone, Vicki Lentz. Back row: Lois Rider, Bob Schuck, Charlie Lentz, Lou Fisher, Joe Veres.



Bocce
Bob Woods

At our last board meeting, it was announced that our paid membership has risen to 150 players and that number should be a lot higher. Lets all start the New Year by getting either a spouse, friend, or neighbor to join our bocce community. The more, the merrier and, of course, leagues will have more players along with additional open bocce times and the expansion of match play. Get out

there and do a little recruiting.

It has been decided the bocce dinner will be held at Stone Creek Grille. Right now, the menu will consist of beef, chicken and fish. The price will be \$10 for paid-up members and \$20 for non-members. The tentative date for the gathering will be March 28. Of course, things can change so the word will be passed at the courts if any changes arise.

At this writing, Best of Bocce will commence on March 15. More details will be published in future articles.

Assistance is needed at the courts from wiping off the moisture on the benches in the morning to placing the boxes of balls and measuring cups at each court. Your assistance is greatly appreciated!

When a player rolls the wrong color ball, this is called interference and after the ball comes to rest, that ball is removed from the court. The ball is dead and play continues.

What happens if the pallina is knocked out of the court? The entire frame must be replayed.

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**Ladies
9-Hole Golf**
Diane Dzik

The New Year dawns with a host of new activities for 2010, but the afterglow of 2009 remains as we finished the year with two fine events. Our Charity Scramble raised \$525 for Interfaith Emergency Services. Thanks to Darlene Bole who chaired this event, Mike Beyer for making the posters and collecting the money, and a big thank you to the 9-Hole Ladies who again proved that the generous spirit of

the On Top of the World community is alive and well in difficult times.

Our Christmas luncheon was held in the Arbor Club Ballroom on Dec. 10. Festively decorated, for the occasion, it was a lovely setting. Glittery foil Christmas trees on a bed of "snow" surrounded my shiny ornaments and a gold foil reindeer made up the centerpieces. Table favors were sparkly doorknob hangers made up of ribbons and jingle bells. The lunch menu catered by Friendship Catering was abundant and delicious. Kudos go to Gretchen Saker, Jean Flynn and Dottie Wagner for organizing this annual party.

On Feb. 9, we will host the On Top World 9-18 Invitational. Chairpersons for this event are Lucy Quaranta and Caroline East. Cost for the luncheon buffet is \$15. We are hoping everyone turns out since this is always a fun and inspiring event.

If you are thinking about getting a new league golf shirt for the New Year, Carol White will have two types of samples available to see at our Jan. 5 league meeting. The cost is \$18. They are women's golf shirts, designed to fit those curves and to wick moisture away from the body.

The next scheduled Invitational is Feb. 16 at Rainbow Springs. As of this printing, no details are available, but please watch the bulletin board in the clubroom for information as it becomes available.

Points to Ponder: Pauline Beloin, the chair of our rules committee, has reminded us that greens courtesy demands that carts are never to be parked in front of a green. Golf etiquette means no extra talking, laughing, etc., when a player is taking a stroke, and never stand in the line of a putt on the greens. Also, as a reminder, 14 clubs are the maximum carried in a golf bag.

Three Blind Mice
Nov. 17

Flight 1: 29-Grace Bock; 31-Diane Dzik; 32-Agnes Tetti, Carol White, Joan Rappa, Lorraine Rourke, Vi Sica
Flight 2: 32-Dodie Phillips; 33-Marie Segovis, Sumiko Bridges; 34-Alice McDaniel, Virginia Blanchard
Flight 3: 34-Carol Bell, Donna Swiger; 37-Linda Heenan.

Charity Scramble
Nov. 24

39-Kathy Dushary, Ruth Mitchell, Lorraine Rourke; 39-Dottie Migliaccio, Marie Greco, Jet Messer; 41-Grace Bock, Mary Carson, Virginia Blanchard, Charlie Hassett; 41-Mike Beyer, Dodie Phillips, Helen Degraw.

Scramble
Dec. 1

42-B.J. Leckbee, Shirley Stolly, Judith Kane, Charlie Hassett; 43-Diane Dzik, Jane Wilson, Dodie Phillips, Darlene Bole; 44-Jan Moon, Mike Beyer, Cathy Hathaway, Jet Messer; 44-Millie Nucaso, Judy Garrett, Donna Swiger, Donna Fey.

Low Gross by Flight
Dec. 8

Chip-Ins: Caroline East, Donna Fey
Flight 1: 46-Lorraine Rourke, Ruth Koch; 48-B.J. Leckbee; 49-Grace Bock.
Flight 2: 51-Judy Garrett, Mike Beyer; 52-Virginia Blanchard; 53-Dodie Phillips.
Flight 3: 54-Donna Swiger; 55-Esther Lang; 57-Ruth Mitchell; 59-Lucy Quaranta.



R/C Flyers
M. Keith Nadel

Flushed with the euphoria of the most successful November Fun Fly-In of the club's long successful existence and with the plaudits of over 300 enraptured spectators, the club approached the Dec. 6 Christmas banquet with high expectations. These expectations were met and exceeded with regard to our 135 members, wives, Ladybirds and guests. This was a banner year for the club. Each event was a capstone of prior years.

That evening, the guests at our Christmas banquet were flanked by a delightfully decorated Christmas tree, each lady received a red rose and then servers led the party to their decorated table of choice while being regaled with Christmas favorites played by John Kalivoda on the electric piano. This year's Christmas banquet chairman, Keith Nadel, presented the humorous aspects of flying RC planes following Ed Beck's invocation and after acknowledging the members of the current board.

The salads, drinks, entrees and dessert were flawlessly delivered while the heightened conversation level were matched by the keyboardist who relayed Christmas favorites and conducted sing-a-longs of Deck the Hall, Silent Night and Frosty the Snowman. For over two hours, the club took another leaf from the deck of fun and enjoyment even long after the last song, We Wish you a Merry Christmas, disappeared into memory.

On the following day, the club elected officers and directors for 2010. Larry Riehl, Ted Pope, Bob Emory and Pete Finan reassumed the offices of president, vice president, secretary and treasurer and Joe Finelli continued as director while Dick Rose, as a newly elected director also assumed the additional role of mem-



Photo by M. Keith Nadel

R/C Flyers Christmas banquet on Dec. 6.

bership chair.

The On Top of the World RC Flyers Club wishes all its members, wives and readers of this copy a Happy New Year.

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Stamp Club
David Groves

Ocala is known as "The Horse Capital of the World" and with its more than 1,000 attractive large and small farms dedicated to the breeding and/or training of horses, Ocala's claim might well be true. Certainly, many residents of On Top of the World attend events related to horses.

Well, horses are also popular with thousands of stamp collectors. To satisfy this interest, the United States has issued many stamps depicting horses. The first United States' horse stamp was issued in 1940 to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the Pony Express.

More recently, in 1985, the United States issued four stamps depicting Quarter, Morgan, Saddlebred and Apaloosa horses. In 1993, our postal service issued four more stamps portraying Steeplechase, Thoroughbred and Harness Racing and Polo.

For the stamp collector who loves horses, the stamps issued by the United States are only a beginning because horses are portrayed on the stamps of many nations. And much of the information needed to develop your own collection of horses on stamps can be found in the library of our General Francis Marion Stamp Club.

One of my neighbors in Candler Hills recently asked, "If I wanted to collect stamps from Germany, how could I get German stamps?" He could have asked the same question about how to collect U.S. stamps or topical stamps, such as horses on stamps.

The answer is this. Identify the stamps you want. Find a dealer or friend that can

give, trade or sell you those stamps, and begin acquiring them. All of this information is available to members of our On Top of the World stamp club.

If you would like to have a free "Guide to Stamp Collecting" -and even a packet or two of stamps - for you or some member of your family, simply call our club's treasurer, Joe Rosinski at

237-7366 or send him an e-mail at jrchr8850@embarqmail.com and ask him for the "Guide to Stamp Collecting" packet and a General Francis Marion Stamp Club brochure.

During December, we had our club's annual holiday luncheon; welcomed two new members; helped a non-member sell an inherited stamp collection; explored the club's boxes of U.S. and foreign stamps - valued at two cents and five cents each - for possible purchases for our collections; enjoyed a talk about privately issued stamps used in the United States; and discussed routine club business.

General Francis Marion Stamp Club meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 1 p.m. in the second floor conference room of the Park Avenue Bank, located on the corner of SW State Road 200 and SW 90th Street.

Remember, visitors are always welcome, including non-members who would like information on the best way to dispose of an inherited stamp collection.

For additional information about the General Francis Marion Stamp Club, please call Roy Schwartz at 237-1204 or e-mail to roy678@webtv.net.

And for 2010, on a Happy New Year note - annual dues remain at \$6!



Quarter horse stamp issued in 1985.



Steeplechase horse stamp issued in 1993.

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The following reported to the drive on Dec. 7: Axinn Sherman, Jane Bauer, Shannon Beall, Maurice Blackwell, Delores Buchan, Joyce Burk, Kay Breyfogle, Richard Chapman, Margitta Claterbos, Don Conroy, Loretta Conroy, Venus Cruz (ALYX donor), Kathleen Dushary, Joy Harter, Julie Hickok, Lauren Hickok, Judith Kane, Robert Kawalec (ALYX donor), Charles Lentz, Robert Lewis, Nancy Ludvik, Gretchen Luebke, Audrey Mangan, William Lango, Barry Massing, Marie Monroe, Joan Rappa, Virginia Rivers, Henry Romanowski, Hedy Schamal, Ara Sommer, Harold Stanley and Gerald Willitt.

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Billiards
Richard Impresa

By the time this column is published, the 2009 holiday season will be winding down and we will all be looking forward to what 2010 has in store for us. Christmas 2009 will be one to remember for the On Top of the World Billiard Club members who attended our annual party.

Our entertainment czar, Shirley Impresa, took charge of the event with her usual enthusiasm. The result was an evening of fine food, old friends, lots of surprises and a room full of good cheer.

We started the party with a social hour, where tall tales of pool prowess were exchanged, exaggerated and refuted. The guests were then shown into a private dining room where they were greeted with tables adorned with formal place settings.

Shirley and Santa's helpers (Penny Wilson, Polly and Bob Farineau, and George Tookmanian) arrived early to decorate each place setting with mini stockings filled with treats and cubes of billiard chalk all dressed up in lace and ribbons.

Then came the meal. Our fare included everything from salad to dessert. Each course was a treat unto itself. The entrees included London broil, Chicken Cordon Bleu, baked Grouper, and were prepared to perfection. The service was excellent throughout.

After the meal, Vivian Brown led the group in songs of the season. We can always count on Vivian to get us singing. What the crowd lacked in harmony it made up for in spirit and volume. I thought I even heard people in the main dining room singing along with us.

Shirley then enlisted Penny, Bob, and Polly to assist her in conducting a super raffle with over 60 prizes awarded. She also served as the event photographer, so watch the bulletin boards for some of her handy work.

The overwhelming response to ticket



Billiard Club members gathered for their annual Christmas party held at Stone Creek Grille.

sales was encouraging to the board members and the limit of 48 seats was sold out within two weeks of posting the announcement.

Judging by the reactions of the guests, it looks like this year's event was a smashing success. We are hopeful that this will be a trend and that the club will become more active in planning social events throughout the year.

Shirley and Bill Daly are going to be

busy planning some special events for our members. Keep track of the activities by watching the bulletin boards in the poolroom and reading this column.

Please plan to attend our next meeting on Monday, Jan. 4 at 4 p.m. in the Ceramics Room of the Arts/Crafts Building. Hope to see you there.

Until then, keep stroking and keep your tip dry.

The Movie Club Presents 'Julie & Julia'

By MARY EHLE

The first movie for the New Year will be "Julie & Julia." This is an autobiography about the life of Julia Childs and stars Meryl Streep and Amy Adams. Everyone has been asking for this movie and we will start our year with a much-requested film.

The show starts at 6 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom on Sunday, Jan. 10. Hope to see you there.

Remember the movie is \$2 at the door or a year's membership for \$6. The movie is open to all On Top of the World residents and their overnight guests.

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Barb and Bob enjoy the Rainbow River.

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R/C Ladybirds
Barbara
Toeppen-Sprigg

The Ladybirds marked the December holiday season with traditional events - a cookie exchange and a collection for Toys for Tots. As always, the culinary expertise of club members was evident. Cookies have to be one of the most varied styles of foods!

Coming up in January will be another traditional event, the Birthday Bash. On Jan. 11, all members will gather over cake and ice cream to celebrate everyone's birthday together, and to socialize with conversation and games.

Our featured member this month is the very active Barbara Trebilcock. Ladybird Barbara was born Barbara Alma Upton in Sheffield, United Kingdom. She emigrated, with her parents help, at the age of two to Hamilton, Ontario Canada. Barbara enjoyed careers with the Hamilton Board of Education and the Ontario government.

In 1990, Barbara married Robert Trebilcock, M.D. and in 1995 they immigrated to East Aurora, N.Y. Barbara owned and operated a small marketing company and Bob continued his Internal Medicine practice with the Buffalo Medical Group.

In 2003, they began to look for an interesting and warmer place so Bob could enjoy building and flying radio controlled planes and where they both could enjoy clubs and outdoor sports. A search on the Internet brought forth only two retirement communities in America with onsite radio-controlled airplane fields, one in California and On Top of the World Communities.

Once they visited Ocala and met the friendly and fun folks at On Top of the World Communities the decision was made, and they moved into their home in Providence in December 2004, two days after Bob retired and Barb sold her business.

Barb was interviewed at Central Florida Community College soon after arrival and began her new career on Jan. 3, 2005. She enjoys serving as Coordinator of Marketing and Public Relations.

The Trebilcocks travel frequently to look in on their grandchildren. When not working or traveling, you will find Barbara outdoors looking for a game of pickleball, riding her bike, swimming or paddling a kayak. Cards, shuffleboard and theater round out a full social life.

"Living at On Top of the World Communities is like being at perpetual summer camp. I like that tropical smell of pine forest and morning mist when I walk out to collect the paper. I am still amazed at the beauty of Central Florida with its mix of deciduous, coniferous and palm trees and proximity to both the Gulf and the Atlantic," said Barbara.

"We continue to add friends to our social circle and there are so many new activities to try. Croquet anyone?"

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Model Railroaders
Jim Devine

I hope that all of you received the model trains that you wanted for Christmas. If not, you must have been very naughty during the year.

Recently, some of our club members were shooting the breeze about tourist railroads that we rode up north. The railroads had old steam locomotives that pulled passenger cars from the 1930s or 1940s. We were trying to figure out if there were any steam-powered trains running in central Florida.

It turns out there is. As a matter of fact, I bet most of you have ridden on it a number of times. The Walt Disney World Railroad at the Magic Kingdom is a true steam railroad. It has four steam locomotives that were built in the 1910s and 1920s by the Baldwin Locomotive Works. (For you non-train buffs, this was a famous maker of steam engines.) Disney purchased the engines from the United Railways of Yucatan in 1969, disassembled them and shipped them to Florida where they were renovated and rebuilt.

If you look closely at the locomotives, you'll see that they have names. They were named the Walter E. Disney, the Lilly Disney (Walt's wife) and the Roy O. Disney (Walt's brother, and the man who completed Walt's work on creating Walt Disney World after Walt's death in 1966).

The fourth loco is named the Roger E. Broggie. (We'll pause here so you can say, Who?) Roger Broggie was a Disney employee who was a train fanatic. He oversaw the construction of both the Disneyland and Walt Disney World railroads.

Disney built the Disney passenger cars. Since they needed to get passengers on and off very quickly, the use of antique passenger cars was impractical. In typical Disney fashion, they simply decided to build their own railroad cars.

Did you know that you can get a behind the scenes look of the Walt Disney World Railroad? Disney offers a three-hour tour of their railroad facilities before the Magic Kingdom opens, and you can join the engineers as they prepare the trains for the day's action. This is a railroad buff's heaven. (Note to spouses of railroad buffs. This would make a nice birthday present.)

Work on our club's model railroad empire continues. The club has decided that we will have scheduled work sessions every Tuesday from 1 to 4 p.m. Feel free to stop by to learn about model railroading and our club.

On Top of the World Model Railroader's Club meetings are held at 9 a.m. on the first Wednesday of every month in Meeting Room #3 of the Arts and Crafts Building. You're invited to join us if you're interested in becoming a member of the club.

For additional information, visit the club's layout room on the first floor of the Health & Recreation Building.



Republican Club
Tony Tortora

The club meets on the second Friday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center meeting rooms unless otherwise advised. Members with an e-mail address will be notified of changes.

The candidates for election to public office in 2010 are gathering. Several have started their campaigns and more will throw a hat in the ring in the next three months.

Campaigning is a difficult task, particularly in Marion County. Our precincts are so spread out over a large area that it is hard to find them all, much less decide where to put campaign signs and literature. The size of the county makes it very expensive to carry out a successful campaign.

There is no question that the political clubs and other neighborhood organizations are important to candidates so they can reach the voters. All of us have a job to do. We want to be sure that we are voting for the candidate that we believe will best represent us. There is no better way to assess the candidates than to meet them face-to-face.

The Republican Club will give you that opportunity. Come to one meeting and I know you will return.



Computer Club
Sherry Surdam

Well, the holidays are pretty much over and we can get back to a more normal routine. I hope you had a healthy, happy celebration and are looking forward to a wonderful new year. It's hard to believe it's 2010!

On Nov. 14, Pete Wood gave us a very timely presentation on how to assess your needs when shopping for a new computer. It was obvious to all of us that he spent many hours doing his research to come up with a plan for choosing a computer. Following that we went to Dell Computer Company's website and "built" ourselves a computer with a nice selection of options. The prices have come down to the point where you can get a very well tricked out computer for under \$1,000!

On Nov. 21, I followed up with a presentation on preparing your old computer for disposal, either by giving it away, selling it or donating it to some worthy organization.

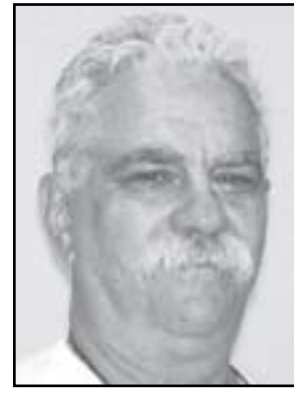
Then, on Dec. 5, Don Sommer gave us some wonderful pointers on setting up a new computer, including the removal of "bloatware," software you absolutely must have to keep your computer safe, and a selection of programs you can download and install for free.

One last reminder to members, Gene Barlow will be with us on Jan. 9. Be sure to attend if you are able. He is always armed with lots of information (and maybe some freebies!).

We don't always know in advance of submitting this column what our program schedule will be so be sure to watch the website at <http://www.cccocala.org/> for information on upcoming programs and/or other changes to the schedule. You'll find lots of tips and helpful information on our website as well. Our webmaster, Don Sommer, is always adding to it so visit often or you might miss out on something!

Club meetings are held at 9 a.m. at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

If you aren't a member yet but want to see what we do, come on up and give us a look-see. I think you'll find we have much to offer both novice and users that are more experienced! And for those of you who use a Mac, we have several members who use a Mac so it might be worthwhile for you to join us as well. Admittedly, the focus is on PCs but we can answer questions relating to Mac too.



Social Club
Mort Meretsky

Well, another year has passed, it's hard to believe that I've been writing this column for, I think, nine years. I want to wish everyone a happy and healthy 2010.

Our Thanksgiving party was terrific. I

want to thank everyone for the great food they brought in. It was all delicious, especially the potato pancakes; I loved them (they were my wife's). Another big thank you to the Winn-Dixie deli staff for providing us with our roasted chicken. The chicken was hot, moist and delicious. This is the second superb job they have done for us.

As this is the first of the year, remember to renew your membership.

If you're not a member and are curious about our club, here's a quick summary. Our dues are \$10 a year. We play poker and blackjack on the third Friday of the month from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Arbor Conference Center. We use play money and at the end of the day the person with the most money at each table wins \$5, second place gets \$3 and third place gets \$2. We have a picnic in the summer and a Thanksgiving party in November.

Our next poker/blackjack date is Jan. 15. So, if you are interested in joining or you'd like to check us out, come on down and join us.

are \$50.

Several weeks ago, Diane and I attended a planning session at Ocala Palms for a potluck luncheon. "Solos Across the Highway" will be held on Friday, Feb. 12. It's not necessary to be a member of this club to attend, only that you live solo. For more information, call Lorraine at 854-1365. The deadline to register to attend is Jan. 29.

Please join us for our meeting on Jan. 14 at 2 p.m. at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites G and H. Bring a friend.

Singles Club

Lorraine Serwan

Happy 2010! It hardly seems possible that another year of the new century has passed. There are a number of interesting and exciting activities coming in the New Year.

Our first meeting of 2010 on Jan. 14 will feature Dottie and her Singers as entertainment.

On Saturday, Jan. 30, a group will be enjoying lunch and the British farce, "Move Over Mrs. Marchum" at Central Florida Community College. If you would like to attend, call Lorraine at 854-1365. Tickets



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Red Hat Society
Vivian Brown

Happy New Year everyone! Hope you all had a marvelous holiday season. It's now time to get on with our Red Hat business. At the Queens meeting on Dec. 8, preparations for our annual PJ Party were made. It will be on Sunday, Feb.

21, in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. Tables have been assigned and chapters have chosen their entertainment; order of performance will be assigned later.

The next National Red Hat Day Celebration is set for Sunday, April 25 in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. For more details on these events, please check with your Queen Mothers.

The next Queen Mothers' meeting is scheduled for March 8 at 2:30 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite H.

The Razzle-Dazzle Red Hat Dames

Our November luncheon at Pavarotti's was great. The food was delicious and plentiful. The company and fellowship was wonderful. Thanks to Connie, our hostess.

We will have our holiday party at Mimi's Cafe and will give you the details next month.

Happy New Year to all my wonderful ladies! In my eyes, you are all Queens who brighten my days with happiness. God bless you all with good health and happiness in the year ahead. *QM Vivian Brown*

The Glitzy Gals

We participated in a variety of festivities this holiday season: a wreath was decorated for the Health & Recreation Ballroom; several golf carts were decorated for the Golf Cart Parade; and five of us traveled to Hudson for the fifth annual "Red Hat Christmas" at the Show Palace. We saw a wonderful show, ate great food and bought a few goodies from the vendors.

Nancy Cooperman and Sara Riehm were our hostesses for our luncheon at Felix's. The restaurant and Sara's home were beautifully decorated for the season. After a delicious lunch, we returned to Sara's home for our exciting gift bag exchange and some sweet treats. We wish everyone a healthy, happy New Year and more red hatting adventures.

"May all your troubles last as long as your New Year's resolutions." *QM Mary Curry by Janet Wahl*

The Blazing Bonnets

Our luncheon was at Harry's and the Blazing Bonnet Royal Court brightened up all of downtown with their Christmas spirit.

Hope y'all had a wonderful Christmas and may your 2010 be blessed.

Remember to keep your hat on your head and dessert on your minds. *QM Mary Vanasse*

Red Hot Tamales

Lunch and fashion show at Belk's, the Fall Gala at On Top of the World, and the luncheon and fashion show at Black Diamond made for a very busy October. November saw us caravanning to Wildwood for lunch at Polly's Pantry.

Betty Frostig, whose home is always beautifully decorated, graciously hosted our holiday luncheon, starting off our holiday season with laughter and joy. *QM Marlene Kaiser by Marilyn Cronin*

Red Hat Dollies

Nine Red Hat Dollies went to our Nov. 20 luncheon at the Pine Run clubhouse. Our gracious hostess was Cele Pettit. What a great place to have a fun lunch. The service was very good and the food was fresh and tasty. Thank you Cele for a wonderful lunch. *QM Connie Cameron by Peggy Greer*

Please send your chapter's activities to: vivjcb@cfl.rr.com by the eighth of the month. Any questions or information, please call 291-0246.



Ocala Clown Express
Kathy & Charlie Petrosky

Here come the clowns! That is what we heard as we came down the streets in the Golf Cart Parade. We had such fun! We had five golf carts and a dozen clowns. We loved waving, laughing and seeing everyone having a good time. Did you catch any of the candy we tossed? If you missed us in the parade, we have a picture for you to see. Thanks to Miss Pris for organizing us all.

We had our holiday party at Stone Creek Grille. What laughs we had. We did skits to entertain: Dotsy and Sparkalena did the Banana skit; and Toot, Gum Drop and Dinky Doo participated in a nursing home skit, bride and groom broom skit and a telephone skit.

Dinky Doo was a pesky kid who caused



Photo by Charlie Petrosky

Ocala Clown Express participating in the Golf Cart Parade.

problems at the movies. Jake told us some jokes and O A Sis caught her orange butterfly. We did a Yankee Trader gift exchange. The other diners got to enjoy our festivities as well.

We visited a different nursing home

this month. We entertained the patients at Oakhurst. They laughed at our skits and played our musical instruments. Some of our new clowns came along and helped sing and clown around. We now have new clowns joining us with this visit.

We had our last hospital program for 2009. It was great to see the children again. We will be with them after the holidays.

The Sheriff's Department asked us to

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help with their Santa Express. That is a Christmas celebration they have for underprivileged children. Sparkalena had the clowns help collect clothing for the children. She was able to bring them warm coats.

As you can see, we do a variety of things. You can do as much as you like. How about a New Year resolution to come and see what we do? We meet on the first and third Mondays of the month at 3 p.m. at TimberRidge in Building 300, Collins Resource Center. This month, we have one meeting on Jan. 18 at 3 p.m. We would love to have you join us!
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D'Clowns
Paula Magen

Our monthly holiday show at Emeritus Assisted Living was such fun. The balloon

toss activity was a big hit and got the seniors going. The CD of holiday songs was enjoyed, as was the singing of "Jingle Bells." We did our usual skits, knock-knock jokes, magic, etc. Red and green beads were distributed. We'll return next month.

We loved performing at Hampton Gardens. They are such a responsive and enjoyable audience.

At the Kids & Cookies program at TimberRidge Nursing and Rehab Center, the four- and five-year olds made and colored turkey hands. They also sang songs, which D'Clowns enjoyed. Clowns Ellie, Happy and Dee Dee gave out stickers and beads. We'll be there again next month. It's wonderful to see the youngsters and seniors doing an activity together.

In January, we plan to be at The Superior, a memory support assisted living residence where we entertained in October. We may also do a walk around at Hawthorne Village. In December, D'Clowns enjoyed a delightful lunch at the Oak Run Country Club.

We have been invited to TimberRidge along with other volunteers on Dec. 21 for a volunteer appreciation social featuring a musical performance.

D'Clowns are pleased to report that donations to seven organizations were recently made.



D'Clowns at Oak Run Country Club: Annette Berman, Ellen Richards, Diane Sistrunk, Paula Magen, Marilyn Buss, Nancy Schilf, Betty Lebair and Mary Jastrzebski.

Happy, our group is growing. We are a fun group that meets the first and third Monday at Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C at 1:30 p.m. Please join us at our meetings.

For more information,

please call Paula at 873-3433.

Wishing y'all a happy, healthy and peaceful 2010!



World Traveler
Bill Shampine

Let's revisit Europe this month, specifically Budapest, Hungary. Budapest, as we know it today, was created in 1873 by merging the cities of Buda and Óbuda, located on the west bank of the Danube River, and Pest, the city located on the east side of the river. I've been there several times and have really enjoyed the city, even though about two million people live there. Widely regarded as one of the most beautiful cities in Europe, it is a relatively modern city, but has a charm and "old world" flavor that is appealing.

The Celts, Romans, Magyars and the Turks ruled Hungary until 1718 when it was incorporated into the Habsburg Empire. Austria-Hungary then became a great European power until it was dissolved in 1918 and Hungary declared itself an independent republic. In 1949, Hungary was declared a communist People's Republic, but in 1956, demonstrations led to the outbreak of the Hungarian Revolution.

A "must-do" for visitors is a trip to

the hot springs. There are 80 geothermal springs in Budapest, including the world's largest thermal water cave system and the largest "medicinal" bath in Europe. There also are several World Heritage Sites in Budapest, including the banks of the Danube, the Buda Castle Quarter, Andrassy Avenue, Heroes' Square and the Millennium Underground Railway.

The city and surrounding area are home to the largest synagogue in Europe, the second largest Baroque castle in the world, the third largest Parliament building in the world, and the third largest church in Europe. Another of the jewels of Budapest is the 700-year old Matthias Church. Additionally, there are lots of museums and fascinating streets, buildings, squares, and shops for the wanderers among you.

Most of the major hotels and the Parliament are in Pest, the flat side of the city.

On the other side, Buda, the land rises precipitously from the riverbank and is very hilly. Buda contains most of the geothermal springs and Castle Hill. The two areas are connected by five major bridges, the most famous of which is Széchenyi Chain Bridge. It is called the Chain Bridge because the roadway is suspended from what looks like a huge bicycle chain. It was built in 1849 and rebuilt in 1949 (after being destroyed in World War II).

One of the most popular tourist activities is to stroll along the riverbank (Pest side) where what looks like a small fair is set up every evening. You can sample local music and inexpensive food, and simply enjoy the ambiance with the river, lights and people walking along having fun.

Speaking of food, it is excellent. For those of you who imbibe adult beverages, the national drink is called Unicum. I found the taste of this beverage quite unpleasant.



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A night view of the Chain Bridge taken from the Pest side of the Danube River. The Matthias Church is located in the background.



Original Karaoke Group
George Quaranta

On Nov. 24, yours truly and some of our singers went in to the Candler Hills Restaurant at 5:30 p.m. for some food and libations, and enjoyed listening to Tony playing and singing with his guitar.

At 7 p.m., we started our karaoke session. I would like to thank Janet and Pat for their assistance with the CDs. We sang numerous songs.

The Dec. 10 karaoke session will be reported in my next column.

Effective Jan. 14, we will be singing karaoke at the Arbor Club Ballroom from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

I hope to see you there! Until then, keep on singing, it's healthy and good for you.

For more information, call George at 873-9667

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Mah Jongg
Mary Ehle

Classes are over and we have some eager new players. Please join me in welcoming our new players!

I have a lovely jacket that was left at the tournament. It is tan and quite different. It doesn't fit me, darn it. Call me and you can pick it up at my house.

No other news for now, so jokers to you all.



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Travel Toppers
Jo Swing

We have many exciting and entertaining trips planned for 2010. On Jan. 6, Travel Toppers will be visiting the Murray Theater at Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater to see the hilarious one-man show, "My Mother's Italian, My Father's Jewish and I'm in Therapy." The cost is \$51, which includes show, bus and tip for driver. Meal will be on your own. Check with Linda Hein for availability because this trip coincides with our first general meeting of the year. That meeting will begin one-half hour earlier at 10 a.m.

On Sunday, Jan. 10, we will be going to CFCC Performing Arts Center in Lecanto to see "Forbidden Broadway." This is a collection of updated musical parodies on Broadway shows. As of publication time, there is one ticket available. If you are interested, please call Jo Swing.

Currently we are taking reservations for the Feb. 6 production of "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" at the Show Palace Dinner Theater in Hudson. The cost is \$60 per person, includes show, buffet meal, transportation and tips for driver and meal. Contact the coordinator, Mary Lee Coleman, for reservations.

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Saturday, Feb. 13, will see us at the Bob Carr Performing Arts Centre in Orlando for "Phantom of the Opera." This longest running Broadway show is priced at \$75 per person and includes bus, tour, buffet and tip for driver. Meal is on your own. Kathy Peterson is the coordinator.

Reservations start Jan. 11 for the March 5, Ocala Horse Farm Tour. The cost is \$51, which will include bus, tour, buffet and tips for driver and meal. Audrey Mangin is the coordinator for this tour.

On Monday, Jan. 18, reservations start for the comedy, "Church Basement Ladies" at the Peabody Auditorium in Daytona Beach. The show will be on Tuesday, March 30. The cost is \$52 and includes show, bus and tip for driver. Meal is on your own. The coordinator is Linda Hein.

Wednesday, Jan. 20, is the start for reservations to see Bill Cosby at Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater on Saturday, March 27. The cost for this performance is \$61. This covers bus, show and tip for driver. Meal will be on your own. Pat Benson will be the coordinator.

Monday, Jan. 25, will be the start for reservations for the March 12 trip to Tampa Downs. The cost of \$38 covers admission, buffet meal, bus and tips for driver and meal. Margaret Paris will be the coordinator.

Tuesday, Jan. 26, will be the start of reservations for "In the Mood." This is a production of the Seniors at Leisure Series at Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater. It will be on April 1. The cost of \$41 includes show, box lunch, bus and tip for driver. Pam Giddens is the coordinator.

The New England Cruise for Saturday, Oct. 2, through Saturday, Oct. 9, is getting a good response. The cost ranges from \$1,389 per person for inside to \$1,689 per person for veranda. Please call Allan Rickards for more information or reservations.

Remember, the meeting on Jan. 6 will be at 10 a.m. this one time only. We meet at Suite A of the Arbor Conference Center. All On Top of the World residents are welcome.

Until then, happy travels and a Happy New Year to all.



On the Road Again
Bob Woods

We had a great turnout of folks at a meeting with a Royal Caribbean representative that were interested in the September 2010 sailing of the Radiance of the Seas. This would be departing San Diego with a final destination of Tampa after visiting many ports along the Mexican Rivera and a daylight transit of the Panama Canal.

There are still spaces available for this cruise and a \$100 shipboard credit per stateroom was given to those already signed up. If you are slightly interested in this cruise, please give me a call and I will explain the entire trip to you, which includes a two-night stay in San Diego before the cruise.

Stand-bys are welcome for the New Orleans coach trip in May.

I still have seats available for two additional coach trips in 2010, one being a trip to Memphis/Tunica in early Septem-

ber and a trip to the Smoky Mountains in November.

I am still working out the details for three trips I mentioned in last month's article. These trips are to Key West in January 2011, and to downtown Charleston and Chattanooga.

I am planning a coach trip to Cape Cod, Mass. where we will visit Hyannis, stopping at the JFK Museum, the historic village of Sandwich, and colorful Provincetown just to mention a few of the stops. The group will also take a ferry to Martha's Vineyard for a tour of the island seeing historical sites and beautiful light-houses.

Another trip planned is to Boston and Massachusetts' north shore including historic Marblehead, Gloucester, and Rockport, not to mention Concord, Salem and Lexington. In Boston, the trip will include a visit to Quincy Market and Faneuil Hall, "Old Ironsides" (USS Constitution) plus a guided tour of Boston. You will see the birth place of the American Revolution and where "the shot heard around the world" originated and a stop in Plymouth, "America's Hometown, to see the famous Plymouth Rock."

I know I have mentioned in the past about a website. It is forthcoming and as soon as it is up and running, I will put the information in my article. Once it is fully working you will be able to open the site getting information on all our trips, book as many as you would like right on your PC. Of course, I will still be available to answer questions and deliver flyers.

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Williamsburg Cruise Club
Fred O'blenis

Welcome aboard! Next month, we will be off on the Oasis of the Seas for seven days of more fun and sun.

Our travel agent, Debbie and her husband recently took an overnight cruise on the Oasis of the Seas. Debbie's remarks about the ship, "My, oh my, oh my! This ship is truly the most incredible creation I

have ever seen or experienced. I'm not going to elaborate too much because I want all of you who are traveling with me on Feb. 6 to be blown away when you see this ship. All I can say is hold on to your hats. What a ship, this is everything you could want and more."

Our next cruise will be on the Carnival Dream on Nov. 27. We have 25 balconies and 15 inside rooms on hold for us; the rooms are going fast, so don't miss out. When the rooms are gone, we may not be able to get more at the same price as we have now. The trip is a seven night Western Caribbean cruise with ports of call: Roatan Isle, Belize, Costa Maya and Cozumel. A \$50 on board credit per cabin will be provided.

The prices are as follows: balcony \$966.68 per person, ocean view, please call for price and inside cabin \$666.68 per person. Deposit of \$250 per person due at sign up, deposit is totally refundable up to final payment (Sept. 13). All prices include port charges, taxes and fees. We will have a private bus for an additional \$45 per person round trip (includes driver and porter tips on arrival at port). You must have a passport to cruise.

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Winter Recipes

Although the weather in sunny, Florida is not as cold as up north, it can get cold enough to light a fire and make hot

chocolate or mulled wine. Here are some recipes that will warm up your winter season.

Created originally by the Aztecs this hot chocolate is sensual, spicy and perfect for a cold winter night.

Spicy Hot Chocolate

1 cup whole milk
1/2 cup heavy cream
2 oz bittersweet chocolate
1/2 vanilla bean
1 cinnamon stick
1/2 seedless cayenne pepper

In a saucepot, simmer the milk, cream, vanilla bean, cinnamon stick and pepper for 10 minutes. Next, remove the vanilla bean, pepper and cinnamon stick and grate chocolate. Stir constantly using a whisk until smooth and hot. Serve with cinnamon stick garnish.

Mulled wine is made all over Europe and it can be simmered in a crock-pot or saucepan.

Mulled Wine

1 bottle red wine
1/2 cup of water

1/2 cup orange juice
1/2 cup sugar
6 cloves
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
2 cinnamon sticks
1 pinch pumpkin pie spice
1 cup of brandy

Simmer ingredients together for 45 minutes on medium heat. Strain into mugs and drink hot.

This creamy garlic soup takes a spin on potato onion soup and goes great with grilled cheese.

Creamy Potato & Garlic Soup

2 oz olive oil
30 cloves garlic, peeled
7 cups vegetable or chicken broth, divided
1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup chopped onion
3 Yukon gold potatoes peeled, diced and reserved in cold water
Salt and pepper to taste
1 cup heavy cream
1 cup milk

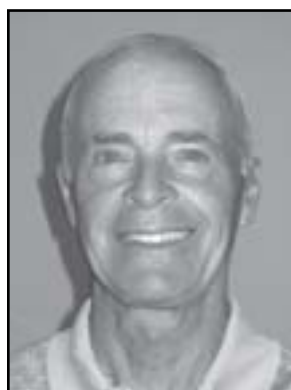
Salt and coarsely ground pepper, to taste
Freshly grated Parmesan cheese

In a medium saucepan over medium heat, add the oil and then chopped onions and sauté until tender. Then add the garlic bulbs and then add diced potatoes. Pour in three cups of chicken stock and bring to a boil. Cook until the potatoes are soft. Using a hand mixer food processor, puree the soup and return to soup pot. Stir in heavy cream, milk, salt, and pepper; cook, over low heat, another 10 minutes. Remove from heat. Serve in soup bowls and garnish with Parmesan cheese

Grilled Havarty Cheese & Tomato with Crusty Grilled Bread

2 slices havarty cheese
3 oz butter
2 slices of thick crusty bread
2 slices of tomato

Layer cheese and tomatoes in between bread. Spread butter on the bread. Using an iron skillet allow the cheese to melt and bread to grill.



Favorite Recipes Dinner Club Luke Mullen

Our club kicked off the holiday season on Saturday, Nov. 21 with 28 diners at four club members' homes.

Hosting our first dinner were Jean and Joe Breslin. Judy and Rob Schaefer began with appetizers. They presented bacon wrapped water chestnuts with a spicy sugar glaze and smoked salmon cream cheese pinwheels garnished with capers. Gitte and Paul Agarwal then served a salad consisting of spring mix, toasted walnuts, dried cranberries, lots of feta cheese in light balsamic vinaigrette. Edie and Fritz de Holl provided various breads. Jean and Joe served a baked ham dinner with two different sauces, one raisin and the other cherry sauce. Accompanying this was mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, asparagus, creamed cabbage, and squash stuffed with sausage. Maureen and Dan Core served an angel food cake with filling of crushed pineapple, vanilla pudding

and whipped cream.

Our second dinner hosts were Barbara and John Young. Debbie and Dan Partin prepared the hors d'oeuvres of cooked mushroom caps filled with Italian sausage and Mozzarella cheese and mini chicken tortillas stuffed with cheese, peppers and chicken. Barbara and John served the entrée, which was marinated pork tenderloin roast. A salad that included walnuts, beets, black olives, balsamic dressing and other vegetable ingredients. Accompanying the entrée were side dishes of sweet potato casserole, red cabbage and a vegetable medley. After dinner, Mary and Bob O'Neal served a homemade peach apple pie.

Joan Sigafos and Richard Miles hosted our third dinner. Jimi and Tony Bartolone prepared the appetizers, which were stuffed mushrooms with brushetta and pigs in a blanket. Ann and Conrad Massa served a salad of greens, celery, carrots, radishes, cucumber, grape tomatoes and cashew nuts with Italian vinaigrette. Joan and Richard's prepared entrée was a beef bourguignon with seared carrots, onions and mushrooms accompanied by oven roasted potatoes. The dessert was old-fashioned applesauce cake and a frosted pumpkin roll.

Hosts for our fourth dinner were Cherry and Fred Jones. Tish and Don Dertien brought the hors d'oeuvres, which were an artichoke spread with crackers and kavli crackers with a topping mixture of dry onions, mayonnaise and Parmesan cheese. Cherry and Fred then served a southwestern themed meal consisting of Chile Verde along with New Mexican quelites (spinach) and a pinto bean salad. Kathy and Luke Mullen then served a chocolate apple pie.

We are currently looking for couples to join our club. Call Luke at 304-8104 for more information.



Tall Tale Travelers Jim Lynam

The Tall Tale Travelers R.V. group recently camped at Jetty Park Campground on the east coast of Florida. The Canaveral Port Authority controls Jetty Park, but it is best known for its proximity to the Kennedy Space Center as well as near the waterway for the departing cruise ships. The group made the reservations with the hope of observing the scheduled launch of both the shuttle and the Atlas rocket during the week. Liz and Moe Campbell participated as the wagon masters and handled the reservations and planning for the eight couples making the excursion.

The travelers arrived on Tuesday already knowing that the shuttle launch had been postponed and encountered very windy conditions caused by hurricane Ida. Since the track of Ida was uncertain, the campers were somewhat concerned about the weather conditions for

the week.

On Wednesday, several of the women made a pilgrimage to Merritt Island for shopping and sightseeing, while the remaining campers enjoyed their favorite activities including games, cards, biking and fishing. Linda and Jerry recommended the Lone Cabbage Fish Camp for dinner and Liz made the reservations. Mary Jo tried the sampler of frog legs, catfish and gator and the next day claimed that the gator "bit her back!" Later that evening Linda and Jerry Chase hosted the group for the game of "65!"

Thursday morning everyone awoke to the scintillating aroma of bacon, sausage, ham, pancakes, eggs and coffee. The men were preparing breakfast and Jerry had a hit with blueberry waffles.

The Tall Tale Travelers celebrated an early Thanksgiving with a traditional dinner. Liz and Moe deep-fried the turkey and everyone else supplied the appropriate selections associated with the traditions of Thanksgiving. To add to the nostalgia, the dinner was served outside on picnic tables with wind gusts upwards of 20 miles per hour and the temperature dropping into the 50-degree range. The wind chill was cold enough to make the Pilgrims jealous! In spite of the weather, everyone left "stuffed like turkeys!"

On Friday, various couples went to Old Cocoa Village, Kennedy Space Center, and to the beach.

The Atlas rocket was scheduled for launch at 12:28 a.m. early on Saturday morning. The few, the proud and the brave came to the beach with their chairs, cameras and blankets and waited; and waited; and waited for the launch that was scrubbed three minutes before liftoff.

Everyone enjoyed the week of fun and camaraderie in spite of the disappointments with the launches and the weather.

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Card Clubs & Games

Monday Afternoon Bridge

Joe Zwick

Nov. 16
1: Jayne Kaske & Esther Lang; 2: Caryl Rosenberger & Marjorie Benton; 3: Elsie Helwig & Maizie Millward.

Nov. 23
1: Fran Griswold & Betty Morris; 2: Ida Rosendahl & Doris Keathley; 3: Marjorie Benton & Caryl Rosenberger.

Nov. 30
1: Ida Rosendahl & Carol Thompson; 2: Joan Lord & Eleanor Giardino; 3: Ray Dietz & Maizie Millward.

Dec. 7
1: Ida Rosendahl & Carol Thompson; 2: Caryl Rosenberger & Marjorie Benton; 3: Phyllis Bressler & Kathy Dushary.

Monday Night Bridge

Ginnie Barrett & Myra Butler

Nov. 2
1: Paul Agarwal; 2: Art Dushary; 3: Myra Butler; 4: Walter Hicken Looper; Cons: Miriam McNeilly.

Nov. 9
1: Joan Sigafos; 2: Ginny Barrett; 3: Eleanor Giardino; 4: Jim Smith; Cons: Jan Moon.

Nov. 16
1: Luke Mullen; 2: Paul Agarwal; 3: Jan Smith; 4: Keith Briggs.

Nov. 23
1: Fran Griswold; 2: Helen DeGraw; 3: Paul Agarwal; 4: Luke Mullen; 5: Mary Culberson; Cons: Jim Smith.

Tuesday Afternoon Bridge

Agnes LaSala

Nov. 3
1: Norbert & Florence Heckler; 2: Marion Wade & Agnes Weber; 3: Agnes LaSala & Carl Woodbury.

Nov. 10
1: Ray Dietz & Maizie Millward; 2: Norbert & Florence Heckler; 3: Agnes LaSala & Betty Larson.

Nov. 17
1: Norbert & Florence Heckler; 2: Betty Morris & Shirley Stolly; 3: Maizie Millward & Ray Dietz.

Nov. 24
1: Shirley Stolly & Betty Morris; 2: Betty Larsen; 3: Kay Wood & Richard Fluet.

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Tuesday Night Duplicate

Marjorie Benton

We welcome new duplicate bridge players to our game. For more information, or to find a partner, call 861-5700.

Nov. 3
1/2 (tie): Bill & Betty Raines and Mary Carol Geck & Doris Keathley; 3: Ida Rosendahl and Dick Mansfield; 4: Bruce and Marjorie Benton; 5: Bill and Ida Carlson.

Nov. 10
1: Harry and Ruth Tindall; 2/3 (tie): Rose O'Rourke & Norman Shultz and Mary Carol Geck & Doris Keathley; 4: Ed Wilson and Steve Becker; 5: Bruce and Marjorie Benton.

Nov. 17
1: Bill and Betty Raines; 2: Harry and Ruth Tindall; 3: Mary Carol Geck and Doris Keathley; 4: Art and Kathie Dushary; 5: Bill and Ida Carlson.

Nov. 24
1: Bruce and Marjorie Benton; 2: Mary Carol Geck and Doris Keathley; 3: Hazel Merchant and Ernie Lord; 4: Ida Rosendahl and Dick Mansfield; 5: Harry and Ruth Tindall; 6: Joan Lord and Nel Bosschaart.

Wednesday Afternoon Bridge

Fran Griswold

Wishing a happy and healthy New Year to all our friends and loved ones! We all plan to enter 2010 with hope and determination to make each day the best we can. We are truly blessed.

Our group welcomes Bernie back from Illinois and a very pleasant surprise is the return of Paula Bevel from Oklahoma.

Nov. 11
1 (tie): Alice McDaniel & Ester Lang 4560; 2: Marlene Floeckher; 3: Eleanor Giardino; Consolation: Pat Golangart.

Nov. 18
1: Joyce Walchak 4700; 2: Helen DeGraw; 3: Kay Boland; 4: Mary Culberson; Consolation: Alice McDaniel.

Nov. 25
1: Ida Rosendahl 5560; 2: Mary Culberson; 3: Bill Mahoney 4; Betty Morris; Consolation: Donnell Briggs.

Dec. 2
1: Betty Barney 4680; 2: Marlene Floeckher; 3: Phyllis Silverman; 4: Helen DeGraw; Consolation: Margo Thomas.

Dec. 9
1: Betty Barney 4650; 2: Ida Rosendahl; 3: Paula Bevel; 4: Bonnie Heinlein; 5: Gloria Richards; Consolation: Phyllis Silverman.

Wednesday Night Duplicate

Doris Keathley

Nov. 11
1: Nel Bosschaart & Margorie Benton; 2: Rose O'Rourke & Nancy Drimiller; 3: Ernie & Joan Lord; 4: Harry & Ruth Tindall; 5: Bill & Betty Raines.

Nov. 18
1: Caryl Rosenberger & Marjorie Benton; 2: Harry & Ruth Tindall; 3: Ida Rosendahl & Doris Keathley; 4: Bill & Betty Raines.

Dec. 2
1: Harry & Ruth Tindall; 2: Nel Bosschaart & Marjorie Benton.

Thursday Afternoon Bridge

Marion Turbin & Betty Legg

Nov. 12
1: Helen Eshbach; 2: Alice McDaniel; 3: Marge Starrett.

Nov. 19
1: Betty Legg - 6180; 2: Mary Carson; 3: Marge Starrett.

Dec. 3
1: Marion Turbin; 2: Florence Heckler; 3: Mazie Millward.

Thursday Night Bridge

Helen DeGraw & Ida Rosendahl

Nov. 19
1: Jim Mahoney; 2: Norbert Heckler; 3: Dick Griswold; 4: Jim Smith; Cons: Jan Smith.

Dec. 3
1: Eleanor Giardino; 2: Florence Heckler; 3: Ida Rosendahl; 4: Myra Butler; Cons: Helen DeGraw.

Dec. 10
1: Paul Agarwal; 2: Janet Becker; 3: Ed Horner; 4: Myra Butler; Cons: Ginnie Barrett.

Friday Night Bridge

Jack & Mickey Martin

Nov. 20
1: Dick Mansfield; 2: Erwin Fluss; 3: Mickey Martin; 4: Mary Culberson; 5: Nancy Dreimiller.

Nov. 27
1: Dick Mansfield; 2: Catherine Edwards; 3: Betty Raines; 4: Bill Hunter; 5: Phyllis Bressler.

Dec. 4
1: Harry Tindall; 2: Carol Johnson; 3: Rose O'Rourke; 4: Dick Mansfield; 5: Mildred Lane. Grand Slam: Harry Tindall & Rose O'Rourke.

Friday Euchre 4 Fun

Irene Pisani

Intermediate and advanced players are all welcome, so come and join us on Friday at 6:15 p.m. at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite A. Come one come all. For more information, call Irene at 873-4173.

Nov. 13
1: Out of 35, Gayle Argano; 2: Irene Pisani; 3 (tie): Sharon Dean, Hank Kolb & Jerry Pinter; 4 (tie): Zane Barnett & Bev DeBusschere; 5: Trudy Bertrand.

Nov. 20
1: Out of 31, Joe Scrivo & Irene Pisani had a perfect game. Congratulations! 2: May Holtz; 3: Larry Bertrand; 4: Richard Bartel; 5: Sharon Dean.

Nov. 27
1: Out of 28, Gitte Agarwal; 2: Hank Kolb; 3: Jerry Dean; 4: Sharon Dean; 5: Joann Shea.

Dec. 4
1: Out of 32, Bill (Wild) Eberle had a perfect game. Congratulations! 2: Walter Hickenlooper; 3: Berry Scrivo; 4: Jo Swing; 5 (tie): Sam LoBianco & Jean Gillette.

Dec. 11
1 (tie): Out of 32, Walter Hickenlooper & Sharon Dean; 2: Richard Miles; 3rd (tie) Jerry Dean, Nancy Kowsky & Paul Agarwal; 4 (tie): Buck Chaillet & Mary Hilovsky; 5: Bev DeBusschere.



Friday Night Euchre

Joe Askenase

Nov. 13
Four Handed Game
1 (tie): Marcy Askenase, & Lou Fisher; 2: Bridget Hughes; 3: Russ Riegler.

Six Handed Game
1: Helen Foskett; 2: Maria France; 3: Virgil Taylor, 4: Vi Horton; 5: Diana Riegler.

Nov. 20
Four Handed Game
1: Marcy Askenase; 2: (Tie) Shirley Coe, & Lou Fisher; 3: Virgil Taylor; 4: Diana Riegler; 5: Viola Horton.

Nov. 27
Four Handed Game
1: Marcy Askenase; 2: Lou Fisher; 3: Bridget Hughes; 4: Clarence Lietzow.

Five Handed Game
1: Helen Foskett; 2: Vi Horton; 3: Virgil Taylor; 4: Maria France.

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Dec. 4
Three Handed Game
1: Helen Foskett; 2: Virgil Taylor.
Four Handed Game
1: Lou Fisher; 2: Marcy Askenase; 3: Clarence Lietzow; 4: Bridget Hughes.



Tuesday Night Pinochle

Viola Horton

Welcome back to the snowbirds in our group. Good to see you. All pinochle players are welcome on Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Art Room of the Crafts Building. No partners are needed.

Nov. 3
Single Deck Winners
1: George Dertinger; 2: Audrey Bartolotta; 3: Dottie Findlay.

Double/Triple Deck Winners
Tables 1: Vi Horton; 2: Norma Yonke & Greg Skillman; 3: Ray Bock & Charles Distler.

Nov. 10
Single Deck Winners
1: Gerry Pinter; 2: Audrey Bartolotta; 3: Eva Mazzotta.

Double/Triple Deck Winners
Tables 1: James Nottingham; 2: Elsie Helwig & Billy Swing; 3: Ray Bock & Charles Distler; 4: Rich Fluet & Jim Keller.

Nov. 17
Single Deck Winners
1: Hank Kolb; 2: Vernon Uzzell; 3: Andy Mark.
Double/Triple Deck Winners
Tables 1: Ann Pelham, James Nottingham, & Vi Horton; 2: Jo Swing & Elsie Helwig; 3: Charley Distler & Joe Scrivo.

Nov. 24
Single Deck Winners
1: Lois Rider; 2: Edith Kolb; 3: Hank Kolb.
Double/Triple Deck Winners
Tables 1: Jim Mazzotta; 2: Ilsa Kersey.



Saturday Night Pinochle

Elsie Helwig

Nov. 14
1: Norma Yonke; 2: Rita Pinter; 3: Viola Horton.

Nov. 21
1: Millie Ferrell; 2: Al Novotny; 3: Viola Horton.

Nov. 28
1: Greg Skillman; 2: Viola Horton; 3: Dot Findlay.

Dec. 5
1: Audrey Bartolotta; 2: Ann Davis; 3: Anne Jagielski.



Cribbage

Greg Skillman

Nov. 13
1: Sheila Howell; 2: Ray Bock; 3: Mary Ehle; Cons: Elsie Helwig.

Nov. 20
1: Luke Mullen; 2: Ray Bock; 3: Sheila Howell; Cons: Norma Yonke.

Nov. 27
1: Craig Ehle; 2: Mary Lou Chamberlain; 3: Mary Ehle; Cons: Luke Mullen.

Dec. 4
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Square Dancing
Walter Lamp

On Tuesday, Nov. 17, we celebrated our annual badge night. It's when members wear all their club badges, collected over the years.

Two of our most senior members put on a show and shared some memories with us. Fran Bolson, dancing since 1948, wore her badges on the front and back of her blouse. Joe Thompson, dancing since 1968, only needed the front of his shirt to display his. The other members also displayed their past history on the dance floor.

The first special dance of the New Year is the Beginners Dance, on Saturday, Jan. 9 in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. An annual event, where the current new class members get to join the regular members in their first taste of club dancing and get a chance to better know their future dancing partners. It's done in a fun setting, with all dances designed with what the new members have learned so far.

The current club members have a lot of fun, helping and dancing with the new people. At one time, we were in their shoes and a member helped us out. Now, it's our turn and pleasure to support the new dancers.

On Jan. 12, our monthly theme dance will be the 50s where we will dance to music from way back when. So, let's bring back those memories.

In addition to other clubs holding their weekly dances around the area, there are two special dances worth mentioning.

On Jan. 16, at the LaHacienda Center in The Villages, there will be a benefit dance for New Horizon Academy School of Autism. All proceeds will go to the school. There will be 11 different callers and two cuers. All will be volunteering their time.

One thing that I have learned as my dancing has progressed is that it's not only fun, but also educational to see how each caller handles square dancing calling differently. The time is from 7 to 9:30 p.m. and spectators are most happily welcomed. So, if you are free that night, come on down.

From Jan. 21-23, in Lakeland, the Florida Winter Festival is being held. You can dance as much or as little as you want. There are five different callers and three different cuers.

Just think, when it's snowing up north and maybe a little cool outside down here, you could be inside dancing up some warmth and having fun with other dancers from around Florida and meeting new callers and cuers.

If you have any questions about any of the dances above, feel free to call me at 854-9378.



Pattern Dance Club
Jim & Nell Entinger

Happy New Year! We hope that all of our club members had an enjoyable holiday season, have recovered from all the festivities, and are ready to resume Pattern Dancing once again.

Carla and Tony are looking forward to reviewing the dance we've learned such as, Side Saddle, Ten Step Texas Style, El Paso Stroll, Sway, and teaching us new dances in the coming months.

As a reminder to all our members, we will be meeting each Tuesday from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom for dancing and Sunday from 5 to 6 p.m. in the Arbor Club Ballroom for practice. Also plan on joining us for dancing at The Town Square each Friday and Saturday evening from 5 to 9 p.m.; weather permitting. Hope to see you there!

For more information, call Nell at 861-5351 or Carla at 873-8387.

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Ballroom Dance Club
Richard P. Vullo

Let me add my wishes for a healthy and happy 2010 for all of our On Top of the World residents. I hope many of you have made New Year's resolutions to start or resume taking dance lessons this year. Getting to meet with new or old friends and enjoying the socialization of dancing throughout the year is a great way to spend some of your retirement days.

For January, we'll be learning new steps in the beautiful waltz. Throughout the year, you'll have lessons in swing, fox trot, cha cha, rumba, tango and other dances.

Starting in January, we'll have new schedules for our lessons. We expect to have group lessons for beginners and intermediates. Unfortunately, at the time of the submission of this column, we

couldn't provide the details to you. After the first of the year, please call our dance instructor, Trish Sands, at 351-2423 or me, at 854-6772, and we'll have all the details for you.

Here at On Top of the World we have dancing most Friday nights at the Arbor Club Ballroom and on most Fridays and Saturdays at Circle Square Commons. In addition, there are numerous venues in the Ocala area for dancing during the week and on weekends. Our club members are happy to share this information with you.

Our On Top of the World "Dancin' on the Top" committee held its first New Year's Eve dance at the Health & Recreation Ballroom. Over 200 people attended. We danced to the music of Roger Bourgault, enjoyed the shrimp as well as other hors d'oeuvres and celebrated the New Year with champagne and sweets. It was a terrific event.

The next dance for the "Dancin' on the Top" committee will be the Sweetheart Dance on Feb. 6. The popular group "Automatic" will provide the music. Ticket sales begin on Monday, Jan. 11, at the Health & Recreation Ballroom from 8 to 10 a.m. and will continue each Monday and Wednesday through Jan. 27. Tickets are only \$7 per person.

Here's the schedule for the rest of 2010:

- May 8 with "Tomaara"
- Nov. 20 with "Automatic"
- Dec. 31 New Years Eve 2010 with "Sounds of Time"

It's a great line-up, so mark your calendars and plan on attending. For more information, please call Jack Stone at 873-3083 or me at 854-6772.



Ballet Club
Eugenie Martin

Another holiday season of eating and overdoing it is just about over. I love this time of year, but need exercise to help undo the excesses of the season. Of course, ballet is my favorite form of exercise, but all forms are good. Just find what resonates with you and do it!

The Ballet Club is preparing to perform at the 2010 Health and Wellness Expo on

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Saturday, Jan. 16 at the Circle Square Cultural Center, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. At noon, we will be doing a few dances on the main stage, not in a side room, as we did previously. The Expo is very interesting and informative, so I urge you to attend. If you are there at noon, "come on down" to see us perform.

Our regular classes are free and are held in the Arbor Club Exercise Studio adjacent to the indoor swimming pool on Mondays from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m., and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 2 p.m. Newcomers are always welcome and you do not need any previous experience. Just wear exercise clothes and socks to try out a class. For information, please feel free to call me at 854-8589.

Happy New Year and happy dancing.



Line Dancing
Sherry Ashenfelter

Because line dancing is popular worldwide, professional line dance instructors travel the globe impressing dancers with their competent instruction, showmanship and choreography.

This month, when we attend the World's Dance Championships in Nashville, we will learn new dances taught by instructors from Canada, China, Japan, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and the United States. Also, this month, we will attend an Ocala line dance workshop featuring celebrity dancer/instructor/choreographer, Jo Thompson Szymanski.

What do the following line dances have in common? The titles are All Aboard, Beach Bop Boogie, Bump-N-Grind, Cinco De Mayo, Come Dance With Me, Cowboy Rhythm, Cut A Rug, Dance Ranch Romp, Dancing In The Dark, Don't Cry On My Shoulder, Funkafied Blues, Hardwood Stomp, Hideaway Cha, Jo 'N Jo Tango, Just Your Size, Makin' Tracks, Midnight Waltz, Pa-Leeze, Por Ti Sere, Put On Your Dancin' Boots, Rita's Waltz, Shoop Shoop, Splish Splash, Swamp Thang, and Victory Shout. Jo Thompson Szymanski choreographed all of the listed dances, and we have taught all of these dances to On Top of the World line dance students. We appreciate Jo, and all other choreographers and instructors who inspire us to get out on the dance floor.

For optimal learning conditions and floor safety, classes are limited in size with pre-registration required. For information about classes, please call 873-9440.

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Gateway Plaza.....	10:30 am	12:00 pm
Wal-Mart.....	12:05 pm	1:45 pm
K-Mart.....	12:10 am	1:50 pm
Gateway Plaza.....	12:15 am	1:55 pm
Paddock Mall.....	12:20 pm	2:00 pm

GROCERY STOP.....LAST STOP OF DAY.....30 MIN. SHOPPING TIME
(No Grocery Stop on SAM'S or BEALL'S Days)

Grocery Run...Every Monday....(Publix)....Start Pick-Up Run @ 3:42 pm....Return @ 5:30 pm

Sam's Club.....2nd & 4th Wednesday of the Month.....2:10 pm...3:30 pm

Beall's & Wal-Mart.....1st Thursday of the Month.....1st Run Ocala...2nd Run Hwy 200 W.
(1st Run Ocala (Porter's & Target)...2nd Run (Big Lots - Beall's - Dollar Tree - Wal-Mart)

Beall's & Wal-Mart.....3rd Thursday of the Month.....1st Run Ocala...2nd Run Hwy 200 W.
(1st Run Ocala...2nd Run (Big Lots - Beall's - Dollar Tree - Wal-Mart)

3rd Tuesday Supper Get-A-Way ...Pick-Up & Drop Off At Rec. Center...Depart @ 4:30 pm
(CALL TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION...ONLY 21 SEATS AVAILABLE EACH MONTH)
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Sunshine Quilters
Ann Weldishofer

On Dec. 1, 34 Sunshine Quilters went to Stone Creek Grille for a lovely holiday luncheon. This is an annual event, held at different locations each year. It is a very nice way to end the year, think back on all of our activities and look forward to another productive year.

A special thank you was given to Jeanette Wroblewski for her work of making the Craft Show the success it was. It takes a lot of logistical planning to pull off such an event. Good job, Jeanette!

2010 will begin with the Jan. 5 business meeting, where our new president, Tekla Krause, will takeover. This meeting will be at 1 p.m. in our meeting room. There will be many ideas and plans being made for the New Year; suggestions are welcome.

With everyone's help, we will again have a good year. We hope to have workshops, classes, demonstrations and hopefully a few outings. The quilt scene in our area is very active, and there are many opportunities to see what other quilters are up to.

At every event I attend, there seems to be something new to bring home...either a new technique, a new way to do something, a new tool to try, or just a new twist on an old idea! Quilters are very inventive people, and are happy to share with others; so, every outing is a learning experience.

We meet in the Arts and Crafts Building every Tuesday. We welcome newcomers. Come visit and see what we're doing. We always look forward to meeting new quilters and we enjoy the new things experienced quilters bring us! Come see us!

Artistic Crafts & Gifts
Loretta Troutman

We are excited about entering the New Year. Looking for new starts with plans and hopes while looking back over quite a few years of participation in this group of crafters.

While the ladies who have continued with us can be considered our regulars, from time to time we welcome newcomers and are proud to have them and their fine works in our group. Recently joining us Cheryl Turnbow who displays beautiful jewelry and "rope" bowls; Georgia Adams brings in beautiful quilts of various sizes and patterns; Jackie Nolte knits pretty hats and shawls; Annette Rhoades shows unique jewelry pieces and even hard to find clip earrings.

We hope you will visit us. We are sure you will be pleased to shop with so many fine pieces of handcrafted items available for your selection.

We are in the Health & Recreation Ballroom every Tuesday from 9 a.m. to noon. Best wishes for the New Year.

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Sewing Bees
Linda Lohr

Happy New Year to everyone! Hard to believe another year has come and gone so quickly. In December, the Sewing Bees distributed 50 Christmas stockings; chock full of toys and goodies for needy children in Marion County.

We spent two hours stuffing the stockings with toys, candy and stuffed animals for the children to enjoy. They were de-

livered to Guardian Ad Litem and Kimberly's Cottage.

Our Christmas luncheon was held at Stone Creek Grille on Dec. 17 and included a grab bag exchange.

For the year **One of the 50** 2009, we completed 1,216 handmade items for children! It is a joy and a blessing to be able to provide comfort for some of the 1,200 homeless children registered in Marion County schools. Perhaps next year we will produce even more items, as the need is so great.

Our mission is to provide some comfort to the abused, abandoned and neglected children in Marion County via advocacy agencies.

Donations of material, thread, embroidery floss and fiberfill are always welcome. Monetary donations are used to purchase the quilt batting. Please contact Marcy at 854-1181 or LeeAnn at 854-7205, if you can help.



Photo by Linda Lohr.



Rubber Stamping Greeting Cards
Bev Taylor

The elves at the North Pole had nothing on us this month. We were busy making gifts and gift card holders for those "nice" on our list. It was nice to learn that we could use our stamps for something other than just cards.

Kathy Hoefer showed us how to decorate a candle by stamping on tissue paper. We then cut out the stamped image and placed it on a pillar candle. A piece of waxed paper was wrapped around the candle and then heated with a heat gun. We were all surprised at the nice gift we created.

We next made a gift card holder shaped like a Christmas stocking. The pieces of the template were cut out and then traced on decorative paper. These pieces were then cut out and glued to complete the stocking.

Kathy also brought us directions for two post-it note holders. One was shaped like a big matchbook and the other like a small book with a strip to hold a small pen. Neat gifts for that extra little something. She brought directions for us to take home to make more gift card holders.

Her final surprise was a gift for all of us - a little purse that holds one chocolate nugget.

We had a really busy time, but we all left with something special we had made. If you would like to join us, please call me at 854-3079.

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The Happy Hookers
Yvonne Bednar

Wishing everyone a happy and healthy 2010!

Our December holiday luncheon at Stone Creek Grille was very enjoyable for the 17 of us who attended. The lighted fireplace made it cozy and welcoming, the service and food were both excellent.

On Feb. 1, we will have our first luncheon of 2010, more information next month.

Many have started new projects, but in December several finished theirs. Cecile Lucas, with the help of Hilda Woodcock and Pam Jennings, finished knitting 30 hats for a second grade class at Romeo Elementary who are in need of warm cozy hats. These three ladies have been doing this for several years and do a terrific job.

Carroll Wheeler knitted three pairs of children's slippers and a variegated blue baby blanket which was given to Guardian Ad Litem.

Pam Jennings knitted a Mrs. Claus doll, which was not an easy task; it's adorable.

Naomi Berman enjoys counted cross-stitching. At this time, she is making a picture of palm trees. Tomoko Albert has a lot of patience with her needlepoint Japanese Kimono Lady picture; this one has taken almost the entire year to complete. Jackie Nolti is knitting a new lap robe blanket in red.

All women from our many communities are welcome to stop by and see what we are all about. We meet on Mondays from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Arts/Ceramic Room. For more information, call Naomi Berman at 873-4328.

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Estate Sale by S & M: Friday, Jan. 22, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. & Saturday, Jan. 23, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 8711-E SW 92nd St. (Friendship Colony).

Furniture: Dual recliner, chocolate brown microfiber couch, 3 years old, excellent condition, \$300. Solid marble matching coffee table (40 x 40 x 17h) and end table (28 x 28 x 23h), like new, \$275 for both. 861-3116

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Misc. Items: Boy's new brown polyvinyl winter jacket with sheepskin collar, size 18-20. Rubbermaid cranberry color clothes hamper, new, 25 x 20. Two twin size bedspreads, pumpkin color. Norelco Chic Deluxe Lady Speedrazor, new. 873-4289.

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Tag Sale: Saturday, Jan. 9, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. 9040-B SW 87th Ave (Friendship Colony). Wide variety of items.

Tag Sale: Saturday, Jan 16, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., 8426E SW 92nd Lane. House wares, sports equipment, small electric appliances, furniture and sundries.

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