

Community News & Update

By Kenneth Colen, Publisher

Master the Possibilities

Master the Possibilities concludes its summer season this month. We have all come to expect a thoughtful combination of variety and expertise. We are never disappointed. This month there will be 40 classes, lectures and presentations. Dust off that summer catalog ... there are some wonderful opportunities!

As always, the current curriculum is prelude to a new season. On Sept. 23, the fall (Oct/Nov) catalog will be available for online registration at 8 a.m. Go to www.masterthepossibilities.com and be among the first to enroll in these six weeks of programming.

Although this is a short season, it is very busy. With about 150 offerings, half brand new, I'm sure you'll find plenty to entertain and enlighten. Online registration is the most efficient and easiest way to ensure your place in class.

The (hard copy) catalog will be delivered with your World News on Sept. 30. Telephone registration begins at that time. We hope you will continue to explore and master the possibilities of genuine lifelong learning. See you in class!

Circle Square Commons

Where did the summer go?! We are all looking forward to the time of year when things start to cool down a bit and fall is in the air. It's time to get outdoors more in the cool of the evening and enjoy entertainment and festivals on The Town Square.

Circle Square Cultural Center

Over at the Circle Square Cultural Center on Sept. 25 - Elvis will be back in the building! Dwight Icenhower is a renowned Elvis impersonator whose act is approved by the Elvis Foundation. Tickets are available with prices for \$13 - \$15 for residents. Don't forget Herman's Hermits, starring the one and only Peter Noone, will perform on Oct. 1. Go online to purchase your tickets at CSCultural-Center.com.

Water Conservation

On Aug. 31, the Bay Laurel Center Community Development District will meet to discuss among other items, proposed new rules governing water, wastewater irrigation, conservation and landscape construction standards.

With all the rain in August, it seems odd to be thinking about water conservation. Only a very small percentage of rainfall actually filters back into the aquifer. Withdrawal and depletion occurs much faster than replenishment.

To underscore this point, there has been a steady flow of articles in the Ocala Star Banner as well as other publications dealing with either water quality initiatives or conservation initiatives. Interestingly enough, there is an important nexus between the two topics.

In the On Top of the World Communities, including Candler Hills and Indigo East, over 70% of all water usage goes out as irrigation. Generally, the interior water use favors conservation because new homes in On Top of the World were constructed with low-flow showerheads, faucets and commodes. However, the efficiency of these fixtures are defeated by allowing water to run for an excessively long time.

A simple case in point is allowing the water to run while brushing your teeth or when washing vegetables (two minutes = approximately 1.5 gallons). I know this never seems like much, but it all adds up surprisingly fast. Slow drips from a faucet can add up to an additional 20 gallons per day in wasted water. Toilet leaks can waste as much as 200 gallons per day.

The most efficient showerheads use 2.5 gallons/minute. Showers should be kept to five minutes or less. Older heads use approximately eight gallons/minute. Changing out the older model heads makes good sense.

Additional common sense ways to lower water consumption are: use the dishwasher when fully loaded, adjust the load selector on your washing machine to match the size load, when washing your car use a spray nozzle on your hose instead of allowing the hose to run. A garden hose can waste 600 gallons per hour.

The biggest use of water is in the landscape. Conservation can begin with an audit of your irrigation system by a licensed irrigation contractor. This involves aiming the irrigation heads correctly, checking for leaks, and correctly setting the irrigation clocks for optimal run time and frequency setting.

According to a program begun in Orange County, adjusting irrigation can save up to 22% (Source: Florida Water Resources Journal, August 2007). Saved water equals saved dollars for the homeowner. Having a licensed professional check and adjust your irrigation system once a year is a very good investment.

Owners may wish to consider reducing the irrigation frequency of outlying areas

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Island Festival at The Town Square

By Bob Woods
WORLD NEWS WRITER

On Saturday, Aug. 7, the ever-entertaining Island Festival took place at Circle Square Commons.

Hundreds of party revelers descended on The Town Square as the evening's entertainment started with the Caribbean Crew performing and singing songs from around the Caribbean Islands. The audience was entertained by the group's performance as one from the group played the steel drums.

Soon thereafter the crowd was entertained by the Tahiti Dancers who performed many hula dances and dances from the Pacific Islands.

The crowd was pleasantly surprised when a pair of stilt walkers appeared wearing fancy holiday island dress and strutted around The Town Square dancing and greeting those in attendance.

There were plenty of island and domestic food vendors on hand serving everything from Cuban sandwiches, black beans and rice, sausage and peppers, hot dogs, and many other Caribbean-themed foods.

In between band performances, children from the Extension Dance Studio, located here in Ocala, performed many dance routines.

The Grupo Salsarengue, a Latin music group, took to the stage playing music to the delight of the audience. The group's repertoire included a diverse range of Latin favorites such as the Salsa, Merengue, Bachata, Bolero plus others. This group's music turned The Town Square into a huge dance floor with pattern dancers do-



Photo by Bob Woods

Tahiti Dancers heat up The Town Square.

ing their dance steps along with all those other folks doing Latin type dances.

Please note that events scheduled outside on The Town Square will be held regardless of the weather. If weather pre-

vents it from being held outside, then it will be moved inside to the Circle Square Cultural Center. So, come on down and enjoy the wide variety of events being held right here in your backyard!



Photo by Ray Cech

Officer Wayne Hargabus and his dog, Madison, of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

K-9 Officer Visit

By Ray Cech
WORLD NEWS WRITER

On Friday, July 23, Officer Wayne Hargabus of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) visited On Top of the World to demonstrate just how useful dogs can be in solving crime and helping the stranded here in Marion County. Residents were introduced to a whole new side of law enforcement at Master the Possibilities, with a slide show/movie, and a practical demonstration by Officer Hargabus and his partner, Madison.

Officer Hargabus has been with the FWC for 23 years. His dog has been with him for 10 of those years, and after completing 400 hours of training, she also earns the privilege of wearing a badge.

The job of Officer Hargabus and Madison is to enforce all the rules, regulations and laws pertaining to anything even remotely having to do with hunting, fishing and boating. This includes searching for stranded hikers in our forests, locating illegal caches of weapons or drugs and checking boaters for DUI. "Most accidents on our waterways," said Hargabus, "involve alcohol, drugs, or both."

The FWC is the largest in the country, with more than 1,900 employees and 16 canine units. They cover 54,000 square

miles of land and 6,000 square miles of Florida waterways.

After the movie and slide show demonstrating a K-9 dogs prowess, Officer Hargabus led the audience outdoors, where he introduced them to Madison. She is a nine-year old Labrador, with a chocolate-colored coat and an extremely friendly disposition. She is not trained to be aggressive, but rather to just get the job done as efficiently as possible.

In a live demonstration, she was sent into the underbrush to find a concealed weapon and, in less than five minutes, she proudly delivered the hidden six-shooter to Officer Hargabus to an appreciative round of applause. Madison then played to the crowd, accepting pats, scratches and attaboys, while attempting to feign humility.

In 2011 (after 10 years of service), Madison will turn in her badge and retire with full benefits befitting her station as a longtime, working member of the Florida K-9 Corp. That includes lazing about on the porch and listening for the dinner bell, while keeping one eye on Officer Hargabus who will be mentoring his newly drafted canine assistant.

Hollywood Happy Hour

By Bob Woods
WORLD NEWS WRITER

It was a festive happy hour having a Hollywood theme in a well-planned, decorative Arbor Club Ballroom. Our Activities office went overboard making this a happy affair and the ladies manning that office were dressed exquisitely.

The Ballroom was beautifully decorated. The entranceway even had signed "walk of fame" signature stones as well as a red carpet for all those attending to walk through. There were cameras flashing as guests were posed either entering the red carpet area or in front of wall hangings.

Many of the residents attending this themed evening were dressed for the occasion. One gentleman was dressed as James Bond, while others were dressed in speakeasy attire. There was even one lady resident dressed imitating another resident lady who just so happens to play a lot of tennis.

Another resident was dressed like Dorothy from the "Wizard of Oz" while many were in attire mostly seen in Hollywood movies.

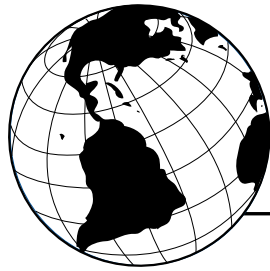
It was a fun evening and those dressed in costumes were judged by the audience receiving winning gifts from Theresa Fields, our activities director.

Topping off the evening's happy hour, two large themed cakes were devoured by those in attendance.



Photo by Bob Woods

Theresa Fields and Jenene Baxley strike a pose.



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The World News is a monthly publication of On Top of the World Communities in Marion County, Florida. This publication is written and prepared by On Top of the World residents for our neighbors and those interested in becoming a part of our community. The World News strives to publish only "good, informative news."

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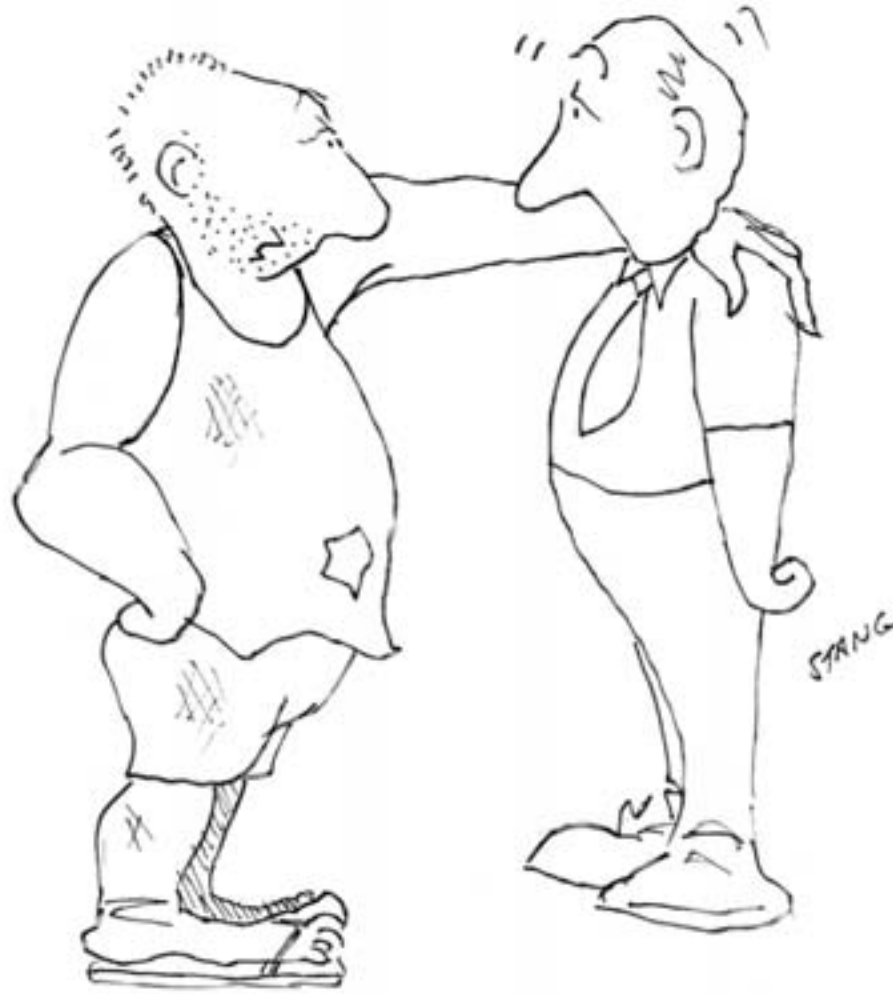
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By Stan Goldstein



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Is It Legal?
Gerald Colen

ALERT! Recently, some of my clients have received a letter from some company that apparently claims that in order to protect your ownership of your property; everyone should have a certified copy of their deed. From what I have been told, the letter from that company goes on to say that if you don't have a certified copy of the deed, send them something like \$55 plus costs of mailing and they will send you a certified copy of your deed. The letter may even include a legal description of your property, which of course, they can easily obtain from the public records.

- No one needs a certified copy of their deed. For that matter, if this company has the legal description of your property it means that they obtained it from the public records and therefore it proves that your deed has been recorded in the public records already.
- You certainly do not need a certified copy of your deed when you have the original deed. However, if for some reason you feel that you absolutely, positively, and without question must have a certified copy of your deed (don't ask me why!) you can get one from the clerk of courts in the county where

your property is located, for about \$10 and you won't have to pay for mailing costs. Toss such a letter in the trash and forget about it!

Q. When we lived in a different state, we had our wills drawn. Now, however, we live in Florida and our neighbor told us that our wills are no longer valid. Do you agree?

A. Nope. Your wills that were drawn up in a different state may be perfectly valid in Florida. Take them to a Florida attorney and check with him or her. However, I must add this: I have a "sense" about me that says if you reside in a state and make it your home, you probably should have wills, durable powers of attorney and advance directives drawn up by an attorney who practices law in that state.

Q. Can you explain precisely what the term "over-55 community" means?

A. I am very glad you asked this as I was going to write an entire column about this and will still do so. But as for now, let me explain what "over-55 community" means. Under federal Fair Housing legislation it is a violation of the law to discriminate in the sale or leasing of a residence to someone when it is based upon what is known as familial status. For example, it is against the law to refuse to sell or rent to someone because they have family members who are under a certain age. However, there are exceptions and the "over-55 community" is an exception. In an "over-55 community" at least 80% of the units must be occupied by at least one person who is 55 years of age or older. Note the word "occupied." Also, as you can see, if 80% of the units must be occupied by someone who is 55 years of age or older, then 20% do not carry that requirement. What this means is that in a situation where someone who is 55 years old has, say a spouse who is, say 50 years old, if that 55 year old spouse dies, then the younger spouse can remain in occupancy and the 20% that is available for such purposes will cover the fact that a unit may not always be occupied by someone who is 55 or older. This also permits someone who is under 55 years of age, to inherit and thereafter occupy a unit previously occupied by someone who was 55.

Q. Is it true that there is a law in Florida whereby a personal representative of a will cannot be older than the person writing a will? I ask that because I am 83 and the person I want to be my personal representative is my brother and he is 88 (but in great health). A friend of ours said that law has been in existence in Florida for many years.

A. There is no such law in Florida and there never was such a law and there never will be such a law. Nor is there such a law anywhere in the United States. (Geeez! I don't know where people come up with such things.)

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Recreation News
Theresa Fields

I find it hard to believe that we are into the month of September already; this year will soon be over! The first Monday in September is Labor Day and this holiday is celebrated by most of our nation's working people. For most Americans it marks the end of the summer vacation season and the beginning of the new school year.

Community Information

On Sunday, Sept. 5, the Candler Hills Community Center's front entry and the ballroom area will be closed for construction. This project should take approximately six weeks. If access is needed to the card room or kitchen area, you may gain entry from the pool area. The pavilion area off of the Candler Hills pool is completed and can now be enjoyed by all Candler Hills residents. Please remember if using this area for an event, this will require booking the pavilion through the Health & Recreation offices.

Holiday Hours

Labor Day is Monday, Sept. 6. The Health & Recreation office will be closed in observance of the holiday. The Arbor Club and the Fitness Center will open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please plan accordingly.

Get Acquainted Coffee

The Get Acquainted Coffee was scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 9. This has been rescheduled for Thursday, Sept. 23 at the Health & Recreation Ballroom from 9 to 11 a.m. Come out and enjoy free coffee and doughnuts while meeting some of your new neighbors. We will be offering a tour of some of the facilities and sports areas around the Health & Recreation Building during this time. For more information, please contact the Health & Recreation office at 854-8707 ext. 7530 or 7533.

Rags To Riches Sale

It's that time of year again to clean out those closets and garages. We will be having our Rags to Riches sale on Friday, Oct. 29. Sign ups will begin on Monday, Sept. 27 at the Health & Recreation office Mon-

day through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost per table is \$8 and this event will be held at the Arbor Conference Center from 9 a.m. to noon.

Club Fair

We have several of our clubs that took the summer months off and now its time to get back into the swing of things. We would like to welcome those clubs back. The Club Fair will be held on Thursday, Sept. 30 at the Health & Recreation Ballroom from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This is a time to actually see all the different clubs that are offered here in your community. We have so many exciting and activity based clubs to join and it is also a wonderful way to meet your neighbors and make new friends. Doughnuts and coffee will be available for sale by the S.P.C.A.

Ballroom Dance Workshop

Do you like to dance? Would you like to learn the art of ballroom dancing? Maritza Acevedo is an experienced instructor from South Florida. She will be holding a six-week Ballroom Dance Workshop on Thursdays at the Arbor Club Ballroom starting on Sept. 16. This class is from 4 to 5 p.m. at \$8 per class/per person. The schedule for this workshop will be as follows:

- First and second week: Cha-Cha
- Third and fourth week: Salsa
- Fifth week: Rumba
- Sixth week: Class/party/demo putting all steps together as a group with all the dances taught.

This class does not require a partner. To register, contact the Health & Recreation office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 854-8707 ext. 7533 or 7530.

Seasonal Shots

We have our first scheduled seasonal flu and pneumonia shots being administered on Monday, Oct. 11 at the Arbor Conference Center from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The shots are covered by Medicare Part B. If you do not have Medicare Part B, the cost of the seasonal flu shot is \$30 and \$50 for the pneumonia vaccine. Please sign up at the Health & Recreation office.

Casino Trip

Our next Seminole casino trip is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 21. The cost of the trip is \$20 per person this includes \$25 in free play, \$5 lunch voucher and the round trip bus ride. Please note assigned seating is required on all of our bus trips. The Health & Recreation office does not hold or save any seats without payments. Sign up at the Health & Recreation office Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Florida Greyhound Racing

Come join us as we enjoy a fun filled evening at the Sanford Orlando Kennel Club on Friday, Sept. 17. The cost of the trip is \$59 per person and includes transportation, roast beef dinner and entry into the Kennel Club. For more information, contact the Health & Recreation office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.

to 4 p.m. at 854-8707 ext. 7533 or 7530.

Medicare Information Seminar

Join your neighbors for a Medicare information meeting. This is a chance to ask questions and learn about the Medicare options available in your area. A representative from Senior Direct Today will provide information on Tuesday, Sept. 21 at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F at 11 a.m. Register at the Health & Recreation office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Community Bus

We are currently using the community van for all scheduled runs. This is temporary and we appreciate your understanding until our new bus is purchased. Please note that on Wednesday, Sept. 22, Jim will do the second run only. The morning run has been cancelled for this day only. The dinner runs on the third Tuesday of the month have been discontinued for the remainder of the year.

Happy Hour

On July 30, we said farewell to our supervisor of the Arbor Club, Dave Guildford. Dave has worked for On Top of the World for six years and has provided an excellent line of entertainment for all our residents at our Happy Hours. Residents enjoyed Dave's retirement cake and spent the evening wishing him well with his travels. The entertainers for September's Happy Hours will be:

- Sept. 3: Themed Happy Hour - Roaring 20s with Bontempos
- Sept. 10: Fred Campbell
- Sept. 17: Ray and Kay
- Sept. 24: Karen Hall

Don't forget the themed Hap-

py Hour for September is the "Roaring 20s," so break out your flapper dresses and zoot suits and come join us for an evening of fun.

We are planning our upcoming monthly activities and looking forward to busy days ahead! We would like to welcome all of our snowbirds as they return and ask that if anyone has an activity that they would like to see here in our community please stop by and chat with us as we are always looking for new ideas.



Photo by Theresa Fields

Farewell cake for Dave Guildford.

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All Around Our World

Lynette Vermillion

Labor Day

Customer Service will be closed Monday, Sept. 6, in observance of Labor Day. We will reopen for normal business hours on Tuesday. Please have a safe holiday.

Waste Management Labor Day Service

Attention Candler Hills East and Indigo East residents: Waste Management will not have scheduled trash pick-up on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 6. Normal trash pickup will resume on Thursday, Sept. 9.

Customer Service

Please note that the Customer Service office is closed the third Wednesday of every month from noon to 1 p.m., which falls on Sept. 15 this month.

Vandalism

In August, the updated men's restroom opened in the Health & Recreation Building and I am very disappointed that someone vandalized one of the doors within days of its opening. We are missing one of the new card tables purchased for the Candler Hills East Community Center. It seems someone traded their old one for one of our new ones. The R.C. flying field reports it is missing one of their round green tables and we are also missing a white one from the pavilion. It's possible that someone just borrowed the tables; however, they need to be returned. And, borrowing without permission is not allowed. We work very hard to maintain

Customer Service

Friendship Commons - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Office will be closed Wednesday,
Sept. 15 from noon to 1 p.m.

the appearance of our amenity buildings and equipment for our residents, and we need your help. If you see anyone defacing or removing property, please report it immediately.

Re-roofing Schedule

The following buildings are scheduled to be re-roofed within the next 90 days (September through November). Buildings: 2484-1, 2484-2, 2824, 2826, 2838, 2844, 2848, 2850 and 2926. Schedules are based upon several factors: return of all authorization forms for the building, street location of working proximity, and roofs which are showing the most wear will take priority. Due to unforeseen weather conditions we cannot provide specific start dates.

Entrance Gates, Stop Signs and Speeding

As a courtesy to the gate attendants, please turn off your windshield wipers when stopping at the entrance gates. Please do not fail to stop at the stop sign when entering the gate at Candler Hills. Many people violate this traffic sign by not stopping, which may prevent them from seeing traffic exiting the golf/restaurant area. We ask that all residents and employees abide by traffic rules, and please come to a complete stop at every stop sign.

Please follow all posted speed limits in the community. The Marion County Sheriff's office patrols the streets within On Top of the World and deputies are periodically posted throughout the community monitoring traffic violations. Don't let the next stop be you!

Changes to the Exterior of Homes

We are working our way through the community looking for changes to the exterior of homes made without an approved modification or changes made that are not in compliance with the modification that was approved. Please remember any work on the exterior of your home, including lawns and landscape beds, lawn ornaments and wall art, must have an application for modification request which has been approved in writing by the Architectural Review Board (ARB) before any work may begin. If you have made changes without approval, please contact Customer Service to apply for a modification. Changes made which cannot be approved will have to be corrected.

Enforcing the rules is a necessary process. It is a course of action that most of you expect—since it's one of the reasons you bought a home in a community with rules and restrictions. Sometimes your Board may be seen as the "no" people to

those who want to make changes or have items that the ARB will not approve. But, that is their role and responsibility.

We often hear, "can't you make an exception for me?"—sorry, not unless it can be made for everyone. Your Board must be fair to all and hold everyone to the same rules. Yes, there are a number of violations that we are working on and it will take time. So if your home comes before others, please know that the rules will apply equally, and we will not overlook any violations as we work through the community. When the enforcement coordinator comes by and requests a correction or a letter is received, just know we are working hard for all of you to live in a community that you are proud of and one that you enjoy.

Candler Hills Community Center

The enlarged pool deck at the Candler Hills East Community Center was completed in July and I hope that our Candler Hills residents have had time to stop by and check out the change. On Sept. 5, the Candler Hills Community Center will undergo more changes. The ballroom area and the front will be closed for approximately six weeks while we expand the ballroom area. We will do our best to keep inconvenience at a minimum.

Resident ID Cards

If you have lost your resident ID, please stop by Customer Service in Friendship Commons to get a new one. IDs are needed for entry into many of the amenity buildings and some events such as Happy Hour. As the community grows and changes, proper ID is required to ensure our facilities are utilized only by On Top of the World residents and their guests.

Candler Hills Restaurant and The Pub

If you have not had a chance to check out the new menu at the Candler Hills Restaurant, you may want to plan a lunch or an evening out to do so. Also, check out the events planned for September at www.otowinfo.com on the events calendar. The Pub features a great breakfast and lunch in an enjoyable atmosphere. Bring your neighbor or meet a friend to partake in a great meal!

Golf Courses

It is great to see the golf courses in great shape—the greens are rolling great and the fairways are lush. Congratulations to Andy Jorgensen and team!

The first day of fall is Sept. 22 in which night and day time will be of equal length. This is the hopefully the start of some cooler weather. I know that I am looking forward to all the wonderful things fall brings—it's football season!

Hospitality

Linda Tiffany

Gift cards are now available for Candler Hills Restaurant and The Pub! Be sure to take advantage of the "buy more, spend less" summer gift card offer. Get more for your money this summer when you buy a gift card from Candler Hills Restaurant or The Pub between now and Sept. 30.

Purchase a gift card in any amount of \$50 or more and receive 10% off the cost (i.e. purchase a \$50 gift card for only \$45). Minimum purchase of \$50 to receive discount. The check amount will be deducted from the card each time you use it.

Be sure to get yours soon to take advantage of this special!

Candler Hills Restaurant

In September, we will feature the following special nights each week:

Monday Night Football Night starting Sept. 13 in the bar/grill room from 7 to 10 p.m. Drink specials, rotisserie wings with a variety of sauces, nachos, quesadillas and sliders will be featured.

Tuesday Fish House Specials include crab legs and peel & eat shrimp, fresh cut fish and delicious jumbo lump crab cakes to please your palate. Served from 4 to 7 p.m.

On Friday and Saturday, enjoy a special steakhouse menu where you can savor aged steaks cut to order, as well as fresh cut salmon and porterhouse pork chops. Special steakhouse sides will include creamed spinach and macaroni and cheese. Served 5 to 8 p.m.

The Prime Rib Special every Friday and Saturday will also be available, and 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.

Check out our menu, which features breakfast anytime. Enjoy Steak Breakfast Burrito (tender grilled steak with cooked-to-order egg, caramelized onions, bell peppers, crispy potatoes, pepper jack cheese and salsa) and Bacon, Egg and Cheese Panini (egg cooked-to-order with bacon, cheddar and provolone on ciabatta bread). Two specials are featured every day, as well as a homemade soup.

We now feature specialty wines such as: Mezzacorona (Trentino, Italy), Pinot Grigio, Moscato and Merlot; Arnold Palmer (California) Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon; Arancia (Sicily) Pinot Noir and Axis (California) Red Zinfandel.

Candler Hills Restaurant hours are: Sunday - 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Thursday - 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Friday & 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, pancakes, 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. Take advantage of the \$9.95 price special up to 6 p.m.

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

Reservations are recommended for special events, and are requested for parties of 10 people or more.

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. A light and a hearty special will be featured, in addition to homemade soup.

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.

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Shutterbugs Photography Marilynn Cronin

The ShutterBugs are in the planning stages for the annual exhibit. Remember, you must be a member to enter, so join now!

The Master the Possibilities display is by Ray Christian. Displays at Freedom Library change every two months. Your feedback on these displays is appreciated.

In August, the ShutterBugs returned to Mt. Dora for a boat ride on the Dead River. In September, we will travel to Silver Springs State Park.

August's meetings consisted of another Q&A session, show and tell, and a presentation by Sharon Ritacco on her methods of preparing photos for sale, and she shared photos of her award-winning garden.

Photo Tip: 10 Landscape Composition Tips

Composition for a photograph is like a screenplay for a movie. If the picture isn't composed well, it won't strike a cord with the viewer regardless of the technical expertise or the story being told. Composition skills improve over time with constant practice.

1. Remember rule of thirds: The human eye is generally drawn to a point one third of the way from the top, bottom, right or left of any image. Keep this in mind as you work on your composition.
2. Negative space is your friend: Don't always try to fill the frame.

Negative space can be used to your advantage. Remember, it can be as important as the main subject.

3. Geometry: Train your eyes to look for lines, patterns and shapes. They give structure to your picture and help highlight the three-dimensional quality of your subjects. Lines lead the viewers' eyes into or out of the picture.
4. Frame within frame: Foreground framing directs the viewer's eye right to the subject. Look for frames of different shapes and sizes. They could be windows, big trees, fences, etc.
5. Avoid horizon in the middle: Keep your horizon level and keep it out of the center of the picture. If the sky is more interesting pull the horizon down and if the land is more interesting push the horizon up.
6. Inject life in your picture: Try to place a living being in the picture. It shows dimension and emphasizes the scale of the frame to the viewer.
7. Merges break a picture: When lines of the horizon intersect with your subject it distracts the viewer and moves the attention away from your subject. Take time, move your frame up or down, left or right to avoid the horizon merge.
8. Lonely subjects are striking: Single subjects like trees, barns, buildings, and motorcycles almost always make for great compositions.
9. Size Matters: Try to include a subject that would give the viewers a scale of the scene in the frame. Use people or objects that let viewers relate size in your composition.
10. Think before you click the shutter button: Make sure there are no unnecessary objects that would affect your composition. If possible, move those objects or try to move yourself.

These tips not only fit landscape photography but for all other types of photography.

Adapted from an article by Amar Ramesh in dPs

The ShutterBugs meet the first three Tuesdays of the month at 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. For more information, contact Gary Uhley at 854-8536 or bugs@otowspc.com.



Keeping It Green Phillip B. Hisey

If you are following along with our homeowner maintenance tab at www.otow-info.com, you are aware that September is the month you will apply fertilizer. If you are using a slow release fertilizer you can apply no more than one pound of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet, following the Marion County Fertilizer Ordinance. Water soluble or quick release sources are only applied at 0.7 pounds per 1,000 square feet.

Use a complete acid forming fertilizer with a higher percentage of sulfur to help with soil pH issues. The sulfur content will help lower the pH. This needs to be a continued effort throughout the year to keep the pH at optimal levels in the soil.

I like to use John Deer - LESCO 9-0-24 this time of year. This product has not only a higher percentage of iron to get the green color but also a higher percentage of potassium to help with root stimulation and growth just before it goes dormant for the winter. This fertilizer will cover roughly 11,000 square feet of turf. Most home sites should not take an entire bag, so maybe you can split the cost of a bag with your neighbor if you have some leftover.

Those of you that have contractors fertilizing your lawn, make sure they have the Green Industries Best Management Practices for the Protection of Water Resources certification. This is a county requirement and it is mandatory that all contractors and all their employees have this certification to fertilize lawns in the Marion County area.

Please note, I said, "all their employees" must have the certification. Ask to see the GI-BMP card if you have not done so already, they are required to carry it. Many other counties have adopted similar ordinances so there is no excuse why the contractors should not obtain this certification.

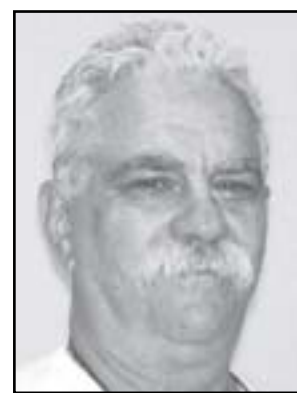
September is the time you should be applying pesticide for Masked Chafer Grubs if they are present. The insects feed on St. Augustine grass roots and many others turf varieties. Inspect your lawn to see if grubs are present. The grass can be kicked around and will roll up like hay if grubs are present. Treating your lawn may kill the pest but some damage may require sod replacement.

Also, keep in mind as we begin to go into the fall, you should be concerned with fungus starting to pop up. Fungus is most prevalent when temperatures are between 65-75 degrees. These past few months have been too hot for fungal activity. Fungus is preventable; your contractors should be aware of climatic conditions and should be treating for this pest in a preventative manner.

Keep your Crape Myrtles blooming. Trimming the Crape Myrtle seed heads after they get done blooming will help regenerate new blooms. Hope you have had a great summer and good luck this fall!

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Bingo Mort Meretsky

Our progressive coverall jackpot (\$240) was won by Carole Lacker. The prize restarted at \$100 and at the time of writing of this article it was \$140.

We have had a lot of multiple winners

with Pat and Don Hood leading the pack. Bill and Emelda Kreppel have also had some good luck. Although she calls me a jinx, Little Jeanie Miranto has won a few.

We are open all summer, so come on over and meet all of your friends and neighbors. Come once and you'll make new friends. Our bingo is a very sociable evening. We play every Wednesday; be there by about 5:45 p.m. to get a good seat.

See y'all on Wednesday.

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Community News & Update

By Kenneth Colen, Publisher

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in larger yards. Watering those outlying zones once every 10 days will save a significant amount of water. Judging by water use patterns, the CDD is aware that many residents have not adjusted their irrigation timers to the irrigation frequency as required by SWFWMD. This is the immediate and most basic place to start water conservation.

Hurricane Season



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September is the time we turn our attention to the tropical Atlantic and keep one eye on the weather map. Generally, the management company is able to persevere in its grounds maintenance responsibilities, despite the month of August posing challenges with rain. It seems that every time the mowing crews got caught up, a long cycle of showers pushed them further behind. Granted we need the rain to replenish the groundwater, but it does come with a price.

As we move deeper into storm season, focus may be shifting to storm preparations. This means acting fast on sometimes less than 24-hour notice to secure buildings and equipment from possible wind and rain damage, as well as making sure everyone is clear on their post storm responsibilities for recovery and clean up.

Residents need to be alert as well and also ready to clean up personal items that may become missiles in high winds. What can't be but in the garage or secured in a closed room, needs to be tied down.

I will also remind residents that any addition to the exterior of the home requires prior Association approval. One of the largest factors we consider is the wind rating on the addition. Many awning products have no wind rating. Naturally, these will not be approved. Fortunately, there are quality products out there that do and have been approved by the Association.



Avalon Social Group Lorraine Rourke

Our fall events are back in swing so

mark down Oct. 4, Nov. 1 and Dec. 6 for the remaining 2010 potlucks. We're looking at something special for December as part of our holiday event; I need someone to volunteer for table decorations if anyone is interested.

Our next event is on Monday, Oct. 4. Setup starts at 5 p.m., check-in at 5:30 p.m. with dinner starting at 5:45 p.m. We are located at the Arbor Club Ballroom for this event. Bring a dish to share that feeds 10 of meat, casserole, vegetable, fruit, salad, appetizer, soup, or pasta, a serving utensil and your own non-alcoholic beverage. No desserts, as I'll assign those the month before.

If you have ideas for a speaker or function, let me know. Our September meeting will have a speaker from CERT group going over hurricane preparedness. Ralph will be going over handy repairs you can do to your home in November. If you have any questions or ideas, call Lorraine at 390-2120.



Winds of Windsor Jane McCabe

Has this been a hot summer or am I just imagining it? I guess we cannot gripe too much about it - after all, our friends, neighbors and relatives along the eastern coast have been hotter than us! So, I suppose instead of coming to visit us in the winter to warm up, we'll soon have visitors in the summer to cool off!

Even through the heat, the Windsor residents have been enjoying life at On Top of the World. As has previously been mentioned, our Windsor ladies are called the Gorgeous (or Glorious, Great, etc.) Ladies of Windsor (GLOW). We recently had a contest to name our guys. Barbara H. came up with the winning name. Our "hunks" are now known as the Classy (or Crazy, Clever, etc.) Rascals of Windsor (CROW). Since there are many actual crows flying around here this summer it seems only natural that they are named

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after them.

We have been blessed this summer with seeing little ones riding bikes around the loop. Grandchildren are always a bright and welcome sight to see. And another good reason to maintain and obey the speed limit signs.

Our Potluck Supper on July 18 in the Art Room was a great success. Thirty of us attended along with three grandchildren. The food was plentiful and delicious. What a thrill it was to see our neighbors.

We have several new homes under construction around the loop and we anxiously await the arrival of our new friends. As much as we will welcome them into our area, we also are excited to soon be able to welcome our snowbirds back for the winter.

Our ladies are enjoying the third Wednesday night of each month with Bunco at the Arbor Conference Center. On that same night the men get together for dinner at a local eatery. Our Stitch and Chat group, and Glow Worms, have taken a few months off this summer.

Many of our Windsor family members have done some traveling this summer. I understand several cruises have or will be made. In addition, our neighbors have visited Las Vegas, North Carolina, Minnesota, Michigan, Chicago, New York, Colorado, Yellowstone, the Grand Tetons, Utah and many more scenic areas.

As for your September writer, my husband Jim and I have pretty much kept the loop home fires burning. We'll be doing a trip back to our hometown of Louisville, Ky. for a wedding in December then on to our Christmas cruise to Aruba, Willemstad Antilles, Panama Canal and Costa Rica along with four other couples. If anyone would care to join us, we would love to have you - just get in touch with me and we'll get you all the info you need.

I guess that about sums up the Windsor adventures for the summer of 2010! Stay cool!

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Genealogical Society
Elizabeth Kyle

What is the most interesting part of engaging in genealogical research? For me, it is the stories. Last month, while casually looking through the book, "Henry Tomlinson and his Descendants in America" by Rev. Samuel Orcutt, published in New Haven in 1891, I found thousands of names and dates and several stories that caught my attention.

There were doctors, lawyers, ministers, farmers, politicians including a gov-

ernor, and senators and representatives in Washington. Some attended Yale or Williams or the City College of New York. There were soldiers who defended Boston and the Connecticut coast from British invasion and Tories ostracized by the next generation for backing the "wrong side" in the Revolution.

One lieutenant, Jabez Tomlinson, guarded Major John Andre on the day fixed for his execution. He was granted a reprieve and not executed until the next day. He was present when Andre drew a self-portrait and gave it to him. This sketch was later donated to Yale.

Most amazing is how much one family has contributed to the making of America. They contributed to the political, military, moral, social and financial fabric of what became the United States of America. All this obtained from a somewhat cursory glance at Henry Tomlinson and his prog-



Photo by Betty Kyle

Henry Tomlinson's coat of arms.

Educational presentations are on the third Monday at 10 a.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. The topics covered are those requested by members. The August topic is a presentation by Dick Belz on integrating media into Family Tree Maker. All are welcome to come and learn from these forums.

eny. Business meetings are the second Monday at 10 a.m. in Room 3 of the Craft Building. This is the day to come early and peruse the library for books and CDs or DVDs of interest to you. These can be borrowed for a month which gives you time to use the information to improve your knowledge and your research skills.

Right now, I am reading "The Last Muster" by Maureen Taylor. There will be more about this excellent book next month.



Community Patrol
Patricia A. Woodbury

At our July meeting, Detective Ed Mobley from the Southwest district spoke to us about some of the cases he has had in our district. Because he works closely with On Top of the World management he is able to more quickly deal with any situation and often prevent them. He forewarned the members to be wary of people who befriend you and then steal from you, as happened in a nearby neighborhood. He also stressed that citizens should feel free to contact the Sheriff's Office if they know of anyone who needs help.

Chief Kuhn, who was present, added that there is only one detective in each of the 14 districts in the county. The Southwest district has the lowest crime rate. He contributes this to the number of deputies on the road and the work of the volunteer patrols. He reminded us to be aware of the continuing telephone and Internet scams.

Patrol meetings are the fourth Monday of each month at 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. Anyone may attend these meetings, so come and join us. For further information or questions about the Patrol, contact Gary Rodoff at 291-7508 or Jim Miller at 854-4947.

Please be sure to stop by the Patrol table at the On Top of the World Club Fair on Thursday, September 30 from 10 to 1 p.m. and say hello to our members.



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100 Grandparents
Barbara Greenwood

The new 2010-2011 school year will be beginning for the Grandparent Volunteers on Sept. 23, the fourth Thursday of the month. This is a date set by Altrusa. I've received many phone calls asking for this date, which tells me the volunteers are anxiously awaiting our return to Romeo Elementary School in Dunnellon.

The dates for the school year are as follows:

- Sept. 23;
- Oct. 14;
- Nov. 11;
- Dec. 9;
- Jan. 13;
- Feb. 10;
- March 10;
- May 12.

This is the first time we will be going in March and not in April. The date of the FCAT (Florida Comprehension Achievement Testing) has been changed to April.

We are again asking for donations for the school bus that transports us to and from Romeo. The cost of the bus is \$1,440 for the eight trips that we make. That comes to \$180 per trip. Any donation is welcomed and a check may be made out to Romeo Elementary School.

I will be happy to pick it up and deliver all donations to the school. My phone number is 861-2539 or if you wish to mail your donation to me, my address is 9240 SW 99th Court Road. I thank you in advance for your thoughtfulness.

The object of our visiting Romeo is to encourage children to read. It is a very exciting endeavor on our part because the children are so open and willing to participate in the book or books we are reading. They are well mannered and cheerful.

The teacher stays in the classroom while we are there. It is the teacher who supplies the reading material. The grades in Romeo are kindergarten through fifth.

The younger children sit on a carpet in a circle around us. The older children stay at their desks. A chair is always provided for us. This time with children is very enjoyable for all grandparents.

A school bus picks us up in front of the old Porter's store in the Winn-Dixie shopping center at 9 a.m. We return to the shopping center approximately at noon.

Our Food-for-Kids backpack program will start in September. Foods such as juices, cereals, snack bars, pop-top canned goods, crackers, peanut butter and/or jelly, canned or plastic containers of fruit, etc. may be delivered to Elliott & Marlyn Barbour's home and placed in a tote located on their front porch. The address is: 8680-H SW 94th Street. The Barbour's deliver the food to the church that makes up the backpacks for Romeo and Dunnellon Elementary children. This ensures that the children will have meals over the weekends.

Thank you to all who have been clipping and delivering the Campbell soup labels and the Labels for Education to the Health & Recreation Building. The labels received give much needed school supplies to the school.

For more information about our volunteers, please call me at 861-2539.

Bible Study
Lynne Roder

A women's Bible study will begin Friday, Oct. 15 and continue until May 2011. We will meet in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite A, each Friday from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The study will be led by Lynne Roder, a qualified and experienced Bible teacher.

Our focus will be the Gospel of John. Last year, our group studied and discussed the first 12 chapters of this gospel. This year, we plan to study the remaining nine chapters.

On Oct. 15, Lynne will begin with a brief review of the material we studied last year so that everyone will be "up to speed" and ready to "dig in" to chapter of John's Gospel.

If you have any questions, please contact Lynne Roder at 702-338-9474.

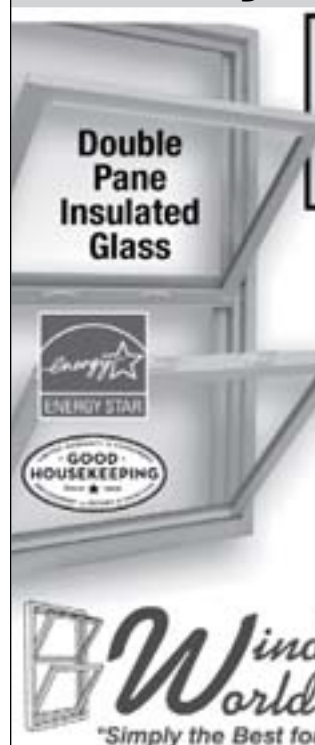
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Ballroom Dance Club

Richard P. Vullo

The ballroom dance committee will resume the twice-monthly casual dances at the Health & Recreation Ballroom on the second and fourth Thursday beginning Sept. 9 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The sound and light committee will continue to provide professionally played recorded dancing music for us. The cost is only \$1 per person and the dances are open to all residents. It's a great place to meet other residents who enjoy dancing and to practice your ballroom dance steps and styles.

Your dance committee is also continuing its efforts to restart ballroom dance lessons here at On Top of the World. Hopefully, by the time you receive this newspaper we'll have details to share with you. Please call Dick Vullo at 854-6772 for further information.

Members also continue to take ball-

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room dance lessons from Trish Sands at the Compass Fitness Center, 524 S. Pine Ave. For information on days and times, call Trish at 351-2423. Joe Mounts holds ballroom dance classes at The Beacon Ballroom Dance Studio, 401 NW 3rd Avenue and at Urban Cowboy. He can be reached at 620-5280.

Beginning in September, a ballroom dance workshop of Latin styles will be offered by Maritza Acevedo of the Health & Recreation fitness department. For more information, contact the Health & Recreation office.

The Dancin' on the Top committee will hold its first dance of the season on Sept. 25 at the Health & Recreation Ballroom from 7 to 10 p.m. The theme for the dance will be a beach dance party. The entertainment will be provided by Fred Campbell. Dress will be casual beach attire (no bathing suits). Complementary table snacks and coffee will be provided. There will be fun and games during intermission and other surprises.

Ticket prices remain at \$7 per person. Tickets sales will begin Aug. 30 and run every Monday and Wednesday morning from 8 to 10 a.m. at the Health & Recreation Ballroom. For more information, please call Jack Stone at 873-3083.

Here's the schedule of remaining dances for 2010:

- Nov. 20 with "Automatic"
- New Year's Eve with "Sounds of Time." The New Year's Eve dance will be special, like last year. Shrimp, hors d'oeuvres and snacks will be served at each table; coffee and sweets will be available at midnight along with the traditional champagne toast. The cost this year will be only \$18 per person.

For 2011, the dates are:

- Feb. 12 with "Tomaura"
- April 23 with "Automatic"

It's a terrific line-up, so mark your calendars and plan on attending each dance.



Photo by Rita Miller

Newly graduated square dancers include Georgia & Anton Schlereth, Sharon & Bill Field, Janelle & Rob Duritsa, Diana Moore, Dave Belknap.



Square Dancing

Walter Lamp

Welcome to Circle Squares, the On Top of the World square dancing club. We are looking forward to another season of fun and exercise. Yes, there is exercise involved, but the fun kind.

We welcome back all returning and new members. My wife, Mary, and I will be starting our fourth year, here in Circle Squares. Our enthusiasm continues to grow, with the dances we attend and all the old and new people we will meet. As the year progresses, you will not just read, but hopefully feel the fun we have.

Our first event is the Kick Off Dance/Ice Cream Social on Tuesday, Sept. 7 in the Arbor Club Ballroom. For the first time, this dance will include a kick-off football theme. Members are asked to wear their favorite college or NFL shirt.

The Arbor Club will be the location of all of our regular dances. The time for this dance as well as the entire month of September is 7 to 9 p.m.

The first change that we encounter in the new season is the installation of our newly elected officers. I would like

to thank the previous board members, especially our presidents, Joe and Toba Hackett.

The next change will be the hours, starting Tuesday, Oct. 5. The new time will be 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., in the Arbor Club Ballroom. That night is also our annual Free Fun Dance. This is where we open our doors to all in the community, who would like to try square dancing free or are just curious to find out what this fun is all about. Basically, we are inviting possible new members, to learn and share in the fun of square dancing and join in our good times.

If you have any questions regarding this night or on square dancing itself, please feel free to call me at 854-9378. And, if you find you like it, you might want to join our beginners' class, starting Wednesday, Oct. 13, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F.

Now going back a month or so, on July 27, we conducted our annual graduation dinner and ceremonies for our new graduates. They are David Belknap, Rob and Janelle Duritsa, Bill and Sharon Field, Diana Moore, Anton and Georgia Schlereth, Gordy and Dodie Phillips and Mary Hay. They have been members of our beginners' class since October 2009. They met every Tuesday night.

The evening began with a potluck social dinner for everyone. The tables, as well as the dancers, were decked out in our club colors: red, white and black. A great variety of food was there and we all walked away stuffed.

Then, we proceeded with the graduation ceremony. The lighting of the square dance candles, handing out the diplomas, club information and a well deserved round of applause from the current members. Then, of course, the evening was followed by their first dance as new members. They will now be joining us for our regular Tuesday night dances.

So, why don't you join us on Oct. 5 and find out how exercising, can be fun?

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Ballet Club
Eugenie Martin

I always think that summer is over when school resumes. That is not true, of course, since we still have at least one

additional month of summer. The Ballet Club met throughout the summer, but some organizations took a break.

Now, most of our On Top of the World organizations have resumed their normal activities. To promote all of the groups here to residents, there will be a Club Fair on Thursday, Sept. 30, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom.

The Ballet Club will be participating in the Club Fair, and we hope you will stop by to say "hello." Perhaps we can convince you to try one of our classes, which are held three times a week in the Arbor Club Exercise Studio adjacent to the indoor swimming pool.

Our classes are scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 2 p.m. and Mondays from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m. All classes are free and newcomers do not need ballet clothing. All you need to start is exercise clothes and socks.

For information on our classes, please feel free to call me at 854-8589. Happy dancing!



Pattern Dance Club
Jim & Nell Entinger

Summer is winding down and club activities are getting underway. September is a key month for couples who may be interested in learning to pattern dance. Carla and Tony Magri, who teach

the patterns, will be teaching two classes to familiarize prospective members with the dance steps used in pattern dancing. These classes will be from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 21 and Tuesday, Sept. 28 in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. No prior experience is needed but any experience in line dancing is helpful.

Pattern dancing is actually partner dancing so you only need to bring your spouse or friend as a partner. Ladies without a partner are welcome to dance with another lady. It is all about dancing and having fun.

If you haven't seen us dancing at The Town Square, and would like to know more about pattern dancing, please visit us at our table during the Club Fair on Sept. 30 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. We will be happy to tell you all about our club. We look forward to many newcomers this year.

Weekly dancing will resume on Oct. 5 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. For more information call, Nell at 861-5351 or Carla and Tony at 873-8387.



Line Dancing
George Conklin

We have danced the summer away at Circle Square Commons, Health & Recreation Ballroom and with several other practice groups around On Top of the World. On Sept. 13, we start our winter class schedule.

I have been asked, "What is line dancing? How do you remember all the different dances? How do you know which dance goes with which song?"

Just type "line dance" into Google on your computer and the first item listed is Wikipedia's definition of line dance. The article has lots of information. The web site www.kickit.to lists thousands of dances and the music that inspired the choreographer to compose their dance. With thousands of dances, no one can remember them all.

When we were young, we knew the words to all the popular songs, now we can sing along if someone else is leading us. It's the same with line dance; we rely on each other to remember how the danc-

es start and then easily dance along.

Nearly every one remembers at least one dance. When the music starts, someone will say this dance goes with that music and away we go. If it does not work out, we try again. The larger the group of dancers, the more dances we can remember.

What do we hear and how do we pick a dance if the music is not the song we played in class or the one the choreographer recommended? First, we dance to music because it has rhythm and a beat. The drummer sets the tempo to keep the band together; it is the same for dancers. We step when the drum goes thump. We listen to the speed and the emphasis of the beat. Is it a slow waltz (1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3), a march beat (1, 2, 3, 4, 1, 2, 3, 4), a cha cha (1, 2, 3 & 4), a rumba or something else? We then pick a dance we know that follows that same pattern and speed.

This all may sound daunting, but it is not, stepping in a set pattern to the beat of the music in a line with your friends is fun. Come dance with us.

For class information, contact our dance instructors: Bernie and Teresa Randolph, 291-7570; Janice Meade, 861-9345; Bob Ferguson, 873-4478; and Carole Smith, 237-4826.

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Amendments on the November 2010 Ballot

This is one in a series that will be reviewed for the upcoming election in November 2010.

Amendment 4 - Land Use

Amendment #4

Establishes that before a local government may adopt a new comprehensive land use plan, or amend a comprehensive land use plan, the proposed plan or amendment shall be subject to vote of the electors of the local government by referendum, following preparation by the local planning agency, consideration by the governing body and notice. Provides definitions.

Pro

Dan Lobeck, a land use attorney and president of Control Growth Now, said, "Business as usual has led us to ruin, and will lead us to greater ruin if it's not reigned in. Amendment #4 is a reasonable, balanced proposal to rein in over-development, but giving the voters a veto over plans that will shape the future of your community, for better or worse."

Source: WUSE, Feb. 10, 2010.

Con

Frank Ortis, mayor of Pembroke Pines, past president of the Florida League of Cities, and current member of the Executive Committee of the Florida AFL-CIO is against Amendment #4.

"Amendment #4 will devastate Florida's economy by costing hundreds of thousands of jobs and driving the unemployment rate even higher. Worse still, Florida's working families and small businesses will bear the weight of this burden."

The Palm Beach Post in an editorial, said, "Its backers argue that only the people can stop bad developers, but the amendment is overkill. It would waste the public's money, penalize developers who weren't trying to game the system and pour sand into Florida's business engine."

Sources: Sun Sentinel, April 6, 2010 and Palm Beach Post, Feb. 25, 2010.

Analysis

Don't be fooled by the snappy title or the summary language. There is little about this proposed amendment that is consumer friendly or democratic. This amendment is a prescription for real problems if the St. Petersburg Beach experience is any guide. According to the former mayor, Ward Friszolowski, it crippled the economy in St. Petersburg Beach, chased away business and opened the floodgates for a non-stop series of special-interest lawsuits, at taxpayer expense.

There is a major flaw with proposed Amendment #4: It allows those with the deepest pockets to have even greater influence over the planning process. Special interests of every description - led by lawyers and political consultants will stand to profit from this amendment. If passed, it will cost local taxpayers dearly!

You could expect that numerous technical planning changes will be put before voters, and holding an election is not an inexpensive process for the Supervisor of Elections. The taxpayers pay for the cost of elections through their local taxes. Regardless, of the outcome of any election, one party or the other will challenge it, and this will also mire the County or municipality in protracted litigation costs. It is ultimately the taxpayers who pay for this and get no tangible benefits. Politicizing the land planning process opens the door for unending, costly litigation.

When it comes to special elections, voter turnout is notoriously low for any number of reasons. It is not unusual for only six to eight percent of the voter base to vote in special elections. How democratic is it to allow a minority of voters to dictate important matters that may ultimately affect employment, tax base and quality of life issues?

Currently, all municipalities and Counties are required to have Comprehensive Planning Policies. Adopting or amending such policies is the subject of multiple studies, public hearings and determinations before a proposed change is adopted or rejected. The process is open to public participation.

Every 10 years, Comprehensive Plans are subjected to what is called an Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR) that looks at the success or impact of the plan and whether or not it needs changing. This so-called EAR process involves considerable input from citizens. It is their opportunity to not only be heard, but to help shape the Plan and its direction.

So far, 17 newspaper editorial boards around the state have commented on proposed Amendment #4. All condemned it in the strongest language. On June 25, 2009, the News Press described Hometown Democracy as "...a splendid name for a bad idea."

Absentee Voting in Marion County

Absentee Ballots

Any qualified registered Voter in Marion County is entitled to vote an Absentee Ballot. The ballot may be requested in person, by mail, or by phone. Only the Voter or a designated member of the family may request an Absentee Ballot.

Requesting an Absentee Ballot

The person making the request must disclose the following information:

- Voter's name for whom ballot is requested.
- Voter's address.
- Voter's date of birth.
- Voter's signature (written requests).

If the Voter has designated a guardian or immediate family member to request an Absentee Ballot, that designee must provide the above information in addition to:

- Requester's name and address.
- Requester's driver's license number, if available.
- Requester's relationship to voter.
- Requester's signature (written requests).

A request for an Absentee Ballot to be mailed to a Voter must be received by the Supervisor of Elections office no later than 5 p.m. on the sixth day before the election. The Voter must personally vote the ballot (unless assistance is required) and sign the return envelope.

Power of attorney may not sign for voter.

A qualified Absentee Voter may designate in writing another person to pick up their ballot five days prior to the day of the election. The designee may only pick up two ballots per election other than his or her own or members of their immediate family. The designee must provide picture identification, written authorization from the Voter and complete an affidavit.

Make sure the Supervisor of Elections office has your correct mailing address. Absentee ballots cannot be forwarded.

Absentee Ballots must be returned to the Supervisor of Elections office no later than 7 p.m. Election Day. After the Supervisor of Elections office has received an Absentee Ballot, no changes may be made! (FS 101.048, 101.62, and 101.69)

A voted absentee ballot will not be accepted at a polling location.

An Absentee Ballot may be requested:

- online
- in person: 981 NE 16th St, Ocala, FL 34470-4205;
- by mail: Supervisor of Elections, P.O. Box 289, Ocala, FL 34478-0289;
- by telephone: (352) 620-3290;
- by facsimile: (352) 620-3286;
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When requesting an Absentee Ballot, we will need the Voter's legal name, date of birth, registration number, and the address the Absentee Ballot is to be mailed to.

Source: www.votemarion.com



Election Myths vs. Facts

MYTH: Voters will be turned away if they are wearing campaign apparel.

FACT: "Voters may wear campaign buttons, shirts, hats, or any other campaign items when they enter the polling place to vote; voters may not otherwise campaign there." (From the Polling Place Procedures Manual incorporated within Rule 1S-2.034, Florida Administrative Code)

So, merely going to the polls wearing campaign paraphernalia is okay, but, by statute (s. 102.031(4), Florida Statutes), one cannot solicit voters within 100 feet of the entrance to any polling place.

MYTH: The address on the driver license must match the address in the voter registration record in order to be able to vote.

FACT: The address on the driver license does not need to match the address in the voter registration record. If you have moved and haven't changed your driver license to reflect your new address, that's okay. What is important is that you vote in the precinct where you currently live, no matter what your driver license says.

MYTH: If your house is under foreclosure, you will not be able to vote.

FACT: A foreclosure notice does not necessarily mean that a person no longer resides in the home, as people often remain in the home after foreclosure begins and are sometimes able to refinance the home. Voters whose homes have been foreclosed but who remain in their homes may continue to vote in their assigned precinct.

Voters who have physically moved from their foreclosed residence with no intention of returning to that address as their residence may still vote, but should provide a change of address to the supervisor of elections. You must vote in your correct precinct.

MYTH: If you are Florida college student, you have to change your permanent residence to your college address.

FACT: If a college student registers with a legal residence in a Florida County, then no further proof of residency is required, regardless of where the college student's parents reside or whether the student in-

tends to move back to where the parents are located.

MYTH: Provisional ballots are only counted when there is a close race.

FACT: A provisional ballot is always counted when the voter is shown to be registered and eligible, regardless of the closeness of the outcome of the election. A person who votes provisionally simply because he or she forgot ID at the polls will not have to do anything else. If the signatures on that ballot certificate and the voter roll matches, the provisional ballot is counted.

MYTH: Absentee ballots are only counted when there is a close race.

FACT: All absentee ballots are counted if properly executed.

MYTH: If a voter owes child support or has pending warrants against him or her, the police will arrest the voter at the polls.

FACT: The voter registration rolls at the polls have no indicators whether a voter owes child support or has outstanding warrants against him or her. Furthermore, law enforcement personnel are not allowed in the polling place without the permission of the election board, so ordinarily there will not be any law enforcement personnel in the polling place to identify a voter who may have outstanding child support payments due or warrants against him or her.

MYTH: If the voter is homeless and has no legal residence, the voter may not vote.

FACT: State registration laws may not discriminate against the homeless in voter registration as long as the homeless applicant for voter registration intends to remain in a locale and has either a place where he can receive messages or an effective mailing address. The homeless person will vote in the precinct where the applicant receives messages (e.g., rescue mission) or the precinct in which the applicant's effective mailing address is located.

Source: Florida Division of Elections website (<http://election.dos.state.fl.us/>)

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The remaining Amendments will be reviewed in the October issue of the World News:

- Amendment #1
Campaign Finance Requirement Repeal
- Amendment #2
Military Homestead Property Tax Exemption
- Amendment #8
Class Size

Amendments #5, #6 and #7 were reviewed in the August issue of the World News.



Native Plant Group
Ron Broman

Variety is what seasons life. Someone said something like that once. This is certainly the season we could use some variety, in the weather that is; but someone also said, "Patience is a virtue," and "Be careful what you ask for."

We do have a bit of variety here in our gardens though, about which this article explains. Not only do we have native gardens and exotic gardens; but also veggie gardens. In fact, we have two fairly large ones, for which we are very thankful.

At the SW 99th Street garden this week more variety occurred: a supervisor arrived. One definition of a supervisor is an overseer and this newcomer surely qualifies. The burrow is about 30 yards uphill from the garden and the view is forever: On Top of the World for sure!

Yes, we have a gopher tortoise! Our first clue was the new sandy mound, and the next clue was witnessing the inhabitant him/her self excavating (tossing) sand from the entrance.

A gopher tortoise will often burrow down to the water table, at least 20 feet below the surface. The coolness attracts other critters. About 200 have been documented, some of which, like the indigo snake, are endangered. The gopher tortoise is itself listed as a species of special concern, so it's a treat that our habitat was chosen.

What makes this so unusual is that it's the first burrow I've seen there in at least 11 years. We're almost certain there are

other burrows further down from the radio tower into the "natural" area but not on our side of the hill.

Now how do I justify writing about Gopherus polyphemus in a Native Plant article? Thought you'd never ask. The diet of the gopher tortoise includes approximately 300 species of plants native to his/her community. Problem: our take is that aside from Greeneyes and a few Milkweed there's not much native vegetation to attract our visitor between the burrow and our garden.

What a perfect opportunity for someone to suggest that for many reasons, (one being this situation), having more native plants in that area, (and all areas), would provide more food for native animals. Makes sense to me.

Someone in my family suggested that this particular gopher tortoise might be in danger from over-zealous folks, lawn mowers, etc. and should be relocated, to which I replied maybe it's our job to make that habitat more to his/her liking, and by the way, ours as well. A field of native vegetation can be beautiful and healthy for us as well. Just a thought.

Guess what? The new year for the Native Plant Group is now only a month and two weeks away. Oct. 13 is the day and 1 p.m. the magic hour. The place is the Arbor Conference Center, Suite H. Guda and Dave Taylor of Taylor Gardens Nursery will again present the program, and yes, there will be a plant raffle and an opportunity to purchase plants at bargain prices. Come join us and learn what a joy it is to grow native!



Photo by Ron Broman

A gopher tortoise burrowing in the SW 99th Street garden.



Birders' Beat
Jane Callender

The next meeting of the Unique Birders will be Oct. 19. At present, the plans are to have a boat trip, followed by lunch at a designated restaurant. Please put this on your calendar and plan to join us.

Be sure to check the October issue of the World News for information about the boat trip and make reservations for lunch.

By checking the Birders Beat scrapbook, my first article was April 2005! More than twenty-six birds were counted. If you have a bird whose biography is wanted, please call me at 861-2983.

There will not be a meeting in September. Some migratory birds may be arriving now - watch for them!



Orchid Club
Linda Rose

After taking off the long hot summer months, On Top of the World Orchid Club will resume meetings this month on Thursday, Sept. 16 at 1:30 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite H. This will begin our regularly scheduled meetings that are held on the third Thursday of each month.

One of the purposes of this meeting will be to discuss and chart out the activities for the coming year. In addition, we ask that you bring your favorite blooming plants for show and tell as well as any plants that may be showing signs of stress from our unusually hot summer. There will also be a brief demonstration pertaining to Vandas.

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**Larry's
Fit Tips**
Larry Robinson

Fun Fitness Facts

Are you yearning for the cooler days of fall and winter? The summer heat is unrelenting and our rainy season hasn't brought us much rain. It may be hot and humid outside but the Health & Recreation Fitness Center is always cool and welcoming. Stop by and let our fitness team reintroduce you to the benefits of strength training and how exercise can improve the quality of your life.

Here are some fun fitness facts that will educate and motivate!

1. The human body has more than 650 muscles.
2. Each muscle fiber is thinner than a hair and can support up to 1,000 times its own weight.
3. By the age of 65, individuals who haven't engaged in exercise on a regular basis may incur a decrease in their muscular strength by as much as 80 percent
4. Your lungs are light enough to float on water.
5. It takes only about 23 seconds for blood to circulate throughout your entire body.
6. Between birth and old age, you will walk about 70,000 miles. Walking is one of the best activities you can do to keep your heart-lung complex in good working condition.
7. Aerobic exercise is one of the best preventative medicines available and one of the cheapest.
8. People with more education tend to be more physically active.

9. The heart is a hollow, muscular organ that is roughly the size of a man's fist, averaging approximately five inches in length, three and a half inches in width, and two and a half inches in thickness. It weighs about 10.5 ounces in the male and 8.75 ounces in the female
10. Placed end to end, the blood vessels in your body would stretch almost three times around the equator.
11. If you can't carry on a conversation while you're exercising, you may be training too hard.
12. Consistent exercise teaches your body how to be an efficient fat-burner, rather than a fat-storer.
13. If you are 25 pounds overweight, you have nearly 5,000 extra miles of blood vessels through which your heart must pump blood.
14. Your heart pumps about 74 gallons of blood in a single day—enough to fill three gas tanks!
15. It takes 70 muscles to speak a single word.
16. Women's top three recreational activities are walking, aerobics and working out, while men's top three are golf, basketball and walking.
17. If you have an inactive spouse, chances are that you will be inactive, too.
18. If you had every single muscle in your body work together at the same time, you could lift about 50,000 pounds.
19. What is your body's strongest muscle? It's your heart, which beats approximately 100,000 times per day. That means that in just 10 days your heart beats one million times. If you do sustained, intense exercise daily, you'll reach a million even more quickly.
20. In spite of what you may have read, there is no "best time to exercise." It turns out that the best time to exercise is when it works for you.

If you have any questions I can answer or maybe you are contemplating starting an exercise program stop by and I will try and answer any questions you might have. Remember, there is no perfect time to workout it's what works for you, you have to put forth the effort and make a commitment.

For our August drive we had 22 registered donors. We were able to collect 20 whole blood units and three Alyx units for a total of 23 units. (Someone forgot to sign in?) Way to go!

While I was there giving, two donors came. They had both given before, but had been away for a while. Welcome back. There was also a man who had never given blood before. He even ended up doing Alyx. We are glad you came.

Here are the names of the heroes for August: Jane Bauer, Kay Breyfogle, Susan Burdan, Kay Chandler, Trudy Foster, Rosalie Fridell, John Johnson, Janice Keitz, John Kreps, Richard Lee, Audrey Mangan, Beatrice Maxwell, Dorothy Metcalf, Jeanne Nicholls, Diane O'Brien, Ginny Rivers, Lorraine Rourke, Patricia Russell, John Searls, Megan Searls, Sara Sommer, and Carl Zeiler. Thank you one and all!

The next blood drive is Oct. 4. Mark your calendar!



**Back at
The Ranch**
David Gibas

When it comes to fitness goals, weight loss continues to be a leading priority for many people. September is the perfect month to make that weight loss commitment. The Ranch Fitness Center will be offering several opportunities for you to get started on a weight loss program stay focused and achieve success!

The key to weight loss success is very simple ... but simple does not mean easy! The old adage of "eat right and exercise" is well known but often hard to do. Let our fitness professionals lead the way and support the efficacy of your success with S.M.A.R.T. goals: specific, measurable, attainable, realistic and timely based.

This concept of S.M.A.R.T. goals will be discussed in depth throughout our com-

prehensive six week weight loss program entitled "Who Shed That?!" This program begins Monday, Sept. 13. All participants will be weighed in weekly in conjunction with lifestyle support group meetings led by certified personal trainers.

The meetings will assist you with goal setting, meal planning, exercise prescription and understanding how to break out of the dieting cycle and make permanent lifestyle changes. Meetings will be held every Monday during the six-week program and you have your choice in times: 11 a.m. or 7 p.m.

The participant who loses the highest percentage of body weight will win a free personal training session! Sign up now at the front desk, so you can be the one who claims, "I shed that!"

You will also want to attend our free fitness seminar entitled, "The Truth About Carbs, Proteins and Fats." Join Maritza Acevedo for an in-depth look at these important nutrition components. Enhance your weight loss success or educate yourself on how to improve the health of your diet on Friday, Sept. 10 at 11:45 a.m. or Saturday, Sept. 25 at 12:30 p.m., free seminars open to the public!

In combination with healthy eating behaviors, regular physical activity will burn up excess fat stores to promote weight loss. Our special class for this month is sure to generate some fat burning!

Join us on Friday, Sept. 24 for "Super Cycle-Circuit" at 6 p.m.; multiple instructors will lead you through a high intensity mix of cardio and strength intervals on and off the bike! Arrive early to ensure your spot!

**LifeSouth
Bloodmobile**
Diana Morgan

It is summer and more blood donors are needed as the need for blood increases; LifeSouth's Bloodmobile will be at the parking lot of the Health & Recreation Building on Monday, Sept. 6, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Donors will receive a recognition gift and a cholesterol screening. At the end of the day, we will have a special drawing, courtesy of the On Top of the World Entertainment Group, two tickets to the October show, "Tribute to John Denver."

If you have any questions, please visit the bus, call 622-3544 or visit www.lifesouth.org.

**Women's Cancer
Support Group**
Patricia A. Woodbury

This group meets on the third Thursday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite B. Women who are cancer survivors or may be a caretaker for someone with cancer and other related issues are welcome to attend. The next meeting is Thursday, Sept. 16 at 1:30 p.m.

For further information, contact Diane Kirol at 854-8152.



Lions Club
Estelle Clark

The On Top of the World Lions support many community entities. Two of those will be the focus of our Fall Luncheon and Fashion Show to be held at the Health & Recreation Ballroom on Saturday, Oct. 9.

One of the entities that this luncheon will be supporting is The Florida Center for the Blind, which not only covers Marion County but Alachua, Columbia, Levy, Union, Bradford, Dixie, and Gilchrist helping those visually impaired to learn mobility and life skills. They are located at 7634 SW 60th Ave., Ocala and their phone number is 873-4700.

The other is the Interfaith Emergency Services Children's Backpack Program. This program helps those children who when they leave school have food for the weekend for themselves and their families. It is amazing how many children and families go hungry in Marion County and need help and support. We need to do as much as we can to help those who are less fortunate.

The tickets are \$20 per person and doors will open at 11 a.m. Tickets will be on sale in the Health & Recreation Ballroom on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 to 10 a.m.

To make reservations, call Lions Maryann at 854-8629, Sarah at 465-8291 or Jane at 304-8519. You are not going to want to miss all the fun! There will be lots of raffles, gift baskets, 50/50, door prizes as well as an outstanding lunch.

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Fitness Happenings Cammy Dennis

Fitness Goes "Green"

"Going green" has become a popular buzz phrase. What exactly does this mean? For most of us it brings to mind a conscientious effort to adopt lifestyle behaviors that help preserve our natural environment. Connecting with nature is a very powerful and important part of wellness.

Environmental wellness is actually one of many different dimensions of wellness and is defined as follows: ways to use the environment for wellness, as well as eco-friendly products, services, processes and designs, which contribute to a healthier world. Mother Nature provides us with great beauty and wonder, reflecting in this environment helps us to connect with something important and instills a sense of purpose. Natural beauty also provides a calming effect, which is so beneficial for reducing stress.

When our Florida weather is welcoming, the great outdoors is also a wonderful environment for physical activity. My next two articles will highlight environmental wellness along with some upcoming opportunities for you to enhance your well-being and quality of life beyond the walls of the fitness center.

On Tuesday, Oct. 5, Health & Recreation will launch a new "Tai Chi for Health" class at Shalom Park. We are excited to hold our first class in the beauty of this wonderful park; please note that only the first class will be held in the park, the class will continue every Tuesday thereafter at the Arbor Club.

Tai Chi has a long history of providing numerous health benefits: stress reduction, energy enhancement, fall prevention, pain management and improved muscle strength to name a few.

Tai Chi follows the rhythms of nature, and the human body resonates beautifully in a natural setting. Shalom Park is the perfect place to celebrate this very special fitness offering. This first class is free to all (future classes will require a fitness pass).

Join Mary Pat Giffin as she leads participants in a "Tai Chi for Health" class at Shalom Park on Tuesday, Oct. 5 at 10 a.m. (rain date the following Tuesday).

Fitness happenings:

- Water Walking - Sept. 14 and 28 at 1:30 p.m. Arbor Club outdoor pool
- Free Fitness Seminar: "The Truth About Carbs, Proteins and Fats" on Friday, Sept. 10 at The Ranch Fitness Center at 11:45 a.m. and Saturday, Sept. 25 at 12:30 p.m.
- Fabulous Friday - "Senior Prom" Fitness Fun! Dance in your favorite prom attire on Friday, Sept. 17 at 10:30 a.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom
- Free Balance Assessments every Thursday at Health & Recreation at noon. Please call 873-0848 x7534 for reservation.



Mah Jongg Mary Ehle

Hurry, hurry! There is very little time left to sign up for the tournament. If you can't reach me, you can give your order to Pat Griffith and she will see that I get it.

I have to get everything ready before the next newspaper comes out. The cost is \$20 and the lunch choices are the same as other years. Hope to see you there. Jokers to you.

HEALTH AND RECREATION CENTER GROUP FITNESS SCHEDULE

EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1ST 2010

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:00-8:50	Oxycise-Video Cardio Mix Aerobics Room Jessica	Oxycise-Video Condition & Stretch Cammy Aerobics Room Jessica	Oxycise-Video Cardio-Kick & Tone Jessica Aerobics Room Jessica	Oxycise-Video Condition & Stretch Cammy Aerobics Room Mary Pat	Oxycise-Video Cardio Mix Kitti Aerobics Room Kitti
9:00-9:50	Core and More Jessica Aerobics Room Jessica	Mind-Body Balance Mary Pat Aerobics Room Mary Pat	Stretch for the Stars Jessica Aerobics Room Jessica	Mind-Body Balance Mary Pat Aerobics Room Mary Pat	Core and More Kitti Aerobics Room Kitti
10:00-10:45	Balanced Body Jessica Aerobics Room Jessica	'KB KB' Kick boxing Han Aerobics Room Han	Balanced Body Jessica Aerobics Room Jessica	Strictly Strength Larry Aerobics Room Larry	Balanced Body Mary Pat Aerobics Room Mary Pat
10:30-11:15	Cardio Jam Kitti H&R Ballroom Kitti		Cardio Jam Kitti H&R Ballroom Kitti		Light Latin-10:45 Dunja H&R Ballroom Dunja
10:45-11:30	Light Aerobics Jessica Aerobics Room Jessica		Light Aerobics Jessica Aerobics Room Jessica		S.O.S - "Serious on Strength" Kitti Aerobics Room Kitti
12:00		Fitness Center Orientation		Balance Assessments**	

Water Walking at The Arbor Club every second and fourth Tuesday (June - September)

*Denotes a fee-based class - Fitness Pass Required

**Balance Assessments are free! Please call for a reservation 387-7534

ARBOR CLUB GROUP FITNESS SCHEDULE

EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1ST 2010

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
9:15-10:00	Deep Water Aerobics* Arbor Club Larry	Shallow Water Aerobics* Barbara	Deep Water Aerobics* Maritza	Shallow Water Aerobics* Barbara	Deep Water Aerobics* Dori	Open Swim	Open Swim
9:30-10:30	Yoga* Ronnese Arbor Club Ballroom		Yoga* Ronnese				
11:45-12:30	Get Fit While You Sit Kitti Arbor Club Ballroom		Get Fit While You Sit Kitti		Get Fit While You Sit Kitti		
1:30 - 2:15		Water Walking September 14th September 28th Arbor Club Outdoor Pool					

Water Walking: Every second and fourth Tuesday (June - September)

*Denotes a fee-based class - Fitness Pass Required

ARBOR CLUB INDOOR POOL SCHEDULE

Pool Hours: Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Saturday, 7 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Sunday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Indoor pool closed for cleaning every Wednesday from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Outdoor pool closed for cleaning the first Wednesday of every month.

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
6:00 - 8:00 AM	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming
8:00 - 9:00 AM	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk
9:15 - 10:00 AM	Deep Water Fitness Class*	Shallow Water Fitness Class*	Deep Water Fitness Class*	Shallow Water Fitness Class*	Deep Water Fitness Class*
10:30 - 11:30 AM	Water Walk	Water Walk	Closed-Cleaning	Water Walk	Water Walk
11:30 - 12:30 PM	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming
12:30 - 1:30 PM	Aqua Belles		Aqua Belles		Aqua Belles

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Irish American Club
Bob O'Neal

John Toner called me the other day to inform me of Gaelic football being played on channel 1152. Fascinating game, very much like rugby and it doesn't take long to figure out how the game is played. Check it out. 1152? Can you remember a time when it was just a few channels?

A club member mentioned to me the other day that her grandfather was from Ireland and that he was "black Irish," that is, people of Irish origin who had dark features, black hair, dark complexion and eyes. I had always associated that term with the wreck of the Spanish Armada in 1588, when a large portion of the 130-strong fleet sent by Phillip II to invade

England wrecked off the west coast of Ireland. Up to 24 ships were wrecked on the rocky coastline spanning from Antrim in the north to Kerry in the south and, as it turns out, there were very few survivors. So much for that theory.

The term "black Irish" has commonly been in circulation among Irish emigrants and their descendants for centuries. Interestingly enough, the subject is almost never referred to in Ireland.

There are a number of different claims as to the origin of the term, none of which are possible to prove or disprove. There are three major influxes of foreign people into Ireland. The first was the Celts in 500 BC. They were followed from Northern Europe with Viking raids occurring as early as 795 AD. The defeat of the Vikings at the Battle of Clontarf in the year 1014 by Brian Boru marked the end of the struggle with the invaders and saw the subsequent integration of the Vikings into Irish society.

The traditional image of Vikings is of pale-skinned blond invaders but they were often referred to as the "dark invaders" or "black foreigners." The Gaelic word for foreigner is "gall" and for black (or dark) is "dubh." Many of the invaders took Gaelic names that utilized these two descriptive words.

The name Doyle is in Irish "O'Dubhghail" which literally means "dark foreigner".

The third major influx of people into Ireland were the Norman invasions of 1170 and 1172 led by Strongbow and, as a result, there was yet another wave of immigrants that settled in the country. So, the next time someone mentions "black Irish," now you know, that you don't know.

Don't forget that great entertainer Ray Cooper will be with us at our fall dinner-social on Thursday, Oct. 14.

May there always be work for your hands to do—may your purse always hold a coin or two—may the sun always shine on your windowpane and may a rainbow be certain to follow each rain. May the hand of a friend always be near you and may God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you.



Caribbean Club
Luz Leon

It's been blazing hot these days, but

the club keeps moving along and continuing to grow. With some of its members away on vacation, the club continues to have its once a month Tuesday afternoon bowling games and planning for the upcoming Halloween party in October.

Our monthly meetings are usually filled with fun and laughter as we sit down to play table games with the sounds of Latin music in the background. Other nights you can hear cheering on of the members as they become horses in our horse races.

When not at the meetings or get-togethers, many of us will go to the weekend music festivities at The Town Square where we enjoy the evening events.

Our next scheduled big event is a European cruise in October 2011. It's a 12-night adventure cruise with visits to Spain, Italy and France. For information on the cruise, contact us at 873-0538.

German American Club
Inge Gaitch

Hoping that everyone has had a good summer and that you were able to keep cool during the heat wave.

Time to start the next season for the

club with the first meeting scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 14, at 6:30 p.m. Agendas are being worked on for our future meetings and these will be announced.

Since last May, a small group of members have been meeting to plan and organize a dance for the club. The date for the event has been set for May 5, 2011 so please make a note on your calendars to set aside that date. When other items regarding the event become firm up, complete information will be published.

Japanese Bunka Embroidery Classes

Bunka classes start Thursday, Oct. 7 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 Japanese. 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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Concert Chorus
Anne Merrick

The new season started on Tuesday, Aug. 24, at our new location in the Arbor Club Ballroom. This is a more intimate setting for our practice sessions.

We are excited to start learning our pieces for the holiday season. A lot of effort on the part of quite a few members of the chorus goes into making our productions so good. A committee works in May, June and July to select the music and it is then approved by Jean, our director, and Joyce, our pianist. Barbara, our president, does a lot of behind the scenes work and the board looks after any other details.

The workshop held on Aug. 9 was a great success. Several new people attended and many of the chorus members too. We learned about the history of the chorus from Sally. We were also given guidelines for appropriate behavior and dress at practice and concerts, which was explained by Suzanne.

Carol led us through some warm ups and vocal practice and then Jean explained some musical terms pertaining to understanding our musical scores. She then led us in several pieces of holiday music. We sounded very good and the cookies were excellent.

If you didn't make it to the workshop, you can still join the group. For information or for an appointment for an audition, call Anne at 732-0706. If I don't return your call at once, contact Barbara Sprigg at 873-2844.

We are always in need of new members who can follow their line of music in four-part harmony. So come on out sopranos, altos, tenors and basses and audition to join this dynamic group.

Remember, singing is good for your health.



Original Karaoke Group
George Quaranta

Attention all of our karaoke singers ... we will be singing at Candler Hills Community Center every second Monday and every fourth Tuesday of the month from 7 to 10 p.m. starting in September. Hope to see all of you in September! Until then, enjoy your summer.

For more information, please call George at 873-9667.



Karaoke Friends
Vivian Brown

Even though it's summer, we have had a good group coming to sing. And boy do we sing!

For the first time in a long time, all the gals sang a song and they chose one of Rita's favorites, "You are my Sunshine." She joined in and it was wonderful!

We now have several fellows who

like Frank Sinatra style songs: Jerry, Tom and Vince. We hear them often, but we don't mind! Who doesn't like to hear Frankie?!

The ladies seem to prefer Broadway show tunes: Daryl, Norma, Ann and myself. There are so many to choose from. We also have Country Western guys and gals like Jimmy, Charlie, Sandy and Marie; you would think you were out on the range.

Kathy is the novelty singer and she does them so well! I didn't forget Bob; he does almost any song and it is hard to describe how great his emotions make you feel with every word he sings. It is truly a gift!

Remember, we meet the first and third Mondays of the month in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Come, join us and you too will get hooked on singing! It is so good for you.

Also, we have a group that entertains for a holiday party, club or organization that would like us to perform, we will put together a program of your liking and there is never a charge.

Please call me with any questions at 291-0246. God bless and keep on singing!

American Jewish Club
Carol Aronoff

We are happy to resume activities for the new season, beginning with our first meeting on Sunday, Sept.19, at 12:30 p.m. We are having our annual coming together party. As usual, this will be held in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E, F and G. Our president Norma Seidman and her board are looking forward to greeting everybody. And, yes, dues will be accepted.

Then, on Thursday, Sept. 23, we are going on an exciting tour of our County Courthouse. Expect to be "locked up and put on trial!" Your purses will be scanned and please do not carry any scissors, nail files or the like. After the tour, the Lunch Bunch will meet at Cody's.

Sign-up sheets will be available at the meeting. There will also be a questionnaire asking for your preferences for destinations on day outings or longer. As of now, we are thinking Ybor City, Cross Creek, Cedar Key, etc. Let us know and we will make it happen.

In the planning stage for future meetings, we are having a speaker from Metro Crime Prevention of Florida on a very timely topic and we expect Rabbi Rubinger of Temple Shalom to join us for Chanukah.

We are looking forward to a great turnout this new year.

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Theatre Group
Emery Bjerkmann

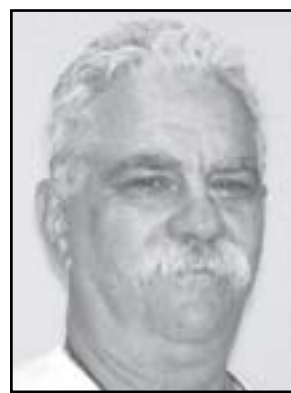
Members of the cast for the fall production of "Let's Murder Marsha" have been hard at work during the summer months getting their parts learned and working with props to prepare them to deliver polished performances on Nov. 12 and 13 - save the dates! Cast members include: Emery Bjerkmann, Bob Cowie, Glo Hutchings, Irene Moran, Bob O'Neal, Dick Phillips, and Beverly Russell. The director of the play, Marilyn Bettinger, who usually writes this column has fled for cooler

weather in Vermont and will return to us in September.

For those of you already members of the Theatre Group, and those who might be interested in joining us, you are cordially invited to attend our first meeting after the summer break on Monday, Sept. 13, at 2:30 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite G.

The Theatre Group will also have a table at the Club Fair being held in the Health & Recreation Ballroom on Thursday, Sept. 30th. Stop by and talk to a Theatre Group representative to learn more about the us and the fall production.

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Social Club
Mort Meretsky

We had our annual picnic on Aug. 20 and I'm sure it was another success. I'm writing this prior to our actually having the picnic, but knowing of our past parties, I know it was terrific. I'll have more about the party in the next article.

If there are any new residents who are wondering who or what we are, come on down to our next meeting. We play poker and blackjack on the third Friday of the month. We play with Monopoly money and at the end of the day the person who has the most money at each table wins \$5; second place wins \$3; and third wins \$2.

Our dues are still only \$10 a year. We just had our picnic plus we have a pizza day and a holiday party. All of those are free to our members.

Our next poker/blackjack day is on Friday, Sept. 17 at 2 p.m. We meet at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E through G.

See y'all on the 17th.

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Red Hat Society
Vivian Brown

September is here; let the fun begin! Our Queen's meeting is Monday, Sept. 13 at 2:30 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite H. Please make sure your chapter has a representative there. The October event and PJ Party will be discussed.

The October event will be held on Oct. 17 in the Health & Recreation Building at 5 p.m. The theme is Country Western, and Country Sunshine will provide entertainment. Entertainment will cost \$3 per person.

The meal will be catered by Sonny's, which will cost \$13 per person. The meal includes 3 bar-b-que meats: chicken, pulled pork and pulled beef brisket; three sides; bread and butter; unsweetened tea and lemonade; brownies and banana pudding.

Delivery and servers are also provided, plus they will remove the trash from the large garbage cans. Any menu changes will be discussed at the Queen's meeting on Sept. 13.

Dress for the event would be a red hat and country dress (i.e. purple blouse and jeans - fit purple into your outfit).

Other activities will be planned for the evening.

Please also mark your calendar for the Queen's meeting on Dec. 13 and the PJ Party on Feb. 20, 2011 in the Health & Recreation Building. Hope to see you all at the Queen's meeting!

The Razzle-Dazzle Red Hat Dames



The Glitzy Gals Mary Bicknell, Betty Tesmer, Paula Guildford, Kitty Wills, Vice Queen Dottie Hinde, Queen Mother Mary Curry and Carol Ceca at the Red Hat Society Convention visiting the USS Midway Museum.

Remember that time waits for no one, so we should never feel guilty for going out to lunch, seeing a show, shopping, dancing, playing cards or games, singing and laughing until our sides ache.

All of our clocks are ticking and I don't want to regret all the things I never did! I would like to remember, with a smile on my face, all the great and special times spent with our wonderful families and friends. Don't put it off until tomorrow; do it now! God bless! *QM Vivian Brown*

The Glitzy Gals

The Red Hat Society International Convention "Brims by the Bay" in San Diego was attended by seven of The Glitzy Gals. They were a part of over 1,000 Red Hatters in attendance. Some of the things we enjoyed were a city tour, harbor boat ride, visit to the San Diego Zoo, Midway Aircraft Carrier tour, a dinner cruise and a ride in a horse and carriage, which looked like Cinderella's carriage.

We enjoyed a variety of speakers and entertainment. Comedian Damon Wayans, author of "Red Hats" spoke at the Pajama Breakfast. A raffle was held for the hat pictured on the cover of his book.

Anne Abernathy, a six time Olympic Luge athlete, conducted one of the playshops. Vicki Barbolak winner of "America's Funniest Housewife" spoke at the Afternoon Delight Tea. A pool party, banquet and Friday night dance party were also included in our activities as well as shopping and more shopping.

Mary Bicknell and Dottie Hinde were prize winners. Meeting new Red Hatters from other states and countries is always exciting as we now have 27 countries represented.

The 2011 Red Hat International Convention will be held in New Orleans next August. "Bring a little sunshine and leave a little laughter everywhere you go." *QM Mary Curry by K. Wills and J. Wahl*

The Red Hat Dollies

We went to Crackers restaurant in Crystal River for our July luncheon. We had just a small gathering since it is summer and several members are away but we had a delicious lunch. *QM Connie Cameron by Peggy Greer*

Please send your chapter's activities to vivjcb@cfl.rr.com by the eighth of the month. If you have any questions, call me at 291-0246.



Women of the World
Maureen Corr

Fall is coming and Women of the World are ready to kick off the 2010-2011 season with our Friday, Sept. 3 meeting. This will be held in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E through G. Members are encouraged to come earlier than 1 p.m. to have some refreshments and socialize.

The charity for our September meeting is Brothers Keeper and they ask for donations of canned beans and vegetables for their soup kitchen. They can also use items for the food pantry such as peanut butter, spaghetti sauce, pasta and, again, vegetables and beans.

Our October charity will be the Halloween Roundup at Romeo Elementary school where our On Top of the World "grandparents" have a wonderful Halloween party each year for the children.

As you all know, we collect for Operation Shoebox all year long and donations are always welcome.

We have a correction from our previous bulletin in that Marion Nassey is the chairperson for our 50/50 drawing. The 50/50 is a fun event that raises money for our group and enables some lucky members to win some cash; it is a fun way to end our meetings.

Please keep in mind that fall brings the On Top of the World Rags to Riches sale

and Women of the World will participate. Any household items you can donate will be much appreciated. Our member, Erica Winkler, has again allowed us use of her garage at 8525-D SW 90th Lane and someone will be there on Monday and Wednesdays from 1 to 3 p.m. starting Sept. 13. So, come over with any items you are not using and can donate.

Singles Club
Lorraine Serwan

Welcome to a new year of the On Top of the World Singles Club. We are proud to be starting our 26th year. New president, Ellen Hammill, and her board have been meeting to plan an interesting and exciting year of meeting activities and mid-month outings.

Would you like to go on a bus trip to St. Augustine or car pool to the Christmas House in Brooksville, take a different boat ride or visit Stouffers Candy Factory? Come to our Sept. 9 meeting and find out about even more adventures.

Some meeting guests we are considering include: a speaker on protecting ourselves from being a crime victim, health tips from Cammy Dennis, songs by Bob O'Neal in March and other surprises.

Our birthday luncheon is scheduled for Oct. 14 tentatively at Olive Garden. Tickets are \$15 and should be paid at the September meeting. Space is limited, so it is first come first served.

We will hold our first fall meeting on Sept. 9 at 2 p.m. at the Arbor Conference Center in Suites G and H. Member dues of \$10 are due at this meeting. Please join us and bring a friend.

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Hemingway's House

By BOB WOODS
WORLD NEWS WRITER

One of the most visited tourist locations on the island of Key West is Ernest Hemingway's House and Museum. This location is privately owned and a for-profit landmark. The structure has been renovated but this is the actual house Hemingway owned and lived in between 1931 and 1939, although, it was still owned by the author until his death in 1961 but only used as an overnight stop coming and going from Havana, Cuba.

The house, located in old town Key West, was purchased for \$8,000 and given to Hemingway as a wedding gift. Hemingway completed "A Farewell to Arms" shortly after moving into the house. Hemingway was an ambulance driver during World War I, which was the basis for the novel.

This author and journalist was the winner of the Nobel Prize in literature in 1954 and during his lifetime published seven novels, six short stories and many more after his death.

When Hemingway divorced in 1939, he took up residence in Cuba. The Key West residence was built in 1851 and is 16 feet above sea level, the second highest site on the island. Many of his famous works were written in this house. In 1988, the house was used as a filming location for the 16th James Bond movie, "License to Kill."

The last major work of fiction to be published by Hemingway was "The Old Man and the Sea." The story was of a Cuban fisherman who was the hired hand on the deep sea fishing boat used by Hemingway. As the book states, the story is of this fisherman landing a giant marlin.

It has been noted that after Hemingway's death, the furnishings in the house were removed. Touring the house today,

knowledgeable tour guides tell you that all the furnishings are original.

There has been a lot of hoopla over the many cats residing at the Hemingway house. It has been noted that a ship captain many years ago gave Hemingway a multi-toed cat. Today the house and museum are home to around 60 cats. There are no particular breed types, many of which are multi-toed keeping alive that the cats are direct descendants of the original cat given to Hemingway.

The majority of the cats have either been spayed or neutered. A few have not been fixed as the museum tries to limit two litters of kittens each year keeping the lineage on going.

One point of interest is the cats' drinking fountain. The top of this fountain is an old Spanish olive jar from Cuba and the base is a urinal from the famous Sloppy Joe's Bar.

Speaking of Sloppy Joe's Bar, it has been reported that Hemingway would walk every morning when the temperatures were the coolest, then he would sit down at his typewriter and work on his writings until around 3:30 p.m. and then head for Sloppy Joe's Bar where he would meet up with his friends.

The owner of this bar was a close friend of Hemingway and this famous author liked cheap scotch and soda.

It has been rumored that one of the main reasons Hemingway liked his house was that it was located across the street from the Key West Lighthouse. It has been said that he would use the lighthouse's beacon at night to find his way home.

When Castro took over Cuba, Hemingway left Cuba, in haste, leaving many manuscripts and other writings in a Cuban bank vault. This artist of words went



Photo by Bob Woods

Ernest Hemingway's house in Key West, Fla.

to Idaho for his remaining years.

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tions. The house is just one of many historical and worthwhile destinations while visiting the Conch Republic.

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A group of residents enjoy a day playing miniature golf.

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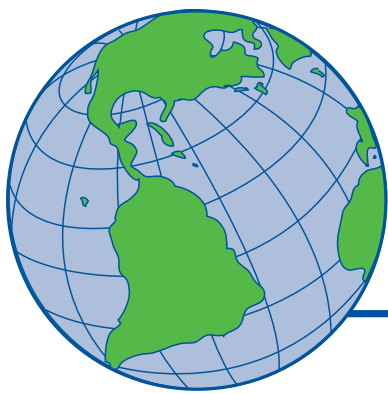
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Beach Party Dance

By ARLO JANSSEN

The On Top of the World Dance Committee "Dancin' On the Top" has announced that there will be a Beach Party dance in the Health & Recreation Ballroom on Saturday, Sept. 25. The dance will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. with music provided by Fred Campbell.

Each individual table will have special decorations and treats to match the Beach Party theme. The dress for this dance will be casual. Bar drinks and coffee will be available for the dancers and guests.

Tickets for the Beach Party dance will go on sale starting Monday, Aug. 30, in the Health & Recreation Ballroom from 8 to 10 a.m. and sales will continue on the following Mondays and Wednesdays for those dance tickets that have not been subscribed in advance.

If you have questions on the dance, please contact Jack Stone at 873-3083.

A Rooster Has Hatched

By RAY CECH
WORLD NEWS WRITER

Gail Briggs, a native New Yorker and now a resident of Avalon has been a life-long artist, working mostly with acrylics and watercolors. However, after moving to On Top of the World, Gail decided that she wanted to expand her creativity; so about a year ago, she signed up for Sami Odeh's stained glass lectures and workshops.

"When I saw some of the beautiful and sometimes complex art that Sami and his students were turning out, I got a little bit more than nervous," said Mrs. Briggs. But she stayed the course, first doing one small piece then another.

As her confidence blossomed under Sami's patient mentoring, Gail decided to go for broke. She already knew the subject she wanted to create, as her kitchen is a den of rooster collectibles: towels, canisters, pictures, and even a throw rug picturing a very cocky barnyard rooster. She shared her ambition with Sami, and together they scoured magazines and calendars looking for an appropriate representation of what she had in mind.

A Rhode Island Red was found crowing inside a nature calendar, and the project began its prologue. First, the rooster had to be drawn to scale and then laid out on

paper and the colors penciled in. Then came probably the most difficult chapter in composing the masterpiece, cutting to precision, 152 pieces of colored glass. Most of the cuts were made by hand with the larger pieces allowing for the use of a fine band saw.

Gail was a terrific student, according to Sami Odeh, and with his hands-on guidance, the rooster took shape. After several months of patient craftsmanship, Gail Briggs and her husband Don have a beautiful 28-inch by 28-inch leaded glass, Long Island Red hanging in their breakfast nook.



Artist Gail Briggs with instructor Sami Odeh displaying the rooster.

Photo by Ray Cech

Operation Shoebox

By NANCY GRABOWSKI

Operation Shoebox is an organization started by Mary Harper in 2003 to fill the personal needs of service personnel stationed away from home. She was directly affected since five of her children were overseas who relayed how short the supplies were.

Women of the World has adopted Operation Shoebox as an on-going charity for the past two years and continues its efforts to help. We could not and cannot do it without help from our members and the community.

Donations can be dropped off in the lobby of the Health & Recreation Building or at the Arbor Club office. The request list is amazing: toothbrushes, toothpaste, white calf-length socks, stationery, pens, puzzles (cut from the newspaper too),

newspaper wrappers (to secure the shipments without adding too much weight), used golf balls, individually wrapped snacks, drink mix-ins.

A dedicated core of ladies continues to knit or crochet helmet liners too. Operation Shoebox also uses spent printer ink cartridges to help with costs.

Mailing costs are the same for them as for anyone else. Until the United States Congress passes legislation to change this, Operation Shoebox spends about \$12,000 each month to send materials.

In addition, Operation Shoebox inserts letters and cards into the packages since letters from home are the most requested items by our soldiers; 600 to 800 boxes are shipped each week, each needing a letter.

Please take a moment to write a letter or find a card that can be dropped into our collection sites. Address your letter or card: "Dear Troop" or "Dear Soldier." It is very helpful if you put your full return address as part of the letter since envelopes tend to get trashed quickly. Include your e-mail address as many soldiers would like to say thank you and stay in touch.

Each month, we take a trip to headquarters in Belleview with a car-load of donations. If you need more information, contact Nancy Grabowski, 873-4315 or go to the Operation Shoebox web site: www.operationshoobox.com.

Thanks for everything you have done and continue to do for Operation Shoebox ... "until they all come home!"



Photo by Bob Woods

Arbor Club drop off.

Armed Forces Military Museum

By BOB WOODS
WORLD NEWS WRITER

The Armed Forces Military Museum in Largo, Fla. is one of the best military museums I have visited in my lifetime. Since I am a retired Navy man, I have seen many.

I have never seen so many military uniforms from all of our services gathered in one place. Most of the U.S. military uniforms displayed were worn from World War I to present, both officers and enlisted. In fact, this museum also displays World War II Japanese and German uniforms. Another one of a kind is one of the uniforms worn by Iraq's Saddam Hussein.

This museum is not just a huge uniform display but also has a lot of military equipment. This museum has all kinds of military firearms and ordnances dating from WWI to the present.

In another area there is a display of mines and grenades. The museum states that today there are two huge land mine areas in the world, the border between North and South Korea and the area around the U.S. Navy base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

A large area in the museum depicts the attack on Pearl Harbor, mainly from the Japanese prospective. There are many Japanese ship models in this display that were the actual models used in the 1950 movie "Tora, Tora, Tora." There are chairs in this display that were actually Admiral Yamamoto's from his headquarters in Rabaul. This is also a special area honoring the Navy as well as the Marine Corps.

One of the most interesting displays was the D-Day landing on Utah Beach and the French Village of St. Mere Eglise.

History states the D-Day landing was the largest military operation of all times

when U.S. troops landed on the coast of Normandy. There is a mock-up of the French Village of St. Mere Eglise, a major crossroads that needed to be captured by the allies on D-Day. Paratroopers were dropped into the area during the night before D-Day and the mocked-up display shows one paratrooper dangling from the town's church steeple. The mannequin replicates Private John Steele who survived the jump only to be temporarily captured by the Germans.

In other displays, the museum depicts the Korean War by illustrating the landing at Inchon, soldiers battling the snow

and elements of a harsh winter, and a Mobile Army Surgical Hospital in operation. There was a replica of Rose's Bar, which was a favorite watering hole for U.S. soldiers. This bar, located in Seoul, has been depicted in the TV series, "M.A.S.H." The Vietnam area of the museum shows what the Ho Chi Min Trail looked like which was utilized by the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong to transport soldiers and supplies from North Vietnam to the south.

There are countless other displays within this museum, every one of them created in detail of the operations of the U.S. Armed Forces.

If this drive is to long for you, Master the Possibilities is proposing an educational field bus trip to this museum in October. The purpose and mission of this museum is to "preserve our military history and educate our current and younger generations that freedom does not come without sacrifice."

The displays utilize "authentic memorabilia, equipment and artifacts along with audio/visual effects which will take you back in time to the action."

Every veteran and military buff or enthusiast will definitely enjoy this museum.



Armed Forces Military Museum in Largo, Fla.

Photo by Bob Woods



Director of Golf
Sally Collins

As I look back on the past eight weeks, I cannot believe the transformation that all three of the On Top of the World Communities' golf courses have undergone. The beginning of June saw us struggling to grow grass on the greens, tees and fairways. Now, Andy Jorgensen and his staff have the greens rolling true and the fairways returned to their lush state.

The upcoming eight weeks promise to be packed with several exciting golf events. As of Sept. 5, we will have completed the second round of greens aeration. Although the greens are finally in the condition we all enjoy, we must

understand this is a necessary evil in order to maintain the prime conditions. The Tortoise and the Hare will be closed the first five days of the month to complete the process. Just a reminder the fall overseeding programs will begin Oct. 18, with the three course rotation.

Playing golf at Candler Hills? Be sure to enjoy the new beverage station located just off the Golf Shop courtyard. A new ice and water dispenser is located there for your hydration needs, as well as a vending machine with Coca Cola, Gatorade and water refreshments. The beverage cart will only be available during special events.

Also, check out the Monster Golf Package for only \$42.95 plus tax! This special includes golf, cart, choice of a Monster Burger or Cobb Salad, and choice of a draft beer, well drink, house wine, iced tea or soda. Tee times may be booked two days in advance for the Monster Package.

Labor Day is the time of year the Golf Shops host the 36 hole mixer between Candler Hills and On Top of the World golfers. Day one, Saturday, Sept. 4 is a two best ball of foursome at the Links, while Candler Hills hosts Monday's four person scramble. A barbecue lunch will follow the tournament on Monday.

Ladies - the Solheim Cup competition is just around the corner! Registration begins Sept. 1 for this annual event between the On Top of the World and Candler Hills women Oct. 5, 7 and 9. The On Top of the World ladies are set to defend their 2009 title, but the Candler Hills team is busy

getting their recruits out on the practice tee! Check the Golf Shops for more details.

Registration is also underway for the 2010 Rally for the Cure hosted by the Candler Hills LGA18. Any

LGA 9 or LGA18 member from either club may receive preferential registration for this event from Sept. 1 through 22. After this time, any interested golfer, male or female, may join in the fun. Stop by either Golf Shop to pick up a flyer today!

Candler Hills golf staff wants to remind all Candler Hills' male members to round up a team for the 2010 Candler Hills Men's Member Guest! Oct. 21 through 23 are the dates and this year's event will be three days of great golf and camaraderie! Each player will receive a pair of Foot Joy Superlite Golf Shoes and two weeklong passes to the PGA Tour Children's Miracle Network Classic at Lake Buena Vista. All players must be registered by Friday, Oct. 8. In addition to the men's schedule, the ladies have numerous activities planned as well.

Mark your calendars for the Just Us Girls on Sept. 15 at 5 p.m. The Nine, Wine & Dine tees off at 4:30 p.m. on Sept. 29. Extreme Demo Day is all set for Saturday, Nov. 6 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. All events are at Candler Hills Golf Club.

Please remember that our golf staff's level of customer service needs help from all the golfers. Remember that range baskets, balls and tokens should not be removed from golf course property. When you want to hit balls at the range, you don't want the buckets hoarded in someone's garage. If you enjoy the iced towels at Candler Hills, we need you to return the used cloths when you complete your round.

WORLD ACCOLADES: The Monster has been tamed! Kelli Brunner eagled Candler Hills's uphill par 5 fourth hole with a driver-5 hybrid-5 hybrid into the cup! Way to go Kelli! Rich Trembulak aced the fifth hole at Candler Hills on July 25 with a 5 iron. John Gayso eagled the seventh hole on the Links while playing Aug. 10.

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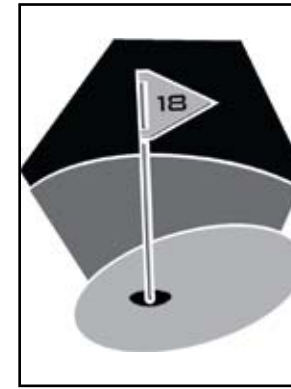
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Candler Hills Ladies 18-Hole
Kelli Brunner

Summer is winding down and Sept. 1 begins registration for the Solheim Cup, which will be played Oct. 5, 7 and 9. This is a match play competition between Candler Hills and On Top of the World with each day delivering a new format. Best ball and modified alternate shot will be played at the Links course on Tuesday and Thursday. Individual match play will take place at Candler Hills on Saturday.

If you have never played match play or are a little confused by it, don't worry, you are not alone. Although there is some friendly competition, it's mostly for bragging rights and the enjoyment of golf with our friends and neighbors.

The LPGA Solheim Cup vies the United States against Europe every two years. The top rated players look forward to this prestigious event and work very hard to accumulate enough points to make the team. Since its inception in 1990, the U.S. leads the Europeans by eight to three. The next match will be held in Ireland in 2011.

This event got its name from Karsten Solheim. Born in Norway in 1911, his family came to the U.S. in 1913. He was working for General Electric as a mechanical engineer when he took up the game of golf at age 42. His poor putting bothered him so much that he designed a putter to "answer" his problems. His wife suggested he drop the "w" so the name would fit on the putter head and thus was born the Ping Anser Putter.

Solheim designed golf clubs in his garage until he started Karsten Manufacturing, which produces the popular Ping golf equipment. Karsten Solheim contributed in many ways to the game of golf and was the driving force in the creation of the Solheim Cup.

Now doesn't that inspire you to come out and play for the home team? Any Candler Hills resident with at least a 36 GHIN handicap is encouraged to sign up and get ready to have some fun. Let's go Candler Hills!

Stableford
July 22

Flight 1: 40-Tona Scheibal; 39-Iro Lisinski.
Flight 2: 41-Patty Ware; Tie at 38-Pam Carpenter and Carol Clark.

Flight 3: 42-Marge Cowie; 39 - Jean Jarmel.

Criss Cross
July 29

Flight 1: Tie at 29-Joan D'Addio and Mia Kolar.

Flight 2: Tie at 28-Toni Stevenson and Patty Ware.

Flight 3: 28-Gail Schultz; 29-Donna Sauer. Shamble

Aug. 5

First Place: Andrea Fratarangelo, Joan Gustafson, Deborah Martin and Barbara Masaschi. Second Place: Carol Clark, Tona Scheibal, Gail Schultz, Toni Stevenson; Tied with, Linda Buschur, Marie Gillis, Iro Lisinski, Carole Robinson.

Six-Six-Six
Aug. 12

121-Imgard Anger, Gail Schultz, Toni Stevenson, Patty Ware. 124-Pam Carpenter, Andrea Fratarangelo, Joan Gustafson, Barbara Masaschi.

Upcoming play days:

- Sept. 2 - Individual Net/Gross
- Sept. 9 - Two Best Balls, Annual meeting with Lunch
- Sept. 16 - Pink Ball
- Sept. 23 - Individual Net/Gross
- Sept. 30 - Best Ball Net/Gross
- Oct. 14 - Rally for the Cure

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Candler Hills Men's Golf
Joe Alfano

"I'm melting, I'm melting." Who could forget the Wicked Witch of the East from the Wizard of Oz scream those words? On many a golfing day here at Candler Hills, words to that effect have been reportedly heard on numerous occasions as the heat and humidity of July and August take its toll on our members and their games. The "dog days of summer" has reared its ugly head but if nothing else we are an undaunted lot when it comes to playing golf.

The awards ceremony for 2010 Scholar/Athlete Jeff Donarski went over without a hitch with numerous association members and their significant others in attendance. Jeff's parents requested that I pass on to the membership their appreciation in the honoring of their son. Jessica Negron, 2009 Scholar/Athlete and FSU Golf Team member, was in attendance and expressed her best wishes and congratulations to this year's winner. As of this writing, Jessica had just advanced to match play in the USGA Women's Amateur and the entire association wishes her well.

We welcome Wayne Johnson, our 103rd member, to our cheery bunch of golf aficionados. We hope you enjoy the experience but be forewarned that along

with the competition, camaraderie and sportsmanship, you will also find much jocular, banter and a wee bit of chicanery. Anyone interested in playing this hallowed game in such an environment can contact me at tjalf8371@yahoo.com for more information.

Our fundraising efforts will continue until our November semi-annual meeting. On league days, be on the lookout for Gilbert or Sullivan for that winning ticket. Speaking of the semi-annual meeting, we will have three board position terms expiring so now would be the time for members to start thinking about whether they may want to run for one of those board vacancies.

Most of us know that we can hit as good a shot as any one of us out here; we just don't know if we can hit as many. Keeping it on the short stuff this past month was Chris Jett (71); Lon Scheibal & Paul Moltisanti (72); Walt Pacuk (73); Bryant Giffin, Tom Garrison, & Pat Clayton (74); Mike Buschur (75); Jack Gustafson, Rick Daddio, Norm Giannukos, & Al Wassmer (76); Tony Mysterly (77); and Mike Rec (78). Nice job "Baffin yer ball" gentlemen.

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

Four-Man One Gross/One Net
July 13

127-John McCoy, Jack Gustafson, Mike Romm and Ed Pozsony; 129-Mike Buschur, Paul Brunner, Jon Raupach and Bill Horton; 129-Tom Garrison, Dick Masterson, Jim McGrath and Dave Green.

Two-Man Best Ball
July 20

Gutta Flight Minus 17: Bryant Giffin & Tony Mysterly; Minus 12: Tom Garrison & Dick Masterson and Jim Bennett & Roger Whittle.

Percha Flight Minus 12: Tom Martinetto & Ed Pozsony; Minus 10: Jim McGrath & Jack Ashenfelter; Minus 9: Fred Jankowski & Bob Cooke.

Four-Man Two Best Balls
July 27

119-Tom Garrison, John McCoy, Tom Mar-



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Scholarship chairman, Joe Alfano, 2009 scholar/athlete, Jessica Negron, 2010 scholar/athlete, Jeff Donarski and CHMGA president, Bryant Giffin.

tinetto & Andy Bulloch; 120-Mike Rec, Al Wassmer, Jim McGrath & Mike Romm; 123-Pat Clayton, Dick Masterson, Ken Zweiback & Charlie Tichy.

Individual Stableford
Aug. 3

Harrison Flight: 39-Nick Nimerala & Tim Beaty; 38- John Diaz.
McCarthy Flight: 39-Bill Horton; 37-Don Huston & Joe Jingo.

Lennon Flight: 43-Norm Giannukos;

42-Bruce Venslavsky; 39-John Larson. Starr Flight: 40-Mike Buschur, Paul Moltisanti & Walt Pacuk.

Modified Scramble
Aug. 10

271-Tom Garrison, Norm Giannukos, Ed O'Leary & Terry Baker; 281-Chris Jett, Jack Gustafson, Joe Mandala & Stan Jarmel; 285-Al Wassmer, Dennis Norris, Mike Romm and Pat Sullivan.

The Movie Club Presents 'Valentine's Day'

By MARY EHLE

I know that the holiday for September is Labor Day but I think that you will really enjoy the movie "Valentine's Day." It is a comedy directed by the same person who did "Pretty Woman."

Julia Roberts has a small role but it also stars a large cast, which includes Jamie Foxx, Ashton Kutcher, Jennifer Gar-

ner, Patrick Dempsey and many more. It is light, funny and totally enjoyable.

Come to the Health & Recreation Ballroom on Sunday Sept. 12, at 6 p.m. The movie is open to all residents and their overnight guests. The charge for non-members is \$2 paid at the door. Hope you can join us.

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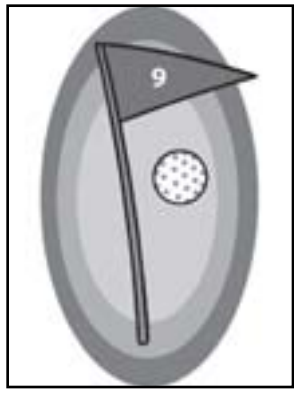
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Candler Hills Ladies 9-Hole
Dianne Masterson

The hot, humid and sultry days of the past month have made golf very challenging in Candler Hills to say the least. But, who would ever have thought that

these adverse weather conditions would turn the Candler Hills LGA9 into a soap opera?

We've got the "One Life to Live" golfers. These are the nine hole ladies who have headed to the cooler northern environs on vacations or to their northern homes looking for respite from the heat of Ocala. If they have "One Life to Live," it's going to be nice and cool. Instead of "Hot in Cleveland," we have "Hot in Ocala." These nine holers find the hot and humid conditions of afternoon golf too unbearable and chose to play on Thursday mornings instead.

Then, there's "General Hospital." These nine holers, because of injuries, have been unable to play on league days.

Lastly, we have "The Young and the Restless." These golfers, although small in number, have become the nucleus of our league. The thunderstorms, hot and humid conditions of the past month have not deterred them from golfing. These hardy members who have met with success over this past month are as follows.

Low Gross/Low Net

July 22

Flight 1: 48-Olive Curtin; 37-Peggy Borro.
Flight 2: 49-Heddy Racinowski; 33-Vicky Salyers.

Vicky and Olive both had birdies on holes #7 and #8 respectively. Nice golfing ladies!

Fewest Putts

July 29

17-Dianne Masterson; 18-Sandra Noe.
Angie Jingco had a birdie on hole #7. This was probably the hottest Thursday this summer and our "golden girls" (Olive, Carol and Ina) were out there swinging away. After all, "70" is just a number. Way to go ladies!

One Best Ball

Aug. 5

Team 1: 27-Peggy Borro and Mary Gianukos.

Team 2: 32-Piper Thomas and Heddy Racinowski.

Hopefully, the afternoon temperatures will soon taper off, the snowbirds will re-

turn to roost, and our entire league will be back at full-strength and we can get back to keeping golf "All in the Family!"

On Top of the World LGA9 and Candler Hills LGA9 league members should sign up in their Golf Shops to play in our "Falling Leaves Invitational" to be played on Oct. 7 at Candler Hills. The deadline to sign up is Sept. 25.

Hopefully, many of us will support "The Rally for the Cure" at Candler Hills on Oct. 14 by getting foursomes together. It's an 18-hole Scramble benefiting the fight against breast cancer.

If you are interested in becoming a board member for next season, please contact Lois Laine. Remember that the success of our league is dependent upon our members! Ladies interested in joining the Candler Hills LGA9 should be working on establishing their GHIN scores (you need five) so that they will be ready to join us at our membership meeting in October. The Golf Shop will tell you how to establish a GHIN. We'd love to have you!

Wishing you sunny days, long drives and short putts!



Men's Golf Association
George Blankenship

The first thing that I would like to mention this month is the greatly improved conditions of our golf courses. I would like to thank Andy Jorgensen and management for bringing in Todd Lowe, a member of the USGA agronomy staff who

lives here in Florida, for his opinions and suggestions. Mr. Lowe confirmed that the golf maintenance staff had already initiated several of the programs suggested and confirmed that they were on the track for course improvement. The courses are overall, in my opinion, the best I can recall seeing them for the last several years.

At the MGA board meeting of Aug. 3, the board voted on, and made the decision to increase the cost for weekly play in the MGA. This decision or subject was not a spur of the moment thing. The subject, in various forms and/or amounts, had been discussed and tabled at several previous board meetings. Every board member was aware of the controversial nature of this issue, and we wanted to be very certain that we were making the correct decision as we saw it.

Two points weighed heavily in the decision. Point one is the fact that the MGA has evolved to shop credit for weekly prize payment. The MGA will not be going back to cash payments. To enable the members to accumulate an amount in credits to be viable, the payouts needed to be increased. To increase payouts, the inputs, weekly fees, had to be increased. Point two is that the weekly fee had been

\$3 for at least the last 12 years, and perhaps farther back than that. That would be back to the last century, 1998.

In the final analysis, the board voted unanimously for the issue as it was finally framed. Of the three board members not present, I was made aware by two of the three, prior to the meeting that they would vote for the issue as it was presented.

The issue as voted was to raise the weekly entry fee from \$3 to \$5 and the Chicken Day entry fee from \$6 to \$8. The entire \$2 increase for each day would go into the prize fund and be returned to the membership in the form of increased prize payouts every week. When Chicken Day fees were \$6, the cost to the member for their lunch was \$4. At the \$8 Chicken Day entry fee, the cost to the member for their lunch still remains \$4.

There have been questions raised about the fact that the issue should have been put before the membership with various options to be voted on. The first sentence in Article I, Sec. 1 of the By-Laws for the MGA states: "The affairs of the MGA shall be conducted by a nine (9) member board of directors..." That is why if you have strong opinions and would have a desire to express them as a board member you should sign up as a candidate to serve on the board of directors. You can find the candidate sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board. The MGA board needs people with ideas and a desire to serve and support the organization.

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

MGA 18 Shamble

July 14 / The Links

46-John Hall, Glen Swiger, John Hodd and Peter M. Peterson; Tie at 48-Johnny

Gill, Steve Gregely, Mike Flynn and Alfred Wells; Tom Fragapane, Paul B. East, James Merrick and Anthony Romiti; Tie at 49-Colin Adamson, Joe Dent, Alan Mudie and Joe Rappa; Art Buecher, Edward C. Wilson and Jimmy Johnson.

MGA 18 Low Net Flighted

July 21 / The Links

Flight 1: Tie at 68-Art Buecher and Colin Adamson; 70-Paul Perrault; Tie at 71-Ed Klodzen and Wes Dumeer; Tie at 72-Carl Zeiler, Raymond Beloin and Rudy Normandin.

Flight 2: 61-Bernard Locklear; 63-Francis Caprez; 66-Douglas Coleman; 68-Ray Messer; 70-Bob Cates; Tie at 71-Freddie Moody and Jack Hegarty.

MGA 18 Low Gross Flighted

July 28 / Tortoise And The Hare

Flight 1: Tie at 76-John Langville and Jon Hill.

Flight 2: 80-Wes Dumeer; 83-Tom Fragapane.

Flight 3: 81-Ross MacDonald; 85-Donald Delp.

Flight 4: 85-Larry Rourke; 87-Francis Caprez.

Flight 5: 87-Jack Hegarty; 89-Jerry Segovis.

Flight 6: Tie at 97-Frank Palotta and John Ricciardone.

MGA 18 Modified Scramble

Aug. 4 / The Links

Tie at 68-George Blankenship, Joe Dent, Alan Mudie and Frank Palotta; Art Buecher, Guy Russell and Ray Hellman. Tie at 70-John Langville; Hira Roy; John Hodd and William McGarry; Johnny Gill, John Bauer, Sam Harris and Joseph Wilssens. Tie at 71-Tom McHaffie, Larry Rourke, Wally Schilf and Ralph Schmidt; Colin Adamson, Jack Hegarty, Tary Bole and Tom Fasanello.

MGA 18 OTOW 4 Man 2 Best

Aug. 11 / The Links

116-Larry Lucier, Bernard GT Locklear, Norm Lallier and John Oneil
120-Dick Gray, Jack GT Hegarty, Hira Roy and William GT McGarry.
Tie at 121-William E Young Jr., Francis Caprez, Paul Stone and James Moran; Wes Dumeer, Art Buecher, Tony GT Capillo and Alfred Wells.
Tie at 122-Rudy Normandin, Bob Cates, Calvin Apperson and Bernie James; Colin, Adamson, Paul B East, George Deignan and Peter M. Peterson.

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**Ladies
9-Hole Golf
Diane Dzik**

The sign up sheets in the league room are filling up but we need volunteers to chair the Christmas luncheon. Everyone wishing to be included in the coming season's handbook (active and social) please

sign the list on the bulletin board because the book goes to print this month.

On Thursday, Sept. 30, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., we will be participating in the On Top of the World Club Fair. Come on down, stop at the table and find out more about our league.

The 2010-2011 season officially begins on Tuesday, Oct. 5 with a Scramble followed by the first business meeting of the season. All members need to be in attendance and please dress out in our blues and whites for this game. The Rally For The Cure will be our first event of the new season. It will be held Tuesday, Oct. 26. We will be discussing the final plans for this event at the business meeting.

Early October is busy with two invitations. Stonecrest will be holding an invitational on Tuesday, Oct. 5. Deadline is Sept. 14. Cost is \$40. On Thursday, Oct. 7, our neighbors at Candler Hills will be hosting us for an afternoon of golf. Deadline to sign up for "The Falling Leaves Invitational" is Sept. 25. The cost is \$30. Continental breakfast and registration is at 10:30 a.m., shotgun is at noon followed by hors d'oevres, beverages and cash bar.

POINT TO PONDER: Lateral water hazards - Any water hazard area marked by red stakes is a lateral water hazard. Do not ground your club. Any ball within the hazard must be hit as it lies without penalty--or go to a point where ball went into the hazard and drop a ball within two club lengths of this spot, no nearer the hole with a one stroke penalty.

**Low Gross by Flight
July 13**

Chip Ins: Virginia Blanchard, Jean Flynn, Carol White.

Flight 1: 47-Carol White; 49-Linda Dumeer; 50-Agnes Tetti; 51-Darlene Clark.
Flight 2: 54-Pauline Beloin, Betty Tully; 55-Jean Flynn, Marie Marquis.

**Low Net by Flight
July 20**

Flight 1: 36-Deborah Mallardi, Mary Hart; 37-Darlene Clark.
Flight 2: 35-Caroline East, Lorraine Rourke; 38-Sumiko Bridges.
Flight 3: 39-Evelyn Stewart; 41-Cathleen Hathaway, Donna Swiger.

**Low Net by Flight
July 27**

Chip Ins: Pat Black, Linda Dumeer, Carol White.

Flight 1: 35-Linda Dumeer, Agnes Tetti, Carol White.
Flight 2: 34-Sumiko Bridges; 35-Betty Tully; 37-Millie Nucaso, Vi Sica.
Flight 3: 37-Evelyn Stewart, Donna Swiger.

**Scramble
Aug. 3**

41- Sumiko Bridges, Deborah Mallardi, Marie Marquis. 42- Grace Bock, Ann Hetzel, Adele Stelljes.

**Low Gross by Flight
August 10**

Chip In: Vi Sica
Flight 1: 47-Linda Dumeer; 50-Agnes Tetti.
Flight 2: 53-Carol Bell; 54-Marlene Floecker; 55-Vi Sica.
Flight 3: 56-Cathleen Hathaway; 57-Ann Hetzel.



**Ladies
18-Hole Golf
Marilyn Rose**

We have completed the 18-Hole Ladies Golf Association Summer Match Play Tournament and the winners are: champion, Sandy Chase; second place, Iro Lisinski; tie at third place, Chris McIntire and Rosemarie O'Neil. Congratulations to these four ladies for their fine play.

Our president, Pat McMurray, has asked me to remind you, that starting in September, the executive board meetings, held on the first Wednesday of each month, are open to all members who wish to attend. Just a reminder, come to listen, not to join in.

Another reminder, there will be a Labor Day Tournament on Saturday, Sept. 4, and the Tortoise and the Hare will be closed for aeration. The Solheim Cup is coming up on Oct. 5, 7 and 9 between the ladies of On Top of the World and Candler Hills. Be ready to defend our title from last year.

Be sure to put the Rally for the Cure on your calendar for Oct. 14 at Candler Hills Golf Course.

Shamble

July 6 / Tortoise and The Hare

Tied for first: Beverly Ovrebo, Mary Jane McAtee, Peggy Borro, Helen Foskett; Iro Lisinski, Susan Watters, Carolyn Cummings, Dea Johnson.

**Low Gross/Low Net by Flights
July 13 / The Links**

Flight 1: Low Gross-83-Beverly Ovrebo; 88-Jerry Gill

Flight 1: Low Net-First-70-Laurie Hall; 74-Sandy Chase

Flight 2: Low Gross-98-Peggy Borro; 99-Angelita Pena

Flight 2: Low Net-64-Dea Johnson; 72-Joan Cecchini

Points

July 20 / The Links

Flight 1: 39-Jerry Gill; 37-Nancy Zielinski;

Tie at 35-Rosemarie O'Neil, Sandy Chase

Flight 2: 40-Lou Borders; 34-Peggy Borro; 31-Carolyn Cummings.

**Low Gross/Low Net by Flights
July 27 / The Links**

Flight 1: Low Gross-83-Nancy Zielinski; 84-Joan D'Addio.

Flight 1: Low Net-68-Sandy Chase; 70-Jerry Gill.

Flight 2: Low Gross-89-Rosemarie O'Neil.

Flight 2: Low Net-Tie at 74-Carolyn Cummings, Chris McIntire.

Flight 3: Low Gross-111-Velma Rose.

Flight 3: Low Net- Tie at 79-Dea Johnson, Jo Apperson.

ABC 2 Best Balls

Aug. 3 / Tortoise and The Hare

124-Joan D'Addio, Carolyn Cummings, Marilyn Rose; 126-Iro Lisinski, Jerry Gill, Joan Cecchini, Linda Mandala.

**Nassau/ Flighted
Aug. 10 / The Links**

Flight 1: Front-32-Jerry Gill; 34-Nancy Nicholas; Back-32-Sandy Chase; 34-Bev

Ovrebo.

Flight 2: Front-30-Peggy Borro; Tied at 34-Christine McIntire, Velma Rose; Back-34-Angelita Pena; 36-Linda Bervinkle.

Flight 3: 32-Ellie Rapacz; Back-35-Joan Cecchini.

I know that it has been hot, but we are still on the course. Hope that I will see you there in the coming weeks.



**Softball
Bill Leon**

Summer softball has been under way for a little over a month with four teams scrambling to show off their skills. Here we are, a group of elderly men going out to the field and converting themselves into the foolish young boys of yesteryear. You can watch their every move as they go up to home plate and straddle it as they think about how they want to smack the ball so it is not reachable by the fielders.

The pitch is lobbed and the batter pulls back the bat and swings away. POW! The feeling of the ball being hit is pleasurable and the batter begins to run towards first base in hopes of getting there before the ball.

The summer is hot but it doesn't affect the youthful feeling one gets when

the ball is hit. The roar of the teammates as the runner circles the bases. Ah! What a feeling, but now the runner is gasping and remembering that he is no longer that young man who was able to run around and not feel like gasping for air or feel your heart pumping so fast. Oh yes, he thinks, I'm a lot older than back then. I don't run as well and the aches and pains seem to never to go away, but I love it.

When the game is over, our second two teams take the field and become young only if just for the day. They waited in the dugouts for the opportunity to take the field and grasp that youthful feeling. Yes, this is softball being played by your neighbors at the On Top of the World softball field. Join us every Monday and Wednesday at 8 a.m.

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Arbor Club Tennis Jorge Privat

August was really no better than July in terms of temperature. In fact, I believe it was worse because it was more humid (with the heat index factor it felt like +110 F).

However, I was pleased to see you all bringing plenty of fluids. In spite of all of this, we had a lot of activity and a lot of fun.

As you all know by now, we will be holding a couple of fun tournaments; one for ladies and one for men. And please, don't let the word "tournament" scare you away, just think of it as another opportunity for a social exchange with players outside your regular foursome.

Of course, all the residents who can swing a tennis racquet are invited and encouraged to participate in these events.

By the way, I have the telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of most of the tennis players, however, there are still many of you who have not been receiving any communication relating to tennis activities. If you wish to be included, please, e-mail this information to me at tenismaestro@hotmail.com.

Also, Peter Paige asked me to remind you all about the Annual Tennis Social on Wednesday, Oct. 20, at the Olive Garden, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person and can be obtained from Peter Paige or Grace Raymond. You will have a great time!

Another request, from Stan Magen: please bring discarded shoes to the Arbor Club or to Stan, to be donated to Interfaith Emergency Services. He will even pick them up, if you call him.

Tennis Tip of the Month: Getting To Know Your Opponent

You must know your opponent inside and out and be able to recognize his strengths and weaknesses in order to effectively defend his strengths and attack his weaknesses.

How do I know a player is becoming more than a beginner? The universal tip-off is when a player begins to think more about an opponent than his or her own game. And, by analyzing an oppo-

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nent, the player will learn tons of information that can be used against that opponent in competition.

Here are 10 tips to remind you to put this good information to work.

1. Analyze the warm-up. The warm-up session reveals much about players. How they hit, what grips they use, their footwork and their comfort level with different shots. You should study your opponent and ask yourself these questions:
 - A. Is the backhand or forehand the stronger stroke? It's common for most players to have a stronger forehand, so, if the backhand is a liability, it should be exploited.
 - B. Did they take time to practice volleys? Many players lack confidence at the net, some don't even try. Test them. If they have fairly good volley skills, lob them and avoid them when they are at net.
 - C. Did their serve have a strange spin? Did it always land in a certain part of the box? Was it soft or hard? Is the second serve weak? These answers will help you determine where to set up for the return of serve.
2. Study where they stand to return your serve. Often, they will stand to protect their weakness and

leave a larger part of the box wide open.

3. Avoid their power zone. Some players prefer the ball around their waist, others lower than that and some like higher, around their torso. You try to hit the balls opposite of what they like.
4. Check out their movement and footwork. Most players can hit deep balls from the middle of the courts, but when they have to move up or back, or to the sides, their game is neutralized. Watch if they move their feet or if they reach, do they move better from side to side or up and back? If they are slow or do not move their feet, hit short balls, lob them or hit directly at them.
5. Anticipate opportunities after analyzing weaknesses. After you learn to hit balls that neutralize your opponent, don't sit and wait for mistakes... anticipate opportunities instead! As the opponent is forced to move and reach for the ball, step forward, into the court. Anticipate where their ball might land and be ready to finish the point. They might make an error, but more often, they will be neutralized and will give you opportunities with balls that land short in the court. Be ready to finish! In the words of Harvey McKay, "Love your competitors, because they are the only ones who make you as good as you can be."

I will continue with this topic in the next issue. Until then, try to practice the first five tips. Good luck to you!



Shuffleboard Claude Servais

In a few days, we will begin a new year of activity at the Shuffleboard Club courts. We should resolve to be more proactive this year, and participate freely in all activities when possible during the course of the year. One way to increase the benefits of the Shuffleboard Club to its membership is to join with others and participate in all activities generated by the executive board.

It is important for everyone to open lines of communication with the board. This can be done through the captains and co-captains, offering new ideas. For example, we have had in the past few years, a pizza and ice cream party or chicken dinner at lunchtime when we have the general membership meeting. Some years this has taken place two or three times during the year.

Or should we, like other clubs, hold just one dinner per year at the end of the year? Should we have two? What should be served? How much are individuals willing to contribute as their part in defraying the cost? Or should the club assume the total cost?

Answers to these questions and others you may have would greatly help the board in formulating policies and probably infuse a bit more enthusiasm in our membership.

We are all aware that shuffleboard is good exercise and a great opportunity for camaraderie.

As I mentioned in last month's column, Sept. 6 is the official start of the new season.

So far, we are all winners. Here is hoping we can keep a perfect record during the whole year. If not, who cares, we are having fun!



Pickleball Tom Seitz

It has been a long hot summer, but in September, the weather should be a bit more conducive to Pickleball play. Come join the diehards who have played this summer!

Current scheduled times are:

- Tuesdays through Saturdays starting at 8 a.m.
- Sundays starting at 6 p.m.

Beginners are encouraged at any time. Just come to the courts next to the Health & Recreation Building, introduce yourself as a new player and someone will be glad to get you started. Shoes appropriate for court play are mandatory, and this time of year, a bottle of water and something to keep the sun out of your eyes is necessary. All other equipment is furnished for beginners.

The USA Pickleball Association (USA-PA) offers many player tips. One tip, by

Bill Booth, helps to combat the lob, a high shot over the opponent's head.

He indicates that the best defense against a lob is anticipation and speed. When returning the lob, the most important thing is to watch for it and get into position quickly. Take a few quick steps back to get under or slightly behind the ball. Then step into the ball with a full swing. This is how you get power and control.

Avoid the common mistake of drifting backward while reaching backward. It is difficult to get power or control while doing this. If you find yourself doing this often, concentrate on moving your feet quickly before reaching for the ball.

Always try to play the lob in the air. When you let the ball bounce, you have lost the opportunity to hit the overhead smash. You have given your opponents time to move up to the line because they know that you will not be hitting an overhead.

There are times when you have to let a lob bounce such as when you lose it in the sun, don't have time to get under it, or think that it may bounce out of bounds. Other than those times, keep the offensive advantage by hitting the overhead smash.

For more information and as changes are made, there is a bulletin board located on the far side of the courts. Alternately, contact Tom Seitz at 390-3112 for information.

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Benefits for Veterans & Their Family Members

September 10 - 2:00pm

There have been many recent changes to VA Healthcare, presumptive service connected conditions for veterans, and state laws that affect veterans. Age, physical condition, or income level may now qualify him or her for financial help. Come learn the facts from Steve Jacobs, Marion County Veterans Services.



Acid-Alkaline Balance and its Implications on Your Health

September 17 - 2:00pm

A surprising number of physical symptoms and diseases may be caused by the foods you eat. "Acidic" type foods may cause an increase in weight gain, fatigue, and heart disease, for example. Come learn how what you eat can affect your health. Presented by Dinah Donaldson RD, LD.



Taking Control of Your Diabetes

September 21 - 2:00pm

Diabetes is often difficult to live with and keep under control. Join Ocala Health System for this monthly interactive educational group that will offer information to assist with improving diabetes control so you can enjoy more of your life and worry less about your diabetes. Offered every third Tuesday of the month.



Navigating Medicare Insurance Plans

September 24 - 2:00pm

Having trouble understanding the Medicare insurance alphabet soup including parts A, B, D and Medicare Part C Choice Plans? Come learn from our local expert, Betty Cunningham, SHINE Program Volunteer. SHINE(Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) is administered by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs.



Health Screenings

September 30 - 2:00pm - 4:00pm

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Billiards
Richard Impresa

The two preceding columns focused on the three teams representing On Top of the World in the Marion County Senior Men's League. Since we also have an active ladies billiard program this month's column will feature the women billiard players.

Our billiard club vice president, Leslie Conlon has submitted the following:

The ladies travel league for 2010 completed its season doing extremely well with our Travel Team Tournament. Our Travel Team consists of our regular members who are available to play on the day of the tournament. We would like to thank the following members for a job

well done this past season in play: Carol Biggar, Florence Binder, Leslie Conlon, Diane Desrosiers, Polly Farineau, Ruth Gretchen, Esther Lang, Marie Marquis, Dottie Metcalf, Jayne Mulvey, Diana Villars, Evelyn Wharen, Penny Wilson, and Barbara Young.

We would also like to welcome Pat Snable and Diana Villars to our billiards group. Pat has lived at On Top of the World but just recently joined our group. She said she hasn't played pool in a number of years, but it's all coming back to her now. As for Diana, she has played recently when she lived over in The Villages; we're happy she is here with us. Diana stated, she likes tournaments, and has offered to run the next in-house one for us.

This year, we seem to be playing better than other years. It must be the practice we've been doing and the atmosphere in our newly decorated pool/billiard room. In the past, we've only been able to play against Cherrywood. This year, Ocala Palms joined the travel league. Our last tournament was on May 17 and On Top of the World Ladies Billiards came out on top. That day we played at Ocala Palms. After playing, they hosted a potluck luncheon. A big thanks goes to Heidi and all of the team at Ocala Palms.

We would like to see more ladies from the community join our group. You don't have to be a pro to join; just come up on Mondays at 9 a.m. and enjoy the fun.

Remember, the billiards/pool room is open daily and also in the evening for anyone to use. We have cues available to



Photo by Shirley Impresa

Marie Marquis, Polly Farineau, Evelyn Wharen, Barbara Young, Penny Wilson, Esther Lang, Ruth Gretchen, Dottie Metcalf, Leslie Conlon, Florence Binder, and Jane Mulvey.

use as well as breaking cues and caulk. We have six tables that can be used for practice, and the key to playing a great game is practice, practice and more practice. The president of the Ladies Billiards is Penny Wilson; she is also the Travel Team captain.

Thanks to Leslie for her input and to

all the ladies who participate in the billiards club. Our next club meeting will be held on Monday, Oct. 4 at 4 p.m. in the Ceramics Room of the Crafts Building. At this meeting, we will have nominations and election of club officers for 2011. Please plan to attend. Until then, keep stroking and keep your tip dry.



Computer Club
Sherry Surdam

The long, hot summer is drawing to a close - we hope. It's been a hot one, hasn't it?

I have a request to make. I am retiring from writing the club's column for the World News and this will be my last one. I've been doing it for many years now (somewhere around seven or eight I believe) and it's time for someone new to take over with a fresh view on the club's happenings! I've been asked to write an occasional computer-related article and will do so from time to time. I will also continue with occasional Mac tips as I discover something interesting.

Having said all that, I would like to ask if there is anyone willing to take over this responsibility. If there are no volunteers, the column will no longer appear and you will have to rely on the website to keep up on the happenings of the club. Many of

you do so already and it's the best way to be sure of finding out what's scheduled, as we don't always know by the deadline for submission of the column.

Thank you for all the kind comments over the years. It was gratifying to know how many of you read the column and found it helpful. I hope you will look for my occasional articles and Mac tips.

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 more experienced users!

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.

Until next time ... happy computing!



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Stuff the Bus

By BOB WOODS
WORLD NEWS WRITER

Members of the Fleet Reserve Association (FRA), Branch 186 and its Ladies Auxiliary, Unit 186, made their annual donation to Marion County's Stuff the Bus program. FRA Treasurer James Delfraisse presented a check for \$300 to the program. Accepting the donation for the program was volunteer James Chan-

dler, President of the Kingdom of the Sun Chapter of the Military Officers' Association of America.

The Stuff the Bus program collects donations and school supplies along with clothing articles to be handed out before commencing of the school year to needy children in Marion County, Fla.



D'Clowns
Paula Magen

Back to clowning. We had our first meeting on Aug. 2 followed by our next meeting on the Aug. 16.

We are looking forward to being active again after a summer's rest. Our first activity will be the Club Fair that's always fun. We hope to attract more members to our unique club.

On Sept. 24, we will be performing a show at Hampton Deerwood, an assisted living residence.

In the meantime, D'Clowns will be working on new skits and one-liners. We will also be contacting more facilities to visit and perform for.

I spent a delightful hour with a new clown. Dotty has not yet decided on her clown name. She is going to be terrific. Dotty is energetic, enthusiastic and motivated. She has lived in Candler Hills for three years having come from Massachusetts. Dotty has two grown children and three grandchildren; hard to believe because she looks so young. She line dances, exercises, travels and snorkels. Dotty loves people. As a clown, she hopes to bring smiles to others while having fun ... a good combination.

"All the world loves a clown." Clowns are popular because they are fun. You can discover the fascinating and rewarding world of clowning by joining us at our meetings. We will teach you all about the art of clowning. We meet the first and third Monday at 1:30 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. For more information, please call Paula Magen at 873-3433.



Ocala Clown Express
Kathy & Charlie Petrosky

Come on out. It's time to get back to work! That is what the hospital clowns said as they were getting the puppets. August is the month that starts us back into thinking of the upcoming school year. With the summer vacation ending, the first graders will once again participate in the program at Munroe Regional Medical Center.

The hospital clowns had two Monday meetings in August to get prepared. We especially wanted the new clowns to get training. Those of us who have done this for a while got a chance to help new clowns. We also got a chance to brush up on our own techniques.

What fun to get Sunny, Cool and Fireman Joe out for the fire safety. Bikes and scooters are our props for the bike safety section. Of course, we love when Dotsy brings out Priscilla and throws her voice. She is good at ventriloquism. She and Priscilla warn about talking to strangers. We practice our songs so we are ready to sing and dance.

We met at the hospital and got our schedules. It was good to discuss the program with the hospital volunteers who also work with the children. The children learn about what it would be like if they had to go to the hospital. Now all we need are the children.

We will be getting back in gear in September. Some people said they might be interested in what we do. You can always call Dotsie AKA Carol White 873-9223.

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The Happy Hookers
Yvonne Bednar

Our attendance this summer, with our group of 12-18 ladies, has been in full swing with various projects. The steamy weather didn't keep many away from our newly refurbished workroom. If you have been away, you will be surprised by the fresh new look.

The August luncheon out was at the Oasis Restaurant. We enjoyed the food and service.

Oct. 4 will be our next luncheon. Please check with Naomi Berman at 873-4328 for the venue.

Coming up this month is the Club Fair, Sept. 30, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the Health & Recreation Building. We will have a table displaying our work; hope to see you there.

In August, I delivered lap robes to Emeritus Assisted Living West. The activities director was very thankful for these beautiful, colorful lap robes made by Joan

Rappa, Nancy Scott, Pat Hellinger and myself.

Christmas projects have been in the works all summer by Pat Utiss, Maureen Wolfe and Carol Berta. Pat is cross stitching a stocking for her great grandchild. Maureen made a colorful table runner, for herself. Carol is creating Christmas trees with crocheting them to the top of dish-towels that hang in your kitchen.

Other than Christmas items, a lot of baby blankets have been made. Tomoko Albert tried a new knitted pattern and had great success. Naomi Berman is making a counted crossstitch picture of the U.S. Air Force emblem. Ruth Rasmussen is still working on the colorful Iris flower pattern in needlepoint, which when done, will be a pillow cover, for her daughter. Cecily Lucas is creating the cutest hats in many colors, which she will donate to the principal at Romeo School in Dunnellon for the first grade students in December. If anyone would like to help with this project, please speak with Cecily.

Our group meets Mondays from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Ceramics Room in the building near miniature golf. We enjoy doing our own thing for whomever we care to; some of us have been doing this for 10 years. All ladies from the many communities here are welcome to stop by and see what we are all about. If you care for more information, please call Naomi Berman or myself at 237-6428.

I want to thank those who donated their unwanted yarn, patterns and knitting needles to our group. If we cannot use it, it gets passed onto the other craft groups. Most of the donated yarn is made into lap robes for nursing homes, hats for children and adults, kids blankets for the sheriff's department and Guardian Ad Litem and cancer hats for children and adults; the need is great.

Knit one, purl two.

Crafty Ladies
Diane Podkomorski

Our group has been busy as usual - purl one, knit two; double crochet six, etc. You get the idea. We're even doing counted cross-stitch. Boy, we're a busy group.

Because we're so busy, this month I'm including a plea for yarn. Several of our members make items for donations almost exclusively. They go through yarn that they purchase really quickly. That's why we're asking for donations of regular, sport weight and baby yarn. If you bought some for a project last year and you know you're never going to get to it, please consider giving it to our group. We'll make good use of it.

You can drop it off in the Card Room any Wednesday morning between 9 and 10:30 a.m. or call 873-3869 and we can arrange a pick-up. A big thank you if you can help us out.

Another thing that we do is help teach knitting, crocheting, tatting and cross stitch. If you've always wanted to learn one of these arts, stop on by and we'll set you up with one of our members. We're here for the fun.

If you'd like to know more about Crafty Ladies, please stop by on a Wednesday morning or call 873-3869.

Have a great month! Remember, whatever you do, do it with gusto!



Artistic Crafts & Gifts
Loretta Troutman

We have enjoyed our summer break but are ready to get back to our familiar routine.

We will be back in the Health & Recreation Ballroom every Tuesday from 9 a.m. to noon starting Tuesday, Sept. 7.

We welcome newcomers. So if you are a crafter and would like to join us, please contact Rene Beck for details.

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Rubber Stamping Greeting Cards
Bev Taylor

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Our July meeting was awash with butterflies. Rene Beck brought us four cards that all had a butterfly theme. To make it even easier, she cut most of what we needed on her Cricut die cutter. We supplied the cardstock and patterned paper. We just had to look at her sample cards, cut our papers, attach to card front, add any embellishments, and "voila" we had four beautiful cards ready to send.

At the August meeting, there was no presenter, so we all just brought whatever we were currently working on and worked at our own pace. A lot of sharing of ideas also took place. If you would like to see what we do, please call me at 854-3079.

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Sewing Bees
Linda Lohr

During these dog days of summer, you will find the Bees cooling off in the Art Room behind the Health & Recreation Building! We are busy making our comfort kits for the abused, abandoned and neglected children of Marion County.

This group started back in 1995 by Marcie Benz and, at that time, members made crafts for themselves, family and friends. When friends and family finally said "enough," the members decided to give back to the community.

Kimberly's Cottage was the first ben-

eficiary when they responded to an article about the Bees in the newspaper. We started making quilts, but have since added matching pillowcases for older children, and stuffed animals for the younger children. We now have contact with several agencies that receive our donations, including Head Start, the Sheriff's department, and the homeless agencies.

For the month of July, we donated 13 kits to Head Start, 17 kits to Domestic Violence Center and 15 kits to the homeless.

We welcome two new members, Carol Emerick and Mercy Bradera. We had a "just because" lunch at the Hilton on Aug. 19.

Monetary donations are used to purchase the batting for our quilts; donations of cotton material are lovingly stitched into quilts, tote bags and cuddly stuffed animals.

A very generous person recently donated some beautiful quilting material, but we neglected to note her name and address for a proper thank you. Would she please contact LeeAnn or Marcie with the information?

You may contact LeeAnn at 854-7205 or Marcy at 854-1181, with any questions or donations. We meet 12:30 to 3 p.m. every Thursday in the Art Room behind the Health & Recreation Building. Our hive is buzzing with activity, giving back to the needy children of Marion County.



Photo by Linda Lohr

An assortment of wonder wallets.

Sunshine Quilters
Jan Johnson

The reorganization of our quilt cabinets continues with the addition of new storage bins. I have admired the process so much that it has overflowed to my own quilt room and other storage areas in my home! Unexpected benefits!

Kudos this month goes to our president, Tekla Krause. Tekla keeps the ship sailing ahead, even in rocky waters. She is the voice of calm and reason with her gentle spirit and a fountain of over

28 years of quilt experience. Tekla has served on the board multiple times and the club is better for her presence.

The Sunshine Quilters are offering a bus trip to the Jacksonville Quilt Show! The date is Thursday, Sept. 23, and the cost is \$27, which includes entry in to the show. Very reasonable, no driving and lots of fun! If you are interested, call Muriella at 304-8620 to reserve a seat or to be added to a wait list. Non-members from On Top of the World and non-residents are welcome to join our bus trip. You will definitely enjoy the show!

Our next business meeting is Sept. 7 at 1 p.m. in the Art Room. Curious people are always welcome; come see what a great group we are!



SPCA
Maria Devine

There's lots of adoption news this month. For dog lovers, we're beginning a partnership with Marion County Animal Services to showcase two of their pups each month to try to get them out of the shelter system and into loving homes. Our first dog, Rocky, is a Chow/Rottweiler mix. An older puppy at eight months old, he was surrendered because his family could no longer afford to take care of him. He's the perfect companion for someone who wants a young dog but not a really young untrained pup. Rocky is already house trained, walks nicely on a leash, and loves to have his fluffy coat

kept in tip top condition, He's friendly with kids, so when the grandkids come to visit they'll have someone to play with. He's also friendly with cats, if you already have one in your family. The staff calls him a sweet and happy puppy that is also neutered, up to date on all shots, and microchipped.

Our other dog is Madison, a two-year-old Cairn terrier mix, who was brought in as a stray. The poor darling is said to be very loveable and a little shy. A smaller dog like Madison is a good choice for those seniors who can't handle a larger pet. She gets along well with other dogs and children. So if you're looking to add a companion dog to your household, look no further than Madison. She is also spayed, microchipped and current on all shots.

If you are interested in either Rocky or Madison, please give Animal Services a call at 671-8700. To make it easier to identify them, Rocky's ID number is A012146 and Madison's is A010702.

There are still kittens available from the group we showed you last month. If they pull at your heartstrings, please give Arlene a call at 875-9761 to inquire.

A gorgeous young cat is available from Feisty Acres. If your taste runs to piercing emerald eyes you can do no better than Missy Green Eyes. Besides being gentle, sweet and people loving, she is a polydactyl kitty, meaning she has extra toes. Perhaps you can teach her to type out your e-mail on the keyboard. Please call Debbie at 861-4312 or Cheryl at 804-4421 to find out more about this fascinating lady.

SPCA meetings start Thursday, Sept. 16 at 1 p.m. at the Arbor Club. We're in the process of lining up interesting guest speakers and field trips. Please come and check us out to see if you want to join. All animal lovers are welcome. You can also stop by our table on Thursday, Sept. 30 at the Club Fair. We'll be at the Health & Recreation Ballroom from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. selling our almost zero calorie doughnuts and coffee.

As always, the SPCA is available to help those in need in the community. If you need our help or want to help, please call us at 362-0985. Also check us out at the Farmer's Market on Sept. 2.

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Tony Orlando

Attention On Top of the World Residents!

We are considering bringing Tony Orlando to Circle Square Cultural Center in early 2011. In order to do so, we need to know if you would support his performance. Because he is a more expensive act, tickets for On Top of the World residents would range in price from \$38 to \$42. Ticket prices cover only cost of the act.

Respond to ticketssales@csculturalcenter.com or drop this form off at CSCC, the H&R Building or Customer Service.

Yes, I would support the Tony Orlando performance. Sorry, I am not able to support this show.

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Blast from the past: Travel Toppers National Parks Tour, 1995.



Travel Toppers
Jo Swing

Travel Toppers has good news for all who responded to the Radio City Rockettes Christmas show. The trip is a go! The Christmas show will take place Friday, Dec. 10 at the Times Union Center in Jacksonville. The cost is \$93, which includes show, bus and tip for driver. Any meal will be at your own expense. There is still space available as of press time. Allan Rickards is the coordinator.

Travel Toppers has added a trip in October that is not in the current brochure. On Tuesday, Oct. 12, there will be a shopping trip to the Prime Outlets Mall in Orlando. The price will be \$20 and covers bus and tip for driver. Reservations will start Monday, Sept. 6. Jo Swing will be the coordinator for this trip.

A wait list is needed for "Mid-Life: the Crisis Musical" at the Show Palace Dinner Theater. This show is on Thursday, Sept. 9 and costs \$64. Irene Plow is the coordinator.

If you are interested in the St. Johns River cruise on the Rivership Romance, check with Jeanne Nicholls for availability. This will take place on Saturday, Sept.

25. The cost of \$58 includes cruise, meal, bus and tips for driver and meal. This is always a popular and enjoyable trip.

Travel Toppers is currently taking reservations for the classic musical, "Oklahoma" at the Show Palace Dinner Theater on Thursday, Oct. 21. The price of \$64 covers show, buffet, bus and tips for driver and meal. Call Pat Lukowiak for reservations.

Reservations will start Tuesday, Sept. 28 for the Saturday, Nov. 6 trip to the Sea World Luau in Orlando. The price of \$64 includes bus, buffet, show and tips for meal and driver. The culinary creations from the South Pacific include such favorites as fresh Mahi-Mahi in pina colada sauce, Hawaiian chicken, and Polynesian barbecued spareribs. Along with the exotic food you will enjoy a spectacular show of island music and dancing. Audrey Mangan will be the coordinator.

It is the last call for the fabulous New England cruise on the Carnival Glory, Saturday, Oct. 2 to Saturday, Oct. 9. Visit New England and Canadian ports of call to view spectacular fall foliage. Prices range from \$1,289 per person for inside to \$1,689 per person for balcony. Call Allan Rickards for more information and reservations.

Travel Toppers has been getting questions about the upcoming Thanksgiving Day trip. We want to reassure you that it is not the same venue as last year. This will be an authentic medieval feast.

The Travel Toppers trip to IKEA and the Mall at Millennia in Orlando on Saturday, July 17 was enjoyed by 56 eager shoppers. From the size and number of bags that were brought back, it seems that all took advantage of the opportunity the stores and sales presented to them.

Travel Toppers meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 10:30 a.m. in Suite A of the Arbor Conference Center. All are welcome and there are no dues. Until then, happy travels to all.



World Traveler
Bill Shampine

Our image of Costa Rica has been impacted by television with visions of gorgeous beaches (always with a beautiful woman in a bikini), verdant green rain forests, and lots of exotic animals. Well—it's all true.

Costa Rica, bordered by Nicaragua to the north and Panama to the southeast, is located on the Central America isthmus and is about 50 percent larger than Maryland. A mountain range, ranging up to 12,530 feet, runs the length of the country. The mountains have a major impact on climate with rainfall ranging from a high of more than 240" per year in the mountaintops to about 40" per year along parts of the Pacific coast. Note that even the driest areas are almost as wet as Ocala (50" per year).

The dry season goes from December to April and the wet season from May to November (basically hurricane season). Think about that when you travel, although I know a lady who loves to travel when it is raining—fewer tourists!

The first European to reach Costa Rica was Christopher Columbus in 1502. Smallpox and mistreatment by Spanish conquerors killed off the indigenous people relatively quickly. In turn, the lack of indig-

enous people to use as forced labor meant that European settlers had to work their own land—a non-starter for settlement as a growth industry!

Consequently, Costa Rica enjoyed relative isolation from European expansion. After a brief stint as part of the Mexican Empire, Costa Rica proclaimed itself a sovereign nation in 1838. In 1948, there was a 44-day Civil War in the wake of a disputed presidential election. The new, victorious government junta abolished the military (forever) and drafted a new constitution based on a democratically elected assembly. The first election under the new constitution was held in 1953, and the process has functioned very well ever since.

Costa Rica is very environmentally conscious. According to groups who measure these things, Costa Rica is the "happiest" place in the world and the "greenest" country in the world! The government also announced plans in 2007 for Costa Rica to become the first carbon neutral country in the world by 2021.

Costa Rica truly is a nature lover's paradise! On average, it supports 615 species per 10,000 square kilometers, the highest in the world. It has more butterfly species than found in Africa, and over 850 species of birds (more than in all of North America!) It also is possible to see macaws, monkeys, sea turtles, tapir, hump-back whales, jaguars, and many more animals.

I recently spoke to Providence residents Carl and Pat Goltart, to get their impressions about Costa Rica from a trip they took in 2001. They flew into San Jose, the capital city, for a brief stay in advance of a cruise back home through the Panama Canal. They were not overly impressed with the big city of San Jose, but thought everything else in the area was nicer than most other Latin American locations. The people were exceptionally friendly and eager to help. They loved the local tours they took, particularly enjoying the rain forest with its natural beauty and the abundant wildlife. They were most intrigued with observing the long trails of leaf-cutting ants!



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One of the many species of butterflies in Costa Rica seeking nectar from a Passion Flower.

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On the Road Again Bob Woods

This is your last chance to join a bunch of your neighbors for a great trip to the Smoky Mountains. This trip will close out in just one week, Sept. 8, and if you are still procrastinating or thinking about this six-night/seven-day coach trip leaving Nov. 14, you can call me. This trip is basically a show trip taking in four evening and two morning shows including the Patty Waszak, Black Bear Jamboree, Comedy Barn, and much more. This trip will also include a guided tour of the Great Smoky Mountain National Park and some free time in historic downtown

Gatlinburg.

The coach trip to Key West is scheduled Jan. 16 through 21, 2011 with a fun-packed sightseeing adventure. We will have three nights in the Conch Republic with many side trips on the way to the Keys and on the way home. This trip is very similar to the one we did to Key West two years ago.

I have flyers and pricing for a cruise on Royal Caribbean's Freedom of the Seas departing Dec. 18, 2011 from Port Canaveral for a five-night special cruise to Grand Cayman and Cozumel. We will receive a \$75 per cabin shipboard credit. This is a great trip for last-minute Christmas shopping.

I am still waiting for prices for the Boston nine-day coach trip; so, please don't give up. As soon as I get the prices, I will let you all know.

Still in the works is a three-night coach trip to Chattanooga staying at the Chattanooga Choo-Choo and visiting Ruby Falls and Rock City plus more.

I am looking into a two-night coach trip to Pensacola visiting the U.S. Naval Aviation Museum and one of the old forts on base. While at the museum, if planning goes accordingly, we will be able to watch the Blue Angels practice and later talk to the pilots in the museum. Sound like fun?

For additional information, please call me at 854-0702 for pricing or flyers. Don't hesitate, don't procrastinate, if slightly interested, call me. My web site is www.bobwoodsontheroadagain.com.



Williamsburg Cruise Club Fred O'blenis

Welcome aboard. Well, here we are in the month of September and the final payment is due for the Nov. 27 cruise on the Carnival Dream. I will have a meeting before sailing departure (date to be announced) to deliver your travel documents and answer any questions that you might have about this "dream" vacation. Our next scheduled cruise is on the Freedom of the Seas. We will depart from Port Canaveral on Feb. 27, 2011 and visit the ports of Coco Cay, St. Thomas and St.

Maarten. Sign up now with a \$250 per person deposit. This will secure your favorite stateroom category and location, and is fully refundable to the time of final payment.

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Additionally, on the Freedom of the Seas sailing, we are giving each cabin a \$100 onboard credit. Don't miss out on this wonderful cruise experience with family and friends, all are welcome.

Our fall trip will be on the Allure of the Seas. This will take place Nov. 6, 2011. I will have more on this cruise in the next issue of the World News. Call Fred for more information on this and other cruise opportunities at 237-6367.

Until next time, smooth sailing.



Citizens Emergency Response Team Patricia A. Woodbury

At our August meeting, Norman Scott provided instruction on first aid. The team periodically needs to update their first aid skills so as to be better prepared in an emergency. Using a video, Norman went over the appropriate approach to an injured person and how to do a head-to-toe assessment of their injuries. He also discussed checking for and maintaining an airway as well as how to handle an airway obstruction.

Next month, our meeting will be a continuation of the instruction on first aid.

The next CERT meeting is on Tuesday, Sept. 14. CERT meets every second Tuesday of the month at 9 a.m. in Suite E, F and G in the Arbor Conference Center. Persons interested in learning more about CERT are welcome to attend these meetings or contact me at 854-8718.

Please be sure and stop by at the CERT table at the On Top of the World Club Fair on Thursday, Sept. 30 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and say hello to our members.



View from the Library Doris Knight

J. M. Coetzee is one of the leading authors of our world. Recipient of the Nobel Prize for literature in 2003, he has also been awarded several other outstanding prizes as well. Originally a South African, he now lives in Australia.

Australia is the location of his novel "Slow Man." It is a story of the primary character whose name is Paul Raymond, but since his thoughts are the basic concerns of the novel his name is somewhat irrelevant. The first action in "Slow Man" occurs when Paul, a man of about 60 years, is struck by lightning while bicycling. He must have one leg amputated above the knee. He refuses to have a prosthesis and as a result is forced to accept life largely

confined to his home.

To take care of him and his apartment he hires Maryana Jankić, a Croatian who has moved to Australia with her husband and two children. She becomes his lifeline - although the advanced social network of Australia also can assist him in his attempt to get along without a prosthesis. (He shudders at the thought of wearing such an ugly contraption). Very quickly, he finds himself fascinated by Maryana. Before much time has passed he confesses his love to her and she then disappears for a time.

But at his door appears Elizabeth Costello who will become the "deus ex machina" of the novel. Maryana returns to the apartment. Paul continues to hope that he can win her away from her husband and seeks to win her son over to his side by offering money for his future college years. But Elizabeth reveals herself as someone who knows all about his life. And quickly she is able to insinuate herself into his home and into his life. From this point, there is a tug of war between Elizabeth's ideas for Paul's life and his love for Maryana.

Elizabeth and Paul are in their 60s, attempting to learn what their lives will be, what path they will follow into the future. Coetzee does not resolve any of these issues but the weaving together of the lives of these characters including the question of what effect age must have on them (and all of us). As we seek to find solutions to many of the life dilemmas presented by our passing years, "Slow Man" is a fascinating book. I strongly recommend it.

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By STAN LANDER

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Stamp Club sponsors the show.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sept. 11 and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 12. Free admission, stamps for children and club information will be available as well as door prizes. There will be stamps, covers, post cards, supplies, appraisals and stamp exhibits.

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On Top of the World Communities



**Favorite Recipes
Dinner Club
Luke Mullen**

Last month, I attempted to provide an overview of what our club's goals were and included an example of a favorite recipe.

Simply stated, the idea is for a couple club members to take turns entertaining a group of club diners in their homes sharing foods each couple has made to contribute to an entertaining and fun time. When you decide to become a member of our club, others and I will come up with a monthly schedule of how many dinners will be held and include you in it. This is because we all have various items in our schedules that result in our not being able to attend every club dinner that is scheduled monthly.

When we know that you are available to attend a dinner, you will be matched with one of the hosts for that month. Naturally, if you are a new member, you would automatically be a guest and not a host. This is done in order for you to get a feel about how things happen at a dinner.

Normally, at any given dinner, since

each participating couple will be providing some type of prepared dish, activities get underway around 6 p.m. Cocktail hour gets started with hors d'oeuvres prepared and brought by one of the guests.

The whole idea of the club is that no one member couple will have to prepare all components of the meal. Following this, a salad, either prepared by another guest or the host is served. The host will then serve the main meal, with an accompanying side dish. Following the main meal is the dessert, prepared by another guest couple. This always ends up with everyone having a great meal without anyone needing to prepare the entire undertaking.

Some members occasionally have theme dinners. We have had Irish American, Greek, Spanish and German dinners, to name a few. Club hosts are free to decide if they want to host a "theme dinner" or have a traditional meal.

Additionally, for all past years we have had all-hands members' dinners. This is where one club member graciously volunteers to invite all members to their house on a regularly scheduled dinner night. Again, the same idea applies where the host member does not have the overwhelming effort of preparing the entire meal. Each member couple is asked to bring either two hors d'oeuvres or two desserts. This turns out to be a great time because everyone has plenty to eat, and it allows all members to meet other members that they have not met before. The three we usually have are Spring Fling, Summer Spectacular and a Christmas Party. They are fun evenings for all attendees!

Our club is looking for new members. For more information, call Luke at 304-8104 for more information. Also, a club member is planning on participating in the Club Fair on Thursday, Sept. 30 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom.



**Anything
But Bland
Chef Dave Bland**

At Candler Hills Restaurant we are energized to seasonally create new and exciting menus to give you a reason to keep coming back. On Friday and Saturday nights, Candler Hills transforms into Candler Hills Steakhouse, offering hand-cut natural-aged steaks, pecan crusted wild salmon and delicious marinated porterhouse pork chops. How does slow cooked prime rib of beef sound with au jus and horseradish cream? Filet mignon grilled and served with béarnaise sauce or New York Strip steak with crispy onions. One of my favorite things on a steakhouse menu is creamed spinach and the gigantic potato with bacon chive butter. For the month of September, we will be offering these steakhouse favorites every Friday and Saturday night.

On Tuesdays in September, we replace the white butcher paper with natural brown paper add crab crackers and cocktail forks to the table settings as Candler Hills offers seafood house favorites like twin cold water lobster tails, peel and eat shrimp and Canadian snow crab legs served with drawn butter and who can forget authentic Chesapeake Bay crab cakes with remoulade sauce? We want to create a rustic feel to Tuesday nights as we serve the salad in stainless bowls and accompany the meals with biscuits.

With football season starting up, join us in the bar to watch the first half of Monday night football as we serve bar favorites such as hot wings, chicken quesadillas, loaded nachos, our signature thin crust pizzas and great drink specials. Come root for your favorite team, fill up the bar and bring your friends.



**Pennsylvania
Club
Pat Utiss**

Well, here we are again. Where has the summer gone? Now, it is time for the Pennsylvania Club to resume our meetings. We have planned some varied programs for you this season. A detailed agenda will be given out at the September meeting.

Our next meeting will be held on Sept. 8, at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F. The meeting begins at 3 p.m., but as always, we urge you to come early for refreshments and fellowship. Our speaker for this meeting is Pat Gabriel of the SR 200 Coalition. We have had Pat speak in the past and have had many requests to have her again. She always has a lot of good information to tell us.

If you are from Pennsylvania and are new to the community, we encourage you to come and see about our club. Also, we have members who are not from Pennsylvania. They either like some of our programs, or they just like spending time with the friendly folks from Pennsylvania. So just remember, one and all are welcome.



**New England
Club
Peg Corkum**

Yes, drive through Vermont before winter and you can still see the pails hanging from the maple trees, collecting the syrup. I've never had the experience of being there during maple-sugaring season - maybe some day!

The beautiful state of Vermont is well known for many other things, including wonderful cheese. But I opted to share a recipe that uses maple syrup. All too many of us have gotten used to using less-expensive syrups, as do many restaurants. Using pure maple syrup does make a difference.

**Vermont Maple Walnut
Cake**

- Serves 8 to 10
- 6 tablespoons (real) butter
- 1/2 cup whole milk
- 3 egg whites
- 2-1/4 cups cake flour

- 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 3 teaspoons baking powder
 - 1/2 cup sugar
 - 1/4 cup maple syrup
 - 1/2 cup finely chopped walnuts
- Frosting
1/2 teaspoon maple extract
Butter cream frosting
Walnut halves

Preheat oven to 350 F. Prepare two eight-inch cake pans by lining the bottoms with thin, plain parchment paper. Butter the pans lightly.

Allow the butter, milk and egg whites to become room temperature.

Sift the flour, salt and baking powder together three times. Beat the egg whites until stiff and set aside.

Cream the butter until light. Gradually add sugar, then syrup.

Add dry ingredients alternately with milk, mixing well after each addition. Stir in the nuts. Fold in egg whites and pour batter into pans.

Bake for 25 to 30 minutes or until cake layers test done. Cool in pans for five minutes. Remove from pans, finish cooling on wire racks. Remove paper.

For the frosting, mix maple extract with butter cream flavored frosting. Frost cakes and decorate with walnut halves.

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Monday Afternoon Bridge

Joe Zwick

- July 19**
1: Liz Milleson & Fran Griswold; 2: Ray Deitz & Mazie Millward; 3: Joe Zwick & Phyllis Zwick.
- July 26**
1: Carol Thompson & Sara Anderson; 2: Maizie Millward & Marie White; 3: Betty Morris & Fran Griswold.
- Aug. 2**
1: Ida Rosendahl & Carol Thompson; 2: Esther Lang & Marjorie Benton;
- Aug. 9**
1: Joan & Ernie Lord; 2: Agnes Weber & Shirley Stolly; 3: Fran Griswold & Betty Morris.

Monday Night Bridge

Phyllis Bressler

- July 5**
1: Joan Sigafoos; 2: Jan Moon; 3: Walter Hicken Looper; 4: Jim Mahoney.
- July 12**
1: Myra Butler; 2: Helen DeGraw; 3: Jim Mahoney; 4: Fran Griswold.
- July 19**
1: Eleanor Giardina; 2: Flo Penn; 3: Phil Devito; 4: Ray Wilson.
- July 26**
1: Nancy VanGorden; 2: Ray Wilson; 3: Helen DeGraw; 4: Walter Hicken Looper.

Tuesday Afternoon Bridge

Agnes LaSala

- July 6**
1: Betty Morris & Carol Thompson; 2: Agnes LaSala & Carl Woodbury; 3: Norbert & Florence Heckler.
- July 13**
1: Marion Wade & Ida Rosendahl; 2: Ray Dietz & Mazie Millward; 3: Millie Ferrell & Betty Larson.
- July 20**
1: Ray Dietz & Mazie Millward; 2: Marion Wade & Mary Carson; 3: Agnes LaSala & Carl Woodbury.
- July 27**
1: Ray Dietz & Mazie Millward; 2: Florence & Norbert Heckler; 3: Agnes LaSala & Carl Woodbury.

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Tuesday Night Duplicate

Marjorie Benton

- July 6**
1: Doris Keathley & Mary Carol Geck; 2: Ida Rosendahl & Dick Mansfield.
- July 13**
1: Betty Kauffman; 2: Bill Raines.
- July 27**
1: Betty Raines; 2: Bruce Benton.

Wednesday Afternoon Bridge

Fran Griswold

- Life is good in the bridge room. Pat Goltart's friend, Elaine, joined us for fun one afternoon. It is always our privilege to enjoy guests.
- On Top of the World has some very generous residents who join us in our support of the Domestic Violence Center. We want to thank Bobbie for her donation and, of course, Gordon and VB and many others not named.
- Remember, we play Bridge every Wednesday. Play starts early so come early and get a good seat.
- June 23**
1: Ida Rosendahl (5100); 2: Bill Mahoney; 3: Shirley Stolly; 4: Liz Milleson; Cons: Shirlee Wolcott.
- June 30**
1: Ida Rosendahl (5250); 2: Mary Culberson; 3: Phyllis Bressler; 4: Shirlee Wolcott; Cons: Helen DeGraw.
- July 7**
1: Phyllis Bressler (4650); 2: Pat Goltart; 3: Mary Carson; 4: Mary Culberson; Cons: Betty Morris.
- July 14**
1: Ida Rosendahl (4260); 2: Esther Lang; 3: Phyllis Bressler; Cons: Liz Milleson.
- July 21**
1: Joyce Walchak (5440); 2: Phyllis Silverman; 3: Mary Culberson; Cons: Bonnie Heinlein.
- July 28**
1: Esther Lang (5330); 2: Eleanor Giardina; 3: Phyllis Bressler; Cons: Millie Farrell.
- Aug. 4**
1: Liz Milleson (4590); 2: Fran Griswold; 3: Phyllis Silverman; Cons: Mrs. Smith.

Thursday Afternoon Bridge

Marge Starrett & Phyllis Silverman

- July 15**
1: Marge Starrett; 2: Alice McDaniel; 3: Pat Goltart.
- July 22**
1: Marion Wade; 2: Joanne Jones; 3: Mazie Millward.
- July 29**
1: Agnes Weber; 2: Agnes LaSala; 3: Marion Turbin.
- Aug. 5**
1: Mazie Millward; 2: Millie Ferrell; 3: Mary Carson.

Thursday Night Bridge

Helen DeGraw & Ida Rosendahl

- July 15**
1: Fran Griswold; 2: Ida Rosendahl; 3: Esther Lang; 4: Tom Marta; Cons: Florence Heckler.
- July 22**
1: Mary Culberson; 2: Agnes Weber; 3: Bill Raines; 4: Carl Woodbury; Cons: Betty Raines.
- July 29**
1: Eleanor Giardina; 2: Jim Mahoney; 3: Betty Raines; 4: Ed Horner; Cons: Helen DeGraw.
- Aug. 5**
1: Helen DeGraw; 2: Marti Marta; 3: Dick Mansfield; 4: Fran Griswold; Cons: Betty Raines.
- Aug. 12**
1: Ida Rosendahl; 2: Phyllis Bressler; 3: Nancy Van Gordon; 4: Ed Horner; Cons: Agnes Weber.

Friday Night Bridge

Elly Rapacz & Serine Rossi

- July 16**
1: Hazel Merchant; 2: Marion Turbin; 3: Betty Raines; 4: Ida Rosendahl; 5: Ginny Barrett.
- July 23**
1: Eleanor Giardina; 2: Mildred Lane; 3: Betty Raines; 4: Marion Turbin.
- July 30**
1: Betty Raines; 2: Catherine Edwards; 3: Helen DeGraw; 4: Eleanor Giardina.
- Aug. 6**
1: Ginette Dean; 2: Hazel Merchant; 3: Jan Moon; 4: Natalie Fluss; 5: Erwin Fluss.
- Aug. 13**
1: Ida Rosendahl; 2: Marge Benton; 3: Mildred Lane; 4: Hazel Merchant; 5: Dick Mansfield.



Cribbage

Greg Skillman

- July 9**
1: Herb Postin; 2: Rose Marie Postin; 3: Anne Jagielski; Cons: Sheila Howell.
- July 16**
1: Herb Postin; 2: Mary Ehle; 3: Greg Skillman; Cons: Rose Marie Postin.
- July 23**
1: Craig Ehle; 2: Luke Mullen; 3: Ray Bock; Cons: Herb Postin.
- July 30**
1: Ann Jagielski; 2: Herb Postin; 3: Shelia Howell; Cons: Craig Ehle.



Friday Night Euchre

Joe Askenase

- July 9**
Four Handed Game
1: Viola Horton 2: Virgil Taylor; 3 (tie): Shirley Coe & Helen Foskett; 4: Bridget Hughes; 5: Russ Riegler.
- July 16**
Four Handed Game
1: Clarence Lietzow; 2: Marcy Askenase; 3: Russ Riegler.
- Five Handed Game**
1 (tie): Helen Foskett & Viola Horton; 2: Diana Riegler; 3: Virgil Taylor; 4: Maria France.
- July 23**
Three Handed Game
1: Helen Foskett; 2: Marcy Askenase; 3: Viola Horton.
- Four Handed Game**
1: Jim Hein; 2: Virgil Taylor; 3: Clarence Lietzow.
- July 30**
Four Handed Game
1: Diana Riegler; 2: Russ Riegler; 3: Marcy Askenase; 4: Clarence Lietzow.
- Six Handed Game**
1: Virgil Taylor; 2: Jim Hein; 3: Maria France; 4 (tie): Helen Foskett & Vi Horton.
- Aug. 6**
Four Handed Game
1: Russ Riegler; 2: Clarence Lietzow; 3: Marcy Askenase.
- Six Handed Game**
1: Vi Horton; 2: Diana Riegler; 3: Virgil Taylor; 4: Helen Foskett; 5: Jim Hein.



Tuesday Night Pinochle

Viola Horton


- Come up to the Art Room in the Craft Building on Tuesday at 5:45 p.m. and enjoy a game of Pinochle. Better than TV. No partners are needed.
- July 6**
Single Deck Winners
1: Albert Novotny; 2: Lois Rider; 3: Gitte Agarwal.
- Double/Triple Deck Winners**
Tables 1: Ilse Kersey; 2: Virgil Taylor & Ray Bock.
- July 13**
Single Deck Winners
1: Paul Agarwal; 2: Betty Legg; 3: Vernon Uzzell.
- Double/Triple Deck Winners**
Tables 1: Ilse Kersey, Verna Harsh & James Nottingham; 2: Virgil Taylor & Charley Distler.
- July 20**
Single Deck Winners
1: Andy Mark; 2: Vernon Uzzell; 3: George Dertinger.
- Double/Triple Deck Winners**
Tables 1: Alberta Sarris; 2: Virgil Taylor & Ray Bock.
- July 27**
Single Deck Winners
1: Audrey Bartolotta; 2: Andy Mark; 3: Cherie Cunningham.
- Double/Triple Deck Winners**
Table 1: Ilse Kersey; 2: Charley Distler & Ray Bock.

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**Stamp Club
David Groves**

Although August is one of the slower months for our General Francis Marion Stamp Club, members enjoyed receiving very attractive special July 27 First Day of Issue envelopes, each bearing an appropriate cachet, and the new "Scouting" stamp commemorating the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the Boy Scouts of America.

The first U.S. stamp to honor the Boy Scouts was issued in 1950 to call attention to its national jamboree, held in Valley Forge, Penn. It shows the Boy Scout emblem, and the faces of boys representing the three age groups of Scouting.

Since then, four other stamps and one postal card have featured Boy Scouts anniversaries and events. That doesn't mean that the Girl Scouts have been ignored.

In fact, the first U.S. stamp, featuring the Girl Scout emblem, was issued in 1948 -two years before the first Boy Scout stamp. This was followed by a stamp, issued in 1962, commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Girl Scouts in the U.S. Since then, two other Girl Scout commemorative stamps have been issued by the U.S.P.S.

Club members, Joe Rosinski, Tom Weixl-

mann. Tony Burgio, Dennis Niemira, John Renyhart, Don Parcels, Gary Hague, Ron Gotcher and Jeffrey Howard continued preparation of attractive exhibits of stamps, covers and postal history, including World War II Patriotic Mail, Klondike Dog Sled Mail, Mount Everest and Himalayan Postal Collection, Star Spangled Banner, Old McDonald's Farm and eight other subjects.

All of these displays will be exhibited during the Ocala Stamp Show on Sept. 11 (10 a.m. to 5 p.m.) and 12 (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.) at the Ramada Inn located at U.S. 27 and I-75. In addition to our club's interesting and educational displays, and a great opportunity to visit a number of members of the Florida Stamp Dealer's Association who appraise, buy and sell stamps, there's no public admission charge and there will be free door prizes and free stamps for children! This show should be fun for everyone!

Club members also enjoyed participating in our monthly members-only stamp auction on Aug. 18. Between now and the Ocala Stamp Show, you can learn more about stamp collecting by attending one of our meetings.

Visitors are always welcome! Our club meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 1 p.m. in the second floor conference room of the Park Avenue Bank on SW State Road 200 and SW 90th Street.

Monthly evening meetings are held on the second Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Queen of Peace Church library.

For a free "Guide to Stamp Collecting" kit, including a packet of interesting stamps, and our club brochure, please call our treasurer, Joe Rosinski at 237-7366 or via e-mail at jr-cr8850@embarqmail.com.

If Joe's not available, please contact member, Stan Lander, at 369-8977 or by e-mail to slander3@otowhomes.com.

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1950 Boy Scouts stamp (top). 1962 Girl Scouts stamp.



**Model
Railroaders
Jim Devine**

The On Top of the World Model Railroaders club will be at the Club Fair on Sept. 30 in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. We hope to see you there.

After you see the Club Fair, come downstairs and visit the club's layouts. We will be running trains while the Club Fair is going on. If you have not visited the trains yet, we are on the first floor of the Health & Recreation Building. Go into the fitness center, and make a left hand turn as soon as you pass the desk. Go straight ahead, and go through the door to get to the trains. We will have a sign out to help you find us.

We will have trains running on both our HO and N scale layouts. Although the layouts appear to be completed, there is still a lot of work to be done. We want to improve on our scenery, and wire our switch machines. Right now, the switches are turned manually which leads to club members running around the room trying to beat the trains to spots on the layout. Not being as fast as we used to be, we sometimes fail to make it on time. We will work on wiring and installing electronic switches this fall so we can change which track a train goes on right from a

control panel.

Some of the trains we run have full sound. When I say, they have all the "bells and whistles," I mean they actually have bells and whistles. The diesels sound like diesels, and the steam locomotives sound like real steam locomotives. Some even smoke. You may also hear the train crews speaking, and if you're really lucky, an occasional farm animal.

Last month's article dealt with songs that were railroad related. Imagine my surprise when I opened up the August On Top of the World newspaper and saw Bob Woods' story entitled, "Choo Choo Me Home." It started off with lyrics from the song "Chattanooga Choo Choo" and went on to describe some of the tourist attractions, many of them involving trains, which are available in Chattanooga. It seems clear that railroad buffs are taking over the world.

The club has work sessions every Tuesday afternoon from 1 to 4 p.m. to work on the layout or just to run some trains. We have been shorthanded for most of the summer (which means we've been goofing off, and not doing a lot of work), but will try to make up for lost time when our snowbirds return. Feel free to stop by during our work sessions to learn about model railroading and our club.

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



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Republican Club
Tony Tortora

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

The Aug. 13 pizza party was a success. Several candidates were present and asking for our vote in the Aug. 24 primary.

Everyone is encouraged to vote in the general election on Nov. 2. The Supervisor of Elections will announce early voting.

Voting here in On Top of the World is easy. In over 20 years, I have never stood in a line of more than six to eight people. With three precincts, the line is almost gone.

Republican candidates will be at our September and October meeting. If you are not sure who to vote for, come and meet them. You do not have to be a member to attend.

There will be several State Constitutional Amendments on the ballot. These will be covered next month.

World News Deadline
Noon, 13th of the month



R/C Flyers
Bob "Robo" Wroblewski

During our August club meeting, the club voted to make further improvements to our pavilion. We now have greater air circulation for flyers and spectators seated in the pavilion. Dick Rose spearheaded the purchase and installation of four weatherproof overhead fans that are currently powered by the club's generator.

Club officers met with On Top of the World Management to request that they explore the possibility of having power brought out to the pavilion by Progress Energy, however, it appears to be cost prohibitive. Solar may be a viable alternative.

On Top Of The World will be holding the Club Fair on Thursday, Sept. 30 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. The On Top of the World R/C Flyers plan on participating and will be on hand to answer any questions you may have about the hobby and/or the club. Military and non-military R/C aircraft models will be on display.

This month, we showcase a modeler who pulls out all the stops in building realistic R/C aircraft dating back to the 1930s from scratch. After a significant amount of research about a specific aircraft, he draws his own plans, buys the materials needed and starts the assembly process. No step-by-step instructions



Photo by Bob Wroblewski

Steve Sauger with his scratch built 1934 Stinson trimotor.

here.

That club member is Steve Sauger. Steve retired from Chrysler Corporation after a 37 and a half-year stint. He worked his way up the ladder and became an automotive designer. His love for aviation took him to the Emery Riddle flying school where he earned his wings, became instrument rated and a flight instructor on single and twin-engine aircraft.

Steve and his wife, Joanne, read about On Top of the World in the Academy of Model Aeronautics, Model Aviation magazine and decided to take advantage of the visitation program in 2006. Soon afterward, they purchased a home in Avalon, which just so happens to be close to the field.

To give you some idea of Steve's modeling career, skill level and accomplishments, he was selected by the Academy of

Model Aeronautics to represent the United States in Team Scale championship contests in Sweden, Norway, Italy and Canada. He was also invited to participate in Top Gun contests here in Florida.

In his workroom, he proudly displays a variety of trophies and plaques (about 50 of them) that he has won since 1974. Now that takes some doing!

Steve's latest project that is nearing completion is a 1934 Stinson Trimotor. It's a nine passenger aircraft that was used by American Airlines. The photo shows Steve with his 88-inch, 13 pound beauty. This is one of the planes that will be on display at the Club Fair. It's a pleasure to have Steve in the club.

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Minutes matter when it’s your heart. Nationally, door to balloon times average 62 minutes. The top 10% of hospitals average 58 minutes. At Munroe Regional, we average 48 minutes, and we have many cases, like D.J.’s and Steve’s, where our fast response is setting the national standard. And saving lives. To learn more about door to balloon time, visit www.MunroeHeart.com.