

**Community News**

**Kenneth D. Colen**  
Publisher

**RV and Mini Storage Area**

The new recreational vehicle (RV) storage area is nearing completion. Paving has been completed. Fencing, canopy structures, landscaping and irrigation are in progress. As of this writing, completion looks to be 60 days out.

That said, the contractor storage area on SW 80th Street opposite Larkhill is in the process of being relocated to an area adjacent to the new RV storage area. As one contractor noted, "I didn't realize I had so much stuff stashed!" The clean-out is a good thing, provided it really is a clean out and not a transfer. It looks like the move will be completed in early June.

We are expecting the county permit for the new mini storage area at any time. The area is located across the roadway from the RV storage area and work will begin immediately upon the receipt of the permit. Completion is expected to take 120 days. New air-conditioned units (10-feet by 17-feet and five-feet by four-feet) and non-air-conditioned units (10-feet by 13-feet and nine-feet by 28-feet) will be available to lease.

The Hobby Building will be completed this month and the library, train room, and new meeting room which will also house the computer club will be joining the existing Craft Room and Woodshop.

The Arbor Conference Center will be closed for remodeling Saturday, June 1 through Thursday, Aug. 1.

**Practical Preventative Home Maintenance**

From June through October your air conditioning systems will be running full tilt. These systems don't operate by themselves without proper care and maintenance. For a helpful short video on practical things you can do to service your air conditioning system to keep it functioning efficiently visit [otowinfo.com](http://otowinfo.com) (click on "Resources" then "Homeowner Maintenance"). The videos include changing the filters monthly and pouring vinegar into the main condensate pan to keep the main drain flowing without obstruction. Check the outflow outside near the compressor. If you don't see the cleaning solution coming out, the drain line is blocked and needs immediate attention.

At least once a year, have your air conditioning serviced by a professional. They will clean the coils in both the air handler (in home) and the compressor (outside), as well as clean electrical connections, and make sure the motors are operating properly.

**Landscape Update**

June is a great month for growing a small garden and planting shrubs. That said, please remember that landscape modifications apply to all communities, and must receive prior approval from the Owners' Association.

I am mentioning this in my column in the hopes that we can all avoid unnecessary consequences of violating the Rules and Regulations of your Association. The application process is very simple. Simply stop by Customer Service to complete a modification request form. You will be asked to provide a detailed description of the work requested, a drawing of the affected area showing dimensions, the name of the contractor performing the work and proof of your contractor's insurance. A representative of the Association will inspect the area and the owner will be advised of approval, approval with modification, or denial.

**Storm Preparedness**

June is the start of the hurricane

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Photo by Dave Schlenker

**KANSAS** rocked the house on Friday, May 17.

**A Rockin' Good Time**

By Jo Salyers

**Circle Square Cultural Center**

By the time you read this, the performance of the classic rock group, KANSAS will be a distant memory! Because KANSAS is a rock group (and that means loud), we changed up the usual flow of the evening. Inside doors were opened into the lobby, lights were dimmed, and monitors placed around the lobby for live show viewing. Guests moved around, danced and enjoyed the musical journey.

At this time, we are pleased to announce a super ticket promotion for three upcoming shows called the "3=1 Pass." Three great shows! For one great price! For \$29, plus tax, you may enjoy three upcoming shows: One Stop Pony on Saturday, June 22, Canned Heat on Friday, Oct. 25 and Heroes of Rock (John Ford Coley and Elliot Lurie) on Saturday, Nov. 2. That's right! Three shows for one ticket price of \$29, plus tax. Order online at [CSCulturalCenter.com](http://CSCulturalCenter.com), or stop by the ticket office Monday through Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. All seats are

reserved (Gold, Silver or Bronze), and are on a first come, first served basis.

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Through the end of 2019, the lineup includes dance parties where you may enjoy the evening in Circle Square Cultural Center. Multi-talented bands include The Buzzcatz, Johnny Wild & The Delights and everyone's favorite - Rocky & The Rollers.

On another note, join in the "Backstage Tour" presented on Tuesday, June 4, at Circle Square Cultural Center, from noon to 1:30

p.m. Our team will take you through the process of what it takes to bring performers to this venue. Register for this presentation through Master the Possibilities at [MasterthePossibilities.org](http://MasterthePossibilities.org).

**The Town Square**

Summer evenings are full with dancing every Thursday (recorded favorites), Friday (deejay-played dance music) or Saturday (with local bands and performers). The fun begins at 6 p.m. and wraps up by 9 p.m. (weather permitting). Saturday night, June 1 is themed - Soulful Saturday. To see who is performing, "like" the Circle Square Commons Facebook page or refer to the calendar insert with this issue of the World News.

The Farmers Market continues throughout the summer months with seasonal produce, fresh seafood, baked goods and handmade items. The market opens every Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (weather permitting).

While you are at the market, enjoy the day and a cool treat from Mr. B's Big Scoop. There are many choices of delicious ice cream and a full menu of smoothies.

Make it a point to have summer adventures - all around On Top of the World!

**Hurricane Season Is Here - Be Prepared**

By Ray Cech  
World News Writer

First things first: From May 31 through June 6, Florida will be canceling state and local taxes for purchasing emergency supplies, such as flashlights, batteries, tents, etc.

Okay, now that you've bought enough water, tax free (one gallon a day per person for two weeks), a supply of non-perishable food, refill your prescriptions, and order an extra supply of oxygen.

Starting with the basics - put a plan in place that everyone in your household knows and understands. Start with finding out where the emergency shelters are and, of course, how to get there. You can go to [floridadisaster.org](http://floridadisaster.org), or call (850) 815-4000. This site also has an enormous amount of information about what to do before, during and after a hurricane.

Another valuable phone number is for the Marion County Sheriff's Office Emergency Management - (352) 369-8100. This number should also be used if you or someone in your household has any special needs that will require attention at one of the shelters. The nearest shelter that provides facilities for special needs is West Port High school - convenient and close.

Your emergency plan should include: having a hand-powered radio, a tankful of gas, a cell phone charger for you car, extra propane tanks or charcoal, matches, folding chairs and blankets and if you have a pet, plenty of food and water, as well as a carrier for your pet. By the

way, remember to fill up your bathtubs with water - no, not for dog baths, but for those "flushes." Got it?

Everyone must know where your supplies are stored - preferably in a "safe" room.

Also be sure that all valuable documents, such as insurance papers, mortgage documents, wills, etc. are secure; maybe now is a good time to buy that fireproof safe you've always wanted! If your plans include a portable generator be sure to follow directions carefully. They are too often connected haphazardly and can cause way more problems than a hurricane. Also, be sure to try it out before the "big one" comes our way.

If you haven't already signed up for Marion County emergency alerts, be sure to do so. Go online and register at [alertmarion.com](http://alertmarion.com).

This is a terrific service that you will want year round, not just for hurricane season. You can tell them how you want to be notified and for what emergencies, such as road closures, flooding, severe weather, etc. You will be notified of any current or impending emergency on whatever device you designate, for example, cell and/or landline, television, email, text, or, on all your devices.

Being prepared for hurricanes here in Florida gives us some peace of mind. Just as important, having all of our emergency supplies on hand keeps us from wandering from store to store in search of supplies during and after the hurricane.

We should also keep in mind that severe storms must not be taken lightly just because they are not called hurricanes - a 65-mile-an-hour wind (74 is hurricane force) can easily knock out power, blow over trees and shred a roof; so let's be prepared for all contingencies.

Included in all home delivered issues of the World News this month is the Ocala StarBanner's Storm Guide.



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**On Top of the World NEWS**

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**On Top of the World NEWS**

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July	06/12/19	06/20/19	06/27/19
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October	09/12/19	09/19/19	09/26/19
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**GOLDEN OLDIES HUMOR**

By Stan Goldstein



**Every family tree is bound to have its sap.**

**Is It Legal?**

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Do keep in mind that as much as we want to trust and believe people who call us, we just can't. Instead, if we don't know who the caller is, or we don't recognize the exact phone number, we should not answer the phone. Just let the caller leave a message. If the caller claims to be from the Internal Revenue Service, Social Security Administration or U.S. Marshall's office, it's almost assuredly a scammer. Let them leave a message. Then, using a separate phone number for the company or

agency, call and see if you were really called.

Don't fall for the lottery scam. You cannot win any money if you never entered!

Don't fall for the scam where you have been approved for a \$250,000 loan for which you never applied in the first place.

Do use strong passwords for all your accounts. Do get as many dual factor authentications as you can. For example, if you have a bank account that you visit online, ask about getting dual factor identification from the bank.

Don't forget to take care of your cell phone. If you lose it, consider getting your carrier to provide you with a new SIM card.

Don't fall for the pre-approved

credit card scam. If you haven't applied for a credit card, don't fill out forms for a pre-approved one.

Do understand that statistics prove that seniors are more susceptible to scams because they are more trusting. You must be skeptical about everyone who calls you who is not a relative or friend.

Recently, we had a client meet with us who wanted to protect her cat upon her passing. A pet trust can be drafted as a stand-alone trust or part of your last will and testament. The State of Florida has a pet trust statute, which is designed to protect the pet by having specific rules and regulations dealing with the methods that can be used in setting up a pet trust and making sure that your wishes are

followed.

For those interested, Florida's Pet Trust Statute can be found in Section 736.0408, Florida Statutes. Things to think about: Who do you want to take care of your pet? What financial provisions do you want to make for the person who will be taking care of your pet? Where will your pet stay or be kept? What do you know about the person or the company, such as a kennel, who will be looking after your pet?

Pets are important to us, and you need to think about their welfare in the event of your passing. Don't forget to discuss everything with the person or company who takes your pet.

We had a client who wanted to delete his son from his entire estate. It seems that he hadn't had any relationship with that son for some 20 years. The client was asked to make sure that all of his accounts had beneficiaries' names listed on them. The client promised to do that, but he failed to list his beneficiaries on one of his annuities. The result was that the client's son was able to receive a substantial amount.

Make sure you have your accounts set up with the correct beneficiaries.

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What is age? Should a person feel a certain way at a certain age? What stipulates the outcome of "act your age?" Join Master the Possibilities for the new summer term with the curriculum theme of "Aging Reinvented" to learn the many ways to help prove that age is just a number.

Courses start Monday, June 3, with more than 400 learning opportunities available through August. There is even a special event scheduled the week of June 17 entitled, Ageless Adventures, which blends generations and has grandparents, parents, aunts/uncles, or even close family friends pairing with a youthful partner to experience up to 25 different courses together. For a complete listing of this dynamic event, visit masterthepossibilities.org and click on the Ageless Adventures image.

Dr. Evelyn Kelly will lead a discussion on "The Upside of Aging: Ending Aging as We Know It" on Monday, June 24 in Live Oak Hall, from 10 to 11 a.m. This course will help emphasize some of the latest research and technology that is giving much hope for ending aging as we know it and will touch on topics like regenerative medicine and stem cells. Cost for this event is \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members.

As part of our Visiting Speakers series this June, participants may attend "Demystifying Hurricanes" with Dr. Jennifer Collins on Wednesday, June 26, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at Live Oak Hall. Learn why she believes we should no longer be using the Saffir-Simpson hurricane wind scale. Those who attend will hear about a new proposed classification scale for hurricanes based on different variables including wind speed, barometric pressure, and storm surge. Dr. Collins will share her research about hurricane evacuations, including Hurricane Irma (2017) and Michael (2018). She will also discuss seasonal forecasts and activity from 2017 and 2018, and look at the upcoming 2019 season. Cost is \$8 for members and \$13 for non-members.

For participants wondering just how unique they are, the answer may lie in "The Science of Fingerprints Part 1" with Sam Durrett.



**"Demystifying Hurricanes" with Dr. Jennifer Collins on Wednesday, June 26.**

In this course, Durrett will explain one of the most basic ways to prove uniqueness by having participants analyze fingerprints and palm prints (friction skin) in class. All will learn the basics through a series of lectures, practical exercises, and drills that are specifically designed to provide knowledge and foster confidence in the usefulness of the science of fingerprints. This course will meet Wednesdays, June 12 and 19, from 10 a.m. to noon in Cypress Hall. Cost is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members.

Added since the catalog was released, "The World Is My Country," film screening, which introduces the true epic story of World Citizen Garry Davis, from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 27. Admission is free, and those who attend will hear how this modest self-trained philosopher describes the despondency that overwhelmed him at the very moments when his "followers" expected him to know what to do next. Learn how he ultimately found an organization devoted to world citizenship, the World Government of World Citizens, which continues to issue passports and advocate for peace around the world today. After the film showing, one of the principals in the film will be available for questions.

Registration is required for all Master the Possibilities events. Online registration is available 24/7 at masterthepossibilities.org, or 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at 8415 SW 80th Street or calling (352) 861-9751.

**CURBSIDE LANDSCAPE DEBRIS PICK-UP SCHEDULE**

Monday*	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Americana Village</li> <li>Friendship Village</li> <li>Friendship Park</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Friendship Colony</li> <li>Candler Hills**</li> <li>Indigo East**</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Avalon</li> <li>Providence 1 and 2</li> <li>Williamsburg</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Crescent Ridge/Green</li> <li>Renaissance Park</li> <li>Windsor</li> </ul>

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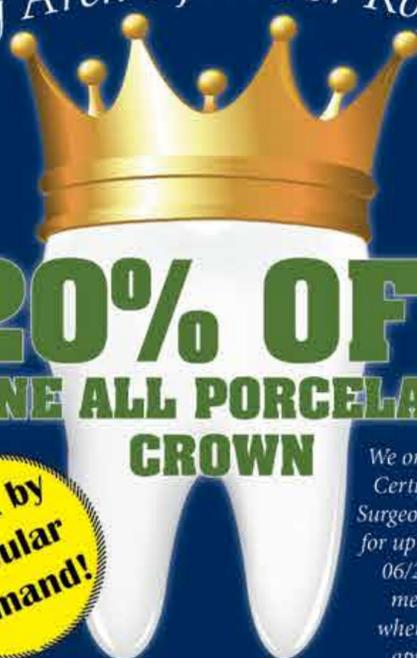
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season and time to start thinking seriously about dealing with the risks and inconveniences that may be encountered during and immediately after a storm. Your Association makes every effort to prepare for storm events by securing potential hazards, protecting buildings and Association-related

assets, and making sure we have an updated recovery plan. Key personnel are on-call before and after a storm. Water and wastewater personnel are moved on-site to make sure that essential utility services are protected and the chance of interruption is minimized. Tarps (in limited supply) are kept on hand to secure homes in the event of roof damage.

Despite all of our efforts, much of your own safety and comfort depends entirely on you. To that end, please refer to my other column entitled "Preparing for a Storm Event."



**Citizens Emergency Response Team**

**Beth McKeen**

I have often written in this column about the training CERT members do in order to prepare for a disaster. Members also participate in a variety of other events, which pertain to our normal training. Recently, members attended or participated in four such events.

A "SKYWARN® Storm Spotter" class was instructed by a meteorologist from the National Weather Service (NWS) out of Jacksonville, Florida. This program is a nationwide network of volunteers trained by NWS to report significant weather.

The "Emergency Response Guidebook" class educates you on hazardous materials and gives vital information about the signage on tankers and trucks.

Both of these classes were presented by our Emergency Operation Center personnel and are open to the public.

Employees of Duke Energy gave a "Live Line and Storm Preparedness" workshop for emergency response and general safety awareness. The "Arc and Spark Live Line" demonstration was held outdoors and was quite an eye opener.

Nine team members participated in the Urban Search & Rescue drill. This drill included participants from out of State of Florida as well as out of the country. It was held at the Florida State Fire College. Our members acted as victims.

Our community is growing at a much faster pace than our CERT membership. Please consider joining our team and learning how to help your neighbors in the event of a disaster. You will receive free training from professionals of the Marion County Sheriff's Office, Marion County Fire Rescue and Emergency Operation Center. We want to be able to help all of our community members. We need your help!

If you would like to become a member of our CERT team, please contact Beverly Case in the Marion County Sheriff's Office at (352) 369-8103 to receive an application. A class is being held this month. The next class will be in October/November.

We welcome your attendance at our CERT meetings, which are held the second Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 11 at 9 a.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite G. For more information, contact Beth McKeen at (352) 237-5079.



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**Enhancing Soils in New Residential Developments: Studies from UF/IFAS and On Top of the World**

Recently, I was asked to present to a group of turf grass producers on the results from the studies conducted at On Top of the World. The study that I am referring to was at the Sanctuary Model Center that began in January 2017. The study is now wrapping up and moving into the second phase with homeowner interaction. In the initial study, the University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF/IFAS) took a deep look into the soil maturation process and how we can possibly speed the process up to create healthy soils. The goal is to provide a better product at the end of the day without causing more damage to the environment.

To start with, development needs a certain level of compaction to build homes and roads on. While that is good for the house pad, it poses some serious issues for new sod and plant material. We found soon into the study that the soils we are dealing with, and especially in any new construction process, are particularly prone to compaction from contractor traffic. They are also prone to and exposed to the constant wetting and drying of the rain patterns and heat seen in the Florida weather.

Sandy soils are more prone to higher bulk density, which relates to better soils for constructing a home on. Bulk density is the weight

of soil or product in a given volume. The problem with bulk densities of 1.6g/cm<sup>3</sup> and higher is that they tend to restrict root growth. The soils we are dealing with in new construction were averaging around 1.73g/cm<sup>3</sup>, awesome for new home building but not so good for our lawns and landscapes. To sum it up, our soils offer great results for compaction to build on but little value for landscape plants and soil composition.

The study also showed that there is light at the end of the tunnel. Since this community has a long history of its development practices dating back to the late '80s we were able to pull data from various communities and see how the soils respond and mature. Soils will and do mature over time and if we can wait and create all-inclusive approaches to lawn and landscape maintenance we may be able to speed the process up.

What we found was that at about three years of age, soil bulk densities were dropping to around 1.52g/cm<sup>3</sup> and continued to drop in the years to come. By year 10 after development, we saw bulk density lower to 1.34g/cm<sup>3</sup>. With the proper maintenance practices, proper watering, allowing clippings to recycle and other BMPs it takes about three to five years to build soils for true lawn "establishment."

In closing, having good compactable soils poses a double-edged sword. While it is good for new home construction and foundation development, it's not so good for landscape installation and maintenance. Our hope is that by participating and working with the UF/IFAS we can provide a better product and continue to improve our development practices.

**LifeSouth Bloodmobile**

**John Klopfer**

In May we had 30 hero volunteers for our blood drive! Thank you!

The next LifeSouth blood drive is on Monday, July 1, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Recreation Center parking lot. Thank you for your support.

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**Republican Club**

**Bill Richhart**

We started the summer with our annual pizza party, which fell on Mother's Day weekend. Fresh Plates Creative Catering provided a delicious salad buffet. We purchased a variety of pizzas for the party. We all enjoyed a Mother's Day cake for dessert! The theme this year honored all the past presidents and officers who gave their time and talent to keep members informed of local, state and federal issues, and a program for the current officers

followed. Our speaker was Florida Senator Dennis Baxley, who spoke of the many issues and bills before the Senate in Tallahassee, Florida.

We look forward to the coming months, as new candidates for various positions will present their platforms. We cannot stress enough the privilege we have as citizens to vote. The coming election year will be tough, and we need to be kept informed, along with doing our due diligence too.

We continue to thank our members who have given extra time by stepping up to go outside the box or travelling across the country in support of issues of great importance to all.

We invite new Republican residents to come to our meetings and bring ideas to share.

We meet on the second Friday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E-G. For more information or questions, please call Bill at (260) 515-0543.

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**All Around Our World**

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Wow, it is hard to believe we are almost half way through another year. And, we are at the point it is now time to start preparing for the 2019 hurricane season. The Storm Guide enclosed with all home delivered newspapers this month has great information and tips. Please take the time to review so that you are well prepared should a storm hit.

We hope to see plenty of rain to get us through our hottest months and keep the watering to a minimum. Please make sure you are staying hydrated while you are out and about and don't forget to apply sunscreen. This month, we recognize D-Day (June 6), Flag Day (June 14), and Father's Day (June 16) and the first day of summer (June 21).

**Hurricane Preparedness**

June 1 officially starts the Atlantic hurricane season and we can't state it enough - we all need to prepare well in advance for the season. We recommend having plenty of water and canned or pre-packaged food on hand to supply several days, a portable radio with fresh batteries, candles, first-aid kit, prescriptions, a list of medications taken noting how much and how often as well as any allergies, portable oxygen supplies and a full tank of gas in your car.

It is important to know evacuation routes and shelters. West Port High School, 3733 SW 80th Avenue, Ocala, FL 34481, is the nearest emergency shelter, and if you have pets, you may need to make other arrangements for them as some shelters do not allow pets. Keep emergency numbers and important documents handy. The hurricane season will end on Nov. 30.

We have established a link to the Sumter Electric Co-op and Duke Energy Storm Preparedness websites on otowinfo.com under "Hurricane Preparedness" for the convenience of our residents as another resource to prepare, understand safety precautions, and what to do before and after a storm.

It is very important for residents to remove any lawn furnishings or ornaments that can become missiles in a storm. Check out the link to your electric utility company to help prepare and take precautions before and after the storm.

**Power Outages**

Please keep in mind that when we have power outages it is a good idea to check your irrigation clock to make sure that it is still on the correct setting. Many times a power surge or outage may cause the clock

to revert to its original settings. If the settings are not checked, you may be watering too much or not enough.

**Normal Business Hours and After-Hour Service Needs**

If you call during normal business hours and a representative is not available to take your call, please note your call will be returned as soon as possible, the same day. Residents often tell me they get an immediate recording which is true. The voice asks you to select "one" for Customer Service and "two" for Warranty. Once you do so, you will be directed to a trained representative to handle your call.

Remember if you have an after-hour service need (non-medical) that cannot wait until Customer Service opens the next business day, please call (352) 236-OTOW (6869) and not the gate. This number is monitored 24 hours a day, and is directed to a trained representative who will handle your call.

**Tips to Beat the Heat**

Stay Well Hydrated - Drink plenty of fluids; if you are sweating a lot, consider sports drinks to replace the salts and minerals.

**COVER UP IN THE SUN** - Use sunscreen and wear loose, light-colored clothing as well as a brimmed hat.

**LIMIT ACTIVITY DURING THE HOTTEST PART OF THE DAY** - Try not to participate in outdoor activities during mid-day, which is the hottest part of the day. Pace yourself if you are exercising in the heat; you should not allow your heart rate to be pounding nor should you allow yourself to feel completely out of breath and gasping for air.

**IF INDOORS, KEEP YOUR HOUSE VENTILATED** - If you are indoors and have no air-conditioning, open windows and use fans to circulate the air.

**DON'T DELAY GETTING HELP FOR SYMPTOMS** - If you find yourself or someone else might be suffering from heat-related illness, move to a cooler shady place, lie down, drink some fluids, and call 911.

**Dogs in Vehicles**

I know I touch on this subject every summer but I continue to do so because we have so many new residents that are experiencing their first summer in Florida. With that being said, I'd like to remind all dog owners never to leave their animal(s) in closed up vehicles even with the windows cracked. Even though it may not feel very warm to you, temperatures rise very quickly in closed up vehicles and it only takes a matter of minutes for your animal to get distressed and even perish. Five minutes can turn into 10 and it may be too late when

you return to your car. I can't say it enough, please do not leave your animals in vehicles unattended.

Years ago a resident advised that the Marion County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) and the Ocala Police Department (OPD) will send out a deputy or an officer if you encounter this type of situation and cannot locate the owner of the vehicle. The MCSO can be reached at (352) 732-9111 and OPD at (352) 369-7000.

**Rule of the Month**

We have been asked to provide a rule each month, and this month we are going to discuss a partial section from Maintenance and Alteration. We are noticing that residents are not coming in to Customer Service to submit a Modification Request when making any changes to the outside of the home.

"Maintenance and Alterations - No alteration or modification of the exterior or structural components of any residential unit, of the landscaping or lawn irrigation (sprinkler) system on any lot, nor any exterior painting of doors, driveways, or exterior areas of any dwelling, home or lot, nor the installation, alteration or painting of any fence or wall, may occur or be made without the specific advance written approval of the Association or its designee. In considering any request for approval of a proposed alteration or modification, the Association or its designee will take into account the easement rights of others in the access, ingress, egress, utility, drainage and other easements within the affected lot or common areas of the community. It is the occupant's obligation to make application to the Association at its designated offices for any proposed alteration or modification prior to commencement of the work."

**Designated Smoking Areas**

Please be mindful of no smok-

ing areas and respect the rules. If you do smoke, smoke only in designated smoking areas and dispose of cigarette butts properly.

**Visitors and Guests**

It is summertime and we know your visiting family members and guests will enjoy their time at On Top of the World. We ask that you make sure each guest understands and observes the community rules during their stay.

If your guests are arriving by RV, please make reservations at Customer Service prior to their arrival so that we may reserve a guest parking space at the RV Park and have a guest pass ready for them at the gate. RVs may not be parked overnight in the driveway. Visits over 72 hours will require a fee. Please see the Amended and Restated Rules and Regulations on RV parking for your community at otowinfo.com.

**Dumpster and Recycling Areas**

As you may have noticed, we have installed new signs at the dumpster locations. The rules for dumpster use are clearly noted, and going forward, no items will be allowed to be removed from inside, nor beside the dumpsters.

**Lawn Debris**

Please do not overfill your bags or cans with lawn debris so that our employees are able to dump them into the larger truck.

**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 Wednesday, June 19, this month. Customer Service may be reached by phone: 236-OTOW (6869); e-mail: otowservice@otowfl.com; or in person by visiting Suite 200, in Friendship Commons.



**Democratic Club**

Dan Lack

Our next meeting will take place on Thursday, June 27 when our speaker will be Brandon Haught, author of "Going Ape: Florida's Battles over Evolution in the Classroom." Brandon Haught is a science teacher and a founding member of Florida Citizens for Science, an organization that has defended science education since 2006. Mr. Haught's lecture spans the time from William Jennings Bryan, who was discouraging the teaching of evolution in Florida's schools even before his participation in the famous Scopes Monkey Trial, through nowadays when there are schools whose students are learning the Fred Flintstone theory of dinosaurs and humans coexisting. This will be a great lecture; so don't miss it!

The third annual Marion County Democratic ice cream social will take place at 6 p.m. on Friday, July 19 at Simply Ice Cream at Market Street at Heath Brook. This gives us an opportunity to cool off with some delicious ice cream while enjoying the company of other Democrats throughout the county. Seating is limited so bring a folding chair.

We meet on the fourth Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites F-H. Our meetings are open to registered Democrats and Independent voters although only Democrats can be voting members of the club.

Videos of our speakers may be viewed at youtube.com (otow demclub).

We continue to support the Ocala Ritz Veterans Village with donations of towels, washcloths, twin/full bed sheets, dry/canned food, toiletries, dish/laundry detergent and paper towels so that we can show our appreciation to these men and women who sacrificed so much for us.

For more information contact Dan Lack at (352) 509-4942 or otowdemclub@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page (On Top of the World Democratic Club). You are not alone!

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**Why Recycle?**

Natalie Torgeson

Let's talk about glass. Glass is unique because it is almost totally recyclable.

Just a few years ago, recycling glass basically meant crushing it and turning it into aggregate. Where did it come from originally? Sand. It was used to cover landfills among other things.

Today, using available technology, glass is sorted, metals removed and eventually turned into new glass products. So if you purchase an iced tea in a glass bottle and recycle it, it can very well end up as another iced tea bottle.

Recycled glass as an aggregate today has many other uses such as an additive to concrete, as a flux in brick production and in agriculture and landscaping applications. This re-use of your iced tea bottle reduces the waste volume in landfills.

There are nine states in the U.S. that have recycling programs whereby the consumer returns the

appropriately marked glass bottle to a central collection point for a return of their original deposit, from 5 to 10 cents. This program encourages consumers to return not only glass bottles but plastic ones as well. England and Germany are very proactive and conscious of glass recycling.

Unlike plastic, which does not biodegrade, glass is made up of mostly silicon dioxide or silicate. Other components include calcium oxide (or lime), sodium oxide (soda), magnesium oxide and aluminum oxide. It would seem to be a much more environmentally friendly substance than plastic, which is derived from petrochemicals.

What can you do to help recycle glass? Rinse out your containers and remove labels. Remove the lids (they are recyclable as metals). And put in approved containers at recycling centers. You can also re-use them.

Jars that have wide mouths are great for storage. Replace the plastic containers for rice, pasta, raisins, spices, nuts, baking products, etc. with glass jars! Glass jars are "bug proof", attractive and can go in the dishwasher!

A word of caution - glass windows, glassware and dishes cannot and should not be put into recycling. Glass recyclers cannot process these types of glass and ceramics. Also, please be careful when using glass bottles around places where folks walk barefoot such as the beach, pools and streams. Nasty injuries can result which can be avoided with simple

care and concern.

Why should I do this? Sure, you are only one household, but if everyone thought more about what they are doing with trash, it can make a big difference. And if you're not concerned about making things better for yourself, do it for your kids and grandkids.



**Back at The Ranch**

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**Myofascial Release Equals Pain Relief**

Myofascial release (myo is muscle; fascial is fascia) is gaining a lot of attention in the fitness world. This is a technique where massage is used to release tight fascia, and therefore alleviate tension and pain. Fascia is specialized connective tissue that provides support and protection for the body. Fascia is a sheet of connective tissue that is primarily collagen. Its rubber-band-like quality stabilizes, encloses, attaches and separates muscles and organs from one another.

Fascia is sometimes restricted due to overuse, disease, dehydration, trauma or inactivity, which leads to poor posture.

Massage is a method of myofascial release. The massage therapist applies pressure on the fascia, which can help to break down the restrictions and promote soft tissue mobility. Massage also helps to influence the circulation of oxygen-rich blood flow. Myofascial release, a benefit of massage, helps to improve muscle recovery, flexibility, function, pain management and is speculated to aid with athletic performance.

Foam rolling is a type of self-massage that also promotes myofascial release. Self-myofascial release (SMR) can be done on your own with the aid of a foam roller. The rollers vary in length and den-

sity depending on individual needs. Massage therapy and foam rolling provide important therapeutic benefits such as pain management, increased range of motion and promoting overall health and well-being. Bear in mind that with any exercise, including SMR, the application and benefit is dependent on many individual factors. Always seek the advice of a health care professional if you have any concerns. Tips for the first time foam roller:

- Place specific body part on roller and roll slowly
- Roll on floor or wall
- Control pressure by adjusting weight on the roller
- Rolling strokes should be one to three inches
- Do not roll joints or injuries
- Discontinue rolling with pain

Discover the benefits of myofascial release at The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa. One of our licensed massage therapists can pamper you in a variety of specialized massages, or you can try foam rolling in the fitness center.

We are hosting a special foam rolling class "No Place Like Foam" on Friday, June 7, at 11 a.m. The cost for the class is \$20 for members, and that includes the purchase of a foam roller.

Not a Ranch member? Not a problem! The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa offers membership alternatives ranging from a single Class Pass to a long-term membership to accommodate your personal needs. Stop by or visit TheRanch-FitnessSpa.com for information about massage therapy or joining our foam rolling class.

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Sara Sommer

The bus will be here on Monday, June 3, at the Recreation Center parking lot, from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. With the snowbirds gone, schools out for summer, and vacations, we really need your help. The need for blood is great and the donation pool is smaller. If you are able, please take the time to donate.

With Mother's Day just over and Father's Day just around the corner, what better way to honor them by giving blood?

Why not make a date to donate with a friend or family member and make a lifesaving difference together? See you on the bus.

**Veterans Club**

Charles Calhoun

As we enter the summer months, I remember all the great road trips my family took over the years. May I suggest you include some of our great local and national military museums on your summer excursions. Whether you take your family, friends, loved ones or just yourself, please enjoy all the wonderful places to see and experience. A few that I can suggest are the National Navy UDT-SEAL Museum in Ft. Pierce, Florida, and the Military Museum of North Florida, in Green Cove Springs Florida. If you have a favorite museum or place of interest, please share it at our next meeting.

The Veterans Club meets monthly at 2 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite B, on the third Thursday of the month.

**On Top of the World**

**EVENTS/ACTIVITIES**  
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# The Golf Course of All Golf Courses

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

St. Andrews Links golf course in Scotland is the envy of all golfers. It is the oldest golf course in the world; established in the early 15th century.

Golf became increasingly popular with men in Scotland until King James II of Scotland banned golf in 1457 because he felt young men who were hitting a ball around the golf course should instead be practicing their archery skills. The ban on golf was upheld until 1502 when King James IV became a golfer thus removing the ban.

In 2018, a group of residents from On Top of the World touring England, Wales and Scotland, stopped for lunch at this famous golf course. Many toured the golf course and museum as well. One resident from our community stated, "Playing golf at St. Andrews Links would be the epiphany of my golfing career."

The Old Course is considered one of the finest, and most famous and traditional course in the world. This is the course every golfer wants to play. In 1764, the course had 22 holes and those playing the course played the same hole going out and in with the exception of the 11th and 22nd holes. The first four and last four holes of the course were too short and were combined into four total holes; two in and two out making the course into 18 holes and this was how the standard of 18 holes was created. In the 1850s, holes one and 18 utilized the same fairways out and back creating a problem as groups of golfers continued to grow playing the same hole but going in different directions.

In 1863, the first green was separated from the 17th green producing the current 18 hole layout with seven double greens and four single greens.

One of the unique features of St. Andrews Links Old Course is the large double greens, seven greens shared by two holes each. There are many parings with greens and holes but only the first, ninth, 17th,

and 18th have their own greens.

Sound confusing? There is one more special feature about playing St. Andrews Links is the course can be played in either direction, clockwise or counterclockwise.

The Old Course has a total of 112 bunkers, two of which are the famous 10 feet deep "hell bunker" located on the 14th hole and the "road bunker" on the 17th hole. Many dreams of those hitting their balls into these bunkers had their dreams squashed. The 17th hole is one of the world's most famous golf holes at St. Andrews Links because it is home to the "road hole," a par four because of the obstacles.

Standing in front of the clubhouse looking out over the course, people seem to gather at one loca-

tion more than any other - the Swilcan Bridge. It spans the first and 18th holes. The bridge is one of the most iconic attractions in golf.

Everyone who plays the 18th hole walks over this bridge, which is reportedly over 700 years old. Many golfers, professional along with amateurs, long to have their picture taken on the bridge. A life-size replica of this stone bridge is highlighted in the World Golf Hall of Fame in St. Augustine, Fla.

It's a dream come true for a golfer to play this course.



St. Andrews Links golf course in Scotland.

Photo by Bob Woods



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The beginning of hurricane season is June 1! Make sure to have your hurricane survival kit ready. For information on what you should have in this kit go to [nhc.noaa.gov/prepare/ready.php](http://nhc.noaa.gov/prepare/ready.php).

Join us for karaoke night at the Indigo East Community Center, from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, June 14. Bring your own cocktails and enjoy singing, dancing, and clapping with other Indigo East residents. This event is free to our Indigo East residents. Guest fees of \$5 per person will apply to anyone not providing an Indigo East resident ID card. Residents must accompany guests. Challenge your neighbors in a

game of trivia on Wednesday, June 26, at the Indigo East Community Center ballroom, from 5 to 7 p.m. Get those thinking caps on, form a group and come out for a fun-filled night of mind-boggling questions. Tickets are \$3 per resident and \$5 per guest attending with a resident. We will have teams of eight per table. Register at the Indigo East Fitness Center office.

Do you like line dancing? Come join us for a "Sassy Ladies Line Dance Party" on Thursday, June 20, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Indigo East Community Center ballroom. We will have appetizers and live entertainment. Tickets are \$10 for residents and \$12 per guest. Residents must accompany guests. Bring your dancing shoes and enjoy a night with your girlfriends.

#### Community Information

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#### Facility Bookings

The 2020 room request bookings will be ready in a few short weeks.

Please make sure you have submitted your paperwork. Also please note that all bookings requiring special setups and deposits will need to be submitted two weeks prior to your event. Setups and deposits turned in late could result in delays or possible cancellations.

For more information, please call the Indigo East Fitness Center office at (352) 387-7372 or (352) 387-7373.

We are planning fun and exciting events for our residents in the upcoming months. These are a few for which dates will be announced soon.

- Wine and cheese party
- Potluck night
- Luau pool party

\* Events are open to Indigo East residents and their guest(s). A guest is defined as anyone not holding a current Indigo East resident ID, and additional fees may apply.



The month of April kicked off with the ladies luncheon under the direction of Kathy Sparks. The theme for this luncheon was "Red Carpet Oscars." The guest speaker was our very own Indigo East resident, Phyllis McNeal, who spoke about the path to total self-confidence, which is the subject of her book, "Sassy, Classy and Smart." With the help of Kathy's supportive volunteers, the event was a great success. The next luncheon is scheduled for December.

Both the men's and women's monthly breakfasts were well at-

tended. Kenneth Colen spoke at the men's breakfast and gave the history of his family and the creation of On Top of the World. The guest speakers at the women's breakfast were members of the Freedom Library. Indigo East resident Barbara Adler is a volunteer at the library.

As a reminder, monthly bingo is held on the fourth Monday and begins promptly at 6:30 p.m.

In May, several Indigo East residents participated in the spring pickleball tournament. All participants played competitively and had a great time. The second annual Memorial Day cookout was held on Monday, May 27; more information on this event will be in next month's newspaper.

I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream - the Indigo East annual ice cream social will be

held on Sunday, July 14, hosted by Judy Kish and Janice Liberton. Tickets are \$5 per person and can be purchased at the Indigo East Community Center on Monday, June 3, 2 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, June 12, 9 to 11 a.m.; and Tuesday, June 25, 5 to 6:30 p.m. No tickets will be sold at the door. The ice cream flavors are chocolate and vanilla. Also available in vanilla are lactose-free, no-sugar-added and gluten-free ice creams. Upon ticket purchase, you will need to state the type of ice cream you prefer so that the proper quantities of ice cream can be purchased.

Please mark your calendar for the following upcoming events sponsored by the social committee:

- Tuesday, Aug. 6: Happy hour
- Saturday, Sept. 28: Garage sale in the, Indigo East Com-

munity Center. Tables are \$8 each. To reserve and pay, visit the Indigo East Fitness Center.

- Saturday, Oct. 19: Oktoberfest
- Thursday, Oct. 31: Halloween party
- Sunday, Dec. 1: Holiday party
- Tuesday, Dec. 10: Holiday Golf Cart Parade

If you have not previously done so, join the Indigo East Facebook page. This will enable you to catch up on daily neighbor and neighborhood happenings.

The Florida summer months are fast approaching, please remember to keep hydrated, exercise or work outdoors in the morning or evening, and enjoy the beauty and fun of the season. Have a wonderful and safe June.

#### Williamsburg Neighbors

Ginny Nardone

Williamsburg has added three new block captain teams! We welcome Gary and Tina Donahoe, Cathy and Tim Higginbotham and

Len and Dougie Ruble as new team members. They join current block captains Steve and Kathy Becker, Patti and Doug Doty, Jake Jacobs, Linda Jones, Georgia Magee, Ginny and Jerry Nardone, Dennis Phillips and Glenn Warren.

Block captains are in place to welcome new Williamsburg resi-

dents and to help share news of community events and other information residents should be aware of. A hearty thank you to all who have agreed to serve in this important role.

We all enjoy our community social gatherings and as I write this, the residents who expressed interest in discussing social events in Williamsburg are in the process of scheduling a meeting on this important topic. This discussion will include the type and number of social events to be held, and volun-

teer recruitment as well as other items required for successful social events. Please contact Ginny Nardone if you are interested in participating in this meeting or have ideas to share with the group. The meeting results will be shared with the community in the coming weeks.

If you are new to Williamsburg and have questions or would like to be added to our email list, please call Ginny Nardone at (352) 304-8619 or Cathy Higginbotham at (352) 509-4266.

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# Preparing for a Storm Event

- Designate as a "post-disaster contact," a relative or friend who lives outside the danger zone. Make sure each family member has been given this person's address and phone number, and agrees to contact him or her following the hurricane.
- Keep on hand at least one week's supply of bottled water and nonperishable food items. You should also have available a manual can/bottle opener, a flashlight, and a battery operated radio or television (with an extra set of batteries for each). Make sure these items are readily accessible, so that you can quickly pack and evacuate.
- Maintain an up-to-date inventory of everything in your home. Taking photos and/or making videotapes of these items may help support the value you place on them. Also, consider storing valuable items at a secure location away from the house.
- Remove furniture from porches or patio and secure hoses and lawn ornaments so that these objects do not become dangerous or lethal projectiles during a storm.
- Stock up on items you may need to protect your home or to prevent it from being further damaged after the storm has passed. These items may include, but are not limited to tarps or plastic, hammers, nails and plywood.
- Make sure your family is trained on how to turn off damaged utilities.
- At least once per year, review your insurance coverage to make sure it is adequate and up-to-date.
- Don't forget about your pet. Some evacuation centers do not allow pets. Making arrangements before a storm reduces the anxiety for both you and your pet.

When a hurricane threatens, immediately take these steps:

- Refill prescriptions and critical supplies such as oxygen.
- Make sure your car has a full tank of gas as power outages may force gas stations to remain closed for several days following a hurricane.
- Store important documents and other valuable items in waterproof bags.
- Bring inside any loose items that can be found around the home. Firmly tie down loose items that cannot be brought indoors.
- Protect or shutter windows. (Please refer to your Association's rules on when to do so.)
- Have enough cash on hand to last at least a full week. Banks

and ATMs may be closed for several days following the storm.

During a hurricane:

- Stay tuned to a battery-operated radio or television for weather bulletins and important information.
- Follow the orders of local authorities.
- Stay indoors in an interior room without windows (even if you have evacuated, inland locations may still be at risk). If conditions worsen, take shelter in a closet or bathroom and use mattresses to protect yourself.
- Don't assume the hurricane is over when the wind subsides. The calm may be the eye of the storm, and the worst part may still be on the way.

If the electricity goes out:

- Use a flashlight - not a candle or match. You do not want to take the risk of igniting gas from a broken line.
- Open your refrigerator only when absolutely necessary. This will help keep food fresh for as long as possible.

After the hurricane has passed:

- Don't venture outside until local authorities have issued an "all-clear."
- Continue to check the radio or TV for post hurricane updates.
- If you have evacuated, don't return until authorities reopen your area. Remember, you may need proof of residency to return.
- Use a flashlight to look at damage. Allow only those people who have been trained to turn off damaged utilities (e.g. gas) and disconnect damaged appliances.
- Beware of downed power lines and other debris.
- Wear sturdy shoes and clothing to protect yourself. People are oftentimes hurt more frequently after the hurricane than during it.
- Use only bottled water. Unless otherwise advised, assume tap water is contaminated and sewer lines are out of order.
- If electrical power was lost during the hurricane, be extremely careful before consuming food taken from your refrigerator. When in doubt, throw it out.
- Use the phone only for emergencies.
- Conserve water! Do not wash driveways of debris. If the power is out and you still have water pressure, it is only because the water plant is running on auxiliary power and with a limited supply of fuel.

Proper insurance coverage can help reduce the financial burden you may suffer as a result of a hurricane. Here are some additional tips that will make the claims process easier for you and your claims adjuster:

- Don't alter the condition of the damaged property. Take whatever steps are necessary to protect your property from further damage.
- Contact your insurance agent as soon as possible. Provide your agent or insurance carrier all information pertaining to your claim.
- Make a list of damaged or destroyed property. Your adjuster will be able to work more quickly if he or she has a written list to work from. Photos of damaged property may also be useful.
- Keep records and receipts for all expenses you incur. Supplies purchased to protect damaged property, or the costs incurred while staying at a hotel while your home is being repaired, may be recoverable.
- Try to be patient. Once you report your claim, your

claims adjuster will respond as quickly as possible. Delays may be likely, as hurricanes often uproot signs and deposit debris on highways, severely impeding traffic.

Additional resources:

- National Hurricane Center: [nhc.noaa.gov/prepare/ready.php](http://nhc.noaa.gov/prepare/ready.php)
- Hurricane & Storm Tracking for the Atlantic & Pacific Oceans: [hurricane.terrapin.com](http://hurricane.terrapin.com)
- The Weather Channel: [weather.com](http://weather.com)
- Duke Energy Hurricane Preparedness: [duke-energy.com/about-us/about-energy.asp](http://duke-energy.com/about-us/about-energy.asp)
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security: [ready.gov/severe-weather](http://ready.gov/severe-weather)
- AlertMarion: [alertmarion.com](http://alertmarion.com)
- Florida Division of Emergency Management: [apps.floridadisaster.org/getaplan/](http://apps.floridadisaster.org/getaplan/)

For your convenience, a complimentary copy of the Ocala StarBanner's Storm Guide is also included with your home delivered issue of the World News this month.



First of all the Community Patrol would like to thank Gary Rodoff for his many years of leadership, and for making outstanding contributions to our community. We welcome and thank Paul Altman for volunteering to be our new chairman.

Talking about leadership, we also welcome board members Lennie Rodoff, Elmer Green, Jim Miller, Betty Chadwell, Diane DeHart, and Erwin Fluss. All indications are that we have a great team. Bill Richhart will take over the maintenance of the patrol car. The Community Patrol consists of volunteers serving as eyes and ears for the Marion County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) regarding safety in On Top Of the World and surrounding shopping areas.

We are not police and do not enforce laws, but provide great

comfort to the residents knowing someone is watching. Should anything unusual occur, we would report to MCSO.

Our meetings are held once a month. Lt. C.T. Welch keeps us up to date and at times provides special opportunities such as a K-9 demonstration or seeing the helicopter.

The patrol participates at the children's Halloween party and other events during the year.

We welcome your participation to join our active service group. Contact Paul Altman at (860) 460-7632 or [shelvesc@aol.com](mailto:shelvesc@aol.com) for further information.

**On Top of the World NEWS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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Remember, when working or planning activities outdoors, that our temperatures can climb into the 90s. The heat index climbs even higher, which can cause extreme heat exhaustion in a very short time. Drink plenty of fluids and try to plan your outdoor activities during the early part of the day.

**Pool Monitoring**

Summer is in full force and what better way to cool off than by dipping in one of our beautiful pools? This is a busy time of year for families to visit and monitors will be on duty at the Recreation Center checking resident IDs and ensuring all guests are accompanied by a resident. An adult must accompany children and the swim time for children under 15 is from noon to dusk during the week and no time restrictions on the weekends at the Recreation Center and Indigo East pools.



**The Lodge at Candler Hills**

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Trivia is held on the first Tuesday of each month, with the next one on Tuesday, June 4, in the ballroom, from 5 to 8 p.m. The cost is \$3 per resident and \$5 per guest attending with the resident. For more information, contact Diane Podkorski at (352) 547-6456.

Social Happy Hour is held on the third Saturday of each month with the next one being held on Saturday, June 15 in the ballroom, from 5 to 8 p.m. Enjoy live entertainment with Sal. Bring your own beverages, snacks and enjoy the evening with friends. Resident IDs are required for entry. Guest fees will apply for all guests.

Kocktails & Karaoke will be held on Thursday, June 27, with Charlie and Kathy in the ballroom, from 5 to 8 p.m. Bring your own cocktails and enjoy singing, dancing, and clapping with other Candler Hills residents. Guest fees are \$5 per guest and a resident must accompany all guests.

Our next Girls Night Out is on Thursday, June 20 so recharge those batteries and mark your calendar as this will be held in the ballroom, from 5 to 8 p.m. This will be a great opportunity to unwind, catch up, and have fun with some of your closest friends. Bring your favorite drink (BYOB); we will take care of the rest. Live entertainment with Fred Campbell, and appetizers will be provided. The cost of the event is \$12 per resident and \$15 per guest accompanied by residents. Please note resident IDs will be required. Pre-registration is required.

Join us for an "Island Pool Party" on Thursday, July 11 at outdoor pool, from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Fresh Plates Creative Catering will be serving tropical flavored mojo

Please note that coolers and alcohol are not permitted at the Recreation Center, Arbor Fitness Center and Candler Hills pool areas. Please also note that the pool rules are posted at all pool and spa areas.

**Telephone Directories**

The 2019 telephone directories have arrived. Please pick up your copy at Customer Service. If you have changes, you'll need to make them at that time.

**Room Request, Club Guest Notifications, Deposits and Room Set-ups**

Don't delay! Your room request forms for 2020 are due now! Rooms will not be automatically rebooked for the year without submitting a new request. Clubs planning events or meetings that will be hosting food, requiring special set-ups and having guest participation must submit the proper paper work two weeks prior to the event. Paperwork submitted after the two-week deadline is subject to non-approval.

**Dolphins Deep Sea Fishing Trip**

Join us on Tuesday, June 4 on the comfortable 85-foot boat that is equipped with all the latest fishing technologies. The boat has an air-conditioned cabin with seats and tables, as well as restrooms. You will fish the reefs of the Gulf Coast, catching a wide variety of fish, from grunts, white snapper and sea bass to grouper and cobia. Fish cleaning is provided by the

pulled pork, pico, flour tortillas, black beans, rice and grilled pineapples, tea and fused water. We will have live entertainment with Dave & Kenny. Tickets are \$15 per resident and \$18 per guest. This is a BYOB event! Please make sure that all drinks are in approved containers for the pool area. Pre-registration is required.

Join us on Wednesday, July 31, from 5 to 7 p.m. for a wine tasting event. Fresh Plates Creative Catering will serve specialty wines and an assortment of gourmet hors d'oeuvres. You will be able to enjoy easy listening music as you socialize with friends and neighbors. Ticket prices will be available soon. Please note that no outside alcoholic beverages will be permitted.

Do you enjoy music? We are going to put your music knowledge to the test with "Name That Tune." Our first game night will be on Wednesday, Aug. 21, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the ballroom. Tickets cost is \$5 per resident and \$7 per guest beginning June 1. Prizes will be awarded to winners.

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*\* Events and activities that take place at The Lodge at Candler Hills are for Candler Hills residents. Guests are permitted, where noted, accompanied by a resident, and fees apply. A guest is anyone not having an authorized Candler Hills resident ID card. Tickets for events at The Lodge at Candler Hills may be purchased at the front office.*

mates at a very reasonable fee. This is a full day of fishing, from 8 to 4 p.m. The cost of the trip is \$98 per person which includes transportation, fishing license, rods, reels, tackle, dead bait, guide with fishing vessel, water and soda.

**Happy Hour**

Join us for Happy Hour every Friday night in the Recreation Center Ballroom and on the outside veranda of the Recreation Center, from 5 to 8 p.m. The entertainment lineup for June is as follows:

- June 7: One Flite Up (Ballroom); Retro Express (Veranda).
- June 14: Dino (Ballroom); Fred Campbell (Veranda).
- June 21: "Jam Night" with Rock Solid, from 3 to 5 p.m.; 3 for the Road Plus 1, from 5 to 7 p.m.; and Katillac Jack, from 7 to 9 p.m. (Ballroom); Danny & Johnny, from 5 to 8 p.m. (Veranda).
- June 28: Groove 41 (Ballroom); Johnny G (Veranda).

Individual resident IDs will be required for entry into Happy Hour; anyone not producing a resident ID will be considered a guest and guest fees are \$5 per person. Children under the age of 15 will not be permitted to Happy Hour. Please note that no outside beverages of any kind will be allowed into Happy Hour.

**St. Johns Luncheon Cruise\***

Join us for a relaxing steamboat river luncheon cruise on the beautiful St. Johns River on Thursday, June 13. The river ship Barbara Lee is an authentic stern wheel paddleboat. Although it looks historic with its ornate wrought-iron railings and wooden wheels, the 105-foot ship was built in 1986. The boat has five decks, some open air and some closed, with large glass windows to take in the unspoiled view of the rippling river, water hyacinths, great herons, ospreys, eagles, turtles and alligators lazing along the banks. The cost of the trip is \$87 per person and this includes transportation, lunch with tips, taxes and four-hour cruise.

**Victory Casino Cruise\***

Join us for an afternoon of gambling on Wednesday, June 26, as we cruise on the Victory Casino out of Port Canaveral, Florida. You'll enjoy bingo, entertainment, live table games and over 300 of the latest slots. Dine in the Atlantic Café and receive free drinks while gaming. Please note that a valid government-issued photo ID will be required to board. The cost is \$45 per person and includes transportation, boarding of the Victory Casino and buffet.

**Social Hour**

Come join us for a relaxing evening with friends and neighbors on Thursday, June 27, from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom. You will enjoy easy listening music with Long White Cloud. A cash bar and hors d'oeuvres (while they last) will also be provided. This event is free!

**Tropic Trivia Night\***

Do you like trivia? Come challenge your neighbors and friends for a fun afternoon of mind-boggling, brain-taxing questions. We have added more tables, which increases your winnings! The next trivia will be held on Thursday, July 11, from 4 to 6 p.m., in the Recreation Center Ballroom. We will have tables of eight and you will select the team names. Please note you must have four or more paid contestants at a table to select a team name.

Each team's scores will be calculated and the team with the most points will win. There will be first, second and third place winners. A cash bar will be provided and you are welcome to bring snacks for your table. All beverages must be purchased at The Pub (no outside beverages permitted). Water is available at no charge. The cost is \$3 per resident and \$5 per guest attending with the resident.

**May's Winners**

1: La Triviata; 2: Sweet & Sassy; 3: Happy Ours.

**Community News**

Please note if you represent a club and you are planning trips or excursions by motor coach or bus pickup in the community, you must receive pre-approval from the Recreation Center office (Theresa Fields). Coach pickup and parking for trips or excursions are not permitted at any of the facilities in On Top of the World properties. Designated areas are assigned with approval.

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**Upcoming Events**

- Sunday, July 7: Rays vs. New York Yankees baseball game\*
- Sunday, July 14: The Dixie Swim Club Dinner Theatre\*
- Thursday, July 18: Enviro-Shred
- Thursday, July 25: Social Hour with Tony Manchiotte

*\*To register, call (352) 854-8707 x7533 or x7380. Payment is required at time of registration. No refunds will be issued 14 days or fewer prior to any event or trip. Events and activities that take place behind the gates of On Top of the World are for residents only.*

On Top of the World BUS SCHEDULE		
Monday - Thursday		
MORNING ROUTE	PICK-UP LOCATIONS	TIME
The Lodge	SW 87th Cir.	8:35 a.m.
Williamsburg	91st Cir. E. - 91st Cir. W - Post Office	8:42 a.m.
Providence	90th St. - 92nd Pl. Rd. - 96th Ct. Rd. - 97th Cir	8:47 a.m.
Avalon Post Office	Parking Lot	8:51 a.m.
Windsor East	94th Pl. - 94th Lp.	8:55 a.m.
Windsor West	95th St. - 95th Lp.	8:58 a.m.
Crescent Ridge 1 & 2	97th Lane - Post Office - 99th Ave. - 96th St.	9:01 a.m.
Recreation Center	At Bus Stop Sign	9:04 a.m.
Americana Village	89th Ct. Rd. - Post Office - 85th Ter. Rd.	9:08 a.m.
Friendship Village	Post Office - 84th Ter. - 93rd St.	9:12 a.m.
Friendship Colony	83rd Ter. - 90th Pl. - 87th Ave. - 97th St.	9:16 a.m.
Friendship Park	97th St. - 94th Lane	9:20 a.m.
Friendship Village	89th Ct. Rd. - 92nd St.	9:22 a.m.
Friendship Colony	90th St. - Post Office	9:26 a.m.
Candler Hills Community Center	At Bus Stop Sign	9:31 a.m.
<b>Exit Community</b>		<b>9:36 a.m.</b>
Indigo East Community Center	Parking Lot	Call one day in advance for pick-up
MORNING DESTINATIONS	ARRIVE	PICK-UP
Freedom Library	9:42 a.m.	12:40 p.m.
Jasmine Square	9:50 a.m.	12:35 p.m.
Dillard's/Kohl's	10:00 a.m.	12:25 p.m.
Sam's Club	10:10 a.m.	11:15 a.m.
Home Depot	10:15 a.m.	11:25 a.m.
Ollie's	10:18 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Paddock Mall	10:22 a.m.	12:15 p.m.
Walmart	10:27 a.m.	11:45 a.m.
Target	10:37 a.m.	11:50 p.m.
Hobby Lobby/Shady Oaks Shopping Center	10:47 a.m.	12:00 p.m.
Gaitway Plaza	10:52 a.m.	12:05 p.m.
<b>Return to On Top of the World to begin drop-off/pick-up for the afternoon run.</b>		
AFTERNOON ROUTE	PICK-UP LOCATIONS AND TIMES	
The Lodge	1:15 p.m. Candler Hills Community Center	1:20 p.m.
Crescent Ridge Post Office	1:38 p.m. Friendship Colony Post Office	1:25 p.m.
Recreation Center	1:43 p.m. Williamsburg Post Office	1:28 p.m.
Americana Post Office	1:49 p.m. Avalon Post Office	1:33 p.m.
Friendship Post Office	1:54 p.m.	
AFTERNOON DESTINATIONS	ARRIVE	PICK-UP
Friendship Center	2:00 p.m.	4:10 p.m.
Publix	2:05 p.m.	4:15 p.m.
Walmart Neighborhood Market	2:15 p.m.	4:25 p.m.
Aldi/Lowe's	2:19 p.m.	4:30 p.m.
Save A Lot	2:25 p.m.	4:05 p.m.
Big Lots	2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.
Beall's & Dollar Tree	2:40 p.m.	3:50 p.m.
Walmart	2:45 p.m.	3:45 p.m.
<i>* All times are approximate</i>		
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**Candler Connection**

Debra Keirn

Hot summer weather is upon us, and what a better way to cool off than at the two upcoming ice cream socials scheduled for Sunday, June 16 (Father's Day) and Sunday, Aug. 18. Tickets were sold in May for \$3 per person for each event. Both events will be held at The Lodge at Candler Hills, from 3 to 5 p.m.

Tickets for the August ice cream social will be sold again in late July or early August. More information regarding ticket sales will appear in the July issue of the World News and in "The Happenings." Come and join us for an afternoon of socializing and sampling of a variety of ice cream flavors and ice cream toppings. Ice cream sodas will also be available. Should you have any questions regarding these events, please contact John Bain at (352) 414-5434.

There will not be a potluck dinner in June; the next one is scheduled for Tuesday, July 30, at 5:30 p.m. at The Lodge at Candler Hills. Should you have any questions, please contact Deb Keirn at (352) 414-5737 or at arthurkipdeb@verizon.net.

The seventh annual barbecue picnic is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 20, from 3 to 5:30 p.m. at the pavilion next to the softball field. This

event is usually well attended by over 250 residents. Volunteers will be needed for this event.

The Candler Hills holiday party is scheduled for Friday, Dec. 13, at The Lodge at Candler Hills. More information will follow at a time closer to this event.

The following presentations are scheduled on Tuesdays for the speaker series, at 3 p.m., at The Lodge at Candler Hills:

- Oct. 8: Lisa High of Baldwin Brothers.
- Nov. 7: Friends of the Freedom Library and Marion County Library.
- Dec. 10: Bob Levinson of Hospice of Marion County.

If you are a new resident of Candler Hills, log onto candlerconnection.org and fill out the form to receive "The Happenings" by email to keep up-to-date with events and activities. There are 1,084 members in this database.

The Candler Hills Facebook group has grown to more than 650 members. Instructions to join this Facebook group are outlined in "The Happenings." This closed group is a great source of information.

The next Candler Connection board meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 4, at 2:30 pm. at Candler Hills Community Center. Any resident of Candler Hills is welcome to attend.

We hope you attend some of the above planned activities. See you around the neighborhood!



Photo by Bob Woods

London's famous Tower Bridge as viewed from an evening cruise on the Thames.

# Tower Bridge

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

This iconic bridge crossing the Thames River connecting both banks of London is called Tower Bridge because of its two huge towers. The bridge is both a bascule and suspension bridge, which was constructed between 1886 and 1894. The two towers are connected at their upper levels by two horizontal walkways withstanding the horizontal tension forces exerted by the suspension sections of the bridge on the landside of the towers.

Tower Bridge is located close to the Tower of London. The upper walkways of the bridge are accessible by foot. The bascule pivots and operating machinery are housed in the base of each tower. (A bascule bridge is a moveable bridge with a counterweight that continuously balances a span throughout the upward swing.) The bridge deck is accessible by both vehicle and pedestrian traffic.

Many tourists consider this bridge to be the London Bridge but it's not. The original London Bridge

was constructed out of timber between 1176 and 1209 and was always in constant need of repair. The old bridge survived more than 600 years. After many new bridge constructions at the site, the present bridge was constructed in 1831 but one side of the bridge started sinking and could not withstand 20th century automotive traffic. It was decided to sell the bridge. The present London Bridge crossing the Thames is just another bridge spanning the river at the same location as all its predecessors.

Back in 1967, London Bridge was sold and was reassembled at Lake Havasu City, Ariz. The founder of this Arizona community had the bridge dismantled piece by piece and numbered and then transported by ship through the Panama Canal to Los Angeles. It was trucked to Lake Havasu City and reassembled. Everyone thought he was a crackpot for doing this until the population of the city grew and the money started rolling in by millions of tourists visiting the desert community.

Tower Bridge is not just an iconic symbol of London but one of the country's most visited sites, both during the day and at night. The bridge is lighted in the evening and the river traffic with tour boats increases due to the beauty of the bridge's illumination.



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Candler Hills residents enjoying a pig pickins in The Lodge at Candler Hills after a very successful car rally.

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## Attracting Monarch Butterflies

By Janice Puta

When we think of monarch butterflies, we think of milkweed. Yes, that's the host plant, the food source for the caterpillars. However, what do the adult butterflies eat? In my yard, I've found them sipping nectar from yellow coreopsis, red salvia, pink brickellia, yellow black-eyed susan, white frostweed, purple liatris and ironweed.

Obviously color doesn't make a difference as to what nectar plants monarch butterflies can feed from. Two of the main criteria for any butterfly are if the butterfly can reach the nectar source with the size and shape of its proboscis (tubular mouthpart), and if the plant is sturdy enough to hold the butterfly while it settles down to feed.

Many of us native plant enthusiasts want to offer our butterflies Florida native plants. Making that choice helps to ensure that these native species of plants and butterflies are going to have a better chance at being around for generations to come. Although there are hybridized forms of several of the plants named above, data already shows that the nectar quantity was compromised for the sake of bigger flowers and more compact plants. Mother Nature still grows them the

best.

For a complete list of Florida native plants that specifically feed monarch butterflies, download the "Wild For Monarchs Brochure" compiled by the Wild Ones environmental education and advocacy organization at [monarchjointventure.org/images/uploads/documents/WFM\\_Brochure\\_final.pdf](http://monarchjointventure.org/images/uploads/documents/WFM_Brochure_final.pdf).

The plants are arranged as early, mid-season, and late-flowering plants. Consider having at least three different kinds of plants in bloom at any time. Whenever possible, grow the local genotype native plants that have co-evolved in their native habitats with other plants and wildlife. These local plants are more hardy and adapted to their region's particular climate and soil variations. Some seeds and plants may be available at native plant nurseries in Florida, and from your resident native plant enthusiasts.

To learn more about the native plants growing in our community, come join our native plant enthusiasts as we continue to maintain the Longleaf Pine Trail and arboretum, the SW 94th Street circle and the Belleview library native gardens. Call (352) 861-4560 for details. What a joy it is to grow native!

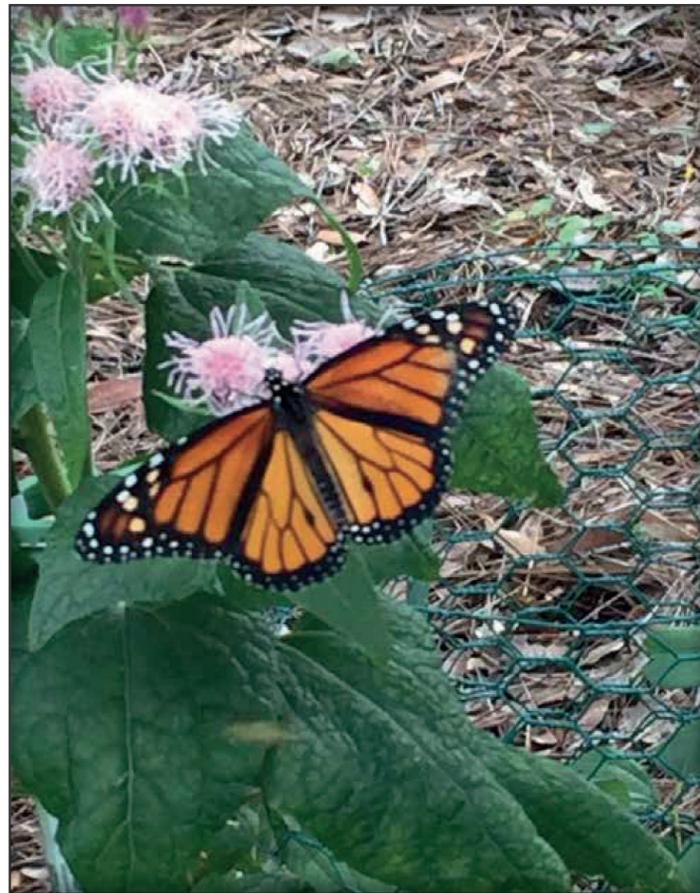


Photo by Janice Puta

Male monarch feeding on brickellia.

## School Year Comes to an End

By Janet Fragapane



Photo by Bill Shampine

Principal Catherine Balius of Romeo Elementary briefing the 100 Grandparents on school current events.

Our last visit for the school year was on Tuesday, May 14. The 100 Grandparents will be off for the summer, however many members will continue to be active with the children at Romeo Elementary.

In addition to our monthly visit, several of our members volunteer at the school throughout the school year. They help with many different parts of the school day - reading, art, nature or wherever they can lend a hand.

We accept donations of gently used or new children's shoes, clothing, sweaters, hats, bicycles, bicycle helmets, art supplies, yarn, buttons and school supplies. Donated children's underwear must be new and in unopened packaging.

Donated items may be left at Evelyn Holiday's front porch at 8880 SW 94th Street, Unit C (Friendship Village) or Janet Fragapane's front porch at 9891 SW 97th Place (Crescent Ridge II). If you require pickup of items, please call (352) 237-0304 or (352) 861-1575.

Hunger does not take a summer break. To help continue feed children over the summer and all year long, please send a check in any amount to Food-4-Children Backpack Program. P.O. Box 262, Dunnellon, FL 34430 (in the memo line write "for backpack program").

The Summer Slide reading program will take place over the summer. It is well attended and a great help to children who are learning English as a second language.

Thank you to Mary Till, Phyllis Jarskey, Carolyn Self, Linda Hind, Shirley Altomare, Jackie Ludmer and Avis Steigerwald for your donations.

School begins again in August. The 100 Grandparents will begin reading again in September. If you would like more information, please give Evelyn Holiday a call. You will be glad you did.

## Sholom Park is Blooming

By Christina Shearer

Beautiful blooms please the eye and delightful fragrances fill the air at Sholom Park. The pergebo, as we call it, is in full bloom with the sweet smell of jasmine. Jasmine, a vine in the olive family, is known for the characteristic fragrance of their small delicate white flowers. Their intoxicating aroma attracts you from several feet away. As you sit under the shade of the jasmine covered pergebo, you can't help but feel a sense of calm. Essential oils derived from the jasmine flower are a popular natural remedy for improving mood, overcoming stress and balancing hormones.

The park also has several beau-

tiful blooming magnolia trees. The large white, fragrant magnolia flowers are among the most beautiful in the world and have a long and romantic history of cultivation. Magnolias can smell like sweet candy, spicy verbena, tart lemon, citrus-honey or dusty violets.

The aromatic scent of gardenias fills the air as you make your way toward the labyrinth and the wall of lovely scented lagustrum line the walkway between the pavilion and restrooms.

The tall tropical foliage and bright red button ginger flowers will certainly catch your eye as you walk the park's pathways as well as

the beautiful orange pomegranate blooms near the colorful rose garden.

As the park continues to bloom, guests both young and the young

at heart can enjoy a relaxing walk and discover the sights and smells of Sholom Park. The park is currently open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. and you can experience it 365 days a year.

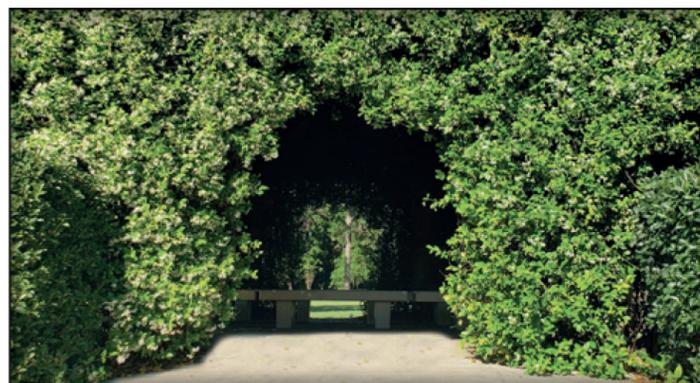


Photo by Christina Shearer

The pergebo at Sholom Park.



**Genealogy Society**

Peter Parisi

On Monday, April 8, Donna Cunningham gave an informative presentation "Twenty under \$20" in which she gave a list of 20 different podcasts, RootsTech videos, YouTube channel programs and affordable books which are either free or under \$20 from which you can obtain good genealogical information in your ancestral search.

A brief summary of her presentation is as follows:

At familylocket.com/category/research-tips/podcast/, episode 18 will show you "How to Create a Locality Guide" on your ancestor and episodes 35 and 36 will cover church records and how to find them.

At rootstech.org/video-archive, one class in 2019 on German church records by Trish Melander will show you how to use these records on Family Search.

On youtube.com/user/DearMYRTLE, you can find the latest genealogical news on "Mondays with Myrt," at noon. If you want easy tools to search Ellis Island ships' passenger lists and census records, go to stevenmorse.org.

For Donna's full presentation, visit our website, select "Genealogy Presentations" and click on "4-08-2019 Twenty under \$20 by Donna Cunningham."

On Monday, April 8, Lee Robertshaw also gave a presentation on "DNA Matches - MAP" and "ThruLines." For those people who have done Ancestry DNA, DNA matches have been available for a while.

However, now, when you click on "DNA Matches," there is a new choice on the filter line - "Matches Map." Selecting this choice will bring up a world map that shows where your matches live. Selecting any match pin will bring up your matches name and the relationship to you and their location if they provided it. For Lee's full presentation, go visit our website, select "Genealogy Presentations" and click on "4-08-2019 DNA Matches - MAP and ThruLines by Lee Robertshaw."

On Monday, June 10, the board will meet at 9:30 a.m. in the Hobby Building Event Room, followed at 10 a.m. by an open genealogy discussion meeting by the membership on genealogy issues or discoveries they have learned.

On Monday, June 17, at 10 a.m., we will hold an educational presentation in the Hobby Building Event Room. The presentation, "Timelines and Tables" by Debbie Smyth, manager of Oak Trails Genealogy Services LLC of Palm Harbor, Florida, will discuss how to utilize these timelines and tables in your research to correlate information and help keep you organized.

On Monday, July 8, at 10 a.m., we will hold a regular business meeting in the Hobby Building Event Room, followed by an open genealogy discussion meeting.

On Monday, July 15, at 10 a.m., we will hold a genealogy swap meet in the Hobby Building Event Room. We will use techniques taught by Debbie Smyth. Members are asked to prepare beforehand a "timeline" and bring it to the meeting at which we will pick some at random and note the suggestions.

Visit our website at otowgenealogicalsociety.shutterfly.com.



**Lions Club**

Sherry Whitmer-Hall

The Lions Club would like to thank everyone who attended the Memorial Day service. It was an honor to recognize and thank our On Top of the World veterans for their service to our country.

We all learned more about the Merchant Marines. We are proud of these brave men and their heroic service to our country. They never received the honor of being veterans. President Roosevelt passed away before he could have a bill passed which would have given Merchant Marines the benefits of being a veteran. The Lions Club used unique ways to honor the veterans of Korea and Vietnam. The veterans really enjoyed the video clips of "Bob Hope's Christmas Special."

The veterans' slide show has become a very popular part of the program. Each veteran had an individual slide with his or her picture,

name, rank and service information. This year, our residents added more than 40 pictures to the presentation. One of the veterans in the slide presentation was a Marine Iwo Jima survivor.

The Lions Club is currently planning events for the upcoming year. All the money our club raises with fundraisers goes right back to local charities in Marion County. We thank our residents in advance for attending our fundraising events.

Our Lions Club is doing a lot of fun and rewarding projects including military appreciation programs, collecting books for Marion County's Childrens' Literacy Program, Resident Emergency Health Form (a community service project), and recycling used eyeglasses.

Visitors are always welcome at our meetings at 6 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month in the Hobby Building Event Room. Until the Hobby Building is remodeled, the Lions Club meetings will be held in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite G. For more information about joining the Lions Club, please contact Lion Estelle Clark Michelson at (352) 861-7358.



**Southern Club**

Melanie Vittitow

On Thursday, May 2, the Southern Club held their final meeting for the season where we installed new officers and said goodbye to our current board who served for several years.

We want to extend our thanks to Ann Fields, Patty Hainzl, and Linda Rhodes. They did a great job and will be a hard act to follow; but I think our new officers are up to the challenge. Mike Rice, our fearless leader for both of our prize winning golf cart parades, takes over as president. Joann DelGuercio has taken on the duties of vice president. They already have some great ideas. Erik Cambier will be our new treasurer. We don't need a secretary because our meetings are very informal. Yours truly is remaining as membership/correspondence chairperson.

Besides getting a whole new board for next year, our meeting day is changing! The first Thursday was very busy for several of our members and the board, so we checked with management to see what else was available. The fourth

Friday of the month turned out to be the best choice, so that is the new day for our meetings starting in September. I'm sure we will get used to it very quickly. I will continue to keep you updated with these articles.

Our meal in May was not provided by our great Southern cooks. They had the day off. The club provided the whole meal and even the plates and utensils. Hardwood Smokehouse catered the event with a choice of pulled pork or sliced, smoked turkey. I had the turkey and it was fork tender. The others at my table who got the pork assured me that it was delicious also. The restaurant also provided three types of sauces and two sides. Our choices were potato salad and baked beans. Our president, who understands our likes, also purchased rolls and, of course, dessert. We each had a huge cupcake from Sam's Club. It was a well-rounded meal that everyone enjoyed even more because we didn't have to cook it! Thank you Ann and Patty for our great end-of-year dinner.

I will resume these columns in the September issue to remind everyone that our next meeting will be on Friday, Sept. 27. Any resident is welcome to join us. If you have any questions, feel free to call me at (352) 873-8690. If no questions, I'll see you in September.



**Midwest Heartland Club**

Elaine Sullivan

Please join us on Tuesday, July 2, at 5:30 p.m. for an Independence Day cookout at the pavilion near the softball field. We will play Mid-

west trivia. Please bring chips, sides and munchies. Paper plates and napkins are appreciated.

The club will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, and condiments. We will ask for a contribution of \$4 per person.

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**SWANS**

Sandi Dickerson

As mentioned before, Single Women Active Networking System (SWANS) is getting ready to head to Daytona Beach for our annual summer beach outing. Lolly Foos coordinated this event for us for many years. Unfortunately, Lolly will not be with us this year and will be sorely missed.

In March, one of our appetizer groups spent the day at the Downtown Square in Ocala. They had some very tasty tacos at a new restaurant and spent the rest of their day shopping in and around the square. Many lovely items were found at the boutiques and they enjoyed tasting several different balsamic vinegars. Since this group had enjoyed each other's company so much during their appetizer groups they decided to spend an extra day together before switching to different groups.

Speaking of switching groups, every six months the women in both our dinner in groups and our appetizer groups change. This way we get to know women we haven't yet met. You never know what new friend you will meet in these groups. Most of the women keep in touch with the friends they have made in their old groups even when moving on to a new one. In a very short time, you have a whole circle of supportive friends. As SWANS there is never a shortage of women to go to places and do interesting

things with when you wish.

Our monthly breakfast out was the first Saturday in May. Many of the ladies enjoyed wonderful steak and eggs. Our monthly dinner out was on the second Thursday in May. Our group enjoyed Japanese fare and one another's company very much. Our hostesses always find interesting places to go for breakfast, lunch, and dinner at least once each month. We look forward to getting the emails that announce which restaurants are on the agenda!

Many of our SWANS are involved in groups that play different games at least two or three times a week. We have many groups: samba, rummikub, bridge, mah jongg, and board games just to name a few. If you can play a game you are bound to find women in the SWANS who are more than willing to welcome you into their group or even start a new one. There is no reason to be alone or feel lonely once you become a member of SWANS. There are single women of all ages in SWANS but all enjoy each other's company! Remember SWANS are never alone!

We always welcome new members! We appreciate new ideas and suggestions from all of our members! If you have any questions about the SWANS, please contact Lois Nix. Lois has been the coordinator for many years and she has given freely of her time to make our group fun and worthwhile! She loves telling new women about our trips, charity work, and scheduled events.

**Active Singles**



Kathy Mansfield

Active Singles celebrated Memorial Day weekend on Sunday with a great picnic. As of this writing we have nothing to report but if it is anything like last year, a fun time was had by all. Mary Bennett and Kathy are this year's organizers. Contest winners will be announced next month.

The monthly second Tuesday happy hour at Candler Hills Community Center continues. A coverage charge of \$2 is required but is well worth the fun, music and easy socializing.

We are planning our second annual golf cart poker run for Saturday, June 22. Indigo East Community Center will be the start and the end of the poker run. We are looking forward to the potluck dinner following the cart parade and card draw throughout the communities. Beverly Cox volunteered to organize this event again for us. She did such a great job last year.

Walley ball continues every Sat-

urday at the Recreation Center. We also have monthly nine-hole golf scrambles. All levels of golfers are welcomed to join us for a round and then celebrate at The Pub.

We have some excited ladies who have signed up for weekly ladies shuffleboard instruction starting Wednesday, June 5. Natalie Torgeson is doing a fantastic job scheduling events twice a month for our walkers. Ella Grief stepped up to organize a first Sunday dinner on Sunday, June 2 at Southern Pig and Cattle Company.

During our April membership meeting our club discussed and voted on some changes to the club's guidelines/bylaws. As a club we voted to change the club's bylaws to alter the calendar year to start Jan. 1. We also agreed to form a nomination/election committee each year to support the election of a new board. These changes will be included in the updated guidelines/bylaws, which will be reviewed and voted on by the membership in the next couple of months.

Don't forget your non-perishable donations for Interfaith Emergency Services. You can bring them to our membership meeting on Wednesday, June 19.

**Women of the World**



Mary Purfeerst

"Never interrupt someone doing what you said couldn't be done." - Amelia Earhart.

And that is what we are doing! Women of the World began in 1983 and we are still going strong. Our May meeting concluded the 2018-2019 season and we will have a summer break with a new season starting in September. We have a new slate of officers and a new theme - "Live Your Best Life."

Please come to the Recreation Center Ballroom on Friday, Sept. 6, at 12:30 p.m. and bring your \$15

membership dues. We promise an exciting season with monthly motivational ideas. Put us on your calendar now!

Our new officers are as follows: Gail Curione, president; Amy Waller, first vice president; Michelle Kettlewell, second vice president; Mary Purfeerst, secretary; and Peggy Janish, treasurer.

We are hoping to meet and greet many new faces as we grow our club and always look forward welcoming those who have made Women of the World an important activity in their lives. In September, we will have our 2019-2020 program available with our constitution and bylaws listed, as well as our officers with contact numbers and the calendar of events for the year and monthly charity listing. See you in September!

**R/C LadyBirds**



Caren Kowalsky

Welcome to the beginning of summer and lots of outdoor activities. The trees are beginning to bloom, and the flowers are beginning to open. What a lovely time of year. It's time to be outside enjoying the lovely weather.

Thanks to Caren K., our April LadyBirds luncheon took place at Las Margaritas. All who attended enjoyed a great luncheon and great companionship.

Please be advised that we are in need of LadyBirds to sign up to be in charge of the June, August and September LadyBird luncheons. Please contact Caren K at (352) 291-1235 or allensky@earthlink.net, or Nancy D. at (352) 854-0309 or nancyj68@juno.com.

Lyn Titcombe has kindly volunteered to be in charge of our July LadyBirds luncheon. Please be on the lookout for her information.

Leigh Workman is still waiting to receive back the surveys she sent out. The end return date is Friday, May 31. Please take the time to

complete and return this very important survey.

Our president, Nancy Dreimiller, made arrangements at Mimi's Café for our May LadyBirds luncheon. As usual, all who attended had a good time.

To all R/C Flyers, we wish to invite each and every one of your wives and significant others to come and join us at our monthly LadyBirds meetings. They take place the second Friday of each month from September to April, beginning at 9 a.m. Just bring your beverage, and one of our very talented LadyBirds bakers will supply the delicious goodies. We look forward to meeting the ladies and welcoming them into our club. For information, contact Caren K. at (352) 291-1235 or allensky@earthlink.net.

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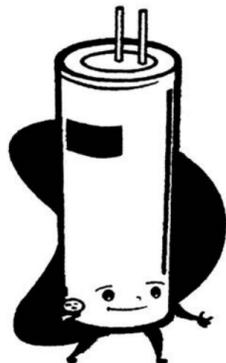
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Our May meeting was on Mother's Day and since we're heading into summer, our focus was on what we did as children for fun; some of which could also cause aggravation for our moms. Our quiz, "Games We Played as Kids," brought on a spirited debate of acceptable alternate answers. Sticking with the online quiz maker's solutions, Dan Hall and Lana Orend won with 12 out of 13 correct responses. From a prepared list of fun ideas to spark the reminiscing, members added even more items or shared a tale. Asked if anyone had a slingshot,

Dennis Pope revealed that he indeed had one and was such a crack shot that he popped a rabbit right between the eyes! There were differences in our experiences, of course, based on city versus country upbringing and the financial status of our families. Rich Wegel shared playing coin tossing, the object being to get the coin to land in the sidewalk cracks. Dennis Pope told of his washer game, which apparently involved just digging a hole and seeing who could toss into it the most washers - the metal hardware kind not the appliance kind. Bill Edwards had an actual appliance adventure. He and his pals took the door off of an old refrigerator and used it as a sled to go down the mountain. In an "annoying your mom" share, raised-on-a-farm gal Marie Wegel

told about hypnotizing the chickens and then running off with them with Mom in hot pursuit. Summer time also means time off for our club and we won't have meetings during June, July or August. Our next official meeting will be on Sunday, Sept. 8 when we plan to have a taco bar night with activities to be determined during the summer. We are a club for residents who have a "connection" to Texas by: being born and/or raised there; living there for work, college or military service; spending time there for any reason (vacation, professional, competitions, etc.); or having family living there. For more information about the club, contact Kathy Cornell at (352) 300-3729, (352) 562-2801 or kcornell54@cfl.rr.com.



Photo by Kathy Cornell  
**Unrolling a mysterious ball of straw resulted in a sunhat won by Rex Gaddy.**



Ending on a high note, Michigan Club wrapped up a very active season with their annual derby winner chicken dinner and horse race game. Steve Becker, Joan Brand and Tom Meininger directed the race that kept players on the edge of their seats. It was run between horses named after 12 On Top of the World neighborhoods. The winner was Windsor, followed closely by Larkhill and Providence - win, place and show. A spirited round of trivia, led by Kathy Becker and Claire Pardee, also took place. However, this season's most popular event of the Michigan Club was the annual salute to the Detroit Tigers, Coney Island picnic in the pavilion which drew 100 participants. The club served Michigan-

made Koegel franks from Flint with coney sauce and Vernor's ginger ale, a beverage made in Detroit. This year there were several notable meetings including one featuring the League of Women Voters in early November, who came to explain the complex election ballot, a Christmas party with a storyteller who took the group back historically to Michigan's home of Bronner's popular Frankenmuth and its world renowned dinners. This followed the Holiday Golf Cart Parade in which Michigan Club had several decorated carts. In January, Pat Gabriel of the SR200 Coalition spoke of new development and changes surrounding our community. In February, members were taken back to early Marion County by a costumed actress who spun tales of the past while teaching historic facts about Ocala and Dunnellon. In March, members delighted in wearing of the green, and several members came cleverly costumed



Photo by Nancy Meininger  
**Gary Uhley enjoys Coney Island day.**

to enjoy their monthly pot luck meet and greet. Michigan Club is open to anyone who has ties to Michigan, relatives there, attended college there or simply stopped to visit the Sand

Dunes while passing through. The club will be on summer break until October when its meeting schedule will resume. For more information, contact Nancy Meininger at (352) 342-9757 or Judy Wagnitz at (352) 509-7509.



We had a very successful potluck luncheon in May. Club members en-

joyed a variety of foods from appetizers to desserts, and everything in between! We also collected a large amount of food and personal hygiene items, which were donated to Interfaith Emergency Services to help stock their shelves for the up-

coming summer months. June is here and we begin our summer break, which extends to the end of August. Our regular meetings will resume on the fourth Tuesday of September. We'll see you in September; have a fun and

safe summer. All residents of Scandinavian descent are invited to participate in club activities (spouses welcome). Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of the month (September through May) at 1 p.m. in Arbor Conference Center, Suite B. For more information about the club, contact Ginny Nardone at (352) 304-8619.

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**World Traveler**

**Bill Shampine**

The southern tip of South America, called Patagonia, encompasses about 300,000 square miles of Argentina (about one-third of the country), and about 131,275 square miles of Chile (nearly half of the country). With a population of about two million people, the region is very sparsely populated. Patagonia is ecologically rich with an intensely beautiful, rugged and diverse countryside, including vivid green alpine meadows dotted with wildflowers, crystal clear glacial lakes, deserts, vast verdant grasslands, and blinding glacier fields stretching as far as the eye can see. It also is unique in that it is one of the very few regions in the world that borders three different oceans – the Pacific Ocean to the west, the Atlantic Ocean to the east, and the Southern Ocean to the south.

The Andes Mountains, with elevations as high as 22,800 feet, range north-south throughout Patagonia forms the border between Chile and Argentina, and have a substantial impact on the weather. As the wet westerly winds flow off the Pacific Ocean toward Chile, they have to rise to get over the mountains. Hydrology 101 tells you that cold air cannot hold as much water as warm air, so, as the rising air cools, the excess moisture falls as rain. Consequently, west of the mountains (Chile) is very wet, receiving as much as 275 inches of rain annually, whereas east of the mountains (Argentina), the rainfall drops to as low as 12 inches a year. The climate variation through-



Photo by Miguel Vieira

**The Paine Horns as seen from Lake Pehoé in southern Chile.**

out Patagonia results in a very diverse and vibrant collection of flora and fauna. Coupled with the magnificent scenery, these characteristics make it a favorite place for tourists to commune with nature, particularly along the coast at the southern end.

The Torres del Paine National Park is one of the most popular of several national parks in Patagonia. In fact, it has been selected as the fifth most beautiful place in the world by National Geographic, and the eighth Wonder of the World by TripAdvisor! Most of the parks are designed to support hikers, with

clearly marked paths and refugios, which provide shelter and essential services. For the less adventurous travelers, there also are hotels scattered around the park. In the park, you are likely to see guanaco (similar to a llama), rheas (similar to an ostrich), foxes, pumas, various birds of prey, Andean condor, swans, geese, and ibis. If you go to the coast, you also are likely to see whales, elephant seals and sea lions, not to mention enjoying robust seafood-based meals.

Another major tourist attraction is the Los Glaciares National Park that contains about 2,300 square

miles of glaciers. Of the 356 glaciers in Patagonia, one of the most popular is the Perito Moreno. It has a four-mile front with a height of more than 180 feet above water level. Stands have been built where tourists can observe the glacier's front wall, and watch for calving when huge chunks break off.

The best time to visit Patagonia is between September and April, during the southern spring, summer and early autumn. English is not widely spoken, however, so having some Spanish language skills or being part of a tour group would be useful.



**SPCA of Marion County**

**Paula Gajewski**

The last general meeting for the season was Thursday, May 16. Our meetings will then resume on Thursday, Sept. 19, at 1 p.m. at Bank OZK. We will send out reminders.

SPCA of Marion County stays active all summer. There are still animals for adoption, vet bills to pay, fundraisers at restaurants, and bunco prizes to gather. We hope to set up Sonny's BBQ fundraiser in July. We must have four volunteers to do the pet food packing two Mondays per month starting Monday, June 6.

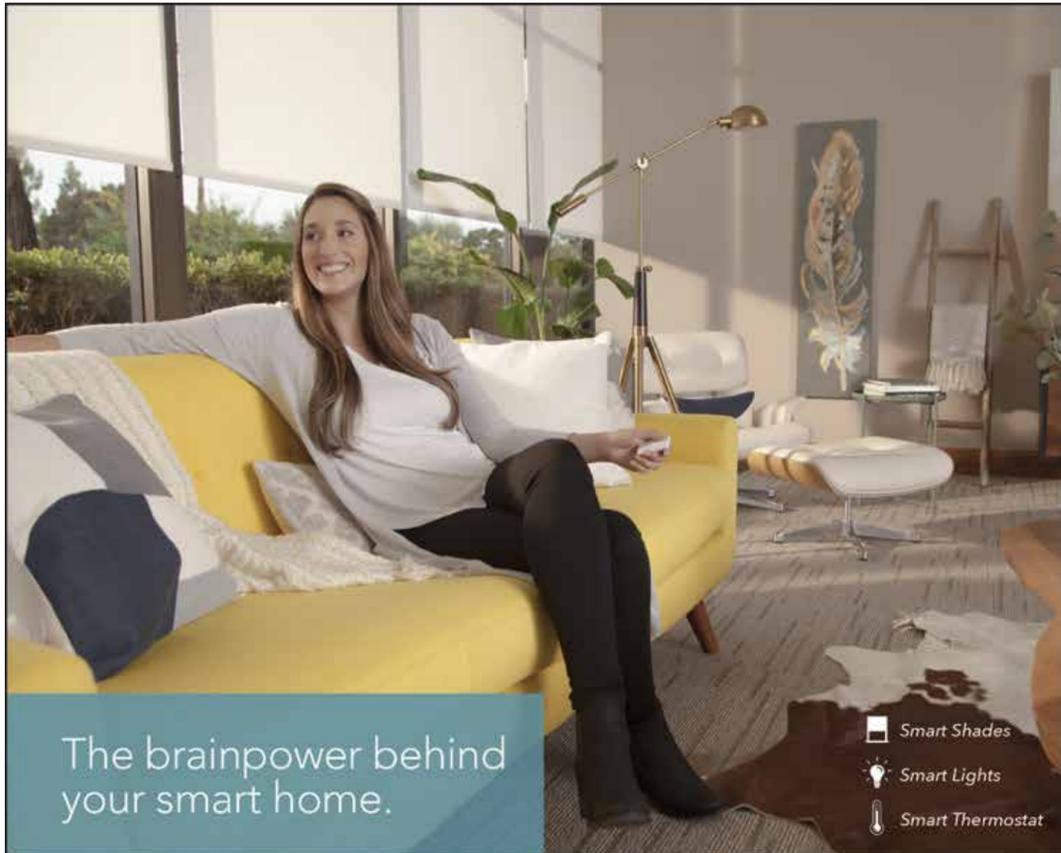
Foster parents are needed for dogs and cats. Call (352) 362-0985 to get an application. SPCA covers all expenses for the animals. The foster homes bring the love and care.

This month, we feature Olivia. She is a six-year-old sweet female Chihuahua and only six pounds. She is very protective of her foster mom - Evelyn. She is getting more socialized everyday.

Call today to meet this great little girl. Visit us at website [www.spcاوفmarioncounty.weebly.com](http://www.spcاوفmarioncounty.weebly.com) or at the weekly Farmers Market on The Town Square (except third Thursday).



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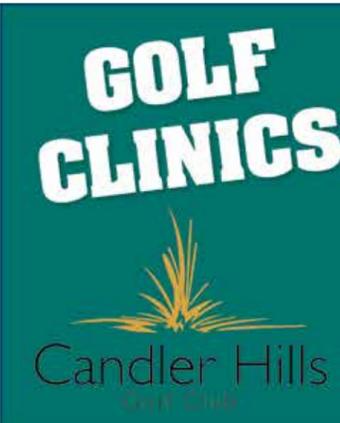
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If you walk away from a monthly meeting taking with you just one learned fact, then Jewish Club President Nancy Carp has accomplished her mission.

Experiencing record growth in the club this year, with many members joining from other faiths, our leader appears to have uncovered an unrequited yearning for knowledge among her members.

Raised in an Orthodox family, this former teacher has unveiled traditions, trivia, and customs, both religious and non-religious to over 200 Jews and non-Jews this year as her club has nearly tripled in size.

"A Jewish Moment in Time" is part of Carp's traditional meeting plan where she takes a historic event and brings it into the current moment.

Recently, during Passover, she

held a "Taste of Passover" explaining to attendees what each of the foods on the Passover plate represented. She even created a special Haggadah to provide clarity for this Jewish Club teaching Seder.

Afterward, members of the club applauded her approach, many saying that even growing up in a Jewish home they never really knew the meaning of much of their family tradition. Holocaust survivor Erwin Fluss said after all these years, he finally learned the real meaning of this holiday.

During Purim, the holiday which preceded Passover, Carp engaged several members of the club to act and wrote a play to portray to the audience the meanings of the holiday. It received rave reviews!

Plans for the fall and into next year include another fashion show to support Marion County's Kimberly Center for Child Protection, the club's chosen charity, an outdoor picnic, several speakers from a wide range of fields, and much more.

The Jewish Club is now on a



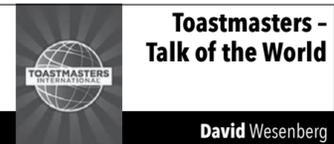
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**Nancy Carp teaches about Jewish food during a "Taste of Passover."**

summer break from formal meetings until September. However, plans are being made behind the scenes to continue monthly dinners through the summer. Membership will be notified via email and

through the Jewish Club Facebook page of details.

For further information about the club, contact Nancy Carp at (410) 935-2625.



This month we will meet on Wednesdays, June 12 and June 26, at 8:30 a.m. in Cypress Hall. Come and listen to some great speeches and watch Toastmasters speaking on their feet and wrestling with impromptu questions.

Wednesday, May 22 was our open house with a stimulating outside speaker and an icebreaker speech.



What a great opportunity it was to see Toastmasters in action.

What happens at a typical Toastmasters meeting? The order of a meeting is as follows:

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- Introduction of Toastmasters and participants
- Speeches
- Table topics
- Evaluations
- Close

Everyone gets a chance to speak. But to just believe that Toastmasters is a meeting and a chance to speak misses the point. The camaraderie and friendships that come from speaking and listening to

each other last a lifetime.

What are the benefits? First you become a professional listener taking in the elements of leadership and effective speaking. Then you present your first speech, the icebreaker and get feedback from listeners in the club. Were you within time? Did you use good grammar without aahs? Was your message understood? And most importantly, how can you improve next time?

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Congratulations to Leo McCormick for earning levels one and two in his USA Archery instructor certification. Leo also arranged a field trip and training session that took place at the Newberry-Easton Archery Center on Tuesday, April 16. All club members were invited. Those in attendance were Laura Daus, Pam Howard, Aggie Mahoney, David Miller, Bob Papirner, and Thomas Roach. Everyone did a great job and had fun. Bob Papirner ended the day with the highest score. More such training sessions and archery shoots are in the planning, at least until the archery range at the Veterans Park adjacent to Crescent Ridge is completed.

A hot dog and chili social was held at The Lodge at Candler Hills ballroom on Tuesday, May 7. Many thanks to Leslie McCormick and the many club members who helped to make this special event a success.

Please note that for June only, the board of directors meeting has been changed to noon, Tuesday, June 11, at the Arbor Activity Center Poker Room. The regular club meeting has also been changed to 2 p.m., Tuesday, June 11, at the Arbor Activity Center Poker Room. For more information, please contact Frank Tarentino at otowac@outlook.com or (978) 979-0814.



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Beetles and spiders and bees, oh my! A bug's life is no picnic in the park. Learn how the bugs of Sholom Park are put to work. Amanda Marek with University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agriculture Science will teach all about a bug's life and how they help protect the park. You will also learn about the world of bees with Bee Keeper/Consultant, Chappie McChesney.  
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**Travel Toppers**

Anne Parker

Travel Toppers has some exciting trips planned, and we want you to be a part of them.

Reservations will begin on Monday, June 3 for our trip to the Alhambra Theater in Jacksonville, Florida on Saturday, Nov. 9 to see "Jekyll and Hyde." Based on the classic story by Robert Louis Stevenson, this musical brings to life the epic struggle about the nature of man. The price of \$84 per person includes lunch, transportation, and all tips. The bus will depart at 8:45 a.m. and return around 5:30 p.m. Final reservations must be completed by Sept. 30. Please call Linda Hein (352) 861-9880 to secure your spot (weekdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.).

The seven-day trip to the 2020 Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta is now open for booking. Call Inge at (352) 237-7428 to hold your place (weekdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.). A deposit of \$200 per person is required at the time of booking. Air will be out of Orlando on Tuesday, Oct. 1 with all coach arrangements made with Mayflower Tours. This trip will include sightseeing in the Old Town of Albuquerque, the evening balloon glow, the mass ascension, two nights in Santa Fe, and other historic venues in the surrounding areas. The total cost is \$2,848 per person plus \$50 for the transportation to and from the airport. Please

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Space is limited for the seven night Eastern Caribbean cruise on the Oasis of the Seas sailing from Miami on Sunday, Nov. 24, and returning on Sunday, Dec. 1. Call Inge at (352) 237-7428 to book (weekdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.). Cabins start as low as \$1,280 per person double occupancy for an ocean view balcony cabin. Ports of calls are St. Thomas, USVI; San Juan, Puerto Rico; and Labadee, Haiti, before returning to Miami. A \$250 deposit is required at time of booking with final payment due Aug. 25. Travel protection is available from \$99 depending on type of cabin booked. With a minimum of 20 passengers, motor coach transportation can be provided to and from the Port of Miami.

We are planning a trip on Christmas Day to the Show Palace to see "Elf the Musical," the hilarious tale of Buddy the Elf, a young orphan who mistakenly crawls into Santa's bag of gifts and is transported to the North Pole. Buddy is raised unaware that he is actually a human, until his enormous size and poor toy-making abilities cause him to face the truth. With Santa's permission, Buddy embarks on a journey to New York City to find his birth father and discover his true identity. Watch for details about making reservations for this musical in a future column.

Visit us at [traveltopperstours.com](http://traveltopperstours.com) for a listing of current trips. Remember these trips are open only to residents and their guests.



**Favorite Recipes Dinner Club**

Luke Mullen

Our dinners last month were held on Saturdays April 20 and April 27, which included five dinners at club members' homes in which 34 diners participated.

Hosting our first dinner were Annette and Paul Hodges. Fran and Ken Kerl started the evening with deviled eggs and a cream cheese tortilla roll served with homemade peach and tomato salsa. Annette and Paul then served a mixed green salad. The main entrée was chicken and cheese lasagna roll-ups, with ricotta and feta cheeses covered with Alfredo sauce. The sides were grilled zucchini with red bell pepper, onion and cheese. Pat and Russ McNulty served an apple pie bread pudding for dessert.

Our second dinner hosts were Anne and Carl Crutchfield. Connie and Mal Press brought the appetizer, which were antipasto skewers. Nancy and Tom Meininger then served a baby spinach salad layered with fresh blueberries, strawberries, sliced bananas, and green and red grapes and drizzled with homemade dressing. Anne and Carl then served chicken divan along with rice pilaf. Linda Meyer and Randy Schmid then served a crumb cake.

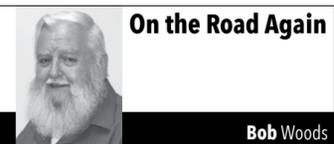
Our hosts for the third dinner were Mary Hannon and George Campbell. Ann and Conrad Massa

served artichoke, spinach and sour cream dip and dried beef rollups stuffed with cream cheese and horseradish. Pam and Jeff Bell then served a spinach salad with apples, dried cranberries, feta cheese and sliced almonds. Mary and George served roast pork with roasted vegetables, and asparagus. Lynn Palo and Carl Spotts followed with two desserts - key lime cream pie and a pineapple upside down cake.

Kathy and Don Grosner were hosts for our fourth dinner. Glory and Bruce Herget brought tater tots wrapped in bacon served with a Thousand Island dressing dip. Kathy and Don then served shrimp scampi with roasted red peppers and spinach over linguine. Side dishes were eggplant parmigiana and green salad. After the meal, Georgian and Joe Hilchey served pizzelles, an Italian anise cookie that looks like lace.

Fifth dinner hosts were Diane and Dave McCarthy. Kathy and Luke Mullen provided two appetizers - cherry tomatoes stuffed with marinated feta and Kalamata olives and blue cheese stuffed queen olives wrapped in bacon. Diane and Dave then served pork tenderloin marinated in apple juice and spices. Side dishes were company potatoes and a sweet pepper skillet. Phyllis and Al Richards then served a Pennsylvania Dutch peanut butter and chocolate pie.

Our club is looking for new couple members. If interested, call Luke at (352) 304-8104 for more information.



**On the Road Again**

Bob Woods

The summer months are approaching. There are plenty of things to do and places to visit. It's a big world ... go explore!

While you are reading this column, a large group of residents are venturing on a motor coach to Washington, D.C. The group will visit war memorials, hopefully, a tour inside the Capitol Building rotunda, Arlington National Cemetery and the Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknowns along with the Smithsonian Institution, and much more. The group will also visit Mount Vernon and the Museum of the Bible.

The club has just one trip remaining for the year to the annual Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta in Albuquerque, New Mexico where approximately 500 balloons will be lighted and take to the air in a mass ascension. We will tour the old city area in Albuquerque and Santa Fe plus many additional destinations. This is a seven-day, six-night trip.

The trip is sold out but the club has a short stand-by list. The stand-by requirement is just your name and phone number; when there is an opening, you will be called in the order of receipt. There is no charge or deposit required to place your name on the list.

Thinking about booking a cruise this year? According to Cruise Critic, here is one of five mistakes to avoid when booking a cruise: "Don't screw it up. Joking aside, booking a cruise is one of the more complicated vacation purchase transactions you can make. Picking a hotel or choosing a rental car is a much simpler process, simply because there are fewer criteria to consider. With a cruise, you have a whole host of factors to think about: ship, cabin category, package options, and the list goes on.

Wave season deals can hang around for months, but cruise lines are constantly promoting one day to one week sales with shorter booking windows. More importantly, as ships start to sell out, the best prices and the best cabins disappear.

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Photo by Bob Woods

The purplish blooms of heather are everywhere in August in Scotland and on the hills of western England and Wales.

# Scottish Heather

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

Scotland is well known for its heather. The most common type being "ling" heather, which is hardy, fast growing, and loving wet, poor, acid, sandy soils, which is typical of hearths.

Heather is native to Ireland, Scotland, Scandinavia, Russia and northern North America. Many fields and hills in the hilly western sections of England and Wales are also home to heather.

Heather comes in many colors but the most popular are lilac and purple. White heather is less common and is thought to be lucky. Heather usually blooms twice a year in Scotland - early summer and late summer or early fall. The month of August is the best month generally to view the full beauty of heather.

Heather grows freely and in great amounts, spreading its glorious purple hues across approximately five million acres of Scottish moorland, glens and hills. Perhaps its abundance is the reason the Scots have found so many practical uses for one of their national flowers.

What does the flower symbolize? It symbolizes admiration and good luck. Heather is also believed to have protective powers.

Heather has been mentioned in countless Scottish songs. One famous verse in "Loch Lomond" describes heather as

"'Twas there that we parted in yon shady glen  
On the steep, steep side o' Ben Lomond

Where in deep purple hue, the hieland hills we view

And the moon comin' out in the gloamin'."

(Gloamin' means twilight.)

Heather has been utilized in household and farm tools such as brooms, hoes, rakes and ropes. It has also been used to dye cloth. Heather is also a popular color in traditional Scottish clothing and tartans.

Heather is also known for its medicinal properties and has been used to treat all kinds of conditions and ailments. Today, heather is even utilized in aromatherapy products and as an internal cleanser and detoxifier. Heather can also be found in scented soaps, candles, and perfumes.

It is believed that the Picts (Scots dating back to the Late Iron Age and Early Medieval periods) developed a recipe for ale that relied entirely on the heather plant for its sweetness and fermentation. It was extremely highly valued and the recipe was kept a secret with the Pictish king and his first-born son. The secret ale potion was never passed on.

Since ancient times (going back before the birth of Jesus Christ) dried Scottish heather was used as

a fragrance and to make a bouncy mattress. On the island of Skara Brae in the Orkney Islands, evidence has been found in a 4000-year-old village. Historically, heather beds were considered to be just as comfortable as feather beds. The dried

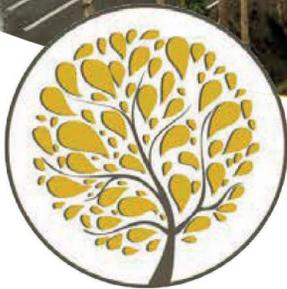
stalks and flowers of the heather are very light and soft.

Heather is plentiful and can be viewed all over Scotland, north-western England and Wales. The beauty this flower gives to the countryside is magnificent.



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At a beach on Bonaire, a pink flamingo, made from collected beach trash, stands at just about 10 feet in height.



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## Call of the Wild Sports Club Goes Fishing

By Ray Cech  
World News Writer

On Saturday morning, April 27, Tusawilla Park was abuzz with kids and their fishing poles, all dreaming of catching "the big one."

Sponsored annually by the Ocala Recreation and Parks Department, the youth fishing derby is held for kids ranging in ages three to 14. It's an opportunity for them to learn how to bait a hook, cast a line and land the "big one" – and the not-so-big ones. Of course, the kids would then, often squeamishly, unhook their catch and release it back into the water.

Call of the Wild Sports Club members were there to work with nearly 70 kids who showed up to try their hand at casting their baited line and catching a fish. At the end of the day, prizes were awarded. The biggest fish, 23 inches weighing about four pounds, was landed by a nine-year-old girl (name withheld). The most fish caught was by a four-year-old boy who didn't know the meaning of quitting. How many did he bring ashore? "Too many to count ..."

Multiple sponsors, including Miller Marine and our very own, Call of the Wild Sports Club, contributed

their time and generosity to make sure the kids had fun, along with learning a few fishing techniques – from the pros. Just about every kid was awarded a prize for their participation. It was a great day for them, some who had never cast a line before but may now be dream-

ing of catching the big ones somewhere out in the Atlantic.

Roger Bonifield, president of Call of the Wild Sports Club, is an avid hunter and fisherman. When he moved to On Top of the World about two years ago, he looked around to see what Florida had to offer by way of sport. Roger discovered that there wasn't an organization in our community dedicated to either fishing or hunting – so he filled the void. There are now more than 100 members in the Call of the Wild Sports Club and most of their outings are fishing trips.

They shore fish in waters like Crystal River, and Wildcat Lake in Ocala National Forest. Members also participate in the fishing trips organized by the Recreation Center.

Bonifield said that the club donated their time and resources and helped sponsor the youth fishing derby as a way for members to give back to the surrounding community. He said, "We probably got as much enjoyment and excitement out of getting the kids engaged with fishing, as they did in, "landing the big one."



Photo by Ray Cech

Call of the Wild Sports Club volunteers at Tusawilla Park in Ocala, Florida.



Photo by Micki Malsch

Bunco for Babies raised much-needed funds for March of Dimes March for Babies.

## Bunco for Babies

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

The fourth annual Bunco for Babies game was held in April at The Lodge at Candler Hills to benefit the March of Dimes March for Babies. This charitable event was organized by Michelle (Micki) Malsch.

This year, the participation has grown to 140 residents supporting this worthwhile event. To play, attendees purchased a \$25 ticket that included a buffet lunch, which included a variety of sandwiches, fruit cups and homemade desserts made by Micki with the aid of volunteers.

There were cash prizes for game winners with all profits from the event going to March for Babies.

The fundraising event collected \$6,043, including over \$1,000 from a bake sale held at last year's super bingo in the Recreation Center. The additional funds came from a 50/50 raffle and silent auction.

Bunco is a social dice game

which involves 100% luck and no skill, making it a game that anyone can play with just a few hands of practice.

The money raised by this annual event raises awareness to fight birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality. The money raised for the March for Babies helps programs that provide research not only to save the lives of babies, but also to provide expectant mothers with support.

This is Micki's 13th year of fundraising for the March of Dimes. Micki has been one of the top fundraisers for this event in Marion County for the past three years. She is featured in the May issue of Ocala Magazine as being one of the top volunteers for her fundraising efforts for the March for Babies.

Interested in learning a little more about playing bunco? There are three bunco clubs and they are open to both female and male residents. The clubs are listed in the club pages of your community telephone directory. Or contact Micki at (352) 615-2790 or mckigfy35@aol.com.

Micki would like to publicly thank all the volunteers who helped make this year's Bunco for Babies a huge success.

## Bocce Season Ends with Big Wins

By Michelle Malsch

This is how we roll! Open bocce is played on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Please arrive a few minutes early so that a count can be taken and the numbers of players per court can be determined.

Evening bocce is now played on Monday at 6:30 p.m. This is a league open playtime slot. If you plan to play, arrive a few minutes early for sign-up. Open bocce is a good opportunity to practice or learn the game. Anyone who shows up can play. Teams are determined by the luck of the draw.

This is your chance to watch and learn, or play, however, as a new player, once you have played with the league on three occasions, you will be expected to join the league, pay dues, and sign a Release and Hold Harmless consent form. Dues are \$10 and entitle you to play as many times as you want when league or open are played. Any league representative can provide you with the form and collect your dues.

The best of bocce league was

held on Tuesday, April 30. Eight teams participated and by the process of elimination of games won, The Strikers, consisting of Billy Boone, Bill Weir, Tony Marucci, and Dave Smith came out on top.

The best of bocce open was held on Thursday, May 2. Teams were determined by the luck of the draw. The team consisting of Gary Schulte, Billy Boone, and Danny and Peggy Tirro were victorious. All who participated had a great time.

The bocce league season ended with a banquet on Saturday, May 4 in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E-H. Fifty-five members enjoyed a catered chicken dinner and dessert, as well as a 50/50 raffle. Special thanks to all members who helped to make this a fun event.

League play will commence on Tuesday, Oct. 1, at 9 a.m. Dues will be increased to \$12 and will be due no later than Oct. 15.

We are always looking for new players – league and open. For information, please contact President Terry Connolly at (352) 300-3043. Until we roll again ...



Photo by Bill Osis

The Strikers – Billy Boone, Dave Smith, Bill Weir, and Tony Marucci – were the winners of the league best of bocce.



Photo by Bill Osis

Billy Boone, Danny Tirro, Peggy Tirro, and Gary Schulte came out on top for best of bocce open.

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1	21	50	71	

**Bingo**  
Nancy Grabowski

Welcome to the wonderful world of bingo! Every Wednesday, from January through November, we play in the Recreation Center Ballroom. Our volunteers begin selling 70/30 raffle tickets shortly after 4 p.m. and more volunteers sell the playing cards beginning at 4:30 p.m. Cards are sold until 5:45 p.m., unless we sell out beforehand. The winning raffle tickets are drawn before we play bingo, which starts in earnest at 6 p.m.

There are 20 games in each session with a 10-minute intermission between games 10 and 11. The 10th game is always a cover-all minus one (anywhere on the card) and the 20th game is always a jackpot, which continues to grow until it is claimed. The other 18 games are varied and so is the payout.

Everyone must bring his/her resident ID card. Guests are welcome at all sessions other than super bingo. Cards at our regular sessions

cost \$1 each. Our cards have sliders so no markers are necessary.

There are no assigned seats at bingo and newbies are encouraged to participate. As a reminder, we do ask that cell phones be turned off or put on silent for the comfort of all our players and that talking be held to "library-like" tones! No alcohol, beer or wine is allowed per Florida law on the gaming floor; The Pub is open for service until 8 p.m.

Super bingo is held two times each year. Our latest session was held in April. Sixteen games worth \$75 each were played and four jackpot games at \$250 each. The first \$250 jackpot was won by Cindy Goggin and the last jackpot was won by Grace Cappiello. Each of the other two jackpot games were split by five lucky winners. Our next super bingo will be held in November.

The new officers of bingo are President Carl Folkers, Secretary Terri Molnar, Treasurer Nancy Grabowski, and Head Caller Ron Motchkavitz. We have an amazing group of volunteers who serve in a variety of capacities. We welcome more volunteers throughout the year, see one of the officers if you are willing to join the fun!

**Mexican Train Chicken Foot**  
Barbara & David Lee

Congratulations to our group! Our trains have successfully completed two years of playing! We have met so many new friends and we feel so blessed that they are enjoying the group.

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with numbers (with me) or dots (with my husband). Even if you've played before, we will show you how to play our version. We supply the dominos both number sets and dot sets from twelve to zero. We try to finish reaching the zero tile each week, however not all tables reach this journey. Join us and come meet new friends; it's fun!

The cost is one quarter. Table with the highest score gets back their quarter and winner gets the rest. We try to play six to a table but sometimes it's four. In order to play, you must present your resident ID the first time and register.

The object is to play all your dominos on your train, the table train, or on other player's trains if the train is in the station. Playing a double domino creates a "chicken foot" where three players must play a matching number. Come see our newly renovated room and join our group.

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**CARDS & GAMES**

**Monday Afternoon Bridge**  
Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson

**April 1**  
1: Shirley Stolly & Linda Yuen; 2: Jim & Ruth Jackson; 3: Betty Morris & Pat Gogart; 4: Joe & Helen O'Brien; 5: Rad D. & Bernie Kelly.

**April 8**  
1: Elsa Groe & Fran Griswold; 2: Don & Linda Sprague; 3: Cleona Redman & Mary Rose Janssen; 4: Caryl Rosenberger & Barbie Trebilcock.

**April 15**  
1: Joan Lord & Craig Ford; 2: Paul & Patsy Claremont; 3: Caryl Rosenberger & Barbie Trebilcock; 4: Jim & Ruth Jackson.

**April 22**  
1: Paul & Patsy Claremont; 2: Betty Morris & Pat Gogart; 3: Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson; 4: Sharon David & Joan Lord.

**April 29**  
1: Caryl Rosenberger & Barbie Trebilcock; 2: Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson; 3: Rad D. & Bernie Kelly; 4: Darlene Clark & Else Groe.

**Tuesday Night Dup Bridge**  
Marie Fiorillo

**April 2**  
North/South 1: Caryl Rosenberger & Jack Heller; 2: Sophie Redman & Jean Kreuger; 3: Paul Pinter & Ed Bodnar.  
East/West 1: Peg Borro & Sharon Miller; 2: Joe McKeown & Lucy Molloy; 3: Barbara Heller & Barbie Trebilcock.

**April 9**  
North/South 1: Caryl Rosenberger & Paul Agarwal; 2: Kathie Dushary & Marjorie Benton; 3: Dan Lack & Ed Bodnar.  
East/West 1: Peg Borro & Sharon Miller; 2: Barbie Trebilcock & Bettirae Woodruff; 3: Betty Devoy & Rita Smyth.

**April 30**  
North/South 1: Patsy & Paul Claremont; 2: Dan Lack & Ed Bodnar; 3: Caryl Rosenberger & Jack Heller.  
East/West 1: Barbara Heller & Barbie Trebilcock; Tie at 2/3: Joe McKeown & Lucy Molloy & John Lollo & John Leasure.

**Wednesday Afternoon Beginners Bridge**  
Jean Krueger-Travis

Practice and play with new bridge players or those returning to bridge after "many years."

We will meet at the tables in the Master the Possibilities Living Room every Wednesday, from 1 to 3 p.m. Please contact Jean at (352) 414-5907 or jakt@excite.com to indicate if you will attend, or if you have any questions.

**Wednesday Afternoon Bridge**  
Dianne Robinson

**April 3**  
1: Craig Ford; 2: Marian Hotz; 3: Dianne Robinson; Tie at 4: Marlene Foeckher & Helen O'Brien; Cons: Pat Gogart.

**April 10**  
1: Joe McKeown; 2: Rosann Ross; 3: Maureen Mead; 4: Dianne Robinson; 5: Betty Morris; Cons: Marlene Foeckher.

**April 17**  
1: Bernie Kelly; 2: Helen O'Brien; 3: Betty Morris; 4: Joe McKeown; 5: Dianne Robinson; Cons: Rad.

**April 24**

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1: Shirley Stolly; 2: Bernie Kelly; 3: Donna McMurray; Cons: Betty Morris.

**Thursday Night Bridge**  
Pam & Jeff Bell

**April 11**  
1: Marlyn Valchin; 2: Brent Powell; 3: Lucy Molloy.

**April 18**  
1: Fran Griswold; 2: Brent Powell; 3: Marlene Foeckher.

**April 25**  
1: Fran Griswold; 2: Jeff Bell; 3: Sara Anderson.

**May 2**  
1: Fran Griswold; 2: Patsy Claremont; 3: Paul Claremont.

**May 9**  
1: Brent Powell; 2: Lucy Molloy; 3: Fran Griswold.

**Friday Ladies Luncheon Bridge**  
Jean Krueger-Travis

We will meet in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite C on Friday, July 5 and Friday Aug. 2, at 9 a.m. There will be no game Friday, June 7. Please contact Jean (352) 414-5907 or jakt@excite.com to indicate you will attend, or if you have any questions. Please bring your own brown-bagged lunch. Soda, water, and dessert are provided.

**Monday Night Euchre**  
Bob Bicknell

**April 15**  
Tie at 1: Phyllis Jarskey & Phyllis Wall; 2: Jerry Dean.

**April 22**  
1: Mike Gerbo; 2: Amy Burris; 3: Jean Gillette.

**April 29**  
1: Billy Swing; 2: Phyllis Jarskey; 3: Bob Bicknell.

**Wednesday NASCAR® Euchre**  
Bob Bicknell

**April 10**  
1: Phyllis Wall, Sharon Dean; 2: Henry Vieu, Roger Tiessen; 3: Sharon Coldiron, Dave Smith; 4: Chip Parsons, Noreen Snively.

**April 17**  
1: John Wall, Jerry Dean; 2: Mary Bartel, Mary Bicknell; 3: Walter Hickenlooper, Roger Tiessen; 4: Sharon Dean, Henry Vieu.

**April 25**  
1: Henry Vieu, John Wall; 2: Chip Parsons, Phyllis Wall; 3: Sharon Dean, Marsha Vieu; 4: Jo Swing, Roger Tiessen.

**May 1**  
1: Mary Bicknell, Roger Tiessen; 2: Bob Bicknell, Jean Gillette; 3: Dave Smith, Arlene Luehrs; 4: Edith Kolb, Sharon Coldiron.

**Friday Night Euchre**  
Bob Bicknell

**April 12**  
Tie at 1: Marion Hotz, Joan Sigafoos; 2: Bob Bicknell; 3: Donna Lehner.

**April 19**  
1: Richard Miles; 2: Jean Gillette; Tie at 3: Marion Hotz & John Wall.

**April 26**  
1: Joan Sigafoos; 2: Richard Bartel; Tie at 3: John Wall & Jean Gillette.

**May 3**  
1: Phyllis Wall; 2: Joan Sigafoos; 3: Phyllis Jarskey.

**Tuesday Night Pinochle**  
Herb Katz

**April 2**  
1: Rick Carrol; 2: Andy Nuccio; 3: Herb Katz.

**April 9**  
1: Whitney Frye; 2: Gayle Argano; 3: Jim Recor.

**April 16**  
1: Ilene Casper; 2: Dan Ebbighausen; 3: Whitney Frye.

**April 23**  
1: Walter Hickenlooper; 2: Marian Hotz; 3: Ilene Casper.

**April 30**  
1: Andy Nuccio; 2: Lucy Eberly; 3: Paul Pinter.



**Ladies 9-Hole Golf**

Judith Parisi

A big thank you to Sue Jackinas and her committee: Cheryl Duke, Dawn Hagberg and Marilyn Davsko for coordinating the 2019 awards banquet. The tables were set with "marTEeni" glasses with an olive fashioned out of a golf ball and tees seated in a real martini glass. Thank you to Dawn Hagberg's husband for his work on these great favors.

Eileen and the committee did a fantastic job with the program. Eileen noted we just completed our 35th year as a league. She recognized our alumni who joined us and the many ladies who headed the committees - Sherry Whitmer-Hall, Kathie Dushary, Virginia Bayless, Judy Parisi, Barbara Enos, Carla Kimball, and Adele Stelljes - all of whom were presented carnations.

Special thanks went out to Kay Budd who organized the pre-order of lunches during this past year, and to Sherry Whitmer-Hall and Suzanne Weirick for taking the orders before play.

Eileen recognized our immediate past presidents including Kay Budd, Ethel Miller, and Caroline East. A special shout out went to a lady who inspires us all - Mary

Hart. Mary demonstrates resilience and determination and is just a lovely person.

She also recognized the organizers for the event, and thanked them on behalf of the league. Eileen recognized the retiring officers - Dolores Jaynes and Linda Mandala - each of whom received a beautiful embroidered golf towel.

Eileen announced the most improved player for this season - Sherry Whitmer-Hall.

The group gave Eileen, our retiring president, a standing ovation for her tireless work on behalf of the league not just as president, but for her years as vice president and treasurer. Eileen was presented with a small token of the league's appreciation for her dedication on our behalf.

To see photos and read more about this event, please visit [otowladies9holeleague.shutterfly.com](http://otowladies9holeleague.shutterfly.com).

**Criers**

**April 16/The Tortoise & The Hare (Front 9)**

Flight 1: 30-Kay Budd; 31-Dolores Jaynes; 31-Eileen Gustavus; 31-Janis Hannasch.

Flight 2: 27-Myra Noel; 30-Linda Mandala and Marlene Floecker; 32-Barb Enos.

Flight 3: 28-Suzanne Weirick and Donna McCombs; 30-Louise Line-man; 29-Jean Jarmel

Flight 4: 28-Jean Flynn; 29-Joan Loureiro; 33-Sherry Whitmer Hall; 34-Michaele Beyer.



Photo by Judy Parisi

**Awards banquet organizers.**

**Step Back Scramble April 23/The Tortoise & The Hare (Back 9)**

38-Caroline East, Lydia Flinchbaugh, Suzanne Weirick, Michaele Beyer; 40-Kay Budd, Dawn Hagberg, Emily Brown, Mary Vlieg; 41-Dolores Jaynes, Myra Noel, Ethel Miller, Eve Harvey; 42-Susane Trembulak, Marlene Floeckher, Jane Wilson, Mary Hart; 42-Carla Kimball, Carol Johnson, Marcie Hock, Joan Loureiro.

**Revert Two Holes to Par/Total Net/To Par Net April 30/The Tortoise & The Hare**

**(Back Nine)**

Flight 1: 21/-5-Barbara Enos; 23/-4-Suzane Trembulak; 26/-2-Eileen Gustavus; 24/-1-Caroline East; 25/-1-Carla Kimball; 25/-1-Virginia Bayless

Flight 2: 20/-6-Lydia Flinchbaugh; 21/-5-Liz Pruss; 24/-2-Myra Noel; 24/-2-Angela Ward; 25/-2-Mary Ann Polizzotti.

Flight 3: 21/-5-Marcie Hock; 21/-5-Marlene Floeckher; 23/-3-Carol Bell; 22/-3-Judy Parisi.

Flight 4: 23/-4-Donna McCombs; 25/-1-Mary Vlieg; 26/-E-Ann Flynn; 26/-E-Mary Hart.



**Men's Golf Association**

John Yenne

The MGA will treat members to free food on league day Wednesday, June 5. Bring your appetite and best game for the two-man scramble.

The free food day will repeat on Wednesday, July 3, and our famous Chicken Day competition will restart on the first Wednesday in August.

Related congratulations go to the membership for winning the annual Ryder Cup competition against the Candler Hills men in April.

And don't forget that a compact and laminated quick-reference rules card is available to the

membership. It's designed to clip to the steering wheel of your golf cart underneath your league scorecard. The card highlights the significant changes to the Rules of Golf that impact league play this year.

In other news MGA membership stands at 239. Please welcome our newest member, Tim Williams.

Mark these dates on your calendar (all on The Tortoise & The Hare):

- Wednesday, June 5: Two-man Scramble.
  - Wednesday, June 12: Individual Net (Executive Course).
  - Tuesday, June 18: Scramble at Candler Hills.
  - Wednesday, June 19: Course closed.
  - Wednesday, June 26: Team Blind Holes.
- Chicken Day Scramble May 1**

Tie at 61-Mike Madura, Douglas Kelchner, Fred Strelec and John Bauer; Joe Wilks, Daniel Gill, Larry Zieser, and Phelps White; Steven Sarkozy, Tom Fragapane, Wally Schilf, and Vince Dellapenta. Tie at 62-Rick Schriewer, Jerry Dennis, Dan Carty and John Owen; Carl Singleton, Larry Cordill, Paul Silliman and David Stafford; Anthony Morris, John Parnau, Norman Schulze and William York; Rod Zink, Tom McHaffie, James Merrick and Leonard Ruble; Rusty Rhodes, John Langville, Mike Benes and Barry Barringer. Tie at 63-Larry Manion, Dan Goggin, and Paul East; Gary Hassett, Roy Coombes, Tom Neville, and Tim Torrey; Charles Crenshaw, Jim Lefaver, Tony Loureiro and John Spielvogel.

**Individual Low Net May 8**

Flight 1: 62-Brian Wilder. Tie at 65-John Hudacik, George Blankenship,

John Langville, Jarrett Englar. Tie at 66-Joe Wilks, Larry Manion.

Flight 2: 61-Frank Smith. 63-Carl Singleton. 64-John Spisak. Tie at 65-Mike Wathen, Dennis Barber. Tie at 66-Gregory Dyer, John Spielvogel. Flight 3: Tie at 62-Mike Kurlakowsky, John Parnau. Tie at 64-Kevin Hammonds, Claude Howie, Ron Delaney. 65-Jerry Dennis.

Flight 4: 59-Bob Barbee. Tie at 64-Fred Strelec, Bob Gee. 65-Ralph Solvold. Tie at 66-Brad Weirick, Paul Richards.

Flight 5: 56-Danny James. 59-Leonard Ruble. 64-Vince Dellapenta. 66-Steve Molnar. 67-Bob Egger. 68-Jerry Nagel.

Flight 6: 65-Barry Barringer. Tie at 67-David Stafford, Robert Allen, Tom Marta. Tie at 68-Loren Magsam, Douglas Coleman.

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**Ladies 18-Hole Golf**

Susan Yenne

Golf etiquette is more important than ever. Here are some tips to keep your cool and have fun:

- Don't hit your ball toward the green until those in front of you are in their carts and moving. And for those in front, exit the green quickly and mark your scores at the beginning of the next hole. Remember that no one intends to hit or come close to you with their golf ball. But it does happen as we underestimate or overestimate our abilities. If anyone is in danger, please yell, "Fore!"

- If someone has done something to irritate you on the golf course - like taking too long, hitting into your group, being too noisy - approach

the situation in a positive manner.

If your group falls behind the group in front of you by a hole or more and those behind you are always catching up and waiting, it is good etiquette to let the group behind play through or skip around. Or your group can skip a hole to catch up. This can't be done in league play and tournaments.

We want to recognize hole-in-ones and eagles, so let us know if you hit one. MJ Strelec eagled on #7 of The Tortoise & The Hare on Sunday, May 5.

New member, Mary Ann Livingston, who moved from Ft. Lauderdale five months ago, has been golfing 15 years and has a handicap of 19.

**Team 1, 2, 3 Best Ball Net April 16/The Tortoise & The Hare**  
109-Bobbie Wiener, Peggy Ellenberger, Betty McNeeley, Linda Bervinkle. Tie at 114-Yuhlan Cho, Rosann Ross, Sandy Chase, Ellen

Brin; Beverly Ovrebo, Katie Schriewer, Iro Lisinski, Joyce Jones. Tie at 115-Lynne Dickson, Joan D'addio, Margaret Hudacik, Susan Yenne; Linda Taylor, Connie Sohl, Molly Lucieer, Antonia Varney.

**2 Best Ball Criss Cross April 23/The Tortoise & The Hare**  
52-MJ Strelec, Virginia Madura, Debby Wilson, Joyce Jones. 53-Beverly Ovrebo, Jill Strey, Margaret Hudacik, Sharon Johnson. 54-Gail Lagrange, Nancy Zielinski, Ellen Brin, Lilly Gee. Tie at 55-Yuhlan Cho, Peggy Ellenberger, Dee Howie; Vadonna Hall, Connie Sohl, Lynn Barber, Geri Treppa.

**Individual Odd Holes April 30/The Tortoise & The Hare**  
Flight 1: Tie at 30-Yuhlan Cho, Lynne Dickson. 31-Beverly Ovrebo, Gail Lagrange. Tie at 33-Deborah Martin, Vadonna Hall.  
Flight 2: 28-Rosemarie O'Neil. 32-Virginia Madura. 34-Peggy Wiechmann. Tie at 35-Linda Blewitt, Nancy Zielinski.  
Flight 3: 31-Sandy Chase. 33-Margaret Hudacik. Tie at 35-Dee Howie,

Lynn Barber. Tie at 36-Iro Lisinski, May Chin.  
Flight 4: 34-Faye Barbee. 35-Lilly Gee. Tie at 36-Kathleen Mansfield, Ellen Brin. Tie at 38-Joyce Jones, Linda Bervinkle, Susan Yenne.

**Individual Low Gross Low Net May 7/The Tortoise & The Hare Gross**  
Flight 1: 78-Deborah Martin. 83-Linda Taylor.  
Flight 2: 90-Peggy Wiechmann. 91-Rosemarie O'Neil.  
Flight 3: 90-Debbie Wilson. 98-Betty McNeeley.  
Flight 4: Tie at 100-Geri Treppa, Ellen Brin.

**Net**  
Flight 1: 66-Lynne Dickson. Tie at 60-Beverly Ovrebo, Gail Lagrange.  
Flight 2: 69-Christine McIntire. 73-Marlena Laclair. Tie at 75-Connie Sohl, Jill Strey.  
Flight 3: Tie at 73-Peggy Ellenberger, Molly Lucieer. Tie at 75-Johanna Forceno, Sandy Chase.  
Flight 4: 72-Christine Parnau. 74-Joyce Jones. 77-Lilly Gee.



**Candler Hills Ladies 18-Hole Golf**

Beth Wolinsky

The league championship happened on Thursdays, April 18 and 25. It is an annual event and congratulations go to Deborah Martin who is our new league champion.

Another exciting event that occurred was Michelle-O-Gram that took place on Thursday, May 2. This charity assists local women get yearly mammograms. Over \$3,000 was raised for this wonderful organization. Thank you to all the women and men who participated.

On Thursday, May 23, the league

general meeting was held in which a new board was elected. Welcome to all new board members and some returning board members. Thanks to those retiring for an outstanding job.

Summer is approaching and the weather has certainly been warm. It's important to maintain hydration and wear sunscreen. The summer sun can be brutal at times.

The league is open to all ladies in our community. Please contact the league president or the Golf Shop, if you wish to join.

Last, but not least, congratulations goes to Betty Dong for getting a hole-in-one on #17. Great job, Betty!

Finally, believe, achieve and enjoy golf.

**Low Gross/Low Net**

**April 11 Low Gross**  
Flight 1: 74-Deborah Martin.  
Flight 2: Tie at 89-Angelita Jinco, Virginia Madura, Rosann Ross.  
Flight 3: 85-Iro Lisinski.  
Flight 4: 96-Vicky Salyers.

**Low Net**  
Flight 1: Tie at 70-Pam Carpenter, Maria Fournier. Tie at 71-Sara Nunn, Judie Anderson, Mary Burns, Linda Taylor.  
Flight 2: 68-Jonell Washburn. 69-Betty Dong 70-Paula Lilly.  
Flight 3: 65-Virginia Combs. 66-Carol Oman. Tie at 68-Sandra Dechambeau, Toni Stevenson.  
Flight 4: 69-Ilyong Dicus. Tie at 70-Beth Wolinsky, Cheryl Nesbit. Tie at 73-Gail Banavige, Vickie Foster.

**2019 Candler Hills LGA League Championship**

**Gross**  
Flight 1: 153-Deborah Martin  
Flight 2: 176-Angelita Jinco  
Flight 3: 173-Iro Lisinski  
Flight 4: 195-Toni Stevenson

**Net**  
Flight 1: 132-Su Freeman  
Flight 2: 139-Connie Norris  
Flight 3: 138-Carol Oman  
Flight 4: 132-Mary Ann McCourt

**Scotch Twosome May 9**  
A/C Flight: 67-Toni Stevenson and Judie Anderson. Tie at 68-Pam Carpenter and Betty Dong, M. Kay Budd and Beverly Ovrebo, Lynne Dickson and Kate Beaty.  
B/D Flight: Tie at 66-Jonell Washburn and Beth Wolinsky, Mary Ann McCourt and Mary Burns. 67-Lydia Flinchbaugh and Angelita Jinco, Tie at 68-DeAnne Green and Irmgard Anger, Iro Lisinski and Suzanne R. Sigler.

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**Mah Jongg**

Mary Ehle

The new cards are here and I love them. There are real good chances to play the quint hands, if you get the jokers of course. If you are playing the first hand in the consecutive runs and you can't seem to get the pair of fives, try to go for the first quint hand especially if you have a joker or two. You can also convert to the third hand if you happen to have the two dragons. Now look at the fifth hand down in the consecutive runs. There is an omission error from New York. They left the words (any two consec. Nos.) out of the parenthesis. That error is from New York so be aware. It plays like it always has except now it is three flowers and three dragons. Try the singles and pairs. They seem to be good. Ask Marlene because that is her favorite place to play. Until next time ... jokers to you.

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**HERE ARE A FEW TIPS TO HELP YOU PREPARE FOR HURRICANE SEASON:**

- A disaster supply kit (first aid kit, water, canned food supply, etc.)
- Complete list of medications taken, with dosage and frequency, including special needs such as oxygen on hand for at least 7 days
- Those with special needs should register with the Marion County Special Needs Program to receive assistance during a disaster (marionso.com/special-needs-program or (352) 369-8100)
- Bring in anything that can be picked up by the wind (bicycles, lawn ornaments, patio furniture, etc.)
- Close windows, doors and hurricane shutters\*
- Fill your vehicle's gas tank and any gas cans you may have
- Obey evacuation orders
- Pet owners should have plans to care for their animals
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\*Please refer to the Association Rules as to when hurricane shutters may be closed.



**Golf**

**Matt Hibbs**  
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matt\_hibbs@otowfl.com

The PGA Tour is in mid-season with the US Open just days away. Here are the professional staff picks for this year's event: Matt Hibbs - Tony Finau; Denise Mullen - Xander Schauffele; Russ Smith - Brooks Koepka; and Daniel Janiak - Tiger Woods. Make your pick on the Candler Hills Facebook page for a chance to win a foursome of golf.

We would like to congratulate the On Top of the World Men's Golf Association for their 2019 Ryder Cup victory. They prevailed with a 56 to 52 victory capturing the cup for the seventh time in the last eight years. Congratulations to both teams on two days of great competition and camaraderie.

We would also like to congratulate the On Top of the World Ladies Golf Association for the Solheim Cup victory. The ladies won con-

vincingly with a final score of 29.5 to 14.5. We appreciate all who supported this great event.

Also a special congratulations goes out to the Candler Hills Men's Golf Association for capturing the Veterans Cup over the Stone Creek Men's Golf Association. Not only is this annual event a great time but also the associations were able to raise over \$7,500 to benefit Marion County Veterans Helping Veterans. Congratulations to everyone involved.

We would like to remind everyone about proper golf cart safety. Here are a few tips for safe driving.

- Keep all body parts in the cart at all times. (arms, hands and feet)
- Never operate a cart with people standing on the back platform.
- Only carry the number of passengers for which there are seats.
- Avoid distractions while driving (talking on cell phone, texting, etc.).
- Operate the cart from driver

- side only.
- Use extreme caution when turning around blind spots.
- Never drive while intoxicated.
- Reduce speed in high traffic areas (around the clubhouse).
- Use caution when driving in inclement weather.

**Upcoming Events**

- Saturday, June 15: Flag Day Tournament, The Tortoise & The Hare with 7 a.m. tee times.
- Monday, June 17 through Monday, June 24: The Tortoise & The Hare closed for aerification.

**World Accolades**

**THE TORTOISE & THE HARE:** John Mayfield, hole-in-one #11. Brad Weirick, hole-in-one #8. Va-Donna Hall, eagle #5. James Merrick, shot his age 83. Gretchen Normandin, eagle #5. MJ Strelec, eagle #5. Lynne Dickson, eagle #5. Ricki Plesea, eagle #2.

**CANDLER HILLS:** Kim Kimball,

shot his age 72. Toni Stevenson, eagle #7. John Shelton, shot his best round ever 79. Jonelle Washburn, shot her best round ever 85. Rick Brown, eagle #16. Bruce Shanfelt, shot his age 71. Mike Gottson, eagle #7. Dick Fehrenbach, eagle #7. Betty Dong, hole-in-one #17. Charlie Dumas, shot his best round ever 76. Ricki Plesea, eagle #7.

Congratulations to all of you for these fine accomplishments!

**Golf Tip of the Month**

You're facing a tricky six-footer and you can't seem to pull the trigger. You're frozen which makes executing a smooth stroke nearly impossible. If this sounds familiar then I want you to try this routine when putting.

- Address the ball.
- Look at your target.
- Look back at the ball.
- Pull the trigger.

The less your mind wanders the better the chance for a smooth stroke. Keep this routine in mind next time you have that downhill six footer to win the match.



**Candler Hills Men's Golf**

Dave Miller

If you are interested in playing in our group, check out our website (chmga.com), send me an email (millrace1@aol.com), or talk to one of the golf professionals in the Candler Hills Golf Shop. We are a fun-loving group who gather to play every Tuesday, at 9 a.m.

Our annual Ryder Cup competition with our friends "on the hill" was played in April. We won the cup last year for the first time in many years. This year, the On Top Of The World Men's Golf Association won the trophy back in a close match. Best of all, a fun time was had by all.

Our major charity event each year is the Veterans Cup, a competition between our golf association and the golfers at Stone Creek. The event is our biggest fundraiser for the Marion County Veterans Helping Veterans organization. This year, we had a great turnout of 88 golfers who matched strokes on Tuesday, May 7 and Wednesday, May 8. The Stone Creek golfers won the cup last year, but this year Candler Hills won it back. Our team held a commanding 16-point lead after the first round held at our home course. The second day at Stone Creek their golfers staged a fabulous come-back, but the Candler Hills contingent won the cup back by a score of 47-1/2 to 39-1/2. The most important thing is we raised more than \$7,000 for the veterans this year - our best fundraising effort ever.

Paul Rubly had a fabulous round of golf on Tuesday, April 30 - shooting one under par 71! Other golfers scoring in the 70s recently were: Joe Schuberth (73), Paul Kup-

sco (74), Jon Hill (76), Bruce Shanfelt, Mike Altomare & Rick Brown (77), Mike Boedy & Walt Pacuk (78) and Mike Deahl & Larry Smallwood (79). Nice golfing fellas!

We only have two regular weekly league events to report on this month.

**Individual Stableford April 16**

Flight 1: 45-Rick Brown, Tie at 43-Joe Schuberth & Mike Boedy, tie at 41-Mike Deahl & Larry Smallwood. Flight 2: 44-Bill Wignall, Tie at 41-Virgel Jajalla & John Mayfield, Tie at 39-Dale Budd & Paul Rubly. Flight 3: 44-Joe Jingo, 43 Richard Ross, 39-Doug Dahlen, Tie at 36-John Snyder & Rusty Zarrell. Flight 4: 43-Edwin Vilorio, Tie at 42-Marvin Brooks, Danny Ball & Paul

**Silliman, 40-Tim Kennedy. 2-Man Best Ball AB & CD Flights April 30**

AB Flight: 55-Dale Budd & Charlie Taylor, 57-Sonny Bunce & Paul Kup-sco, 58-Gil Brooks & Paul Rubly, Tie at 60-Bruce Shanfelt & JC Van-Bloom and Dennis McCourt & Bill Wignall.

CD Flight: 56-Frank Esposito & Joe Jingo, 57-Tom Martinetto & C. David Nelson, 59-Richard Freeman & Paul Silliman, Tie at 61-Carl Forsberg & John Workman, Edwin Vilorio & Rusty Zarrell and David Green & Gil Green.

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**Bunco Babes Social Group**

Micki Malsch

The Bunco Babes Social Group will be cancelled for June and July due to renovations at the Arbor Conference Center. Please check the World News for information regarding the next scheduled game or call Barb Gallico at (352) 895-7860.

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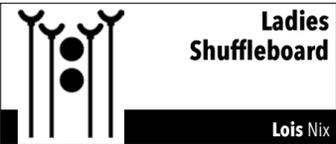
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**Ladies Shuffleboard**

Lois Nix

The weather was ideal for us to shuffle every Wednesday in the month of April. We had most of our courts full at 9 a.m. and at least three courts at 11 a.m. It is awesome that we have a large membership.

We will be shuffling all summer starting Wednesday, June 5, at 9 a.m. There are no dues; however, you will have to sign a Release and Hold Harmless Agreement. No open toed shoes are permitted.

We welcome all women residents. Shuffling is fun!

We have 19 ladies who are now registered with the Florida Shuffleboard Association. Some of us will be going down to Leesburg, Florida to shuffle with their club. This will be a great experience for us. If you want to participate in the tournaments, call Lois at (352) 854-0558.

Our last board meeting for the season was on Friday, May 15. We enjoyed pizza and drinks after the meeting.

**April Most Games Won**

10-Lois V Nix. 9-Linda McIntyre. 9-Sally Herrick.

**30+ Games**

2-Lois V. Nix.



Photo by Pat Bowles

**March shuffleboard tournament winners: Janet Julian, Lynn Dickson, and Barbara Stickles.**



Photo by Tom Sheridan  
**Don Huston, left, and Tommy Neumann watch softball action from the right field line.**

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**Softball**

Tom Sheridan

On Top of the World softball players and many of their wives celebrated the close of the 2018-19 winter/spring season on Wednesday, May 15 with a pizza party at the pavilion following the final game.

The Softball Club plays year-round with a long winter/spring season and a shorter summer season. Amazingly, despite some serious and passionate competition through the months, each of the six intermural teams ended play in a statistical dead heat.

No, it's not magic; it's tradition. Bill Leon, softball club president/commissioner, explained, "It's something we do every year. The players seem to enjoy it - especially if they're in last place. It's a good way to remind everyone that the senior softball at On Top of the World is based on getting exercise,

having fun and meeting people." Sponsors provide funds for uniforms, etc. Winter/spring league sponsors were Hilton Automotive, Pulse Center, Ceibert Wealth, Pearson Nissan, Dr. Dunn DDS and Swinson Chiropractic.

The hiatus will be brief. Summer play, with four teams, begins Monday, June 3 and will continue until Wednesday, Sept. 18. During the two-week break, On Top of the World crews were scheduled to do some field maintenance.

On Top of the World residents will continue to have the opportunity to enjoy the best free sports entertainment in town as the teams clash every Monday and Wednesday. Two games will be played each day beginning at 8:30 a.m. Come on down to the softball field behind the Hobby Building and share the excitement.

Softball at On Top of the World offers the opportunity for senior players to have fun, get great exercise and relive their younger passions on the ball field. It's competitive, no matter a player's skill level. It may not exactly be the "Field of

Dreams," but one player smiled and said, "Every time I cross the foul line onto the field I'm 11 years old again!"



**Western Stars Bowling**

Susan Knorr

The Western Stars Bowling League strikes up the fun and spares no one! On Thursday, April 25, the league held their end of the season banquet at the Stone Creek Grille. Twenty teams enjoyed a wonderful brunch consisting of Swai, Chicken Champagne and London Broil. All had a good time.

We voted in our league officers: President Peter Sanford, Vice President Fred Knorr, and Secretary/Treasurer Susan Knorr. Our banquet committee was Jeanne Buhler, Cathy Redmond, and Karen Durant; they did a wonderful job. Karen made certificates for all the league members and for the individual accomplishments of our team members.

The top 10 teams finished as follows:

- 1-The Hawkeyes (Team 8); 2-The Bandits (Team 9); 3-The Pistols (Team 2); 4-The Hangmen (Team 18); 5-The Straight Shooters (Team 4); 6-The Cowhands (Team 3); 7-The Road Runners (Team 1); 8-The Pioneers (Team 6); 9-The Mustangs (Team 7) and 10-The Ranch Hands.

The other teams finished in various places. Individual awards were for the following accomplishments: High Average Male-Billy Boone, Female-Debbie Wilson. High Handicap Series Male-Warren Janes, Female-Connie Kelly. High Handicap Game Male-Alan Schneider, Female-Jo Apperson; High Scratch Series Male-Neal Davis, Female-Edie Plachcinski. High Scratch Game Male-Michael Ciserano, Female-Deanne Green. Most Improved Male-Gerald Golub, Female-Helen Anderson.

The league starts again with a meeting on Thursday, Aug. 22 at 3 p.m. at AMF Galaxy West Bowling Lanes. We will go over new bowling issues, sign new members, and make any changes to existing teams. Our first day of bowling is Thursday, Aug. 29. Practice begins at 2:45 p.m. and we start bowling at 3 p.m.

Once again, we are recruiting new members. So if you are looking to meet new friends while enjoying a few hours each week of bowling, then don't miss out on this opportunity. The coming year promises to bring more fun and excitement while you compete with old and new friends.

If you are interested in joining or becoming a substitute, then contact Susan Knorr at (352) 304-8025. If you would like more information regarding the league or directions to AMF Galaxy West Lanes call (352) 732-0300 or visit amf.com.

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**Billiards Club**

Phil Panzera

Once again our ladies team, captained by Penny Wilson, has won the Marion County Ladies League. Our ladies have continually brought great prestige and honor to our Billiards Club, as they have not lost a league championship in this decade! They have genuinely established a dynasty, and a record that may never be equaled.

Last month The Villages held their annual Senior Games, with well over 10 times as many players as our community. Against such odds Art Keck played exceptionally well, and won a bronze medal in nine-ball. Art and Phil also brought home the bronze medal in eight-ball doubles.

We are thrilled to see many new faces enjoying the finest billiard room in a senior community in Ocala. For all our new players, please consider joining our Billiards Club. Our club is one of the largest groups in the community, with over 130 members.

Club membership grants you access to many special events, like a Christmas dinner, and occasional pizza parties and barbecues. We also run low-key and friendly club tournaments every few months. It's also a great way to socialize and make new friends.

You shouldn't have too much trouble working the dues amount into your budget, as they are only \$5 per year. You can sign up simply by filling out a form by the counter in the corner of the room, include cash or a check, and just drop it in the blue box.

These dues help the club cover room expenses, like chalk and cleaning supplies, plus they also

help cover certain costs for social activities. If your spouse plays also, she should join separately. If your spouse does not play, she will still be invited to club social events even if she does not become a member.

While these dues are voluntary, we do request and encourage all those who play to honorably contribute their fair share for the upkeep of the room.

Anecdote of the Month: As the blushing bride reached the altar, she noticed her fiancé's cue case leaning against the wall behind him. The minister began the ceremony, but she interrupted him and pointed to the cue case, saying, "What's that all about?"

The groom meekly responded, "This isn't going to take all day, is it?"



Photo by Phil Panzera

Ladies league champions.



**R/C Car Club**

Tom Seitz

Track Manager Harold Hoskins has once again revised the track layout to make it even more interesting and a bit more challenging, plus adding an oval for all racers. His changes in layouts help to insure that track speed is such that all levels of skill and cars can have fun. If you haven't yet raced on this new configuration, you need to!

These changes plus our tiered racing format of qualifying races followed by the second round of races for points, help keep the races as interesting as possible for all competitors. Even novice racers will be more able to learn driving on the new oval.

With our current format of eight races, our point's winners are as follows:

Novice-Mike Beyer & Fred Penichet  
Rage-Ken Berry. Two wheel buggy-Ken Berry. Two wheel truggy-Paul Beyer. Two wheel truck-Paul Beyer. Four wheel buggy- J.D. Tayloor & Paul Burrey. Four wheel Truggy-Paul Beyer. Four wheel truck-Tom Seitz.

With the advent of warm weather, our summer racing has begun. As a reminder races are now scheduled for 9 a.m. Tuesdays and Saturdays.

Once again the road to the track has changed with On Top of the World's continuing progress in the community. The paved four lane road now extends further; just go until you see the sign pointing to the R/C flying field. Make sure you cross over the construction road. Be aware of the heavy equipment, they may occasionally cross the road and may not always see you.

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### Tennis

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You may have noticed that the temperature is going up; please make sure to stay properly hydrated before, during and after play. You are the best judge as to whether or not you can play three sets of 45 minutes each. Some of you may be playing tennis and pickleball; all the more reason to know your limitations.

Martin K. is still trying to arrange a Stone Creek visit to our facility as long as they can put together enough teams to make it fun.

Also, those of you who would like to make a trip to the new USTA tennis facility in Lake Nona, Florida and play on clay, please email me. The cost to play on clay courts is \$15 per hour, which divided by four is very reasonable.

The serve is the most difficult stroke in the game. You can rate your serve yourself, based on the following guidelines.

#### The Serve

The most important priorities of serving are the following: Get the ball in play. Control the direction. Determine the depth. Choose the spin. Select the speed.

These priorities apply to all levels of servers and get more specific as the level of players increases.

For beginners:

1. Get the ball over the net.
2. Direct the ball to the appropriate deuce or ad court.
3. Depth is not a key component at this level.
4. Spin is best achieved by striking the top side of the ball, which will help the ball come down into the court.
5. Speed is not as important at this level.

For intermediates:

1. Get the ball over the net at various heights.

2. Divide the service courts in half length-wise and direct your serve to the right or left of the deuce court or ad court to your opponent's forehand or backhand.
3. Depth is important. The preference is deeper into the service box so your opponents cannot move forward to attack your serve.
4. Spin also comes into play big at this level. The spin helps to keep the faster serves in the service court. The opponent must know how to handle the spin to avoid an error.
5. Speed is a key factor. Vary the speed to keep the opponent off guard like a good baseball pitcher.

For advanced players:

1. The percentage of first serves in play is critical. Don't give your opponent too many looks at your second serve. Hitting second serves at this

level puts a lot of pressure on the server; it allows the returner to be more aggressive.

2. Direction is huge and quite specific. Short and wide to the deuce court, fast and into the body, or up the center to the "T" are important decisions. Variety is important to keep the receiver guessing to the location you will use. Anything short and the server will be put on the defensive.
3. Depth is a big component and is used in conjunction with direction.
4. Spin is essential. To make the serve "heavy," keep the ball in play as the serve speed increases, making it more unmanageable for the receiver.
5. Speed is quite high, but speed really doesn't matter if the ball is not in play, in the right direction with the right depth.

See you on the courts!



### Ladies 9-Hole Golf Play Day

**Daniel Janiak**

I would like to take the time to recognize some of our ladies for their achievements in our nine-hole play day. First, I would like to mention the ladies who lead the group in participation. Marcie Hock and Donna McCombs lead with 14 times

played! Close behind is Judy Parisi with participating 13 times played. Right behind Judy is Julie Crudele with 11. Keep it up ladies!

Next, I would like to congratulate the top 10 players in the 2019 season. Julie Crudele leads 2019 with \$103.50! Congratulations Julie! Following Julie is Judy Parisi with \$87, Marcie Hock with \$74, Donna McCombs with \$65, Aggie Mahoney with \$62, Kathy Triolo with \$61.50, Susan Layne with \$61, Susane Trembulak with \$59, Jean Jarmel

with \$57.50, and Virginia Bayless with \$55. Congratulations ladies!

I am sure I don't have to point out the similarities between the season leaders and the ladies who have participated the most this season. Make sure you are making room in your schedule for two hours on Thursdays at 9 a.m. to socialize with a great group of ladies and to get your exercise for the day.

The events for the month of June are Even Holes, TOES, Team Stableford, and Alternate Drive. Do

not feel intimidated if you do not understand the format. The golf staff will be more than happy to help you. Spread the word about our group. It is slowly growing and we would like to have more participants each week.

If you are interested in beginner golf lessons please see either Golf Shop for more information. If you would like to join our ladies on Thursdays please, talk to me. I would love to speak with you!



### New Circle Squares

**Noreen Church**

The square dance season will resume in October. We've had a fun dance season and we thank you for participating each Wednesday with us and our new caller, Rod Barngro-

ver. Rod did a great job for us.

Dotty Huston, our coordinator, wants to thank all the dancers, beginners, and especially the willing organized workers committee. That committee includes Treasurer Donna Seay; Raid and 50/50 Chair Ron Imus; Greeters David and Paula Guildford; Reporter Noreen Church; Decorator and Photographer Gail La Rue; Coffee Chair Don Huston; and Doug Church, who

removes the trash each week. We cannot forget to say thank you to all those who bring the wonderful variety of food that we all feast on and help clean up at the end of the evening.

Some dancers have already left to head north for the summer. Many are also traveling and plan to go to Land Harbor, North Carolina to dance to different callers daily. Don't forget to look for square dancing in your home state or the state you are visiting because you will be welcomed with open arms at any club in any state or country. The calls are the same wherever you travel.

On Wednesday, Oct. 2, the fun starts all over again for square

dancing with New Circle Squares for an even better season with Rod Barngrover again calling for us. The dances will run from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E-G. Please mark your calendar now because we want you all back dancing with us.

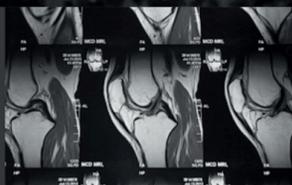
Our next major dance, Western Roundup, will be held on Wednesday Oct. 19, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom. Scotty Sharrer and Whit Brown will be the featured callers for the evening with Loretta Handhurst cuing. Tickets are \$7.50 in advance and \$8.50 at the door.

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Photo by Jordan Smith  
**Tucker Johnson, karate black belt and M.A.C. Fit instructor.**



**Fitness Happenings**

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**Big M.A.C.**

Check out the Recreation Center's newest fitness class, "M.A.C. Fit" (Martial Arts Conditioning). Join black belt Tucker Johnson on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 a.m. for a workout that reflects authentic martial arts techniques blended with interval style conditioning drills. The exercises will progress from basic martial arts forms into movement patterns that combine strength, power and balance. The class will conclude with flexibility training to help improve function and mobility. This class will include floor exercises, which are always optional. Read on for some insight into Tucker's experience and passion for martial arts training, and what you can expect from this big M.A.C. workout!

When did you start martial arts training and what kind of martial arts did you practice?

Tucker: "I started taking martial arts when I was 10-years-old. The style of martial arts that I practice is called Shotokan Karate. This is a very old form of karate from Japan."

What is the most beneficial think you have gained from practicing martial arts?

Tucker: "Karate provides so many physical benefits. Some of the biggest things for me is an improvement in flexibility, balance, reflexes, muscle toning and cardiovascular endurance. Now that I teach the "Balance Body" class, which focuses on fall risk reduction, I see how karate skills tie into

**FITNESS SCHEDULE**

June 2019

Recreation Center Group Wellness					
TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7:00 AM	Oxycise	Oxycise	Oxycise	Oxycise	Oxycise
8:00 AM	Dance Party Denise	S.O.S. Jonathan	Wednesday Warrior Jessica	S.O.S. Jonathan	Boomer Beat Darla
9:00 AM	Strength & Stretch Tucker	M.A.C. Fit Tucker	Chair Yoga Julie	M.A.C. Fit Tucker	Strength & Stretch Tucker
10:00 AM	Balanced Body Tucker	Chair Yoga Kathy	Balanced Body Jessica	Chair Yoga Kathy	Balanced Body Madelyne
11:00 AM	S.O.S. Larry	Move to Improve Jessica	S.O.S. Ingrid	Move to Improve Larry	S.O.S. Larry
11:00 AM Ballroom Location	Zumba® Gold Kitti		Zumba® Gold Kitti		Zumba® Gold Madelyne
12:00 PM	Get Fit While You Sit Kitti		Get Fit While You Sit Kitti		Get Fit While You Sit Darla
1:00 PM		Fitness Orientation*		Balance Assessment*	
5:00 PM		Intro to Hatha Yoga Kathy		Yoga Sandra	

Recreation Center Fitness Center Hours: Monday-Friday 6:30 AM - 8 PM; Saturday 7 AM - 8 PM; Sunday 9 AM - 5 PM  
\* Fitness center orientations and balance assessments are free. Please call (352) 854-8707 Ext. 7534 to reserve your spot.

Arbor Fitness Center Group Wellness					
TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7:00 AM	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand
8:00 AM	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand
9:00 AM	Yoga Julie	Boomer Beat Jessica	Yoga Linda	Boomer Beat Cammy	Yoga Renu
10:00 AM	STRONG Kelly	STRONG Tucker	STRONG Linda	STRONG Kelly	STRONG Roger
11:00 AM	Dance Aerobics Jessica	Dance Aerobics Madelyne	OPEN Fitness On Demand	Dance Aerobics Madelyne	OPEN Fitness On Demand
12:00 PM - 8:00 PM	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	Yoga Club 4:00-5:00	OPEN Fitness On Demand
1:00 PM		Posture Assessments**	Orientation**		

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Arbor Fitness Center Indoor Pool					
TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
6:00 AM	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming
7:00 AM	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
8:00 - 9:00 AM	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk
9:00 - 10:00 AM	Deep Water Fitness Class***	Shallow Water Fitness Class***	Deep Water Fitness Class***	Shallow Water Fitness Class***	Deep Water Fitness Class***
10:00 - 11:00 AM	Open	Shallow Water Fitness Class***	10:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Shallow Water Fitness Class***	Open
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Closed for Cleaning	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Aqua Belles	Open	Aqua Belles	Open	Aqua Belles
1:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Open	Water Volleyball 1:30 PM-3:30 PM	Open	Water Volleyball 1:30 PM-3:30 PM	Open

\*\*\* Fee-based class  
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training the body for better balance and reaction. These are critical for preventing falls."

What advice do you have for residents who would like to try your new "M.A.C. Fit" class but have concerns regarding their current fitness level?

Tucker: "The great thing about this class is that the exercises and movements can easily be modified to suit each individual. Everyone works at his or her own comfort level. If you are looking for a class to increase mobility, tone your muscles and reduce your risk of falling, this is the class for you!"

Important announcement regarding the hours of the Recreation Center Fitness Center. From Monday, July 1, the Recreation Center

Fitness Center will be closing at 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday. All other hours of operation will remain the same.



**Fit Tips**

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**Shop Smart for Better Health**

The best way to eat right is to ensure that you have healthy food on hand. Smart shopping is key! It is critical to hit the grocery store with a list of healthy options for meals, beverages and snacks. Researchers found that those who shopped from memory were less likely to select healthy foods than those that came with a list. Preparing your grocery list beforehand, which promotes meal planning and mindful eating, leads to a healthier diet overall.

**FIT TIP #1:** Shop the perimeter of the grocery store. Processed

food lurks in the center aisles and is typically full of sugar and artificial ingredients. To ensure high nutritional value, choose foods that are as close to their natural state as possible.

**FIT TIP #2:** Read food labels. Food labels provide information to help decide whether that particular food is a healthy option. Check out the sugar and sodium content, calories per serving and how many servings are in the package. Ingredients on food labels are listed in decreasing order by weight in the product. Thus, ingredients at the top of the list are more plentiful than ingredients at the end.

**FIT TIP #3:** Don't shop hungry. There is too much temptation to buy unhealthy comfort food instead of nutrient-dense food. We all know how hard it is to pass up a buy one get one on Entenmann's® donuts when you're hungry!



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**Pickleball**

Deborah Bush-Harden

During the first week of May, 80 club members participated in our Spring Tournament composed of four competitive group events. On Thursday, May 2, the A and C groups played. The top three players of the A group were Dave Phelps (gold), Gordon Thom (silver), and Lenny Denerstein (bronze). The top three players of the C group were John O'Brien (gold), Lewis Carzou (silver), and Herb Katz (bronze).

The B group was the largest with 32 registered. Although they were rained out on the first scheduled day of play, Friday, May 3, all showed up the next day and gave it their best. The final playoff of the B level was watched by lots of players and their significant others - no pressure there! Congratulations to the top three players in that event: Andy Woods (gold), Dave Smith (silver), and John Oldenburg (bronze).

The women-only event was played on Saturday, May 4. Fourteen women vied for winner status with these results: Sharon Altany (gold), Cindy Kozlowski (silver), and Sandra Sierra (bronze). Many enthusiastic players and friends were on hand to cheer them from the sideline.

This columnist was impressed by how smoothly the tournament ran. It was overseen by Steve Schlesselman, Syd Phelps, Dave Phelps, Candace Hance, and Vickie Cornell. There were several additional helpers, too numerous to mention here, who also earned great appreciation from members for a tournament well run.

The picklenik luncheon, held traditionally in association with the Spring Tournament, was held at The Lodge at Candler Hills on Friday, May 3. A total of 123 attended and enjoyed a meal featuring Lee's Famous Chicken, and home-baked desserts donated by several members.

As if the start of May wasn't busy enough, the week before the tournament a special afternoon event was held on the courts. Two pros from the Engage Pickleball Academy Training Center in Oxford, Florida were invited here for a rating clinic and free exhibition. Participants in the rating clinic received individualized pointers on specific skills. The guest pros were Catherine Parenteau, one of the top six pro women players in the world, and Rob Elliott, champion gold medalist at the USAPA Nationals and Tournament of Champions.

If you are interested in pickleball, come to the courts Monday through Saturday mornings to watch or participate in play with our members. For information



Photo by Ron Harden

**25 of the 32 who played in the largest of four events – the B group competition in the Pickleball Club's Spring Tournament.**

about the club, court times for various levels of players, and opportunities for beginners to learn the game, you can check the bulletin board by the entry gate to the up-

per courts, or you may contact one of our two co-chairs Ron Harden (ronharden504@gmail.com) and Steve Schlesselman (steveschlesselman5@gmail.com).



**R/C Flyers**

John Workman

Summer's here, and it's hot! I hope that your summer activities are going great. The 150-plus R/C Flyers are anxiously anticipating the start of work on the new flying field. It will be located to the west of our current site and will be accessed through the access road for the new RV storage lot and the new storage unit facility on the extension of SW 94th Street.

The information that we have been given indicates that it will be a great place to fly. We will have a paved runway that will permit use by many more types of models, especially those with much smaller wheels than the current grass allows. A parallel grass runway will allow use by those models that prefer that surface. The new pavilion and pits shelters will accommodate more people, and we will have permanent power so we will not have to depend on running a generator.

As a club, we are trying to think of ways to make the field as "spectator friendly" as possible. When the grass grows in we will have a showplace site as good as any in the country. Many thanks to On

Top of the World for their support of our activity.

In earlier columns, I have commented that if you wish to come out and watch our flying you need to understand that weather affects when you can expect to find us there. Rain obviously puts a damper on things, but excess wind also makes things difficult. Knowing that this is Florida, we flyers have had to adapt and learn to fly in wind. So that the layman can appreciate why it is a challenge, let me give you an example.

A commercial airliner lands at well over 100 miles an hour. A 10 miles per hour wind is thus less than 10% of the landing speed and the pilots can easily compensate, even if it is a crosswind. Even private aircraft like Cessnas land at 80 miles per hour or so and the pilots can easily adjust for that same 10 miles per hour wind. Our models are typically one fourth the size of that Cessna, or even smaller in scale. That 10 miles per hour wind is like a 40 miles per hour gale to us. Our smaller models make that relationship even more extreme. While we hope that we are all "highly competent" pilots, the challenge is there for us. So please understand that when the wind comes up, many of our models will be staying down.

May the number of your landings equal the number of your takeoffs.



**Sidekicks Western Dance**

Carla Magri

The Sidekicks Western Dance Club celebrated the end of another excellent dance season with our annual covered dish and dance party. As always, we enjoyed great food, dancing, and fellowship. Thank you to our party committee for a job well done.

Changes are in store for the club this coming dance season with the retirement of our current instructors. A new format and new instructors mean a whole new look for the Sidekicks. Of course, the fun will continue as we welcome all new members and welcome back all of our current dancers. It promises to be an exciting season for the club. All members will be apprised of any necessary information by email.

We wish everyone a happy, healthy, safe summer and remember to keep dancin'. Happy trails ...



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**Line Dancing**

**Vivian Gecan**

Here we are going into June. Where has the line dance season gone? June is the last month of Marilyn McNeal's classes before summer break.

Marilyn will resume classes on Monday, Sept. 9. The beginners II and improvers classes will have practices on Wednesdays in July, and will take the month of August off. Practices will resume on Wednesday, Sept. 11 for all levels.

There will be some special practices, review sessions and workshops in July and August for absolute beginners, beginners I and improvers classes. Check the July and August columns for more details on these.

The intermediate level will have classes through July on Mondays. July will be a review month with no new dances. There will be no Wednesday practices in July and August for the intermediates.

Our next monthly dance will be held on Thursday, June 13. The theme will be patriotic as the next day is Flag Day. Wear your flag t-

shirts, stars and stripes, and red, white and blue, whatever you may have to represent our great country.

Lastly, Marilyn McNeal sent me a great article, which I would like to share with you entitled "Dancing and the Brain" by Joseph Altinger, PhD from the American Dancer Magazine Publication of USA Dance Organization:

"Recent studies at brain research institutes show that intellectual and physical activities actually develop new brain tissue. These new findings go against the time-honored belief that brain cells die as we age and cannot be replaced. More precisely, mind stimulation causes brain cells to grow new, threadlike connections. Recent findings show that the best activity combining physical and mental effort at the same time is dancing."

Want to stimulate your brain? Dance! Want to strengthen your memory? Dance! Want to keep your mind sharp? Dance! Want to prevent or slow down age-related loss of mental flexibility? You guessed it - dance!

For detailed information on classes, please contact Marilyn McNeal at (352) 804-1546 or for the intermediate class contact Nancy Carmack at (352) 533-8870.



**New Dancin' On the Top**

**Arlo Janssen**

The New Dancin' On the Top Club is set for a nice long summer break. For the next four months, we can enjoy some travel and our many summer activities around On Top of the World. Our first dance for the fall is set for Saturday, Sept. 21, with Retro Express, and our theme is a "Night at the Sea." All are encouraged to dress for a cruise to a special island in the Caribbean. As always, the Recreation Center Ballroom stage will be colorfully decorated for this special dance.

Our Saturday, Nov. 16, the dance will have a "Country Western" theme and will have music by provided by Solid Gold. Our final dance for the year 2019 will be the gala New Year's Eve dance on Tues-

day, Dec. 31, with great music by Automatic; and it will be as formal as we can make it.

A special thank you in advance to all those members who have volunteered to help with our future dances. Our club provides dancing for all - ballroom, waltzes, meringues, freestyle, slow, pattern dancing, etc. There are dances for everyone.

Keep watching for dance flyers this fall with these exciting themes and more information along with ticket sale dates for each dance. Resident IDs will be required at the time of ticket purchase and for entry to the Recreation Center Ballroom on the nights of our dances.

For club membership, ticket information, what the club is about, or if you want to help with our dances, please contact Jack or Jean Hester at (919) 291-8542 or hestermulch@aol.com; or Donna Cottrell at (410) 591-7899. The New Dancin' On the Top Club is open to all residents. So, keep on dancing.



**Ballet Club**

**Eugenie Martin**

Soon, the Ballet Club will be moving to a new studio in the Arbor Activity Center. We are discussing the redecoration of the space with management, and are very excited about the prospect of having a new place. We do not have a moving date yet, but will let you know when that happens.

In the meantime, our classes continue in the group exercise room at the Recreation Center. Most of

our dancers began ballet here at On Top of the World, and newcomers are always welcome. To start, all you need are exercise clothes, socks and a bottle of water. You can get ballet clothes later if you like our classes and wish to continue.

Our current class schedule is as follows:

- Tuesdays and Fridays: 1 to 2:15 p.m.
- Thursdays: 2 to 3:15 p.m.
- Saturdays: 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

If anyone is interested in learning more about our classes, or taking a class, please call Eugenie Martin at (352) 854-8589. I look forward to speaking with you. Happy dancing!



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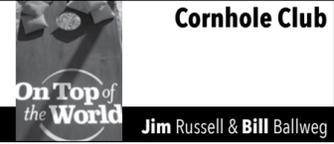


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**Cornhole Club**

Jim Russell reporting on open play: Great weather has encouraged club members and new residents to visit our facilities adjacent to the softball field and pavilion each Monday and Thursday at 6 p.m. and enjoy an hour of fun and lively competition. We have six sets of wood boards that can accommodate up to 24 players at a time. We encourage all residents to give cornhole open play a try. The game itself is easy to learn and low impact. We have an equal mix of couples, singles, guys and gals. For more information, contact jimrussell44@outlook.com or (352) 861-6355.

For our members with a little bit of a competitive streak, we also offer league play. Currently, we offer a mixed doubles league and a men's doubles league both under the direction of Bill Ballweg. Bill reports on all league play activities and he and I will be sharing all future columns to keep everyone up-to-date on everything cornhole.

Bill Ballweg reporting on league play: Men's doubles league provided lots of excitement, very competitive play and fun! Bob Helf and Bill Ballweg (The Bag Boys) started the season dead last but slowly climbed up the standings and overcame The Hoosiers (Mike McAllister and Vince Stevens) for the title. Due to the parity in the league, any team could beat any other team so play was competitive and the matches close. We are looking forward to our fall season starting in early September. If you are interested in playing competitive cornhole, please email otowcornhole@yahoo.com. If you do not have a partner, no problem, we can pair you up with one.

Mixed doubles league has two weeks to go and the competition could not be closer. The Bag Bouncers (Nancy and Al Ott) and The No-Names (Lynn Dickson and Bob Helf) are tied for first place with The Unknowns (Sandy Martin and Rick Dikeman) and The Cornhuskers (Bill and Robin Ballweg) in hot pursuit. The final weeks play will determine the championship as all of the teams will be competing and winning the last two weeks is crucial. Results will appear in the July column.



Photo by Lynn Dickson

**Bob Helf and Bill Ballweg claimed the spring men's cornhole doubles league championship.**



**Call of the Wild**

Roger Bonifield

Well, it has been a fun and busy two months. We started off April with a great deep-sea fishing trip, followed by our always fun and delicious annual great fish fry, and ended that month with a really fun time teaching and helping kids fish at Ocala Parks and Recreation's Kid Fishing Derby.

In May, we had four more flats fishing trips with local Gulf Coast charter captains, and a club shore fishing outing along the Crystal River at Fort Island Trail Park.

Although things slow down a little bit in June, there is still much to do. We start off in just a few days on Tuesday, June 4 with another deep-sea fishing trip out on the Gulf of Mexico. That trip is through

the Recreation Center, and is open to all residents. As of this writing, there were still spots available, but give the Recreation Center a call to be sure. We also have at least two more flats fishing charter trips available to club members. You can book them through the club at the monthly meeting or by checking with me at the number below.

Later this summer and into the fall, we will be doing more to get out into Florida's woods and fields to better enjoy the hunting and other shooting sports Florida has to offer. If you would like to learn more about that, or even more importantly, have information you would like to share with others in that regard, please come and join us. We meet the first Wednesday of every month from noon to 2 p.m. We are scheduled to be in our new home at the newly renovated Hobby Building Event Room on Wednesday, June 5. We hope to see you there. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly at (352) 300-3601.



**Horseshoe League**

Paul Pardee

We are at the time of year when we can be certain that the temperature will be in the 90s and outdoor activities will diminish. That is certainly true of the Horseshoes League. The spring season just ended so there will be no organized horseshoes until the autumn season begins on Tuesday, Sept. 3. However, you will often find a few players at the pits on any given Tuesday morning trying to conjure up a match.

There is a plan to relocate the horseshoe pits in order to make room for more pickleball courts (the most popular activity in our community). Wherever the pits are placed, we are hopeful that there will be lights. Having evening play may be an opportunity for new people to try throwing horseshoes.

At the time of this writing, there were three weeks to go in the spring season, therefore the season results were not known; but to predict who the winner will be is not a stretch. Ed Bodnar, winning 79% of his matches, is running away with the season title. The open question is second place with a half dozen players vying for that spot.

It's time to answer the question of whether referring to horseshoes play as a league is a misnomer. Leagues require members to pay dues to build funds for prize money. Leagues set schedules designating who will play each other

and when. Leagues have season-ending banquets where prizes are awarded.

The Horseshoe League meets none of that criteria. It has no dues or prize money, competition each week is totally by random selection, and there is no banquet. Prizes are bragging rights and your picture in the paper. But like leagues, we do keep score, and have averages and handicaps, because it is simply more fun that way. No, it is not a league, but we continue to call it a league.

Most of us think of the Horseshoe League as a training ground for the Tri County Horseshoe Travel League where two months ago On Top of the World became champion over 11 other tri-county retirement communities, a feat we are looking forward to repeating next year. All league players are eligible to play in the travel league and we are only a few players away from having a second travel team.

If you are a bowler, you might want to try horseshoes because of the similarities of the skill set to bowling; i.e. where you stand to start your approach, where you hold the ball to start, the speed of your approach, the length of your backswing, not crossing the foul line, and the finger action at release point.

Bowlers, during this summer break, come on down to the pits and give horseshoes a try. There are practice horseshoes always available in the large plastic box with a green lid adjacent to the pavilion. Horseshoes is a unisex activity available to all residents.

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## Night Photography Tips

By Connie Filip

It's summer! Time to plan for that shot you'll enter in ShutterBug's Special Category of this year's photography contest. It's night photography and here are three tips to think about to get that shot:

**Learn about your camera ...** Take time to learn how to use your camera's settings in daylight! Invest time experimenting with the manual mode. See where dials and menu functions are located. Also, try out manual focus, especially if your camera's autofocus gets confused in the dark.

**Hint, hint ...** Take along a magnifying glass with a light. It's a great tool to see your settings in low light situations without your cheaters.

**Good vibrations ...** Not when you're shooting using a long exposure! Invest in a sturdy tripod and a remote (or cabled) shutter release. Be careful, even a bump by a camera strap or vibration from passing cars can give you a fuzzy picture.

**Scout your location ...** Before it's dark, go to your site and determine how you want to compose your shot. Being familiar with the area will help. Plus, if you arrive before sunset you might find an unexpected shot in that evening's golden light.

**And don't forget the bug spray!** I'll be posting three more advanced tips on night photography tips next month.

Our field trip will be to the Cedar Lakes Woods & Gardens in Wiliston, Florida. It was created from

an abandoned limestone quarry and turned into a lush garden, full of butterflies and relaxing shade. Come join us on Tuesday, June 4. More information can be found at [cedarlakeswoodsandgarden.com](http://cedarlakeswoodsandgarden.com).

This month's Master the Possibilities display will be photographs chosen by a number of our ShutterBugs. See the fun we've been having!

For up-to-date schedule information, visit our club website at [otowspc.com](http://otowspc.com)

Consider "stopping by" on Facebook! Our members post their favorite shots on Shutterbugs PSH (Photo Scavenger Hunt). Anyone can log on and see them. And if you're a ShutterBug member, just go to the site and get permission to play.

We're showing a new National Geographic travel instructional video series - "The Art of Travel Photography." Stop in and learn along with us!

Our monthly club schedule:

- First Tuesday: Morning field trip.
- Second Tuesday: Instructional DVD.
- Third Tuesday: Photo sharing activity.

Fourth Tuesday: DVD or speaker.

Want to learn more about digital? Stop by the ShutterBugs' Tuesday meetings, at 3 p.m. For more information, contact Gary Uhley, club president, at (352) 854-8536 or [guhley@cfl.rr.com](mailto:guhley@cfl.rr.com).



Photo by ShutterBug Connie Filip

Fireworks in Sydney, Australia.



Photo by Jan Spielvogel

A menagerie of animals.

## Get Crafty with Happy Hookers

By Jan Spielvogel

This month we are highlighting one of our "newer" Happy Hookers - Bev Taylor. While Bev has been a resident for almost two years and a member of Happy Hookers for about 18 months, she has been doing many types of needle crafts for about 70 years. She first learned to embroider but over the years she has expanded her skills to include needlepoint, counted cross-stitch, rug hooking, knitting, crewelwork, quilting and hand painting on china. In fact, about the only hand craft Bev hasn't been involved in is crocheting. These days, Bev primarily makes items to give as gifts. However, handcrafting is not the only thing that keeps her busy. She is an avid reader, likes to travel and recently acquired a sweet dog named, Maggie. If you are interested in exploring needlepoint for ideas and classes, the America Needlework Guild ([www.ang.com](http://www.ang.com)) website is a good resource.

Happy Hookers is open to all residents. There are no dues, agenda or penalties for missing a meeting, arriving late or leaving early. Life can and does interfere at times, and we would hate for that to hold you back. What we do have is a large group of ladies busy with crocheting, knitting, needlepointing, card crafting, embroidering and handcrafting of all kinds. This is a very talented group that's never too busy to help someone with a difficult pattern or stitch. We welcome newcomers with open arms. Attendees should bring whatever they happen to be working on.

If you have any questions about our club, you may call Naomi Berman at (352) 873-4328. If you have yarn, pattern books, knitting needles, crochet hooks or other crafting tools that you no longer have a use for, donations are always appreciated.

## Wonder Wallets are Always a Hit

By Linda Lohr

The Sewing Bees wish to thank everyone who stopped by our Rags to Riches table, purchased a drawing ticket, a treasure or just stopped to chat about our mission here in Marion County. As usual, our fantastic wonder wallets were a big hit. These handy wallets are wonderful gifts as well as for personal use. Rags to Riches is one of our two yearly fundraisers, and we appreciate all your help. Our profits are used to purchase batting for our quilts. Everything the Sewing Bees makes is given to a charity for the abused, abandoned and neglected children in Marion County.

Our Rags to Riches quilt draw-

ing winner didn't want her picture taken, but we can congratulate Lorrelie Lasofsky! She was planning on a big trip abroad and might very well bring her new, handmade tote with her.

With the renovations to the Hobby Building some of us are working from home. For the duration, donations will not be able to be left at the Craft Room. Please call one of the numbers below if you have a donation.

For more information, please contact Louise Green at (352) 629-1195, or Rita Miller at (352) 237-6660. As always, the children and we thank you for all your support.



Photo by Linda Lohr

Some of the popular wonder wallets made by the Sewing Bees.



**Car Group**

Bill Bender

On Saturday, April 20, 40 local special interest car owners converged at Circle Square Commons to share their unique rides with attendees of the "Spring Band Jam." We had a wide variety of vehicles in attendance, ranging from original VW Beetles to a host of modern high performance Mustangs. A large contingent of Corvettes came out, including models from 1954 to 2019.

The list of individuals showing interest in a formal special interest Car Club continues to grow, with over 70 included at last count. To that end, several of us met with management to discuss the formalization of such a club. We were well received and encouraged in our pursuit. A general meeting for those interested is being planned to make decisions on our direction. If you are interested (and have not done so already), get on our email list by sending a message to ghilljr.500@gmail.com.



Photo by Bill Bender

Car show at Circle Square Commons.



**Poetry**

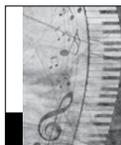
Alvin Ross

**A Man of Sand**

You gave a hand to the Man of Sand  
 A gesture of kindness quite true  
 Did you ask if he served?  
 For the Red, White and Blue  
 He showed but a tear  
 When he lowered his eyes  
 And spoke so softly  
 I barely could hear  
 There are so many like me I fear  
 Coming home to a country  
 We all held so dear  
 No glory no tribute  
 A life filled with pain  
 Forever to live  
 As a Man of Sand

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**Concert Chorus**

David Wesenberg

The Concert Chorus continues our search for a new director and pianist. If you have an interest in working with the chorus as a director or pianist, please contact Mary Ann Majni at (954) 557-8176 or flmam68@aol.com.

We encourage anyone who loves to sing to join us. As an example of members who love to sing and who enjoys her friendships in the Concert Chorus, let me introduce you to Emery Bjerkmann, a soprano in the chorus and former vice president of the Concert Chorus for five years.

Emery's early singing experience was in church choirs and a junior high school glee club. Luckily, early piano lessons assured that Emery could read and perform music.

Emery's experience has been more theater oriented including a

1976 performance in Oklahoma.

Emery moved to On Top of the World in 2006 and joined the Theatre Group and also the Concert Chorus in 2007. She loves to sing but loves even more the camaraderie and friendship with the members.

If you not only love music, but also love the camaraderie and friendship of great people as Emery does, come and join us this fall for our Christmas program. Contact May Ann Majni at (954) 557-8176 or flmam68@aol.com.



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Concert Chorus member, Emery Bjerkmann.

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**Model Railroaders**

**Paul Lewandowski**

Diesel locomotives are common today, but 100 years ago, they were unknown. Almost all locomotives in 1919 were steam, with a few electric locomotives scattered about.

Diesel locomotives are more properly called diesel-electric locomotives, because the power generated by the diesel engine drives a generator that produces electricity that is passed to motors between the wheels under the locomotive. It is these electric motors that actually drive the locomotive.

More compact and lighter diesel engines were first used in American locomotives by the Central Railroad of New Jersey in 1924. The small size of the engine limited the use to switcher-type locomotives. Advances in diesel engine design and construction, and the development of a compact efficient electric motor that could be mounted on an axle between two driver wheels on a locomotive by Westinghouse in the early 1930s, enabled the design of larger, more powerful and economically viable locomotives by 1934.

The first commercial success in long-distance diesel locomotion was the Burlington Railroad Pioneer Zephyr in that year. It demonstrated that locomotives could travel many more miles between servicing stops (just for fuel after several hundred miles, vs. every 100 miles or so for coal and/or water), with greater operational reliability and fewer man-hours involved in maintenance between runs.

Although there were some suc-

cesses with early diesel locomotives (like the Union Pacific M-10000), the Electromotive Division EA passenger diesel design of 1937 set the bar for future road locomotives. It was powerful, efficient, and streamlined. The EA units also introduced the concept of flashy paint schemes that shouted out the name of the railroad, much more so than the (mostly) black paint of the steam engines that had been around for so many years. EA units were primarily designed to haul passenger trains. The success of the EA units gave rise to the F unit for freight in 1939. These locomotives could be coupled together and run from the single cab in front, so as many as needed could be put at the front of a train to pull as much tonnage as needed using a single crew (steam locomotives needed a crew for each engine). Few were made during WWII because the diesel engines were needed for Navy boats and ships, but mass-production ramped up in 1946 and later years. Eventually, 1,350 E-units and 7,642 F-units were produced for railroads around the world. Thousands of similar diesel-electric locomotives were made by Alco, Baldwin, Fairbanks-Morse and other manufacturers. Steam engines (except for tourist railroads) were gone by the early 1960s.

Our layout is set in the late 1950s to allow for a combination of steam and diesel power. Our club schedules run sessions every Tuesday and Friday (except holidays) from 2:30 to 4 p.m. at the HO layout on the first floor of the Recreation Center.

Club business meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month (except holidays) at 9 a.m. in the Arbor Activity Center Card Room III.



**Antiques & Collectibles Club**

**Susan Johannes**

Our first ever season has ended and we are looking forward to starting up again on Wednesday, Sept. 25. As always, we will meet from 10 a.m. to noon at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite B.

May started off with a wonderful excursion to two antique malls, Ocala Antiques and Estates (who greeted us with a large tray of cookies), and the Antique Emporium in Reddick, Florida. We then had a delightful time in Micanopy, Florida with a stop at an outdoor cafe for lunch. Some of our members even

managed to come home with a few goodies.

In May, we had our first antique show, sale, and barter event followed by a pizza party.

For many of us the summer will be spent traveling, visiting folks up North, and of course looking for that great next find. We wish you all happy hunting and look forward to hearing all the stories and seeing some of the antiques and collectibles you may have acquired over the summer.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer. I will be revealing some of our plans for the 2019-2020 season (programs and excursions) over the next few months. If you wish for more information, you may reach me, Susan Johannes, club president, at (570) 862-8785 or victoran@brighthouse.com.



**Karaoke Friends**

**Kathy & Charlie Petrosky**

We continue to have great fun with everyone who comes to karaoke. Some songs get everyone singing along. We still have more clappers joining us. You know we love our clappers.

We have decided it is time to do another prop night on Monday, June 17. There are several new singers in the group. It will be interesting to see their creativity. On prop night the singers select songs that can be acted out. Some singers dress the part for the song. You would be surprised at the creativity. These are always fun nights. Look for more information about prop night in our July column.

I would like to continue to introduce our singers to you. This month I asked Carl Titcomb to explain why he enjoys karaoke. He is one of the newer singers to join our group. Here is what he wanted to share.

"My first karaoke experience was at Grand Lake RV Resort around 2006. My wife Linda and I met Donnie and Rose Winfrey. When we all lived at the park, karaoke was a regular event. Donnie hosted the event. I watched the other folks sing and only tried after Donnie urged me to go for it. Karaoke allows folks who like songs and music the opportunity to be on stage and be the star they dreamed about when they were kids. The stardom only lasts for a few minutes at a time, but it introduces you to a

world most of us never thought we would see. You really do not need a super voice to have lots of fun and enjoy the fellowship, which it provides. I say to anybody who is shy, come on and give it a try. You will meet lots of really nice people and you too can be a star for a few minutes at a time. We have all moved to On Top of the World and continue to enjoy karaoke here."

We meet in the Arbor Activity Center Music Room on the first and third Mondays of the month. Singing starts at 5:30 p.m. and continues until 8:30 p.m. Come any time in between. Hope to see you.

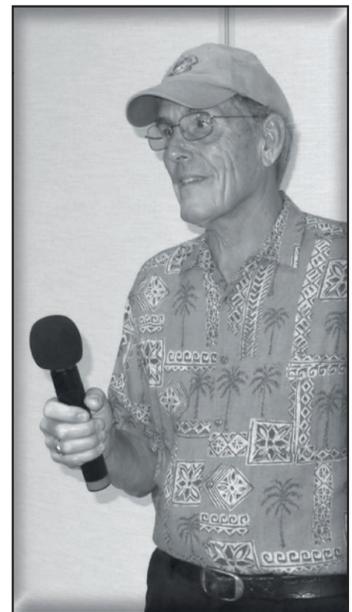


Photo by Charlie Petrosky  
**Carl Titcomb.**



**Artistic Crafts & Gifts**

**Chris Kilbride**

For the summer, the Artistic Crafts & Gifts group is taking a break from their Tuesday craft show at the Recreation Center Ballroom from 9 a.m. to noon. Tuesday, Sept. 3 will be the first day of the new season. Our new website ArtisticCrafts.org will give you a great idea of all the quality and workmanship built into these items for sale by such talented artists, sewers and craftsmen.

This month, we feature the background of Lois Frear, showcasing her delightful greeting cards. She joined an On Top of the World class in card making about eight years ago and got hooked on designing them each month. Then she would just keep putting them in a box to save until somebody had an anniversary, birthday or something to

celebrate. After some time, her son started bugging her saying, "Mom you've got too many cards; you're hoarding them!" She replied that she liked to give them away, often thank you notes or get well cards.

With a little encouragement from friends to sell her cards, she found out about the Artistic Crafts & Gifts, and has been part of our group for three years now.

Lois gets inspiration from life around her, and also has a couple of friends who often give her ideas. Sometimes while sleeping she'll wake up with an idea, and she'll know how she is going to design that card. Still having fun, she meets her friends once a month at the Rubber Stamp Club. With a passion for stamps and dies, she loves to color. "My biggest joy when I was four years old, was to receive crayons and coloring books - I could even stay inside the lines!"

If you have your own artistic endeavor you wish to sell, please contact us through our website ArtisticCrafts.org where our coordinator Rene can answer all your questions!

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**Rubber Stamp Greeting Cards**

Linda Lohr

Our presenter on Thursday, May 2 was Linda Lohr. The first card was ocean themed using a napkin as the focus. The second card featured birds on a tree limb. The third card was also ocean themed focusing on fish swimming under the sea. All the cards could be used for various occasions by changing the sentiments and embellishments. We thank Linda for her ideas as well as providing all the embossing folders, die cuts, punches, napkins and sentiments for the cards.

Anyone can be a presenter - and the cards do not have to be fancy or complicated. Our group is based on friendship, socializing, and helping

each other!

Our group is open to all crafters - beginners or those more experienced. One or two people do a presentation each month. The group usually meets the first or third Thursday of the month, at the discretion of the demonstrator. To find out which Thursday we will meet in any given month, contact Kathy. There are basic supplies that are needed, such as a trimmer, glue, scissors, and card stock. Everyone in the group shares their supplies and everyone brings new ideas to the table. You are only limited by your imagination!

If you feel this might be a class you would enjoy, or if you have any questions, please contact Kathy Hoefer at (352) 237-6439 or kathyh508@yahoo.com. We look forward to introducing new people to our fun craft. Until then, keep on stampin'!



Photo by Linda Lohr

Cards presented Linda Lohr.



Photos by Elizabeth Wales

Cindy Agan's watercolor cat (left) and Elizabeth Wales' watercolor kitten (right).



**Art Group**

Elizabeth Wales

The summer is upon us, and the snowbirds in our group have fled to cooler grounds. It's quieter in the Hobby Building Craft room. Residents who are brave enough to stay all year are especially welcome to come to our gatherings this summer and enjoy the fun with us. Bring your supplies and a happy face. We meet on Wednesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. and on Thursdays and Saturdays 9 a.m. to noon.

Now that we can live in this active adult community with our careers mostly behind us and children grown, we turn to the companionship of our pets. This leads to a natural inclination to want to preserve these precious faces in some form of art.

Several years ago, I was lucky enough to take an art workshop on that very thing. Given by a wonderful lady from South Bend, Indiana named Cindy Agan, this seemed like it would be a straightforward, fun thing to do. Cindy is a self-taught, internationally published artist and author, whose watercolor paintings are amazingly life-like. They resemble a beautiful photograph, whether her subject is a pet or a child or a flower. Her works intrigued me. After all, how hard can it be to draw a cat? Starting with your basic shapes, it requires a circle for a head, some little triangle ears, almond eyes, and another triangle for a mouth. Add an oval body and a little tube tail curling around the body, and you have your basic cartoon cat. Legs aren't important, of course, because cats curl up most of the time, hiding those little feet.

So began my adventure. I made the drawing in preparation for creating a tabby cat, with shades of brown and gray for its body and cute little face. After three days of a painstaking adding of a million little tiny brushstrokes to make fur, I was proud to say I had - a cartoon cat. Oh well, perhaps I should take up landscapes. After all, how hard can it be to draw a tree?



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Rudy Dagnello

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**The New Pretenders**

Nancy Grabowski

The New Pretenders are out and about. The summer months give us a chance to kick back, travel, take part in family visits and participate in all those other amazing things we do with some free time! That is not to say we aren't busy with preparations, though.

As we cruise through the next few months, individuals have practice CDs to begin the work on perfecting each of the numbers in our new 2020 show. That show is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 7 and Saturday, Feb. 8, at 7 p.m. and on Sunday, Feb. 9 at 2 p.m. Each performance will be on the stage at the Recreation Center Ballroom.

Tickets will remain at \$10 for reserved seating and \$8 for general admissions. The ticket sales begin January 6, 2020, from 8 to 10 a.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom.

Our ticket sales will continue every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday until Feb. 7. We always hope to sell out in advance so come sooner rather than later to make your choice!

Some have asked about the photos used in our columns. Lennie Rodoff, a very talented photographer, spends countless hours sorting through a mountain of shots she takes at our Friday and Sunday shows. Additionally, Darryl Kenyon is a whiz behind the video camera and creates a masterpiece of the entire show for us to watch repeatedly. You may see some of Darryl's amazing work on social media; to our delight and amazement, he has included material from The New Pretenders. Within the troupe, George Bausewein and Nancy Jennings-Fair are two of our own who have that camera at the ready and willingly share with everyone. Many thanks to each of them for doing what they do, and so well, too!

The New Pretenders are looking to fill at least one more posi-



Photo by Lennie Rodoff

**Some of The New Pretenders band: Nick Lagattuta, Paul McIntyre, Doug Ensley, and Joel Kurtz.**

tion in the troupe for the upcoming season. New recruits need to bring along a sense of humor and a willingness to be a part of the team! If you're not quite ready to make the commitment for our next sea-

son, why not put your name on our waiting list? We can get in touch with you along the way and decide then. If you want to join in the fun, contact Nancy Grabowski at (352) 873-4315 for more information.



**Theatre Group**

Leslie Miller

Now that the costumes are tucked back into their wardrobes and the stage flats are sandwiched together against the storage wall, the Theatre Group is busy taking care of the rest of the post-show details. On Thursday, April 18, President Harry Boyajian, Corresponding Secretary Donna Boyajian, and member Betty Broman attended the College of Central Florida Scholarship Foundation luncheon, where they presented a check in the amount of \$2,300 to the foundation. Our two sold-out shows generated enough money from our net proceeds to contribute twice as much as last year to our scholarship fund that gives assistance to deserving College of Central Florida students in the arts, and that was all possible by the overwhelming support from you, our residents! We are humbled and grateful for your contributions, and the students are thankful as well, as evidenced by the heartfelt thank you note read to our group

at our April meeting.

The storyboard committee met early in May to discuss options for continuing the momentum of our recent success with "42nd and Broadway." It was decided that for the fall, we will take a break from the lively musical reviews we have been doing and produce a show comprised of a number of one-act comedies. These shows will be directed by Richard Rosen, whom you may remember as the "master of the house" from our last production. In addition to teaching middle and high school drama, Richard has acted in, directed, and produced community and professional theater in Clearwater, Safety Harbor, Tarpon Springs, Gulfport, Delray Beach and Lake Worth, Florida. Although he loves musicals, he is excited about our return to more traditional theatre, and has all the experience needed to make these plays come to life.

Open auditions will be held on Wednesday, July 10 and Thursday, July 11, at 7 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites G-H. No experience is necessary to try out for these original one-act comedies by Dennis Jones. For more information, you may contact Richard



Photo by Chris Knife

**A representative from the College of Central Florida Scholarship Foundation receives a check from Betty Broman and Harry Boyajian from the Theatre Group.**

at [upstage111@yahoo.com](mailto:upstage111@yahoo.com). This show, "Love Times Four," will open on Friday, Nov. 22, at 7 p.m., with two shows on Saturday, Nov. 23 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. for those of you who would like to come and enjoy the final product.

The curtain fell on our 2018-19 season with a potluck dinner meeting on our regular meeting night,

the second Monday of the month, and a good time was had by all. We will not meet during the summer, but will begin again on Monday, Sept. 9, at 7 p.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom. Come join us if you like! If you would like more information about the Theatre Group, please contact our president, Harry Boyajian, at (239) 336-4804 or [crooner1142@outlook.com](mailto:crooner1142@outlook.com).

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Computer Club

David Wesenberg

Visit us at [otow.lolipop.org/sites/OTOW%20Computer%20Club](http://otow.lolipop.org/sites/OTOW%20Computer%20Club). Thank you for responding to our May column with your computer problems. It was a pleasure to help you and to answer your questions. Some of those problems have been added to our Q&A section at [otow.lolipop.org/sites/OTOW%20Computer%20Club](http://otow.lolipop.org/sites/OTOW%20Computer%20Club). Email questions to [dpw@mastersoftwareinc.com](mailto:dpw@mastersoftwareinc.com) and the answers will be posted on our website for all to see.

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# Eilean Donan Castle

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

The Gaelic meaning of this castle means "island of Donnan." It is situated on a tidal island in the western Highlands protruding into where three lochs (bodies of water) come together. The Eilean Donan Castle dates back to the 13th century having been almost destroyed in 1719. The castle was left in ruins but has

since been restored and connected to the mainland by a 20th century built bridge.

Eilean Donan Castle is one of Scotland's most iconic symbols along with being one of the most visited attractions in the Highlands. It also holds the distinction of being the most photographed castle in Scotland.



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Eilean Donan Castle is one of Scotland's most iconic symbols.

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