

Community News

Kenneth D. Colen
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Think About Your Personal Safety

March is a great time for a safety check-up. The holidays are over, the family and guests are back wherever they came from and it's just you and your home (finally!). So ask yourself a simple question: What do I do if ... ?

Do you enjoy walking or biking in the community in the evening or early morning hours? If the answer is yes, do you wear reflective clothing, carry a flashlight for signaling oncoming traffic, or have proper red/white lights on your bicycle? Personally, I enjoy walking in the community in the cooler weather, and I'm the first to admit that sometimes I forget to take precautions. Note to self: practice what I preach!

Another lifesaving question to ask is: If you were to have a kitchen fire, do you have a fire extinguisher handy and could you use it? If you had a water leak into your unit, would you know what to do or who to call?

If you are getting out of the tub or shower, is your bath mat absorbent and non-skid? Do you have a grab rail that is properly installed in your tub or shower?

Have you overloaded any extension cord with too many plug-in items? This is much more common than you think!

Do you have a first aid kit in the home? How old is it? Do you maintain an up-to-date emergency contact list? Do you remember where it is? When was the last time it was checked? The best recommendation is to keep a clearly legible list of current emergency contacts, your primary physician, and any medications you are taking in a clearly identified vial in the refrigerator. You'll also want to post a reminder on the refrigerator door that vital information is stored there. This can be a life or death difference to you should emergency responders be needed.

On Top of the World (Central) Owner's Association

The On Top of the World (Central) Owners' Association board meeting was held on Friday, Feb. 10, with approximately 300 residents in attendance. The purpose of the meeting was to consider adoption of the fiscal year 2017-18 operating budget and to adopt a resolution for roof replacement special assessments, amongst other things. Numerous questions on roof replacement costs and the process were addressed.

Robert Colen made a presentation on the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program. This is an alternative means of funding home improvements that promote energy savings and make the home more storm resistant. This program will be of interest to residents whose roof is scheduled for replacement. Fundamentally, the program advances funding, which is then paid back by an owner through an additional assessment on their property taxes. The obligation runs with the home when it is sold. For more information on the PACE program, please visit allianceNRG.com.

All of the three roofing contractors doing work for your Association are signed up with the program.

Following the meeting, many residents in attendance called the PACE office to inquire further. Interestingly enough, there is more than one "Steve" working for this group. Regrettably, the "wrong" Steve gave inaccurate information when he stated On Top of the World was not signed up into the program.

After a quick call by Robert Co-

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By Matt Hibbs

How would you like to be standing over a 10-foot putt with a chance to win \$12,000? Year after year, that's what the Ocala Open presents to up-and-coming professional golfers.

Wednesday, March 15 through Friday, March 17, Candler Hills Golf Club will host its 11th annual Ocala Open. The Ocala Open is a professional golf tournament run by Rick Hendershot, director of the Florida Professional Golf Tour. Each year, a field of 144 professional golfers competes for a chance to win the first place prize of \$12,000.

We have had many great players come to Candler Hills to compete in this prestigious event. Current PGA Tour player, Ted Potter Jr. won back-to-back championships in 2012 and 2013. Most recently, Dan McCarthy won his second straight Ocala Open by shooting a three-day score of 195 (-18 under par).

For a true first class experience visit the VIP tent adjacent to the 18th green. This beautiful viewing area is setup for spectators who wish to relax under a tent while watching these spectacular golfers compete for the Ocala Open championship. Tickets for this luxurious seating area can be purchased in the Candler Hills Golf Shop.

The most important part of the Ocala Open is the charity Pro-Am. Annually, the Pro-Am is the biggest fundraiser in Ocala. With the support of local vendors and residents, we were able to raise \$63,000 for charity last year and presented both Interfaith Emergency Services and Hospice of Marion County a check for \$31,500 each. To date, the Ocala Open has donated over \$416,000 to local charities. This event has not only become a tradition at On Top of the World, but a staple to our community.

Interested in participating in the Pro-Am to help support these great organizations? This year's Pro-Am will be played on Tuesday, March 14. The entry deadline is Monday, March 6 and is limited to 30 teams. If you would like more information,

please visit ocalaopen.com or contact Director of Golf Matt Hibbs at (352) 854-2765.

To orchestrate an event of this stature, you must have exceptional employees and that's something we certainly have at On Top of the World. Every year, our employees put in countless hours to ensure the event's success. Andy Jorgensen and his maintenance

staff do a wonderful job preparing the course. The players rave about how well maintained Candler Hills Golf Course is and in particular the greens. We can't forget about the 30 volunteers who so graciously donate their time to make sure the players have an enjoyable experience. Thank you to all for your continued support of this charitable event.

Candler Hills Golf Club is proud to annually present the Ocala Open. We have fine-tuned the event over the years and it has become not only one of the best professional golf events in Ocala, but all of Florida. Please take time out of your busy schedule to come watch these players compete for this year's Ocala Open title.



Photo by Bob Woods

Dan McCarthy won the 2015 and 2016 Ocala Open.

Fitness on Demand in Indigo East

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

Not everyone has the time to gear up into gym clothes and commute back and forth from the gym, and not everyone wants to pay for a gym membership. So for them, and

for everyone, there's Fitness on Demand!

This concept, introduced at the Indigo East Community Center on Tuesday, Feb. 7 is now available to

all Indigo East residents.

Here's how it works ... there is now a 70-inch television at the Indigo East Community Center with several fitness programs installed. The programs allow the participant(s) to choose whatever level of exercise they feel comfortable with. Programs are accessed and selected using the Fitness on Demand kiosk located right below the television screen. So from now on, an individual, or group can simply walk over to the community center, and work out. How great is that?

Fitness Director Cammy Dennis discovered this program at a fitness convention (see they're not all fun and games) a couple of years ago and thought the concept was ideal for our growing community. She said, "As our community expands, we need to expand our resources to reach the growing population. Fitness on Demand is a virtual fitness application, which makes it easy to keep active and stay healthy. It's simple, flexible and available any time!"

The Fitness on Demand program allows for classes to be scheduled on specific days and times. The On Top of the World fitness team will work with Indigo East residents to provide this service in the future. But the beauty of the system is that anyone, anytime can now work out, on demand!

Cammy said that once the Arbor Club fitness center is up and running, it too will have the Fitness on Demand program installed.



Photo By Cammy Dennis

Indigo East residents participating in a Fitness on Demand yoga class.

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GOLDEN OLDIES HUMOR



By Stan Goldstein



Your only exercise is pushing your luck.

Is It Legal?

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Here is our upcoming Master the Possibilities lecture schedule:

- Tuesday, March 14: "Annuities, a Different Look" will discuss some of the issues you won't have when you are at a free lunch seminar.
- Tuesday, April 4: "Florida Law for Florida Residents" will address some of the many laws that you need to know about if you are a Florida resident.
- Tuesday, May 9: "Mid-Year Review" is part two of our "review" lectures where we discuss the legal issues you need to be thinking about mid-year.
- Tuesday, May 23: "Prelude to the Civil War" will discuss issues that finally lead to the Civil War.

All lectures are at 3 p.m. at Circle Square Cultural Center. To register, visit masterthepossibilities.org.

SCAM ALERT #1: Although the election is over, you should expect continuing calls from scammers or from groups who want "to have your views" on this or that issue. Please translate "to have your views" to mean "to have your money" for this or that contribution - some might even be valid; but why risk it by providing your credit card information?

My philosophy, and I hope you also will adopt it, is that if I don't recognize the number, or even if I think I might but I'm not sure - I don't answer the phone (or cell phone) and let the caller leave a message. If a message is left, I can decide whether or not to return it. Obviously, if there's no message the odds are very substantial that it was a scammer. Please remember to have "caller I.D." on your landline phone so that if a call comes in you can see who is calling; or at least you can see the number.

My rule is that if my caller I.D. says "private caller" or "out of area" or anything else that does not identify the caller I don't answer it. Also, of course, when the caller I.D. says "IRS" or "United States Marshall" there's no reason to even think about answering it. The IRS and the United States Marshall's office never call you unless it's in response to a call that you first made.

SCAM ALERT #2: If I get an e-mail that's an advertisement or some kind of notice or it reads, "Jerry, you've got to see this;" I immediately toss it into junk mail. Think about it.

Q. I have a trust to avoid probate. I also have some of my accounts set up as "transfer on death" to my children. Is that okay?

A. I suppose so; but it would seem to me that the only reason you have a trust and also some accounts in "transfer on death" status is that you want some accounts to go outside of your trust and to specific beneficiaries. Perhaps, you don't want the trust beneficiaries to know about the "transfer on death" accounts? Either way, of course, assets held in a trust or in transfer on death status avoid probate. Folks who read my column, pretty much know that I am usually not a fan of trusts because in simple estates, they are not needed. Transfer on death status accomplishes the same probate avoidance as does have assets in trust.

Q. Thanks for your scam alerts. I appreciate them and I cut them out and keep them.

A. And thanks for your thanks. I've been doing scam alerts with

the hope that folks will think about them and hopefully, will not get ripped off by scammers who don't care who they hurt or how much they hurt someone.

I urge everyone who reads the scam alerts to pass on that information to friends, relatives, and everyone. I just want everyone to be very cautious. Unfortunately, we have to suspect telephone calls, computer e-mails, letters we get, etc. It's just the way it is. I care - I really do care - about the folks who cross my path and whose path I cross. That's why I started the scam alerts as part of my column.

Q. Am I correct that Medicare pays for the first 100 days a person is in a nursing home?

A. No, that is not completely correct. Basically, if someone is in a nursing facility and is receiving skilled nursing services, such as physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy or respiratory therapy, then Medicare pays 100 percent of the first 20 days. After that, Medicare co-pays for up to the next 80 days so long as the patient needs those skilled nursing services. However, if the patient no longer needs those services because he/she is not cooperating or has attained maximum recovery, then Medicare stops paying even if it's less than 100 days. There's a lot more to this but I can't do that in a column like this.

Q. My husband, who I haven't seen in many, many, many years, showed up at my door. We never got divorced. I'm now living with another man and am very happy. Your thoughts on what to do?

A. My thoughts on what to do are not printable.

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Candler Connection

Debra Keirn

I would like to introduce myself to all of you as a new board member of the Candler Connection Social Club who will be writing the monthly World News column. A special thank you to Janet Wiles for her six years on the board in various positions.

On Tuesday, Feb. 7, the meeting of the board took place at the Candler Hills Community Center. The election of officers and committee chairpersons are as follows: Bob Scherff, president; John Bain, vice president; Mary Purfeerst, secretary; and Dave Keitz, treasurer. The social committee co-chairpersons are John Bain and Peggy Janisch. Chairperson of the communication committee is Mary Purfeerst, and John Podkomorski is the technology committee chairperson. We appreciate these individuals for their dedication and hard work in 2016 and look forward to their capable leadership in 2017.

Peggy Janisch, Debra Keirn, and Darryl Kenyon were elected to the board for the first time, and John Bain, Dave Keitz, and Richard Steinfeldt were re-elected (two-year terms).

Several events have been scheduled for the speaker series. On Tuesday, March 7, at 3 p.m. at the Candler Hills Community Center, Pat Gabriel, the president of the State Road 200 Coalition, will provide an update on developments along the SR 200 Corridor.

On Tuesday, March 21, at 3 p.m. at The Lodge, Phillip Hisey will discuss preparing your yard for spring



Photo by Bob Scherff

Candler Hills residents enjoying a potluck dinner.

and summer, and Sandy Curtis and Chef Marlon will bring us up-to-date on what is going on at The Club at Candler Hills, The Pub and The Lodge. Tours will be available of The Lodge.

The St. Patrick's Day spring dinner dance will be held on Saturday, March 18, from 6 to 9 p.m. in The Lodge at Candler Hills. DJ Kurtis May will provide entertainment. A cash bar will be available. Ticket prices are \$30 per person. Please contact John Bain at (352) 414-5434 or Peggy Janisch at (352) 484-0754 for tickets and information. The last day to purchase tickets for this

event is Thursday, March 9.

The next potluck dinner will be on Tuesday, March 28 at the Candler Hills Community Center. Those residents with the last names beginning with A-C and T-Z should bring the main dishes; D-K, side dishes; L-S, appetizers and desserts. Please label your dish with its name and ingredients to assist people with dietary issues. Volunteers helping with setup should arrive at 4:30 p.m.; others should arrive at 5:30 p.m. to enjoy appetizers and to get a number for the table where you will be sitting. The cost of \$1 covers eating utensils,

plates, napkins and decaffeinated coffee. To attend, contact Bev McCarthy at (352) 854-9416 or bjtr6@yahoo.com to let her know how many will be attending, and if you can help with setup.

The ice cream social is planned for June 11, from 3 to 5 p.m. at The Lodge. More information to come.

If you are a new resident of Candler Hills, log onto the website candlerconnection.org to fill out the form to receive "The Happenings" monthly by e-mail.

The next Candler Connection board meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 14, at 2:30 p.m.

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len to the right "Steve" at the PACE office, the record was updated and correct information is now in their look-up system. Bottom line is that On Top of the World Central Owners' Association is qualified for the program.

The fiscal year 2016-17 community-wide improvement work was reviewed and the 2017-18 program was explained in detail. Other programmed work will include completing the tennis court expansion at the Arbor Club, new flooring and paint in the Arbor Conference Center, and expanding and renovating the Arbor Club to a top line fitness center.

Your board is committed to providing an expansive bundle of services available for residents. We strive to provide access to numerous fitness, recreation, entertainment, and educational programs good for both the body and soul. Your board strives to build and reinforce the sense of community, enhance the opportunity to make friends, and enjoy the peace of mind of living in a safe and clean community.

Candler Hills

Other big news for Candler Hills residents is that The Lodge at Candler Hills is finished and being furnished. Notices for an optional black tie resident opening have been sent.

The Town Square

This is a great time of year to get outside, walk around and enjoy the Farmer's Market. The market is open every Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. There's a wide selection of seasonal produce, orchids and exotic plants, baked goods, seafood and crafts. Come hang out and meet with friends for a nice morning out. Then head over to Sid's Coffee Shop & Deli for lunch. Choose

from daily specials of soups, fresh, crispy salads, deli-style sandwiches and daily baked quiches.

On Fridays and Saturdays, from 6 to 9 p.m., is a great time to enjoy the evening out on The Town Square listening to the music of live bands or recorded favorites. The bands in March include Susanne Smith, Lisa Coan, 3 For The Road, Plus 1 and Danny and Johnny.

Circle Square Cultural Center

Ticket sales for the new entertainment line-up (through March 2018) at Circle Square Cultural Center will begin on Monday, March 6. You may view the new line-up at CSCulturalCenter.com on March 6 as well. As always, the team is doing a great job at bringing top name entertainment - Frankie Avalon, The Kingston Trio, Bill Haley, Jr. & The Comets and The Atlantic City Boys. They are also bringing in high quality performers who take you back in time with the music of legends - Bob Seger, Fleetwood Mack, Bee Gees plus so many more.

As the community grows, shows are selling out more quickly than ever before! So don't wait, because the tickets you want may be gone. Also, look for some of the seats on the far sides to be added into the Bronze tickets section.

On Saturday, March 25, come and support locals artists at Hands Across the Highway Art Expo, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This event is free and open to the public.

Ocala Star Banner is sponsoring a new event "Life ... A Senior Show Event." The event takes place on Saturday, April 1, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, April 2, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. This event is free and open to the public.

Winter Weather & Shrubbery

March can be a tricky month when it comes to the weather. We may have wonderfully warm days and cold nights. So it is worth a reminder to not remove plants affected by the cold. They will surprise you with their recovery. Neither should they be pruned back until mid-April. There may be several

more periods of cold and possible frost. Pruning at this point will spur plant growth that is vulnerable to the cold. Rather, wait until mid-April to consider any pruning of owner added plantings. Central Florida generally experiences one cold snap with light frost between March 15 and Easter; so be forewarned.

Lawns and shrubbery will continue to grow, albeit very slowly, when the ground temperature warms above 65 degrees. That said watering requirements are significantly less during the cooler months.

Controlled Burning & Habitat Management

Controlled burning is a very important wild lands habitat management practice. A controlled burn reduces the chance of uncontrolled wildfire by reducing fuel provided by the dead or dry plant mass. It is not uncommon in Florida to have fires started by lightning.

Fire in the upland habitat areas, such as the westerly side of the On Top of the World properties, is necessary to ensure healthy succession of native plant communities. Much of the local plant ecology evolved around periodic fires. Seeds need the fire in order to germinate. Invasive plant species are also reduced allowing for less competition with more established native plants.

In the coming months, we hope to have additional opportunities for controlled burning. Much is dependent on having the right moisture content in the soils, humidity levels, wind speed, and direction in order to secure a state permit. Nothing can be easily forecast and planned in this regard. Steps are taken to make sure a burn stays under control. These include maintaining wide fire breaks to minimize accidental spreading, as well as the use of heavy machinery to contain the burn area.

We apologize in advance for any smoke that may drift east over the community. However, it is better to have a planned, controlled burn than a wildfire.

If we are successful in having

the conditions that support a controlled burn, permits will be in hand, emergency services notified, and fire control management steps in place before a controlled burn is started. Typically, we try to begin early in the morning when the dew is down and the winds are low. The goal is to send the smoke high and away from populated areas, and to have the burn area completed before late morning or afternoon breezes begin. Timing of a burn is mandated by actual weather conditions on the day of the possible event.

In 2013, we purchased new equipment to supplement our controlled burning activities allowing us to perform very specific and detailed thinning of areas that require a lighter touch than an understory burn. Additionally, having the ability to mechanically maintain these areas means we can still make progress and continue our work when conditions are not optimal for a controlled burn. Much of our work in the coming season will rely on these methods.

Safety Tips

For those of you who use dryer sheets, now is a good time to scrub your lint vent with a brush and hot soapy water. Believe it or not, some dryer sheets emit a waxy substance that adheres to the mesh lining of the lint vent. This can be verified by running hot water over your lint vent, if the water does not pass through the mesh, then it's a good idea to clean your lint vent.

Conservation Tip

Depending on the type irrigation system, shaving two minutes off each irrigation run time yields 24 to 36 gallons per zone per run time, which can save 103 to 155 gallons per month per zone for once per week watering and 206 to 310 gallons per month for twice per week watering. Monthly water savings for seven zones may cost in a range of \$1.67 to \$7.49 for once per week watering and \$3.33 to \$14.974 for twice per week watering depending on the rate tier.




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Computer Club



David Wesenberg

This month, the Computer Club focused on many of the little problems members face using desktops, laptops and tablets.

For example, how do you get back something erased when typing a letter or document? How can I set Windows 10 to keep revisions of documents, spreadsheets and presentations, and allow me to select them from a history list? What can I do when my browser tells me my computer is locked up and to call a number immediately?

Do you have a problem with your desktop, laptop or tablet? Do you want to see the latest computer technology? Do you want access to experts in every area of computer use? Come and join us in Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C on Thursdays or Saturdays at 9 a.m. Dues are \$10 per person or \$15 per couple a year.

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For those of us who love to celebrate, St. Patrick's Day gives us a reason to do so. Be sure to check out the yummy specials at The Club at Candler Hills, The Pub and Sid's Coffee Shop & Deli on Friday, March 17. Our first official day of spring is Monday, March 20, and I am looking forward to seeing spring flowers, longer daylight hours and beautiful weather.

Don't forget to move your clocks forward by one hour — spring forward — on Sunday, March 12. A good rule of thumb is to change the batteries in your smoke detectors when you change your clocks, since daylight saving time provides a convenient reminder. Daylight saving time also means that you may water your lawn twice per week. Please make sure to switch over your irrigation to water on the correct days and times.

Customer Service

The Customer Service office is closed the third Wednesday of ev-

ery month from noon to 1 p.m., which falls on Wednesday, March 15, this month. Customer Service may be reached by phone, (352) 236-OTOW (6869) or by e-mailing otowservice@otowfl.com Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or in person by visiting Suite 200, in Friendship Commons, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you reach our voicemail during normal business hours, please know that we are helping others and will get back to you as quickly as possible.

Ocala Open

The 11th annual Ocala Open at Candler Hills Golf Course is just days away! It's hard to believe that we have been hosting this wonderful event for 10 years, and have raised over \$416,000 for our charities. We couldn't have done it without the support from our vendors, volunteers, residents and employees, and are looking to make our 11th year our best yet. We hope that you will join us for this event.

The Ocala Open is sure to be the largest charity golf event in Marion County in 2017 and will be held on March 15, 16 and 17 with a Pro-Am on Tuesday, March 14. You still have time to sign up to participate

in the Pro-Am, which will help benefit our two local charities: Hospice of Marion County, Inc., and Interfaith Emergency Services. The professional tournament will showcase the Candler Hills Golf Course and will highlight professional golfers from around the world. You will not want to miss this — come out and be a spectator and enjoy watching exciting golf.

Be sure to take advantage of the VIP ticket which not only gets you a prime seat and viewing spot under the tent at the 18th hole, but you also receive tickets for a free lunch, an appetizer and two beverages that day. This deal can't be beat. Tickets are available at Candler Hills Golf Shop for \$25 daily or \$65 for three days. VIP World Passport members will receive their member discount, and each charity will receive a portion of the ticket proceeds.

Budget Meeting

The board of directors meeting for On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association was held on Friday, Feb. 10, at Circle Square Cultural Center and was well attended. The board took action to approve the 2017-2018 budget as well as a resolution for the 2017-

2018 roof replacements. The board reports included discussing budget items, on-going challenges and new and exciting plans for this budget year.

I would like to take a moment to address a rumor that seems to resurface every few years and is not based on any facts. Mr. Colen, nor On Top of the World or any of its related entities, own or have any controlling interest in any of the roofing companies that do work in the community. You may verify by checking out sunbiz.org on the web.

Spectators and Hazards

I've written about this before but it appears that it may be time for a reminder. When there is a hazard/incident in the community — e.g. a tree down, car accident, etc. — we ask that residents/spectators please not get in the way of first responders or contractors who are working on the incident. We recently had a tree come down and the crew was hindered in doing their job because they were busy trying to keep spectators out of the danger area. Not only did this delay the repair, it put spectators and our crews in harm's way.

Reminders

On Wednesday, March 22, Master the Possibilities is offering another informative class about coyotes. Don't miss out on this educational opportunity to learn more about these interesting creatures.

Do you have a resident I.D. that needs to be replaced? Through Friday, March 31, stop by Customer Service and get your I.D. replaced for only \$10. If your I.D. is working, it can be updated for free.

Resident Requests

CONTRACTORS: Please remind any contractor doing work for you that if they park in the street, they must place a cone in front of, and behind, their vehicle. They may not block any of the designated cart or multi-modal paths.

WATER CONSERVATION: Please e-mail any successful water conservation tips that you might have to otowservice@otowfl.com. Customer Service will collect all the ideas and once they are approved by Bay Laurel Center CDD, they will be posted in my next column.

Have a happy and safe March! I hope to see you at the Ocala Open.



Keeping It Green

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The lack of cooler wintertime temperatures has been nice to some extent but may result in increased insect populations this summer. Nighttime temperatures of high 20s and low 30s have been few and far between.

Prepare for dry months ahead. The National Weather Service indicated in the U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook, that from Jan. 19 through April 30 "drought development is likely." Check your irrigation system monthly to ensure you are watering correctly by applying half inch to three-quarter inch at each application. MP rotator nozzles should be set to water at 90 minutes, rotors should water for 45 to 60 minutes and spray heads with a fixed pattern should irrigate 15 to 20 minutes. Run times needed for

grass will vary depending on soil type and root depth. Check your run times by setting out rain gauges or tuna cans to catch irrigation water and measure.

Sustainable Landscape Management is now offering a landscape and turf pest control program. We will offer services including granular fertilization of the turf and shrubs, preventative pest control for landscape/turf pest and diseases. Contact us today for an estimate at (352) 816-1562 or slmservicefl@gmail.com.

The latest and greatest technology for irrigation system management is on the move again. The Hunter Pro-HC is now hitting the shelves at Siteone Landscape and Florida Irrigation Supply. You might be able to locate an irrigation timer online as well. The irrigation timer boasts water saving technology utilizing local and personal weather stations tied to Weather Underground to develop irrigation run times. The irrigation timer uses your home Wi-Fi interface to com-

municate to cloud-based run times tied to the Hydrowise app, allowing your clock to adjust to seasonal weather patterns for your area. With the Hydrowise app and the cloud you can also connect to your irrigation timer from anywhere in the world where there is Wi-Fi or Internet as long as your irrigation timer is connected to Wi-Fi.

There are other water saving features tied to the irrigation timer. Solenoid malfunctions are alarmed and sent to your mobile phone as well as Wi-Fi connection. There is also an optional flow meter that can be installed. Flow metering allows the system to alarm you when you have excessive usage.

Check out the home maintenance tab at otowinfo.com for more information for fertilization and pest control practices in March. March is a good month to apply fertilizers. Also, don't forget to reset your timer on Sunday, March 12 to twice per week watering when you reset your clocks for daylight saving time.

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Photo by Theresa Fields
Pedro and Baby Del Manzano were voted as 2017 On Top of the World prom king and queen at Happy Hour on Friday, Feb. 10.

It's Show Time

By Bob Woods
 World News Writer

Two performances are scheduled at Circle Square Cultural Center for the month of March.



**Super Diamond
 Friday, March 3**

Super Diamond will perform a glittering, if not fantastic, performance of Neil Diamond's hits. According to reports, Super Diamond, with lead singer Randy Cordeiro, has become one of the most popular live tribute shows in the United

States. Cordeiro will astonish the audience with his impersonation and interpretation of Neil Diamond. Some of the popular songs you will hear at this performance will include "Sweet Caroline," "Song Song Blue," "Hello Again," "Cracklin' Rosie," and "I'm a Believer." If you are a Neil Diamond fan, you don't want to miss this performance.



**Richard Nader's Doo Wop & Rock n' Roll Legends
 Friday, March 24**

This show will feature The Charlie Thomas Drifters, Tommy Mara and The Crests along with former singer of The Hollies, Terry Sylvester.

The Drifters' first release was the hit "There Goes My Baby." Other famous tunes followed - "Save the Last Dance for Me," "This Magic Moment," "On Broadway" along with "Under the Boardwalk." The Crests with Tommy Mara are sure to perform one of their most popular tunes, "Sixteen Candles" along with others such as "Summertime" and "Cara Mia." Rock and Roll Hall of Famer Terry Sylvester was credited with bringing The Hollies a second life with hits like "Long Cool Woman" and "The Air That I Breathe." With this line-up, this is sure to be a fantastic show!

To purchase tickets, stop by the Circle Square Cultural Center ticket office at 8395 SW 80th Street or go online to csculturalcenter.com.

Ticket sales for the new entertainment line-up (through March 2018) at Circle Square Cultural Center will begin on Monday, March 6. You may view the new line-up at CSCulturalCenter.com on March 6 as well.

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Event Schedule

- 7:30 am** Breakfast at The Club at Candler Hills, registration and Golf Shop opens in Candler Hills Community Center
- 9:30 am** Format: Pro's individual ball + 3 Amateur scramble Shotgun start
- 2:00 pm** Champions round-up barbeque and awards presentation at The Lodge

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For a registration form, visit us online at OcalaOpen.com or stop by the Golf Shop.





Lifelong Learning

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Women Doers & Dreamers

During women's history month, Master the Possibilities presents a grand line-up of presenters who are both dreamers and doers. Historic interpreter Dee Collier shares a compilation of women living in the late 1800s through the character of "Lizzy Jane." Jane exemplifies the pioneer spirit prevalent following the second Seminole War, during the era of cow hunters and the ravaging fire of 1883 (Friday, March 3, 1 p.m.).

Author Doris Weatherford walks us through the history of Florida's guiding matriarchs from the women who traveled with Ponce de Leon to the state's first female mayor Marion H. O'Brien. Register for "Women Who Dared to Dream" (Tuesday, March 7, 2:30 p.m.). Join her afterwards at Fireside Stories, 4 p.m., as she leads off the evening's storytelling.

Florida Humanities Scholar Ersula Knox-Odom delivers "Bringing Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune to Life," showcasing a legendary education and black leader (Tuesday, March 21, 2:30 p.m.). Bethune was the founder of Bethune-Cookman University, and a New Deal government official in one of the 20 highest-level offices held by women in the Roosevelt administration. At 4 p.m., Knox-Odom leads off the evening's Fireside Stories in the Living Room.

Award-winning historical romance author Darlene Marshall presents "Romancing around Florida" as part of the Florida Author Storyteller Series (Monday, March 27, 1 p.m.). Marshall is a must see for aspiring authors regardless of genre. She took her dream and lived it through award-winning books, including "Castaway

Dreams," "The Pirate's Secret Baby" plus many more.

Four remarkable women share stories designed to spark action. Fitness Director Cammy Dennis facilitates an inspirational panel of men and women called "Champions of Active Aging" (Tuesday, March 7, 1 p.m.). This session underscores how health and wellness can help you live your dream, even if you have faced medical challenges. Then mother-daughter duo Colleen Griffin and Tracy Ryzan-Ross deliver a powerful workshop - "The Stories We Tell Ourselves: Change Your Story, Charge Your Life" (Thursday, March 2, and Friday, March 3, 4 p.m.). Barbara Toeppen-Sprigg continues her transformative programs focused on compassion and choices. Her program on Friday, March 31, at 1 p.m., includes presentation of the movie "Wit." This riveting story tells how a woman near death makes sacrifices to support medical research.

Angeline Scotten, a dynamic biologist from Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, returns to deliver her well-researched talk on "Coyotes in Florida" (Wednesday, March 22, 3:30 p.m.). This is a free program.

If your dreams include pursuing art or travel, March is filled with opportunities. Check out the Frank Lloyd Wright Anniversary Series - a lecture and tour to the historic Spring House in Tallahassee (Thursday, March 23, 10:30 a.m. and Thursday, March 30, all day). Follow Carla Traudt and her adventures to Yellowstone National Park (Wednesday, March 15, 3 p.m.). Take up the ukulele, bee keeping, knitting, pottery and more.

For more information or to register, call (352) 854-3699, visit MasterthePossibilities.org or visit the office from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.



Ersula Knox-Odom presents "Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune."

'Bunco for Babies' Fundraiser

By Micki Malsch

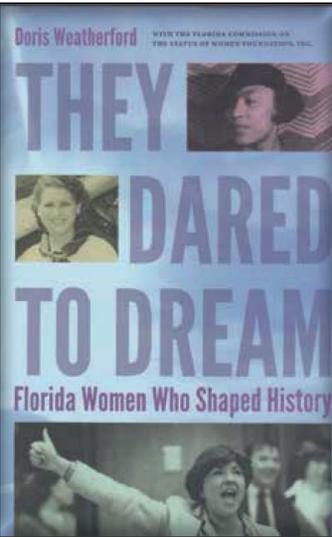
A "Bunco for Babies" luncheon and bunco game fundraiser will be held on Saturday, April 8, at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E through H. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. Luncheon will be served at 11 a.m. with the games to begin immediately following. Hosted by Micki Malsch, all proceeds benefit the March of Dimes, March for Babies.

The cost of a ticket is \$25 and includes lunch, beverage, dessert, and a bunco game for cash prizes.

There will be a 50/50 raffle and a raffle for various door prizes.

There will be 25 tables of four players at each table. Five sets of six games will be played. A brief intermission will be held following the second set.

Only a limited number of tickets is still available. For further information and tickets, please call Micki Malsch at (352) 861-8790. This is a lot of fun and a great way to support a worthy cause!



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Veterans Club

Fred Pulis

The Veterans Club had a tremendous Club Fair response as we recruited 13 new club members. The new members are a very welcome addition to our club!

The Veterans Club represents every branch of the military and meets quarterly on the third Thursday of the month at 2 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite B.

Our next quarterly meeting is on Thursday, March 16.

The Veterans Club is open to all Armed Services veterans and their guests. People who are concerned about veterans' affairs are encouraged to attend. Also, the meeting will provide an update on recent legislation concerning current veterans. In upcoming meetings, various topics concerning veteran-related issues will be discussed and various opinions and ideas are encouraged.

For any additional information, please contact Fred Pulis at (352) 854-9976.



Democratic Club

Dan Lack

Marion County voters passed an additional one mill property tax in November 2014 to raise funds for school programs that previously had been cut in areas such as art, music, library/media and physical education. An Independent Citizens Referendum Oversight Committee was set up to make sure that the money was properly allocated. Nancy Noonan, a retired school teacher, is a co-founder of Marions United for Public Education, an organization that advocated in favor of the tax. Nancy was appointed to the oversight committee and she became its chair. She will speak at our meeting on Thursday, March 23 to inform us about education in Marion County and to let us know how our hard-earned tax dollars are being spent.

Many of the Democratic Club's members are getting politically in-

involved for the first time in their lives. We are going to political rallies on the downtown square in Ocala, phoning our congressman and senators, and joining the local Indivisible group. Democracy is a wonderful thing. Let's make sure that we keep it.

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

We meet on the fourth Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. in Suites E and F of the Arbor Conference Center. 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 on youtube.com (otowdemclub channel).

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!



Republican Club

Bill Richhart

We hold our meetings on the second Friday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center. Due to renovations at the Arbor Club, our meetings will be held in Suites B, C, and D until further notice.

Our February speaker was Justin Grabelle, the new president of the Ocala Republican Executive Committee (REC) and former aide to Congressman Rich Nugent.

Justin presented a very infor-

mative look at the many insights into the workings in Congress, and provided suggestions on ways to expand our club. Also, of note, we were delighted to meet 12 residents showing interest in the club at the Club Fair in January.

Guest speaker for March is County Commissioner Carl Zalak (District 4). He will present the status of the county and will take questions.

A tease for April, Dr. Heidi Maier, superintendent of Marion County Public Schools will be our guest speaker and discuss all the big things happening.

If you have questions, please call me at (352) 304-8425. We look forward to seeing you.



Citizens Emergency Response Team

Beth McKeen

As CERT members, we must constantly train so that we are prepared in the event our team is called up to assist in a disaster. At our February meeting, we continued with our "walk through" drill. Once the command center has been set up, our first task is to prioritize the incoming data regarding destruction and possible victims in the community. This data is collected from On Top of the World personnel, residents and team members as they travel through the community.

We must next identify areas in our community that have the greatest need. CERT teams are formed and asked to report to these areas in order to assist residents. Ideally each team should have a team leader and assistant, who will assess and treat victims, a scribe who will

record findings and a ham radio operator, who will report findings to the command center.

We need new members on our team to keep up with growth in the community, so please consider participating in this service organization and giving back to your community. Become a volunteer for the Emergency Management Bureau of the Marion County Sheriff's Office.

CERT training classes have been filling very rapidly due to an increase in CERT interest throughout the county, so it is not too early to apply for the next training class. To fill out an application go to marionso.com, EM icon, EM volunteering, or call Beverly Case, CERT coordinator, at (352) 369-8103.

CERT meets every second Tuesday of the month at 9 a.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F. Our next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 14. Anyone interested in learning more about CERT is welcome to attend these meetings or contact Beth McKeen at (352) 237-5079.

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The Genesis Project

David Wesenberg

Genesis Project meets on Fridays from 1 to 3 p.m. in Arbor Conference Center, Suite B. Our goal is

a discussion of the stories of Genesis to experience the stories themselves, and people of all faiths are welcome.

This last month, we updated new members on what was discussed so far. One new area we discussed was the fact that many of the peoples talked about 4,000 years ago are still there, and conflicts among them are now four millennia old. We looked at how Israel has changed over that period and what it means in the modern-day world.

Coming up are discussions of why men suffer, what is it to be righteous before God, and how God uses imperfect people to carry out his plan.

Class members and the general public can follow along on the website <http://bible.lolipop.org>.

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The next scheduled game is Tuesday, March 28, 2017.

If you have never played before, come see what fun we have rolling the dice in this game of luck (no

skill required)! The game is easy and only requires rolling three dice and moving to the next table at the end of game play. We have had many new people show up who had never played the game before.

In February, there were 32 players, most of who had never played before. By the end of the night, they were pros!

The cost is \$3 per person and all monies collected are returned at the end of the game to the category winners. You may bring a small snack for sharing and your own non-alcoholic beverage.

Come join in the fun and make new friends! For more information, please call Micki Malsch at (352) 861-8790. See you there!



We hope you all dropped by and visited our table at the Club Fair on Thursday, Jan. 26 and talked to some of our members.

A year ago, money was donated from On Top of the World and the Entertainment Group to the Marion County Sheriff's Office for the purchase of a dog for the K-9 Unit. That dog has arrived and is now in training. It is a beautiful German shepherd and its name is "OTOW." Someday soon you will see a deputy's car with that name on the side.

At our January meeting, Lieutenant Welch reminded us that there are still car burglaries occurring outside our community. These burglaries occur because people still are not locking their cars and tend to leave their keys in the car. Also beware of the skimmers at the gas stations. Be sure to check the pump for the security tape or consider paying by cash or credit inside the store. With tax season here, we expect an increase in IRS scams, so be alert to any and all of these criminal activities.

Sometimes in our community there is not enough room for guests to park in front of the house. However, please avoid double parking and overnight parking on any of our streets. This may create a hindrance for emergency vehicles

to get through, particularly on the narrow streets.

The patrol members are looking forward to the annual Sheriff Office Foundation Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on Thursday, March 30 at the Southeastern Livestock Pavilion. The foundation has been in existence since at least 2011 under the guidance of President Mary Callahan, who has recently retired from this position.

The foundation is made up of all the sheriff's volunteer groups. Its purpose is to financially support the volunteer services with the help of the board, who is the fundraising arm of the foundation. They not only have fundraisers but also sponsor various activities like the Reddick youth basketball teams. The foundation supplies Armed Forces Services pins to new volunteers with a letter of thank you. They supply caps for the volunteer appreciation dinner.

The foundation maintains 25 restricted accounts for various units within the Sheriff's Office and volunteer groups, such as the K-9 Unit, Harmony in the Streets, Cadets, CERT, Pipe and Drum, and the Mounted Unit, just to name a few.

The next regular meeting of the patrol will be Monday, March 27.

Anyone interested in becoming part of our community patrol should call Gary Rodoff at (352) 291-7508. Our meetings are usually held on the fourth Monday of the month in Suites B and C of the Arbor Conference Center, at 3 p.m. Come and join us, the meeting is open to everyone.



We have many exciting events that take place during this time of the year. With the Ocala Open just a couple of weeks away, we want to remind you of a few events we are offering in hospitality.

During the week of the Ocala Open, all hospitality facilities will remain open during their normal business hours. Grab some lunch on the patio at The Club at Candler Hills and enjoy the gorgeous view of the 18th hole.

The Club at Candler Hills

On Friday, March 17, from 4 to 8 p.m., join us for St. Patrick's Day. A full buffet consisting of corned beef and cabbage, Irish bacon and cabbage soup, porcupine meatballs, shepherd's pie, watergate salad and more will be available for \$18.95* (plus tax and gratuity). All VIP Gold World Passport members will receive a complimentary glass of green beer. Please note that our regular menu will be served as well. All items are while supplies last. It's the luck of the Irish.

The Pub

A special St. Patrick's Day meal will be available from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, March 17. Join us

for corned beef and cabbage or a Rubeen sandwich with your choice of side. All items are while supplies last.

Remember, we are open until 6 p.m. on Wednesdays with a variety of dinner specials for bingo night!

Sid's Coffee Shop and Deli

We will be serving up homemade Irish stew and corned beef on Friday, March 17, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Are you feeling lucky? Try our green gelatin dessert today.

If you have not tried our daily lunch specials, I encourage you to come in and try our daily-made quiche. It's simply delicious.

Tea for two* will take place at all locations on Tuesday, March 21. Wear a pretty hat and bring a friend to enjoy two cups of hot tea for the price of one! We will be offering a variety of flavors for your enjoyment. Enjoy a complimentary cookie with each cup of tea.

As of March 1, 2017, Happy Hour pricing will increase to \$3 at all locations. Candler Select and Pub Select will change from \$1.50 to \$2 per glass.

Until next time, have a wonderful and joyous day.

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Hoofin' It for Hospice

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

The 17th annual Hoofin' It for Hospice event will take place on Saturday, March 18. This is a benefit walk that raises funds for Hospice of Marion County's Legacy House.

Registration will take place at 9 a.m. at the Recreation Center. The leisurely walk will begin at 9:30 a.m. Participants are urged to solicit friends, neighbors, and clubs for donations. Donation checks may be made payable to Hospice of Marion

County.

The one-mile walk will have golf carts patrolling to assist, if necessary. All participants are winners as there are no rewards for finish placements in this event as participants walk the prescribed marked route at their own pace.

The event coordinator is Valerie Sanders and she can be reached at (352) 873-8605 for additional information. Applications are available in the lobby of the Recreation Center.



Photo by Bob Woods

Sequim is the "Lavender Capital of North America."

Lavender

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

The "Lavender Capital of North America" is second only to France's commercial production of the popular sought after fragrance. The commercial production area in the United States is situated in and around the community of Sequim (/skwum/), Washington in the northeastern corner of the Olympic Peninsula because of its unique climate.

The Sequim area lies within the shadows of the Olympic Mountains and receives a minute yearly average amount of rainfall (16 inches), pretty close to the same amount as Los Angeles, Calif. In comparison, Ocala receives approximately 51 inches of precipitation yearly.

Sequim's nickname is "Sunny Sequim." Not far from this community lies some of the wettest temperate rainforests in the lower 48 states averaging approximately 150 inches of rain per year. Sequim receives fogs and cooling breezes

along with high humidity from the Juan de Fuca Strait, which separates Washington from Canada's Victoria Island.

Lavender loves to grow in cool humid weather with great soil conditions. The flowery stems are harvested yearly, sometimes more than once a year. Generally speaking, the lavender plants are harvested during the month of May, but this depends on the weather.

The stems are placed in bunches and held upside down for drying keeping the flower's color and fragrance. This dried rendition of lavender is used for wreaths, floral displays and oils.

The most popular usage is extracting lavender's oils. The oils are used in bar soaps, conditioners, shampoos, hand and body lotions, bath salts, candles, and essential oils. It is also used in herbal and culinary products. Lavender comes in abundant varieties and is one of the most popular and versatile plants. It's very easy to grow right here in On Top of the World. Try it; you will love the flower's fragrance and the plant's hardiness.

Free Tax Services

United Way of Marion County will offer free income tax preparation through a number of VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) locations through Tuesday, April 18. To make an appointment, call 2-1-1 or visit uwmc.org/our-work/income/vita-free-taxes/.

Residents will need to bring:

- Government issued photo I.D., such as driver's license.
- Social Security cards, ITN numbers and birth dates for taxpayer, spouse and dependents.
- All wage and income statements (example: W-2, W-2G,

1099-R forms).

- Interest and dividend statements from financial institutions (Form 1099) if applicable.
- Health care documentation
- Copy of last year's federal tax return
- Proof of day care expenses including provider's name, address and federal identification number.
- To receive direct deposit of refund, bring checking/savings account and routing numbers.
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**Toastmasters -
Talk of the World**

David Wesenberg

Toastmasters met at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 8, in classroom 1 for our International Table Topics contest. The winner was Manal Faulkhoury with Jenna Yetsenko as alternate to the next level of competition, the Area Table Topics contest. The Table Topic was "What are rights and where do they come from?"

Our meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 22 in Cypress Hall at 8:30 a.m. was our International Speech contest. This contest selects our speech competitor that could compete all the way to the international level and currently Greg Wise and Manal

Faulkhoury will be competing.

We invite anyone with an interest in improving their speech and communication skills to join us. All are welcome!

Toastmasters is an organization dedicated to effective speech and leadership. It starts with 10 speech assignments beginning with an ice-breaker speech to introduce yourself. Completion of the 10 speeches results in a competent toastmaster award, the first step.

The ultimate leadership training is functioning in the offices of the club such as president, vice president of education, vice president of membership, vice president of public relations, sergeant of arms, treasurer and secretary.

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Get In Touch with Massage

What is massage therapy? Massage is a term for pressing, rubbing and manipulating muscles, tendons, ligaments and skin. Therapy is defined as the treatment of a disorder by some remedial, rehabilitating curative process. Therefore, massage therapy is a means of manipulating the body's soft tissue to improve health and wellbeing. Massage techniques vary from light stroking to deep pressure. Some of the most common types of massage are:

- Swedish Massage - this is a gentle form of massage that uses long strokes, deep circular movements along with vibration and tapping with the intent of both relaxing and energizing.
- Deep Tissue Massage - this therapeutic type of massage uses slower, more forceful strokes to target the deeper layers of muscle and connective tissue.
- Sports Massage - this style is similar to Swedish massage with the intent of relieving discomfort and improving mobility and flexibility.

Hot Stone Massage - this unique style incorporates Swedish massage techniques with heated stones to deeply penetrate tight muscles, improve circulation and promote relaxation.

The benefits of massage are numerous and continue to gain attention as a means of improving health and wellbeing. Studies have demonstrated that massage is an effective treatment for reducing stress, pain and muscle tension. Massage is also used to help with relief from headaches, insomnia, sports injuries and anxiety.

Megan Kauffman, licensed massage therapist at The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa notes, "A lot of my regular clients consider massage part of their lifestyle; it helps with their health maintenance." Megan also reports that the top reasons people seek out massage "is for relief and recovery from stress; they are in need of relaxation."

Massage is no longer for the rich and famous. There are economical options for everyone. At The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa we have nine different massages to choose from. Stop by The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa or look at our massage options online at theranchfitnessspa.com. Give yourself the restorative gift of massage. You will feel and move better.

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LifeSouth Bloodmobile

Sue & Dick Copeland

The LifeSouth bloodmobile will be here again on Monday, March 6. As usual, the tri-colored bloodmobile will be sitting in front of the Recreation Center, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. We welcome back our very generous and faithful regulars (28 in total for January) and welcome any new and potential donors! Come on down! Help save the lives of up to three other people who need the help of donors (just like you) to continue to recover, or in some cases, continue to live! The process is simple, especially in the careful hands of our experts.

Stop by the bus. (Don't forget to bring an ID with you!) Register with one of our professionals. Answer a few health questions. Let one of our really excellent professionals show you to a seat. Decide if you want to donate from your right or left arm. Let the professionals help you understand, and then guide you through the procedure. Sit a spell with one of the drinks offered. Watch (or don't watch, if you prefer) your expert start the donor procedure. In a few minutes, the process will be over. You can stand up, receive a small gift of appreciation, and go home with that great knowledge that you have helped save a life, or three!

See you there on Monday, March 6!

Free Tax Assistance

The AARP Foundation Tax-Aide program will offer free, individualized tax preparation for low- to moderate-income taxpayers - especially those 50 and older - at more than 5,000 locations nationwide. Below is a list of the facilities closest to On Top of the World:

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Tuesday & Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
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Freedom Library
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Queen of Peace Church

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Model Railroaders

Jim Lynam

Long before there was Air Force One, Marine One or the presidential limousine known as "The Beast," there was "US Car No. 1." The presidents traveled on trains in a custom built luxurious Pullman. In 1833, President Andrew Jackson boarded a Baltimore and Ohio train in the town of Ellicott's Mills, Md. for a pleasure trip to Baltimore, and thus became the first president of the United States to ride on the "iron horse."

William Henry Harrison has the distinction of being the first presi-

dential candidate to use the train for campaigning purposes in 1836. Although he lost that election, he became the first president-elect to travel by train to his inauguration in 1840. He boarded the train in Cincinnati and reached the capital via Baltimore.

Perhaps the most famous presidential train was the one that transported President Abraham Lincoln's coffin from Washington to Springfield, Ill. in 1865. The train was known as "The Lincoln Special" and traveled through 180 cities and seven states. In each city, Lincoln's coffin was taken from the train, placed on an elaborately decorated horse-drawn hearse and led by solemn procession to a public building for viewing.

Franklin Roosevelt was the first

president to commission a specially built Pullman car that had multiple conference rooms and bedrooms. He traversed the United States in "US Car No. 1," otherwise known as the Ferdinand Magellan, during his terms in office, and ironically, it was part of his funeral train in 1945. President Truman inherited the car, and as a previous train industry employee, put it to good use. He used the car in his famous whistle-stop tour, and he stood on the observation car holding up a "Dewey defeats Truman" newspaper article in that now famous picture.

President Eisenhower retired "US Car No. 1" and was featured in a museum in Miami, Fla.

But since then, presidents and candidates have made many train

trips. President Nixon campaigned during the 1950s and 1960s using trains to reach voters in small towns throughout the U.S.

President Reagan, in 1984, requested the Ferdinand Magellan for a one-day whistle-stop reelection campaign in Ohio in commemoration of rail travel. In 2009, President-elect Obama traveled parts of Lincoln's inaugural route as a symbolic gesture on his way to his inauguration. He used the Georgia 300, which was a train built in 1930 and picked out by President George H.W. Bush in 1992 for campaigning.

The Model Railroaders are always looking for new members, and you are welcome to join us. The layout is located in a room with entry from the Recreation Fitness Center. Club members work and run trains on the layout on Tuesdays and Fridays, from 2 to 4 p.m.



American Jewish Club

Sandra Wolf

Last month's meeting was an eye opener. Jenny Reynard, assistant director for community outreach for Alzheimer's was the guest speaker. The information we received widened our knowledge about what is happening today in the care of those with Alzheimer's. This disease is something that concerns all of us.

This month's meeting will be on Sunday, March 19, at 1 p.m. Our guest speaker will be Robert Colen. He will speak about what is happening at On Top of the World. We will also have our Purim celebration.

Elections will be in April. The club is looking for volunteers interested in being on the nominating committee or running for office. If you are interested in either, please contact Al Rooks at (954) 478-8831.

The lunch bunch was another huge success. It was held at the Braised Onion. The service and food were exceptional. This month, we will have the first of our two dinners at Mesa De Notte on Friday, March 24, at 5 p.m. The club was there previously for lunch and the service and food were both outstanding. We are looking for a large attendance. A sign up sheet will be available at the general meeting.

Thanks to all those who have volunteered for the hospitality committee.

Have a happy Purim!



Singles Club

Lorraine Serwan

Welcome to March! Daylight saving time begins Sunday, March 12. It will be nice to have it stay light longer in the evening.

At our Thursday, March 9 meeting we'll have a group of dancers from the Hogan School of Irish Dance. This will be a nice treat for St. Patrick's Day!

Elections for new officers will take place in April. We need three members to serve on the nominating committee. If you want to be on the committee, call Therese at (352) 854-6418 or sign up at the March meeting.

We're planning a trip to the Marion Therapeutic Riding Association on Thursday, March 16. This is an association that offers the miraculous benefits of therapeutic horseback riding to persons of all ages and capabilities that are physically, mentally or emotionally challenged. It should be an interesting and worthwhile excursion.

We will car pool from the Recreation Center parking lot at 10 a.m. (trip is about 45 minutes). Lunch afterward will be at Pasta Faire. Call Nancy at (352) 854-9185 for more information or sign up at the March meeting.

On Thursday, April 20, we are planning to take a nice relaxing boat ride out of Dunnellon. Cost is \$15 per person (paid in advance) for the nearly two-hour tour. Afterwards we will eat lunch at the Blue Gator. Call Lorraine at (352) 854-1365 for more information or sign up at the March or April meeting.

Our next meeting is on Thursday, March 9, at 2 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites G and H. Come and join us and bring a friend. We always welcome new members.

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Spring Fervor

By Ron Broman

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Billy Collins

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The place was filled
We listened as he read
Some poems he liked
And we did too

I wondered
What would it take
To write this article
In poetry
Instead of prose

So

Tipping time
My friend just said
Her friend had named it so
I've never heard
Spring called that – but

It makes sense
At least for trees

Perhaps for other plants
I'm not quite sure
But possibly

On branches
Those pregnant ends
Sometimes we call them buds
Waiting to show
Her miracles

Tipping time
I've just had lunch
If we had eaten out
The bill arrives
It's tipping time

The race track
Stock market
Or when we need advice
We use the words
"We could use a tip"

It's funny
This language ours
When it's least expected
Just springs up
And makes us tipsy

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Photo by Ron Broman

Red maple "tips her hand."



Photo by MS

Part of a festival in Denmark with Viking reenactors preparing for a battle.

A History Lesson

By Bill Shampine

This month we are going to travel to England; however we are going back in time to the year 860! England as we know it today did not exist at that time. Instead, the region consisted of Anglo-Saxons living in four major kingdoms. Society was divided into several classes of people, beginning with a king at the top. Small wars were common, and the king was a war leader. His soldiers, mostly farmers, were "paid" by the plunder they were able to take, if they survived. Their service was for finite, short times, such as 30 or 50 days. At the end of that time, they went home, no matter what was going on at the time.

Below the king came two levels of freemen, the upper class thanes and the lower class ceorls. To become a thane, you had to own at least five hides of land (about 30 acres each), the amount necessary to support five families, a bell and castle-gate, and an office in the king's hall. Next came the slaves. Slavery was a big business in the Dark Ages. War captives were the most frequent source of slaves, although you could become a slave if you couldn't pay a fine, or sometimes a family would sell a child into slavery in time of famine to ensure the child's survival.

In 860, most of the people lived in the countryside in small villages ranging from about 20 up to about 100 people. Being a rural society, most people lived by farm-

ing. Farmers commonly worked cooperatively. They would share the expense of oxen in order to plough large common fields in narrow stripes that were shared out alternately. This stripe process allowed each farmer to have an equal share of good, or bad, land. Typical crops were wheat, oats, rye, barley, peas, beans, and lentils. Honey was the only sweetener available, and a lot of that was made into mead, an alcoholic beverage.

Living by the coast permitted you to harvest the bounty of the sea, but it also opened you up to the probability of being raided by Danish Vikings. Seeking plunder and fertile land to colonize, the Vikings frequently raided, eventually conquering about half of the region.

Anglo-Saxon life in 860 was hard and dangerous. Life expectancy was only in the 30s, although a very few folks may have lived another decade or two. Infant mortality was high, so children were considered adults by the age of 10 or 12. Girls often were married by their 13th birthday. To marry a girl, you had to pay a bride price to her family, and a similar amount to the girl the morning after consummating the marriage.

Clothes for the wealthy noblemen would be colorful and fancy, but the common folk wore utilitarian items made of wool or linen. Men and women wore long-sleeve undergarments, and long-sleeve, knee-length tunics as outer-wear.

Homes were one, or maybe, two rooms. The livestock typically stayed in the house at night, all day during the winter months. This both protected the animals and added body heat to the home. It was a smelly life.

Favorite Recipes Dinner Club

By Luke Mullen

This month, 24 diners attended four dinners at the homes of club members. Additionally, the club was able to participate in the 12th annual Club Fair held on Thursday, Jan. 26.

Hosting our first dinner were Rhea and Jim Russell. Annette and Paul Hodges prepared two appetizers. The first was Mexican rollups and the second was bacon and Swiss cheese mini quiches. Following the appetizers, Rhea and Jim served an apple salad with two kinds of apples, raisins, cranberries, celery, and a special dressing served on romaine lettuce. They then served pork loin; purple, red and white bite size potatoes with butter and parsley; brussel sprouts sautéed with bacon; and Puerto Rican sliced bread. After the main meal, Cathy and Terry Putman served a fresh strawberry pie in honor of strawberry season!

Pat and Russ McNulty were hosts for our second dinner. Ginny and Jerry Nardone prepared two hors d'oeuvres. One was baked Brie and the other was hot crab. After the hors d'oeuvres, Pat and Russ served a beef stew that has been a family recipe for four generations. Along with the stew, they served a tossed salad and crusty French bread. Carolle and Tom Carlton then served a sour cherry cream pie. It was made with a whipped cream base with sour cherries and pecans in a graham cracker crust.

Third dinner hosts were Gail

Rosenzweig and Ed Bodnar. Nancy and Tom Meiningner prepared the appetizers. The cold appetizer was Bartlett pear anchored by a pecan on the base and a slice of brie above. The hot appetizer was a mini basket of crescent roll dough holding sun dried tomato, feta cheese and chopped artichoke heart with creamed spinach. Gail and Ed then served fruited pork chops. Accompanying side dishes were double baked potatoes, coleslaw, broccoli and assorted vegetables. Anne and Carl Crutchfield then served a Williamsburg orange cake, a family favorite.

The hosts for our fourth dinner were Kathy and Luke Mullen. Guests brought appetizers. The first was a fresh vegetable crudité platter plate accompanying Greek yogurt for dipping. The second was a crabmeat dip served with various crackers. Kathy and Luke then served a traditional Greek salad with two types of baguette bread with three types of dipping selections. This was followed by an entrée of chicken cacciatore with a side dish of potatoes au gratin. Ann and Conrad Massa then served a chilled key lime pie with an optional whipped cream topping.

Our club is currently looking for new couple members. If you enjoy cooking and entertaining other people in your home, call Luke at (352) 304-8104 for more information.



Photo by Dee Dee Springer

Rhea Russell and Luke Mullen were on hand at the Club Fair for the Favorite Recipes Dinner Club.



Women of the World

Nancy Grabowski

As you sit and read this month's edition of the World news, the days are fast approaching the big day ... the annual luncheon and fashion show to benefit Hospice of Marion County! Each year, it is our biggest charity event; we are always amazed by the generosity of our membership. At the time this column was submitted, a few tickets remain for the show. If you still need one, please call Nancy Grabowski at (352) 873-4315 to check on availability.

On Friday, March 10, the decorating committee will meet with chairwoman, Judy Singer, in the Recreation Center Ballroom to decorate the stage. The schedule is to meet at noon so the work will be completed before Happy Hour.

The morning of the show, another cadre of women headed by our president, April Pollard, will meet at 8 a.m. to finalize the setting for the program. Janet Fragapane's committee will be on hand to accept the baskets for the raffle. The baskets can be dropped off from 8 to 10 a.m.; this gives the gals time to attach the bags and settle them about the room.

Shuttle drivers will be in each

parking lot to bring anyone up the hill. Look for the Women of the World logo in the front window since our husbands will have either golf carts or cars, depending upon the weather conditions.

Doors will open about 10:45 a.m. for attendees. While you check out the baskets, be mindful of the caterer bringing in hot food as well as the traffic flow around the room. Balloons will help you locate the ladies selling the raffle tickets. Prices remain at single tickets for \$1, three for \$2 or 10 for \$5.

West Port High School Key Club members will be in attendance to help wherever needed. Don't hesitate to ask them for assistance ... those young legs are really helpful!

Of course, the luncheon and modeling will follow the usual plan and raffles will be held during the interims to move us along time-wise. We know you'll enjoy the fashions provided by Belk that our models will wear. Our caterer is from Royal Oaks Catering, located in Oak Run.

Our day won't end until we restore the room to its pristine best. Therefore, all hands on deck to help with the cleanup, please.

Women of the World will resume its regularly scheduled meetings in April. The social begins about 12:15 p.m. and the business meeting follows at 1 p.m. This will be an important meeting because the slate of officers for 2017-18 will be presented and voted upon.

Our meetings are open to women residents. Come and enjoy the fellowship where a new friend is only a smile away!



R/C LadyBirds

Caren Kowalsky

Thanks to our wonderful Lady-Bird volunteers, we planned some fun and exciting events for the month of February.

Ruth Kuntar volunteered to bring her delicious goodies for our Friday, Feb. 10 meeting.

Barbara Wright and her helpers, Ruth Kuntar, Judy Grigsby, and Hedy Schamal were in charge of our annual LadyBird Valentines potluck, held at the Arbor Club Ballroom on Saturday, Feb. 11. Elaine Fitchpatrick provided lovely music, and our very talented Lady-Birds prepared delicious food.



View from the Library

B.J. Leckbee

"Almost History" is a non-fiction work that takes a look at 81 events that might have changed the course of history. Here are a few excerpts from that book.

In 1862, a cigar wrapper that fell out of the pocket of a Confederate staff officer changed the course of the Civil War. The wrapper contained General Robert E. Lee's plans for the battle of Antietam. A union soldier found the wrapper and turned it over to his commanding officer who realized the significance of it and gave it to a general. The battle became the bloodiest of the entire war, and it stopped General Lee from turning his army toward major northern cities.

Had Alexander Graham Bell filed for the patent on his telephone two hours later than he actually did, Bell Telephone Company might well have been named Gray Telephone Company. Elisha Gray filed his description of a new "talking telegraph" on the same day as Bell, but too late.

If Theodore Roosevelt hadn't damaged one of his eyes during a boxing match, the assassination attempt on his life would have suc-

ceeded. As Roosevelt headed to a campaign rally, he stuffed the speech he had handwritten into one of the pockets of his overcoat. The assassin's bullet met its target, but because of Roosevelt's vision loss he had written the speech with large letters and lots of spaces between the lines, thus using many pieces of paper. The bullet wounded him, but the many layers of paper in his pocket stopped it from reaching his heart.

Author Roger Bruns' book is divided into 12 sections. In the section titled "Planning for the Worst" he includes the speech that Dwight D. Eisenhower had prepared in case the D-Day invasion failed. The cigar wrapper incident mentioned above and Roosevelt's stroke of luck are both covered in a section titled "Fortuitous Occurrences." The race for the telephone patent is described in "Opportunities Missed".

Brun also discusses a few predictions that turned out to be far off the mark. In 1909, Scientific American predicted that the automobile had been almost fully developed, and in 1949 Popular Mechanics predicted that someday a computer might weigh as little as one and a half tons.

There's so much more included in this book, and it's presented in a format that allows the reader to put the book down and pick it up again at any time. It's shelved in non-fiction section #973 under the author's name.

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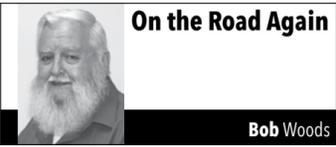


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Bob Woods

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Please note the importance of booking cruises as soon as possible as the prices can change after a period of time. Remember, all deposits are fully refundable up to final payment unless otherwise stated at time of deposit.

Most trips have residents who

must cancel; therefore we offer a stand-by list after the trip is sold out.

Join us for a nine-day, eight-night motor coach trip to Niagara Falls and Toronto departing Saturday, June 3, which includes a visit to Niagara Falls and a boat ride to the base of the Falls. The trip includes a guided tour of Toronto and one of Canada's prettiest towns, Niagara-on-the-Lake, plus many more locations. Call John for more information.

The next motor coach trip will leave on Friday, Sept. 1 to the Sky High Hot Air Balloon Festival at Callaway Gardens in Georgia. This is a four-day, three-night trip visiting an evening balloon glow, the launching of the balloons and visiting many military and historic landmarks and museums. Call Bob for more information.

On Sunday, Nov. 12, a mo-

tor coach trip will head to Pigeon Forge, Tenn. This Smokey Mountains show trip includes six stage shows and musicals with a tour of the Titanic attraction which is stated to be the "world's largest museum attraction." There will be some free time in Gatlinburg along with other destinations. Call John for more information.

Join us on the Harmony of the Seas, reportedly the largest cruise ship in the world, departing Fort Lauderdale, Fla. on Saturday, Dec. 2. Ports of call include St. Maarten; San Juan, Puerto Rico; and Labadee, Haiti. There will be a \$75 shipboard credit per cabin and the price includes motor coach to and from. Shows will be pre-booked. Call Bob for more information.

In 2018, there will be a tour and cruise to Alaska. The tour will begin in Fairbanks with a two night stay, then two nights in Denali National

Park, and one night each in Talk-eetna and Anchorage before boarding Royal Caribbean's Radiance of the Seas. The cruise will head south to visit glaciers and many ports of call on its way to Vancouver, Canada. At present, there are no set prices or dates but if you think you would like to participate in this trip (with no obligation), call Bob and have your name placed on a call list. When dates and prices are available, those on the list will be the first to know. The list of those wanting to participate is growing day by day.

The club has a short cruise booked on Royal Caribbean's Brilliance of the Seas departing Tampa heading for Key West and Cozumel. This cruise will depart March 12, 2018 for a five-night, six-day cruise with a \$50 shipboard credit per cabin. Call Bob for more information.



Travel Toppers

Anne Parker

Please remember Travel Toppers trips are open only to residents and their guests.

On Saturday, April 29, Travel Toppers will go to the Alhambra Dinner Theater in Jacksonville, Fla. to see "Dream Girls," a musical regarding the development, conflicts and eventual breakup of the three member female singing group called, The Dreams. The parallels to the story of The Supremes are obvious. The music is period, the characters are similar and the conflicts are as real and powerful as the stories you have heard. You will laugh and cry at the price of fame and its effect on all involved. The cost is \$79 per person and includes a delicious lunch by Chef DeJuan, transportation, driver tip and the show. Lunch will be served at your table with lamb, fish and pork and will include coffee, hot and cold tea and water and two different desserts of the day with a cash bar available. Call Linda Hein now at (352) 861-9880 (9 a.m. to 1 p.m.) to reserve your spot.

There is an upcoming trip to see the "Great American Trailer Park" production at the Show Palace Din-

ner Theatre on Mother's Day, May 14. The cost is \$72 per person and includes transportation, driver tip, buffet and show. You may now call Linda Hein at (352) 861-9880 (9 a.m. to 1 p.m.) to reserve your spot.

Reservations are now being taken for a 14-night cruise featuring Cape Horn and the Strait of Magellan from Feb. 28 to March 13, 2018 on the Emerald Princess. Ports of call will be Buenos Aires, Argentina; Montevideo, Uruguay; Puerto Madryn, Argentina; Stanley, Falkland Islands; Ushuaia, Argentina; Punta Arenas, Chile; Puerto Montt, Chile; and Santiago, Chile. Balcony staterooms start at \$2,884 per person double occupancy, ocean view staterooms start at \$2,383 per person double occupancy; and inside staterooms start at \$2,113 per person double occupancy, including taxes and fees but not airfare, transfers and visa, if required. Call Inge Gaitch at (352) 237-7428 right away to reserve your stateroom for this cruise as this is a very popular cruise and the best staterooms are going quickly. A \$600 deposit is required at the time of booking.

Travel Toppers is in need of a first vice president who will assist the president in computer duties. If you have these skills and would like to become a part of the group that helps to plan and facilitate these events, please call Inge Gaitch at (352) 237-7428.



The Glitzy Gals

Janet Wahl

The Rambling Gems Red Hats of Mount Dora held a Mardi Gras-themed event and it provided another day of fun, friendship and food for those who attended. Many were dressed in costume for this occasion.

The Glitzy Gals who attended Red Hat Day at Tampa Bay Downs enjoyed their lunch and the races.

Mary Bicknell and Hedy Schamal hosted our recent luncheon at Royal Oaks Golf Club in Oak Run. Following a delicious lunch, we adjourned to Mary Bicknell's home for dessert and a Valentine's Day card exchange. It was a wonderful afternoon of eating and socializing with all the girls.

The Women of the World luncheon and fashion show will be attended by most in our group.

The Hoofin' It for Hospice walk is also something we participate in yearly.

A number of us are going on the West Coast Queens' Council Gala on the Royal Caribbean's Brilliance of the Seas. We will sail round trip from Tampa to Key West and Cozumel, Mexico.

Plans are being made for a Red Hat Day Celebration at Spartan Manor in New Port Richey.

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Genealogy Society

Peter Parisi

The bi-annual Club Fair was held at the Recreation Center Ballroom on Thursday, Jan. 26. We would like to thank Cathy McKelvey and Joanne Leigh for their effort in setting up our booth. Thanks also to Kathy Niebo, Kay Johnston, Jean Munroe and Peter Parisi for helping to staff the booth and answer questions from those residents who stopped by. We hope that those residents are interested in further exploring their family roots and will consider attending one of our upcoming educational meetings which are held on the third Monday of the month at 10 a.m. in Suites

B and C in the Arbor Conference Center.

Julia Hendrick gave a short presentation on Monday, Jan. 16, for beginner genealogists on organizing their genealogy records. An important point she made was that when you find a new document on an ancestor, immediately do something with it. Don't just put it in a pile of other papers where you will never find it again.

If you are computerized, scan the document into your computer and upload it into the Family Tree Maker program and attach it to the person. Whether your genealogy is computerized or manual, set up a file folder system to maintain your original documents, such as birth, marriage, death, burial and real estate records and old photos. It does not have to be complicated as long as it works for you. It can be

as simple as a setting up a file folder for each family surname.

Some people will color code their father and mother's fraternal and maternal lines with four different colors. If you have many original documents, you can make a folder for each person in your tree by last name, first name, middle name. Put a genealogy source checklist on each person in each folder so you know what sources you have checked so far and what sources you still have to explore.

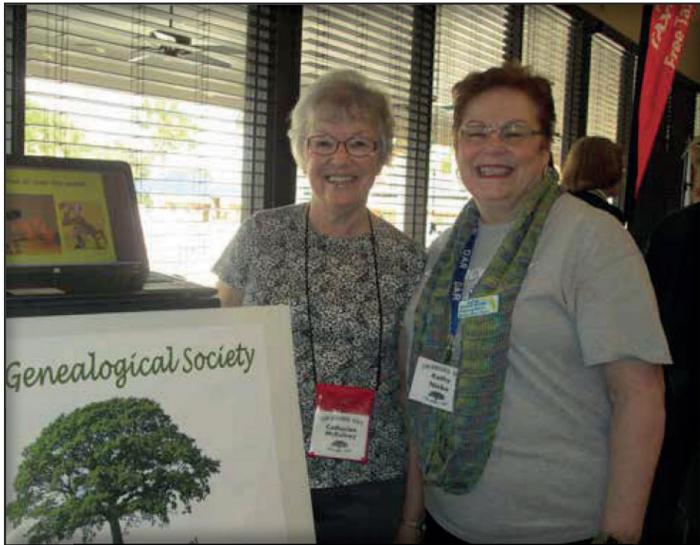
Please note that this checklist was covered in the presentation by Julia and e-mailed to each member on Tuesday, Feb. 7.

The Genealogical Society will hold a board meeting at 9:30 a.m., followed by an organizational meeting at 10:15 a.m., on Monday, March 13, in the Card Room of the Hobby Building next to the Recre-

ation Center. At the organizational meeting, we discuss what members would like to have for upcoming genealogy presentations and also answer questions from members on genealogical problems.

We will also hold an educational presentation given by Kay Johnston at 10 a.m. on Monday, March 20, in Suites B and C in the Arbor Conference Center. The topic of the presentation is "A Story in Every Chair" where various members will present short stories on one of their families' ancestors.

Our annual dues are only \$10 per person or \$15 per couple. One of the benefits of membership is the large library of genealogical books and CDs, which are available to members to be signed out and used at home for their genealogical research. Check out our website at otowgenealogicalsociety.shutterfly.com.



Cathy McKelvey and Kathy Niebo of the Genealogical Society at the Club Fair on Thursday, Jan. 26.

Photo by Judy Parisi



Michigan Club

Nancy Meininger

The Michigan Club had a great turn out for their first annual Valentine's Day party and potluck dinner. 52 members exchanged sweet and silly gifts and worked on planning for a busy spring.

Our potluck dinner featured several specialty salads, sauerkraut, kielbasa, veal parmesan, Hawaiian meatballs, Italian sandwiches and at least a dozen trays of cookies, fudge, cheesecake and cake.

The signup sheet for the early St. Patrick's Day dinner event Sunday, March 5, was filled with honorary Irish recipe specialties.

Members are reminded to wear their Michigan Club green polo shirts and bring their favorite joke, written on a three-by-five card. These will be read to the group during the evening.

The event will be held in our traditional space - Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F.

New members are always welcome and members are encouraged

to invite visiting Michigan friends and family.

Please call Nancy Meininger for potluck details at (352) 342-9757 and give her your name to receive the monthly e-newsletter. Remember to bring a non-alcoholic drink for you and your spouse.

On the drawing board is a group trip to see the Detroit Tigers in a spring training game at Joker Marchant Stadium in Lakeland, Fla. We will carpool to the event.

Also in planning are three new game activities - a Michigan poker night, Michigan chicken foot dominoes night and a Michigan euchre night. There is still time to sign up.

Our first annual Michigan favorite Coney Island party is slated for Sunday, April 2 in the pavilion. The club will be providing the dinner of Koegel childdogs, Better Made Potato Chips, Vernors ginger ale and Stroh's ice cream.

Lawn games will be available and a horseshoe competition is planned. More details next month on this event and our Kentucky Derby hat party in May.

For information on the Michigan Club or any of our upcoming events, please contact Nancy Meininger at (352) 342-9757.



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Michigan Club members at the February Valentine's Day party.

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Birders' Beat

Debbie Sherer

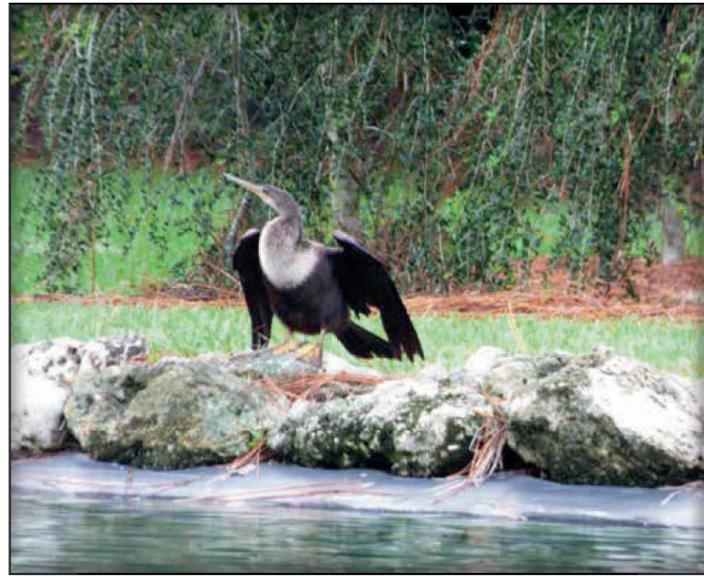
Please join the Unique Birders on Saturday, March 25, for a birding adventure in Rainbow Springs State Park (19158 SW 81st Place Road, Dunnellon, Fla.). We will be joining the Citrus County Audubon Society on this trip. Please contact Debbie Sherer at roxiess@me.com or (571) 224-8422, if you would like to join us.

The park has the fourth largest number of springs in Florida. Numerous trails wind around the Rainbow River and the springs. From these trails, birders can see anhingas, great egrets, wood ducks and pied-bill grebes. The surrounding forest and scrub provide habitat for songbirds, woodpeckers and raptors. Some of the birds cited in

the park as recently as Jan. 31, 2017, include: red-bellied and downy woodpeckers, white-eyed and blue-headed vireos, ruby-crowned kinglets, cedar waxwings, black and white warblers, orange-crowned warblers, common yellowthroat, wild turkeys, barred owls and red-shouldered hawks. Northern parula and red-eyed vireos have also been seen in previous years.

Another area of interest near the waterfall in the park is the native plant and butterfly garden. Ruby-throated hummingbirds and over 40 species of butterflies can be found in the garden. This trip promises to have plenty of opportunities for seeing native plants, birds and butterflies.

If you want to join us on this trip, please be at the big tree in the Recreation Center parking lot by 7:15 a.m. on March 25. Contact Debbie Sherer at (571) 224-8422 by Thursday, March 23, so that we can send you instructions about how to get to the park and options for lunch.



Female anhinga.

Photo by Debbie Sherer



SPCA

María Devine

Our next meeting is on Thursday, March 16, at 1 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room at the Bank of the Ozarks. If you need to get in touch with us for any reason, please call our hotline at (352) 362-0985.

We want to let you know that the animal rescue group called S.A.F.E. has recently changed its name to the SPCA of Ocala. They are not affiliated with us in any way. We are the SPCA of Marion County. You can learn more about us and the animals up for adoption on our Facebook page (Marion County FL SPCA) and website (SPCAofMarionCounty.weebly.com).

We would like to thank the Women of the World for donating to us last month. We received dog and cat food, crates, toys, beds and leashes as well as cash donations. We are so very grateful for their continued support.

If you're looking for a young cat, dear Chloe has received lots of tender loving care in her foster home. Chloe loves to play and amuses herself with her toys all day when she's not chasing bugs out on the

lanai. At night, after she tires herself out, she will cuddle with you on your favorite chair and sleep with you later on. She's only a year old, so she will make a great life-long companion.

Those of you looking for a nice small dog are in luck. We have recently taken in Baxter the Shipoo and he's now ready for adoption. A Shipoo is a cross between a Shih Tzu and a poodle, and what a lovely combination this is. Baxter is only 10 pounds, with black curly hair, and is about four to five years old. He would do best in a home with a senior person or couple or any quiet home - he is not a drama king - which means no rambunctious children. Baxter bonds quickly to people: he is a great lap dog by day and will cuddle next to you again at night. He also loves to ride in the car so he can accompany you about town. He's also a good guard dog for such a little guy - he will bark when appropriate to alert you to trouble. Baxter also loves to play with other dogs, but we don't know about cats.

Baxter has been socialized to strangers coming in the house while in foster care and has come a long way in such a short time. Are you the one to turn Baxter's fortunes around? This good boy needs a home where he can relax

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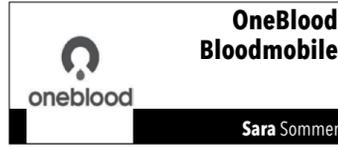
recalled due to their low levels of thiamine, an essential nutrient. Please read the full article at naturalnews.com. Products were sold between Dec. 20, 2016 and Jan. 3, 2017.



Chloe



Baxter



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Sara Sommer

The big red bus was here on Monday, Feb. 6. I want to thank all those heroes who took the time to share their precious gift of life.

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Pennsylvania Club

Micki Malsch

Love was in the air at the Pennsylvania Club meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 8. The theme for this meeting was "love and marriage" as our members were entertained by three of our married couples. Each of the three couples were asked questions as to how their spouses would respond. The couple answering the most correct questions was Rod and Carol Emrick with 30 points. Don and Joann Oakes took second place with 25 points, and Matt and Suzanne Reilly placed third with 20 points. Thanks to these three couples who participated and gave the club a lot of laughs!

A special thanks to all the members who provided yummy snacks and desserts.

The club extended their gratitude to Dean and Betty DeLong who presented the club with a Pennsylvania state flag to be displayed at our meetings.

Through the efforts of our new president, John Dieckman, a new

supply cupboard with a lock and key will be kept in the storage area for all the club's supplies. A special thanks to John for all his hard work and to vice president, Tom Hagerty for helping to iron out the details.

If you have not yet paid club dues, you may do so at the March meeting. Dues are \$5 per year, per member. Membership cards will be available.

The St. Patrick's Day dinner will be catered by Sweet Potatoes. Corned beef, cabbage, parsley potatoes and Irish soda bread will be provided for \$8 per person. If you have not yet made your reservation, please call and do so at your earliest convenience. Reservations must be made by Thursday, March 2. Please call Micki Malsch for further information or to place your reservation (352) 861-8790.

The next meeting of the Pennsylvania Club will be on Wednesday, March 8, at 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F. This will be our St. Patrick's Day dinner meeting.

You don't have to be a member to join in the fun. Guests are always welcome in search of good fun, food and people! Until we meet again ...



Southern Club

Melanie Vittitow

The Southern Club may have to change its name to the "fun" club. Our February meeting is an example. We were treated to a delicious meal (that we didn't have to cook) of lasagna, salad, garlic knots, and desserts. The club paid for the meal from our dues and prize winnings and Helen Ogren brought the desserts.

Since it was February, the tables were resplendent with valentine decorations and we played two "love" themed games. The first was a trivia game with questions about the valentine holiday and the second was our version of the "marriage" game. We had seven people at our table and still missed three of the questions that we were "sure" were correct! Do you know which country grows most of the roses we buy in the U.S.? We didn't either. (It's Ecuador.) We had three brave couples participate in the next game. They had to answer questions about their relationship, spouses and hope that they matched. It was so funny and they were really good sports. Congratulations to Mike and Melinda Rice who knew each other well. A big thanks goes to President Ann Fields for researching and coming up with the questions.

Our next meeting is on Thursday, March 2. We go back to the normal routine of providing a dish

to share with the members. You bring a meat, casserole, vegetable, salad or dessert for at least 10 people. The club provides coffee and tea but we have to bring our utensils and plates. You may also want to bring some money for the 50/50 drawing, which follows each meeting. Our speaker this month will be on a more serious side. A member of the Metro Crime Prevention Office will talk to us about scams and keeping ourselves safe.

The Southern Club continues to grow. We welcomed 13 new members in February. They came by our table at the Club Fair and decided they wanted to join the fun and camaraderie. Is one member of your household from the south or have you lived in a southern state (including Florida) for five years? Then you are an honorary Southerner and we welcome you to come visit us. If you decide to join, our dues are \$10 per year, but since the club year (September through May) is half over, new members joining now get a half-price discount!

Our meetings are on the first Thursday of the month at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F. We start gathering about 5 p.m. for social time with the potluck dinner starting at 5:30 p.m. Dinner is followed by a short business meeting and whatever activity is planned. The board is open to suggestions if any member has an idea for something new.

If you like to socialize and enjoy a good meal, maybe you will join us this evening. If you have any questions, you can call me at (352) 873-8690.

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Scandinavian American Club

Ginny Nardone

Greetings from the Scandinavian American Club! We are delighted to be back in print after a brief hiatus.

Our last meeting was held on Tuesday, Jan. 24. We socialized and then shared a variety of delicious appetizers, a special cake and of course, coffee. Long-time members Arnold and Grace Hansen were recognized for their many years of service to the club. A 50/50 raffle and a door prize rounded out the afternoon.

Jennie Halvorsen, Grace Han-

sen, Ginny Nardone, and Dee Dee Springer represented the group at the Thursday, Jan. 26 Club Fair. It was fun to share Scandinavian memories and cookies with those who stopped by our table.

The Scandinavian American Club meets from September to May on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 1 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F. If you are of Scandinavian decent, we invite you to join us at our next meeting on Tuesday, March 28.

Please contact Jennie Halvorsen at (352) 873-7478 or Grace Hansen at (352) 237-7780 for more information.



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It's hard to believe we are almost into spring! We have been very fortunate to experience another mild winter this year.

Don't forget daylight saving time is fast approaching on Sunday, March 12. You will want to move your clocks ahead one hour. America will also be celebrating St. Patrick's Day on Friday, March 17. Don't forget to wear your green!

Telephone Directories

The 2017 On Top of the World telephone directories will be available for pick up end of March. You will be able to pick up your copy at Customer Service.

Room Request and Club Guest Forms

Don't delay! Your room request forms for 2018 are due now! Rooms will not be automatically rebooked for the year without submitting a new request.

Events or club meetings that have guests in attendance must submit a Club Guest Notification form two weeks prior to the event. Guests will be denied entry into the community without the proper paperwork being submitted to the Recreation Center office.

Line Dancing*

Line dance classes take place in the Recreation Center Ballroom every Monday (Newcomers class on Tuesdays) through June 26. Choose your class according to your ability. You can switch to a different level at any time. The cost is \$10 per four-week session with instructor Marilyn McNeal.

Line dance tickets may be purchased Tuesday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Recreation Center office. Please note that line dance tickets will not be sold on Mondays.

- Absolute Beginners (5 to 6 p.m.): This class is an introduction to line dance and is full; they will not be accepting any new dancers at this time. (Please note there is a new "Newcomers" class.)
- Beginner Level One (3:45 to 4:45 p.m.): This class is the next level after completing Absolute Beginners. Dancers have some experience now and know step pattern descriptions. Easy dances are taught at this level with additional step patterns added.
- Beginner Level Two (2:30 to 3:30 p.m.): Class includes basic line dance steps, combinations, and easy dance patterns, with low impact movement to many different rhythms. New step patterns are taught as needed. Some prior dance experience is required.
- Improver Plus (1:15 to 2:15 p.m.): Dance experience required. This class is slightly easier than intermediate. Current popular dances are taught at this level.
- Newcomers (3 to 4 p.m.): Every Tuesday in the Recreation Fitness Center you will learn very basic line dance step patterns and easy line dances.

Tropic Trivia Night*

Do you like trivia? Come chal-

lenge your neighbors and friends for a fun afternoon of mind boggling, brain taxing questions on Thursday, March 2, in the Recreation Center Ballroom. We will have groups of eight per team! Select a team name and prepare to have a fun time. 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.

The cost is \$3 per resident and \$5 per guest attending with the resident. A cash bar will be provided and you are welcome to bring snacks for your table. Please note that coolers, cups or beverages of any kind are not permitted.

Please do not bring any cell phones; anyone found with a cell phone at their table during trivia play will automatically disqualify the entire team (no exceptions).

February's Winners

1: Curly's Classy Friends; 2: 96th St. Bunch; 3: The Way We Were.

Happy Hour

Join us for Happy Hour at the Recreation Center Ballroom. Individual resident I.D.s will be required for entry into Happy Hour: anyone not producing a resident I.D. will be considered a guest and guest fees are \$5 per person.

Our "Senior Prom" Happy Hour was on Friday, Feb. 10. We are proud to announce that Pedro and Baby Del Manzano were crowned as prom king and queen for 2017. Helga and Norman Schulze and Pat and Rich Olson were runner-ups. Congratulations to all of them.

Friday, March 3, will be a "Bike Night" themed Happy Hour. Pull out your leathers, chaps and be prepared for a fun-filled night with friends.

March entertainment:

- Friday, March 3: "Bike Night" with Shadow Ridge
- Friday, March 10: Fred Campbell
- Friday, March 17: Sounds of Time
- Friday, March 24: Danny & Johnny
- Friday, March 31: Solid Gold

Relectrocycle

Do you have electronic items sitting around that you would love to dispose of? We are making that possible by offering responsible electronics recycling on Thursday, March 9, in the Recreation Center parking lot from 10 a.m. to noon. This is a free event with the exception of the following items incurring a \$5 fee per item: box cabinet TVs, projection TVs and CRT monitors.

Gatornationals*

Join us for ground shaking excitement at the annual Gatornationals on Friday, March 17, in Gainesville, Fla. The traditional east coast opener and the season's first of 10 for NHRA Get Screened America Pro Mod Drag Racing Series racers moves back to the second spot on the calendar. Cost is \$54 per person, which includes entry into the track and transportation.

Rags to Riches Sign Up*

Rags to Riches is scheduled for Friday, April 28, in the Recreation Center Ballroom. Table sign-up will commence on Monday, March 20, at the Recreation Center office. Cost will be \$10 per table (two table maximum per resident). Get your table(s) early as this event sells out quickly.

Victory Casino Cruise*

Join us for an afternoon of gam-

bling on Tuesday, March 21, as we cruise on the Victory Casino out of Port Canaveral, Fla. You'll enjoy bingo, entertainment, relaxation, live table games and over 300 of the latest slots. Dine in the Atlantic Café and receive free drinks while gaming. They will also match \$20 in free play on your casino card once you have played \$20 in the gaming machine. Please note that a valid government issued photo I.D. will be required to board.

Cost is \$45 per person, which includes transportation, boarding of the Victory Casino, buffet, \$20 match in play and double points.

Social Hour

Come join us for a relaxing evening with friends and neighbors on Thursday, March 23, from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom. You will enjoy easy listening music with entertainer, Miranda Madison. A cash bar and hors d'oeuvres (while supplies last) will also be provided. This event is free!

Hands Across the Highway

Come join us at the annual Hands Across the Highway Art Expo on Saturday, March 25, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This free event will showcase local artists and is open to the public. We will have over 40 artists displaying and selling some of the finest artwork around this area. Don't miss out on this great event! Paul de Ritter Duo will provide live entertainment.

Majestic Manatee Tours*

Join us on the Majestic Manatee tour on Tuesday, March 28. Crystal River is well known for its West Indies manatees as well as its crystal clear springs. We will arrive at Charlie's Fish House in Crystal River around 11:30 a.m. You will have approximately one hour and fifteen minutes for lunch. Then we will board on the dock next to the restaurant for a departure time of approximately 1 p.m. where you will tour the Three Sisters, Hunter, and King Springs in search of our beloved manatees that inhabit the area. The entire tour will keep you entertained with nature's wild and beauty. Plan on two and a half hours for your tour.

Cost is \$54 per person, which includes transportation and river cruise (lunch is not included).

Holy Land Experience*

Join us for an amazing trip to the Holy Land Experience on Thursday, March 30. You will see four major dramas with a combination of indoor and outdoor presentations. The last show will start at 4 p.m. You will have the opportunity to meet the cast throughout the park. Dress appropriately and wear com-

fortable shoes. There are plenty of cafés and restaurants onsite for lunch on your own. Cost of the trip is \$62 per person, which includes transportation, entry into the Holy Land Experience and all four shows.

Pool Monitoring

Pool monitoring for the Recreation Center pool begins in mid-March. Please note that the pool rules are posted around the pools. Please have resident I.D.s available when visiting the pool areas. Rules and procedures are strictly enforced. A resident must accompany guests or have the guests present the I.D. of the resident they are visiting. Please note that children under the age of 15 may not be permitted in any of the family pools until after noon during the weekdays!

As we enter the warmer months, the facility pools will see high volumes of residents and guests. We ask everyone to only utilize one chair or lounge per resident and to keep your personal items with you on your chair. This will help in assuring that everyone who comes to the pool will have a seat available.

Community News

The Arbor Club Ballroom and Hibiscus area will close as of Monday, March 13, for renovations of the new fitness center. The Arbor Club office, fitness room, indoor and outdoor pools will remain open for business. Future temporary closures of these areas will occur in mid-summer with sufficient notice being posted. Please plan accordingly!

Upcoming Events

- Thursday, April 6: Enviro-Shred and Tropic Trivia Night*
- Thursday, April 13: Whispering Oaks Winery*
- Friday, April 14: No Happy Hour (Good Friday)
- Tuesday, April 18: Victory Casino Cruise*
- Thursday, April 20: Cedar Lakes Woods & Garden Tour*
- Friday, April 21: "Reggae Night" Happy Hour
- Tuesday, April 25: New England Shire Center*
- Thursday, April 27: St. Johns River Cruise*
- Friday, April 28: Rags to Riches

*To register, call (352) 854-8707 x7530 or x7533. Payment is required at time of registration. No refunds will be issued 14 days or less prior to any event or trip.

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BUS SCHEDULE		
MONDAY - THURSDAY		
MORNING ROUTE	PICK-UP LOCATIONS	TIME
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.
Exit Community		9:36 a.m.
<i>Indigo East Community Center Parking Lot Call one day in advance for pick-up</i>		
MORNING DESTINATIONS	ARRIVE	PICK-UP
Freedom Library	9:42 a.m.	12:47 p.m.
Jasmine Square	9:50 a.m.	12:42 p.m.
Dillard's/Kohl's	10:00 a.m.	12:32 p.m.
Sam's Club	10:10 a.m.	11:32 a.m.
Home Depot	10:15 a.m.	11:42 a.m.
Ollie's	10:18 a.m.	11:45 a.m.
Paddock Mall	10:22 a.m.	12:22 p.m.
Walmart/Stein Mart	10:27 a.m.	11:57 a.m.
Target	10:37 a.m.	12:05 p.m.
Hobby Lobby/Shady Oaks Shopping Center	10:47 a.m.	12:12 p.m.
Gaitway Plaza	10:52 a.m.	12:17 p.m.
Return to On Top of the World to begin drop-off/pick-up for the afternoon run.		
AFTERNOON ROUTE	PICK-UP LOCATIONS AND TIMES	
Candler Hills Community Center	1:00 p.m. Crescent Ridge Post Office	1:17 p.m.
Friendship Colony Post Office	1:05 p.m. Recreation Center	1:21 p.m.
Williamsburg Post Office	1:08 p.m. Americana Post Office	1:23 p.m.
Avalon Post Office	1:13 p.m. Friendship Post Office	1:27 p.m.
AFTERNOON DESTINATIONS	ARRIVE	PICK-UP
Winn Dixie	1:30 p.m.	3:28 p.m.
Publix	1:35 p.m.	3:33 p.m.
Walmart Neighborhood Market	1:43 p.m.	3:39 p.m.
Aldi/Lowe's	1:49 p.m.	3:45 p.m.
Save A Lot	1:56 p.m.	3:23 p.m.
Big Lots	1:59 p.m.	3:20 p.m.
Beall's & Dollar Tree	2:07 p.m.	3:07 p.m.
Walmart	2:09 p.m.	3:02 p.m.
<i>* All times are approximate</i>		
For information, call the Recreation Center at 352-854-8707 ext. 7530 or 7533		

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100 Grandparents

Janet Fragapane

At the February reading event for the 100 Grandparents, Catherine Balias, the Romeo Elementary principal, briefed us on some of the current activities at the school. She told us that Ms. Hytovick and Ms. Moore were recognized officially as the two highest impact teachers in school. What a great honor for these two wonderful teachers.

Romeo Elementary recently sponsored a "Night at the Museum" at the school. Parents were invited to bring their kids and join the teachers in exploring some of the many things the kids can do at the school. Student artwork was on display, musical instruments were available, and some science projects were on display. This way the children could show off for their parents, and speak with the teachers in a relaxing environment.

One evening, the school hosted a 22-foot blow-up planetarium. It was a smash hit with the students and the teachers.

On Valentine's Day, the school brought a DJ to play music in a large common area where the children were able to spend about an hour dancing and having a lot of fun. Ms. Balias also was proud to announce that two fifth grade students from Romeo Elementary were awarded certificates at an art contest held at the Appleton Museum of Art. The contest was to design license tags. The state then would use the de-

signs to make automobile tags and sell them as a fundraiser for the school.

As usual, many of our grandparents are so very generous. For example, Carolyn Self donated two bicycles, two large bags of clothing, and a bag of stuffed toys to the school. Thank you, Carolyn. This type of generosity is not expected of the 100 Grandparents, but the kids often are so needy and lovable that many of us just cannot help ourselves.

On a more formal basis, we do help support and/or coordinate donations to three programs for the students. The first is the backpack program, which provides weekend food for identified children. If you would like to donate, please mail a check to Dunnellon Food 4 Kids, P.O. Box 262, Dunnellon, Florida 34430. The second is children's clothing program, which provides clothing to needy children. The school accepts new underwear/socks in sealed packages and new or gently used clothing. Donations may be dropped off at 9781 SW 97th Place (Crescent Ridge II) or 8880-C SW 94th Street (Friend-



Photo by Bill Shampine

Romeo Elementary students enjoying a school dance on Valentine's Day.

ship Village). The third program is Box Tops for Education and pull-tabs. Donations may be dropped off at 9791 SW 97th Place (Crescent Ridge II) or 8880-C SW 94th Street (Friendship village). If you would like to arrange for a pick-up of your donations, please call (352) 861-

1575 or (352) 237-0304.

I remind all of the 100 Grandparents that we do not read to the children in March or April. Those are testing months. Our next trip to Romeo Elementary will be on Tuesday, May 9.

Submitted by Bill Shampine



Lions Club

Estelle Clark

February was a busy month for the Lions. We were able to help the residents of the Domestic Violence Center with bus tickets so they could get to their jobs, as well as

taking clothes, food and stuffed animals to the residents.

We were also able to make our quarterly trip to Munroe Regional Medical Center Children's Emergency Ward where we delivered 187 socks, 50 stuffed animals and books. This is always such a fun project. They were really happy to see us as they had just run out of socks.

Tickets for our fourth annual Re-

cycled "Trashy" Fashion Show are now on sale in the Recreation Center Ballroom on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 8 to 10 a.m. Tickets are \$25 per person. The event takes place on Saturday, April 8 at Circle Square Cultural Center. This is a very fun event so get your tickets early.

The Lions are always collecting used eyeglasses, ink jet cartridges, and hearing aids. They can be dropped off at the Arbor Club office.

We are also looking for individuals who want to give back to their community. We meet the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C, at 6 p.m. For more information, give me a call at (352) 861-7358. Where there is a need there is a Lion.

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What's Cookin'

Marge Curran

Happy St. Patrick's Day! There's nothing like a warm slice of true Irish soda bread with butter to bring happy thoughts to mind!

Irish Soda Bread

Makes four 8" x 4" loaves

- 8 cups flour
- 2 cups sugar
- 1 quart buttermilk
- 3 tablespoons baking powder
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 2 teaspoons baking soda
- 15 ounces yellow raisins
- 3 eggs
- 3/4 cups melted butter

Heat oven to 350°. Lightly grease the four pans.

Mix flour, sugar, baking powder, baking soda, and salt together. Add raisins. Stir in eggs and butter. Add buttermilk.

Mix with hands and divide into the four greased pans. Bake 40 to 50 minutes. Check if they are done by inserting a knife or long wooden skewer into the middle.

Share with your neighbors and enjoy!

Any good Irishman will tell you that no meal is complete without potatoes. Here is a quick potato casserole that works for either brunch or dinner.

Cheesy Potatoes

Makes a 9" x 13" casserole

- 2 pounds frozen shredded hash browns (thawed)
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 can cream of chicken soup
- 1 small onion grated
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 1 cup crushed potato chips, Rice Krispies or corn flakes

Heat oven to 350°. Mix first six ingredients together. Pour into the 9" x 13" casserole dish. Top with crushed potato chips, Rice Krispies or corn flakes. Bake for 45 minutes until lightly brown on top.

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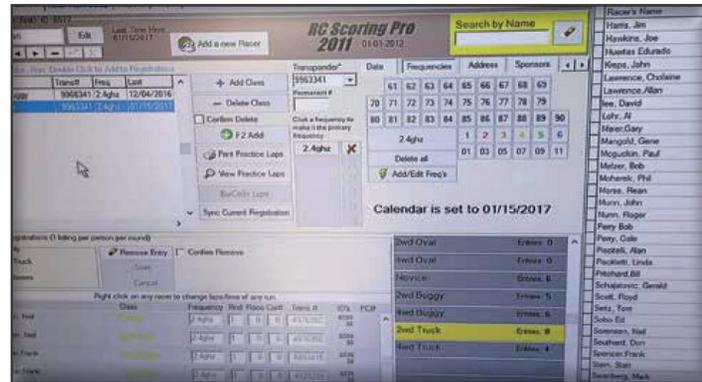
By Tom Seitz

For those of you who may not yet have seen a race day at the R/C Car Club track in the past several months, you may want to stop by on Thursday or Sunday at 1 p.m. With much effort by the members, the track has been changed and a professional timing system added. We are now a first rate competitive track, and much more fun.

Racing remains scheduled for 1

p.m. Thursdays and Sundays, with novice races included to encourage new members. For the prospective or new member, we continue the "helping hands" sessions at 1 p.m. on Tuesdays.

Come out and join one of the most fun clubs at On Top of the World! Spectators are always welcome and you may be surprised at how much fun it is!



The software the R/C Car Club uses to manage the races.



Photos by Tom Seitz

The starting lineup below the R/C Car Club's timing system, used to track individual car lap times, and individual car place in a race.

Senior Games

By Grace Rohde

Three shufflers played in the Florida Senior Games in Clearwater, Fla. in December 2016. In singles, for each of their age group, Darryl Kenyon won bronze, John Mataya won silver, and Paul Hodges won gold. Darryl and Paul also played together in doubles and won gold.

Of the three players, John is the most experienced, having competed in both Florida and National Senior Games. He competed in his first National Senior Game in 2007 in Louisville, Ky. Since then, John has played and won various medals not only in Florida Senior Games but also in the National Senior Games in San Francisco, Calif. in 2009, Houston, Texas in 2011, and Cleveland, Ohio in 2013. For Darryl and Paul, the upcoming National Senior Games will be a first.

Both Darryl and Paul made comments about the court conditions at the tournament. Darryl said that before the match he noticed a player charting the drift of the court in order that he could refer back to it later. Darryl also pointed out that he is now getting to know what to expect as far as court conditions.

While some experienced players were doing their warm ups, Paul saw them taking notes on the way that the courts drifted. Paul said, "The principal cause of drifting are imperceptible hills and valleys in the court surface that can cause a disc to curve." He added that they were kind enough to give him some

tips on not only how to create a drift chart for a particular lane, but also how to make use of this information during shuffleboard playtime. Paul concluded with how helpful everyone was.

Because of their wins they are now eligible to play in the 2017 National Senior Games in Birmingham, Ala. in June. At least 2,500 or more participants are expected to play at these games, which will host 19 sports for men and women, who are 50 years and older.

John, Paul, and Darryl are all planning to participate in the National Senior Games in Alabama. John states that in his retirement years, playing shuffleboard has been most satisfying and it is a pleasure to play at the national level. Paul feels it will be a novel and exciting time to compete with some of the best shufflers in the country, and especially since he heard that the courts at nationals are super fast. Darryl mentions that he is really looking forward to the experience and competition.

On Wednesday, Jan. 25, Marion Landing returned for another shuffleboard match. It was nice to get together with them for a game of shuffleboard and fellowship. It was a close match this time with On Top of the World winning eight to seven. The players who won all three of their games were Mario Migliaccio, Bob Durst, Cassie Pachin Smith and Vickie Lentz.

Winners for team play in January were:

Men / Women

Monday a.m.: Charlie Lentz / Vicki Lentz.
Tuesday p.m.: Lou Fisher / Maxine Gayso Malone.
Thursday a.m.: John Basch / Susan

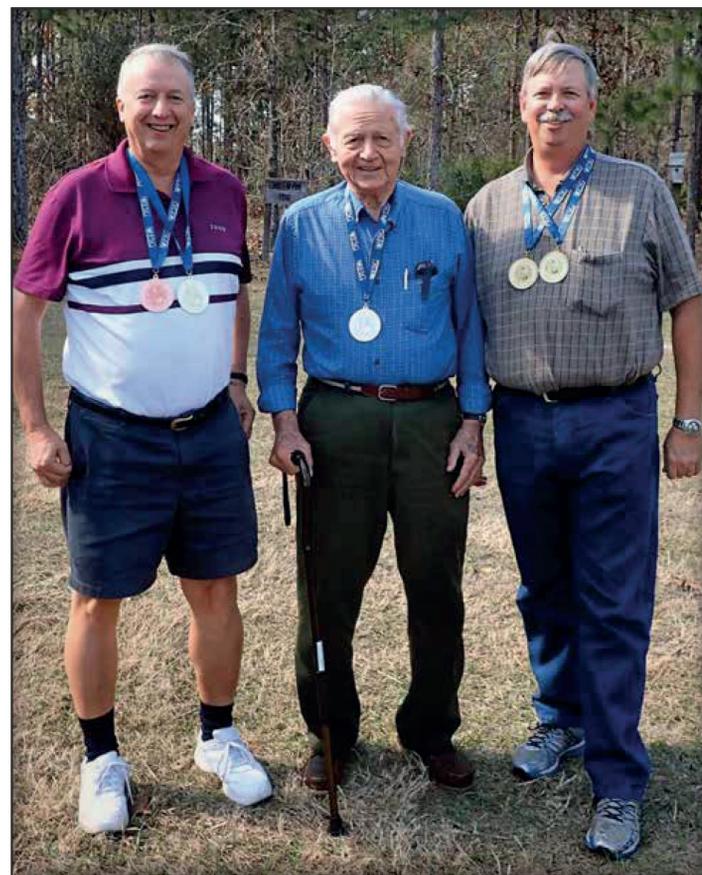


Photo by Armann Rohde

Shuffleboard players, Darryl Kenyon, John Mataya, and Paul Hodges are winners at the Florida Senior Games in Clearwater.

Mourar. Tuesday p.m.: Jack Myers / Maxine Gayso Malone and Paula Magen.
Friday a.m.: Roger Werner / Shirley Lindsay. Thursday a.m.: John Basch / Susan Mourar.

30 Club



Photo by Dan Lack

Mike Piccolo and Eric Cambier won the pre-Groundhog Day Pickleball Doubles Tournament on Sunday, Jan. 29.

Pickleball Doubles Tournament

By Bill Daugherty

The club experienced its first tournament, organized by Dan Lack, on Sunday, Jan. 29. It was slightly delayed due to weather so thanks to all who persevered and participated in the pre-Groundhog Day Pickleball Doubles Tournament that afternoon. Congratulations to the winners, Mike Piccolo and Eric Cambier, who won a nail-biting 17 to 15 final against the runners-up, Buzz and Brad Smith.

The next "Introduction to Pickleball" class will be Thursday, March 16 at 9 a.m. Please wear court shoes

for your safety.

Mark Friedenberg comments in his book "The Official Pickleball Handbook" that 75 percent of all shots are won on percent. Do I need to say more? Just keep the ball in play any way you can and, don't try a kill shot on your first opportunity unless it's just perfect. Be patient and just get the ball back, preferably deep in the middle, while you wait for that perfect put-away! Your opponent may just hit the ball into the net. Play pickleball, have fun, make friends and get some exercise.

CARDS & GAMES

Monday Afternoon Bridge
Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson

Jan. 9
1: Nancy Clarkson & Marge Benton; 2: Caryl Rosenberger & Ida Rosendahl; 3: Betty Morris & Fran Griswold; 4: Cleona Redman & Mary Rose Janssen.

Jan. 16
1: Doris Keathley & Joan Lord; 2: Cleona Redman & Mary Rose Janssen; 3: Judy Wagnitz & Marlene Floecker; 4: Don & Linda Sprague.

Jan. 23
1: Doris Keathley & Joan Lord; 2: Lynda Hannon & Mary Walker; 3: Caryl Rosenberger & Ida Rosendahl; 4: Don & Linda Sprague.

Jan. 30
1: Doris Keathley & Joan Lord; 2: Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson; 3: Betty Morris & Fran Griswold; 4: Marge Starrett & Joyce Walchak; 5: Cleona Redman & Mary Rose Janssen.

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Tuesday Afternoon Bridge
Joanne Jones

Jan. 3
1: Agnes LaSala & Nebbie Day; 2: Shirley Stolly & Betty Morris; 3: Joanne Jones & Mazie Millward.

Jan. 10
1: Shirley Stolly & Betty Morris; 2: Mazie Millward & Rad D; 3: Agnes LaSala & Nebbie Day.

Jan. 17
1: Linda & Don Sprague; 2: Joanne Jones & Mazie Millward; 3: Agnes LaSala & Bernie Kelly.

Jan. 24
1: Shirley Stolly & Betty Morris; 2: Joanne Jones & Mazie Millward; 3: Agnes LaSala & Bernie Kelly.

Jan. 31
1: Linda & Don Sprague; 2: Joanne Jones & Mazie Millward; 3: Shirley Stolly & Betty Morris.

Tuesday Night Bridge
Doris Keathley

Jan. 3
Tie at 1/2: Ida Rosendahl and Caryl Rosenberger and Rita Smyth and Colleen Tobino; 3: Dan Lack and Ed Bodnar; 4: Jim and Betty Devoy.

Jan. 10
1: Paul Pinter and Paul Reidinger; 2: Rita Smyth and Colleen Tobino; 3: Ed Bodnar and Dan Lack; 4: Jim and Betty Devoy; 5: Sharon Davis and Dan Hall.

Jan. 17
1: Jim and Betty Devoy; 2: Caryl Rosenberger and Ida Rosendahl; 3: Jim and Ruth Jackson; Tie at 4/5: Sharon Davis and Dan Hall and Doris Keathley and Joan Lord.

Jan. 24
1: Caryl Rosenberger and Ida

Rosendahl; 2: Kathe Dushary and Katie White; Tie at 3/4: Joan Lord and Doris Keathley and Dan Lack and Ed Bodnar.

Jan. 31
1: Jim and Ruth Jackson; 2: Jim and Betty Devoy; 3: Caryl Rosenberger and Ida Rosendahl; 4: Rita Smyth and Colleen Tobino; 5: Katie White and Nancy Pohlson.

Wednesday Afternoon Bridge
Pat Goltgart

Jan. 4
1: Fran Griswold; 2: Mary Klinzing; 3: Lilli Upton; Cons: Delores Melberg.

Jan. 11
1: Carmen Arroya; 2: Marian Hotz; 3: Lilli Upton; 4: Maureen Meade; Cons: Helen O'Brien.

Jan. 18
1: Bernie Kelly; 2: Betty Morris; 3: Nebbie Day; 4: Dianne Robinson; Cons: Delores Melberg.

Jan. 25
1: Carmen Arroya; 2: Pat Goltgart; 3: Helen O'Brien; 4: Dianne Robinson; Cons: Bernie Kelly.

Thursday Afternoon Bridge
Marge Starrett

Jan. 5
1: Don Sprague; 2: Nebbie Day; 3: Sharon Davis; Tie at 4: Shirley Ebert & Marlene Floecker.

Jan. 12
1: Marge Starrett; 2: Serine Rossi; 3: Carmen Arroya; 4: Kay Boland.

Jan. 19
1: Kay Boland; 2: Don Sprague; 3: Linda Sprague; 4: Mary Walker

Jan. 26
1: Mary Walker; Tie at 2: Linda & Don Sprague; 3: Nebbie Day; 4: Marge Starrett.

Thursday Night Bridge
Keith Briggs

Jan. 19
1: Fran Griswold; 2: Sara Anderson; 3: Donnell Briggs.

Jan. 26
1: Miriam McNeilly; 2: Ida Rosendahl; 3: Ida Hartley; 4: Marion Hotz.

Feb. 2
1: Ida Rosendahl; 2: Lucy M.

Feb. 9
1: Ida Rosendahl; 2: Keith Briggs; 3: Ida Hartley.

Friday 4 Fun Euchre
Chip Parsons

Dec. 9, 2016
1: Jan Harris; 2: Pidge; 3: Doug Hines.

Dec. 16, 2016
1: Debbie Weaver; 2: Fran Griswold; Tie at 3: Verna Harsh & Walter Hickenlooper.

Dec. 23, 2016
Tie at 1: Wayne G., Walter Hickenlooper & Debbie Weaver; Tie at 2: Joan Sigafoos & Gayle Argano.

Dec. 30, 2016
Tie at 1: Walter Hickenlooper & Rad D.; 2: Joan Sigafoos; 3: Jean Sylver.

Jan. 6
1: Jim Greig; Tie at 2: Sharon Dean, Arlene Luehre & Jean Sylver; 3: Jerry Harris.

Jan. 13
1: Marion Hotz; 2: Shirley Stolly; 3: John Wall.

Jan. 20
1: Walter Hickenlooper; Tie at 2: Phil Hudson & Phyllis Wall; 3: Debbie Weaver.

Jan. 27
1: Richard Bartel; 2: Gayle Argano; 3: Fran.

Tuesday Night Pinochle
Whitney Frye

We play at 6 p.m. in Art Studio of the Hobby Building. Join us! Call Whitney Frye at (352) 237-0388 for information.

Jan. 3
1: Joe Eisgruber; 2: Bernard DiGregorio; 3: Edna Frye.

Jan. 10
1: Jim Mazzolby; 2: Bernard DiGregorio; 3: Ilse Kessey.

Jan. 17
1: Edith Kolb; 2: Larry Hartman; 3: Bernard DiGregorio.

Jan. 24
1: Bob Hoerr; 2: Whitney Frye; 3: Darrell Maul.

Jan. 31
1: Cathy Buchamam; 2: Gayle Argano; 3: Andy Mark.

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Ladies 18-Hole Golf

Susan Rhodes

The match play tournament is under way, and is projected to be completed by mid-March.

On Tuesday, Feb. 14, we hosted the 9-holers for the Cupid Open. Following golf, 40 18-holers and 29 9-holers gathered for a luncheon catered by Sweet Potatoes in the Recreation Center Ballroom. Ten bud vases donated by Artistic Flowers were raffled off to the 9-holers. Door prizes donated by craft ladies, the Golf Shop and league members were raffled off to all attendees. Many thanks to the luncheon committee members, Nancy Zielinski, Molly Lucieer, Chris McIntire, and Peggy Wiechmann, for a successful luncheon!

Thanks to Susan Watters, we now have online sign-up for social events. This can be accessed from the league website. Members still need to pay for the event by depositing money in the league box in the players' lounge. Thank you Sue!

The Member-Member luncheon/general meeting will be held in the Recreation Center Ballroom on Tuesday, Mar. 7.

We are pleased to welcome our newest members, Lynn DeHart and Karen Piccolo! Lynn and her husband, Henry, recently moved to Crescent Ridge from Trinity, Fla. (in the Tampa Bay area). She never



Photo by Susan Watters

Ladies 18-hole golf members show off new league shirts at rally before league play.

intended to learn to play golf, but took it up 10 years ago and loves the game. Karen was a member of our league several years ago and has decided to rejoin.

Cha Cha Cha (Team Net)

Jan. 17/Tortoise & The Hare
120-Sandy Chase, Angie Jingco, Bobbie Wiener, Dee Howie. 126-Beverly Ovrebo, Susan Maillet, Mary Bennett. Tie at 127-Iro Lisinski, Peggy Wiechmann, Geri Treppa, Betty McNeeley; Gail LaGrange, Rosemarie O'Neil, Margaret Hudacik, Connie Preis; Lynne Dickson, Marilyn Schnaupp, Debby Wilson; Deborah Martin, Connie Sohl, Jo Apperson.

Criss Cross (Individual Net)

Jan. 24/Links

Flight 1: 29-Gretchen Normandin. 30-Su Freeman. Tie at 31-Beverly Ovrebo, Bobbie Wiener.
Flight 2: 28-Angie Jingco. Tie at 30-Joan D'Addio, Linda Blewitt, Susan Rhodes.
Flight 3: 27-Sandy Chase, 28-Lorie Anderson. 30-Geri Treppa. Tie at 31-Debby Wilson, Carolyn Cummings.
Flight 4: 28-Mary Bennett. 31-Connie Preis. 32-Betty McNeeley. 32-Carole Robinson.

Low Gross, Low Net (Individual)

Feb. 7/Tortoise & The Hare
Flight 1 Gross: 80-Deborah Martin. 85-Beverly Ovrebo.

Flight 1 Net: Tie at 68-Gail LaGrange, Lynn Dickson. 69-Bobbie Wiener.
Flight 2 Gross: 85-Peggy Wiechmann. 92-Peggy Borro. 93-Iro Lisinski.
Flight 2 Net: 72-Nancy Zielinski. Tie at 74-Linda Blewitt, Susan Rhodes.
Flight 3 Gross: 89-Lorie Anderson. 95-Margaret Hudacik. Tie at 97-May Chin, Sandy Chase.
Flight 3 Net: Tie at 67-Connie Sohl, Sharon Bartholomew. 70-Debby Wilson.
Flight 4 Gross: 99-Molly Lucieer. 102-Betty McNeeley.
Flight 4 Net: 72-Donna Brunell. 73-Carolyn Cummings. Tie at 77-Dawn Hagberg, Dee Howie.



Candler Hills Ladies 18-Hole Golf

Joan Gustafson

We celebrated the Candler Hills Ladies Golf Association 18-Hole league's 10th anniversary on Thursday, Feb. 23. It doesn't seem possible that ten years has passed. Looking back, the Candler Hills Golf Course was opening, new people were moving in, and a group of women golfers got together and established the league. To celebrate, we had a Shot Gun Scramble with the Candler Hills Ladies Golf Association 9-Hole league. After golf, we gathered at The Club at Candler

Hills.

We will be hosting the Mid-State tournament on Thursday, March 23. More information will be available on our website.

On Thursday, April 6 and Tuesday, April 11, our annual Solheim Cup will take place. This is a great event and brings us together with the On Top of the World Ladies Golf Association 18-Hole league. More information to come.

Our nominating committee is working to present to the board some new candidates for next year. If anyone is interested please contact President Pam Monk at the-monk28641@gmail.com. We welcome new members and have information in the Candler Hills Golf Shop. You may pick up an ap-

plication in our league book.

Until next time, hit them straight!

Low Putts

Jan. 19
Flight 1: 31-Connie Norris. 32-Su Freeman. 33-Bev Ovrebo.
Flight 2: 33-Angie Jingco. 35-Betty Dong.
Flight 3: 33-Gail Banavige. 34-Carol Clark.
Flight 4: 34-Kathy Smyth. 35-Deanne Green, Hedy Racinowski, Sandy Noe, Joan Gustafson.

Highest Gross/ Lowest Net

Jan. 26
Flight 1: 168-Bev Ovrebo, Blind Draw, Lori Anderson, Laurel Rohrer.
Flight 2: 172-Pam Carpenter, Carol Oman, Deanne Green, Mary Pat Giffin.
Flight 3: Tie-Angie Jinco, Joan

D'Addio, Kathy Smyth, Sandra Noe.

Select 9

Feb. 2
Flight 1: 27-Connie Norris, Donna Smith.
Flight 2: 27-Iro Lisinski, Sue List, Carol Oman, May Chin.
Flight 3: 24-Deanne Green. 26-Vicky Salyers.
Flight 4: 24-Bertha Myers. 25-Andrea Fratarangelo

Scotch Twosome

Feb. 9
Flight A/D: 70.2-Andrea Fratarangelo, Donna Smith. 71.4-Jeannie Gallo, Bertha Myers. 71.6-Bev Ovrebo, Joan Gustafson.
Flight B/C: 65.2-Gail Banavige, Diane O'Brien. 68.2-Sue List, Toni Stevenson. 71.2-Marie Anglace, Angie Jinco.

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Men's Golf Association

Tom Cummings

To acquire a better understanding of the USGA Handicap System™, wouldn't it be nice to know what "Playing to Your Handicap" means and whether you should do this every time? The system is built around the concept of Course Rating™, which impacts us all even though its definition ties to a "scratch" golfer. When you are given handicap strokes, you receive the number of strokes necessary to play to the level of a scratch golfer. If the scratch golfer is supposed to shoot the Course Rating, then those handicap strokes relate to the Course Rating as well.

We use the phrase "target score" regarding playing to your handicap. How is a target score determined? First, go through the normal process of converting a Handicap Index to a Course Handicap. Then add that Course Handicap to the Course Rating. For example, a player with a USGA Handicap Index of 16.3 decides to play a course with a USGA Course Rating of 68.9 and a Slope Rating of 129. That player converts the 16.3 to a Course Handicap of 19 (using Course Handicap Tables or "Conversion Charts") then adds 19 to 68.9, for a total of 88 (rounded). If the player shoots 88, that player has played to his or her handicap.

So playing to your handicap is not exclusively a matter of whether you have hit the ball well or the number of putts you had, but a

measurable number. It is not how your net score relates to par.

How often should a player do this? Recognize that your worst scores are not truly utilized in the calculation of a Handicap Index; only the best 10 scores are utilized and the worst 10 are disregarded, then the best 10 are averaged. This ratio tells us playing to a handicap happens less than half of the time. Including all of the handicap formula, the resulting probability is that playing to your handicap happens only once out of four to five rounds. The USGA isn't out to discourage you, but in order to maintain a semblance of equitable competition for players with differing skills in varying formats, we have determined this probability as the best choice for our formula. If we used all scores, those players with higher handicaps would see their values increase significantly, while those with lower values would not increase as much. This would tip the balance of the system heavily toward higher handicap players. We believe there should be an incentive toward improving one's game.

We can't all be scratch golfers, but we can set a target to strive for to play to our handicap -and we can determine what that means. And don't get discouraged if you only play to your handicap 20-25 percent of the time.

The above information was adapted from an USGA article written by Larry Atkinson.

I tabulated the percentage of players who shot at or below their handicap in individual MGA events the last two months. It should be about 25 percent. It came up to almost triple that at 74 percent. It would be great to think that all of our games are improving by that much, however I seriously doubt that.

Chicken Day Scramble Jan. 4

Tie at 62-James Merrick, Garry Gerlach, Norman Schulze, John Ricciardone; Jim Tait, Carl Zeiler, Steve Becker, Jerry Chase; Art Lagrange, Bob Janssen, Mike Flynn, Brian Holland; 63-David Miller, Joe Bologna, Dave Hannasch, Bill Engels.

2 Man Best Ball Jan. 11

Flight A/B-1: Tie at 59-Joe Hawkins, Paul Stoecklin; Art Lagrange, Mike Kurlakowsky; Jon Hill, Mike Driver. Flight A/B-2: 54-Dennis McNeeley, Ralph Solvold; Tie at 57-Tim Hunt, Carl Zeiler; Roger Sparks, Mike Walthen.

Flight C/D-1: 52-Jerry Ashe, Tary Bole; Tie at 57-Ron Abramovich, Tom Cummings; Jack Hegarty, Phelps White.

Flight C/D-2: Tie At 56-Claude Howie, Loren Magsam; John Ricciardone, Joe Bologna.

Team Blind Holes Jan. 18

121-Dale Budd, Brian Andrews, Bob Moravec, Ed Duke; 123-Roger Sparks, Thomas Martinetto; 127-Brian Wilder, Joe Jingco, John Bauer, Tary Bole; 128-Larry Rourke, Rudy Normandin, Barry Barringer.

Individual Stableford Jan. 25

Flight 1: 43-Jon Hill; Tie at 42-Jeff Downs, Dennis McNeeley; Tie at 41-Roger Sparks, Ken Brazzel.

Flight 2: 41-Ed Conaway; Tie at 40-David Schaefer, Carl Singleton, Joe Szall, Bob Meyer.

Flight 3: 45-Mike Walthen; 44-Paul Stoecklin; Tie at 41-Harvey Howd, Steve Housron.

Flight 4: 48-Thomas South; 43-Guy Russell; Tie at 42-Joe Mandala, Chris Lyndrup.

Flight 5: 51-Steve Becker; Tie at 45-Larry Chase, Tary Bole, Rusty Rhodes.

Flight 6: 45- Barry McCarthy; 42-David Stafford; Tie at 41-Roy Hira, Danny James.

Candler Hills Men's Golf



Dave Miller

Ian McCullough and James Wall are new members - welcome aboard, gentlemen! If you want to join our group, we play every Tuesday at 9 a.m. - playing both individual and team games. To learn more about our organization, feel free to e-mail me (millrace1@aol.com), visit our newly updated website (chmga.com), or contact one of the golf professionals in the Candler Hills Golf Shop.

For those of us trying to improve our game, here is a quote from the immortal Bobby Jones, "You swing your best when you have the fewest things to think about." The following golfers must have been thinking clearly as they scored very well this month: Julian Hobby (72), Jay List (73), Larry Kettlewell and David Martin (74), Joseph Schuberth and Joe Damiata (75), Bryant Giffin, Everett Kimball, Larry Smallwood and Walt Pacuk (76), Paul Rubly, Mike Deahl and Al Wassmer (78), Terry Sigler and Bill Anger (79).

4-Man Scramble Jan. 10

63-Bryant Giffin, Bill Anger, Jim McGrath & Roger Whittle; 64-Jay List, Dale Budd, Mark Monk & Bob Cowie; Tie at 65-Joe Damiata, JC Van Bloom, Andy Bulloch & John Workman; Chris Jett, Ian McCullough, Larry Garvin & David Green; Julian Hobby, Dennis McCourt, Ken Zweiback & Bill Horton; and Mike Deahl, Dave Miller, John Podkomorski & Paul Silliman

Individual Quota Jan. 17

Flight 1: Tie at 9-Joe Damiata and Larry Smallwood; 8-Larry Kettlewell; Tie at 7-Everett Kimball and Walter Pacuk.

Flight 2: 11-Bryant Giffin; 8-Mike Deahl; Tie at 7-Jeff Downs and Craig Riber.

Flight 3: 8-Gene Francisco; 7-Dale Budd; Tie at 6-Dennis McCourt, Dan Gill and John Podkomorski.

Flight 4: Tie at 6-John Workman, Randy Ford and Stan Jarmel; Tie at 5-Paul Silliman and David Green.

Best Ball - AC & BD Flights Jan. 24

AC Flight: 59-Julian Hobby & Mark Monk; 60-David Martin & Tony Mysterly; Tie at 61-Bill Anger & Jim Tait, Joe Damiata & Joe Jingco and Paul Rubly & Jim McGrath.

BD Flight: 59-Tom Racinowski & David Green; 62-Gene Moff & Paul Silliman; Tie at 63-Jeff Downs & Gilbert Green and Chuck Lafferty & Daniel O'Brien.

4-Man, 3 Best Stableford Jan. 31

Tie at 135-Joseph Schuberth, Keith Nesbit, John Podkomorski & blind draw; and Everett Kimball, Dennis McCourt, Joe Jingco & Bob Cowie; 134-Julian Hobby, Ken Zweiback, Andy Bulloch & Paul Kannapel; 133-Larry Kettlewell, Rick Lilly, Stan Jarmel & blind draw.

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The 2017 Ocala Open will be held at Candler Hills Golf Club from Wednesday, March 15 through Friday, March 17, with the Pro-Am on Tuesday, March 14. We are offering all of our golf members a discount to participate in the Pro-Am (\$800 for a three person team while being paired with one of the pros). Included in the entry fee is a gift package from the Golf Shop worth \$200 and a barbecue luncheon.

The benefiting charities for this

year's event are Hospice of Marion County and Interfaith Emergency Services. Admission is free with VIP tickets available for \$25 or three for \$65 in the Candler Hills Golf Shop. For more information regarding VIP tickets and the Ocala Open, visit ocalaopen.com.

Also being held in March is the annual On Top of the World Club Championship. This championship is for On Top of the World golf members only. This is a two-day event with round one being played Friday, March 10 on the Links followed by round two on Saturday, March 11 on the Tortoise & The Hare. Both days will be 8 a.m. tee times. Please see the On Top of the World Golf Shop for more details.

Our golf staff needs the assistance of all golfers and residents on several fronts. In order for Andy Jorgensen and his staff to provide perfect playing conditions, all golfers need to fill their divots with sand and fix ball marks on the

greens. When putting, please be sure to lift your feet and not shuffle across the greens. It is your responsibility as golfers to help maintain these beautiful golf courses.

Upcoming Events

- Friday, March 10 & Saturday, March 11: On Top of the World Club Championship.
- Tuesday, March 14: Ocala Open Pro-Am, Candler Hills Golf Club.
- Wednesday, March 15 through Friday, March 17: Ocala Open, Candler Hills Golf Club.

World Accolades

CANDLER HILLS: Carol Clark, hole-in-one #13. Bill Brandon, best score ever 73.

LINKS: Gail LaGrange, hole-in-one #14. Tom South, eagle #3. Joe Wilks, eagle #17. Jack Martin, shot 90, 1 stroke over age. VaDonna Hall, eagle #17. Kaz Kaske, shot his age of 89.

TORTOISE & THE HARE: Jack Hegarty, hole-in-one #15. R.D. Zink, hole-in-one #13. Dennis McNeely, hole-in-one #15. Paul East, eagle #2. Dale Budd, eagle #3. Dennis McCourt, hole-in-one #13. Joe Szall, hole-in-one #6 and eagle on #5. Congratulations to all!

Golf Tip of the Month

You have a five-foot putt to make birdie and win the match. Your palms are sweating, hands shaking and mind is wandering.

If you can relate to this scenario then here are a few tips to help ease your nerves. First create a pre-putt routine. This routine should be kept simple and quick, 30 seconds or less. Make sure to follow this routine for each putt during your round. During your stroke be sure to have nice rhythm. Nerves tend to get the best of players and create a quick stroke. This often causes the putt to fall off line. Stand over the putt with confidence, keep a good frame of mind and sink that putt.



Candler Hills Ladies 9-Hole Golf

Susan Layne

Welcome new residents! If you play golf and have a handicap, you are invited to join the Candler Hills Ladies Golf Association 9-Hole league. This is a great way to meet people, socialize, enjoy the weather and improve your game. Visit our website at chlga9.shutterfly.com.

League play is on Thursday mornings. Denise Mullen, the head professional at Candler Hills Golf Course presents ladies only golf clinics twice a month on Wednesday mornings. Information is available in the Golf Shop.

On Thursday, Jan. 19, 36 ladies turned out for Winter Wonder Golf, a fun-filled day created by Dottie Baird. The format was red, white and blue scramble with lowest putts. Dottie and, helper, Marcie Hock had each tee marked by a snowman in a cloud of fluffy snow with a big snowflake attached. Putting was made a bit more challenging by the three plastic snowflakes surrounding each hole. After the game, all gathered in The Club at Candler Hills for food, drinks, fellowship, and prizes.

A number of our ladies participated in the Golf Around (GAR) at Spruce Creek Preserve on Wednesday, Jan. 25. A brisk morning was followed by a beautiful day for golf. Some of our ladies were "in the money."

Flight A Low Putts: 15-Delores Jaynes. Flight B Low Net: 33-Linda Mandala.

Flight C Low Gross: 55-Julie Crudele. Flight C Low Net: 35-Judy Parisi. Flight C Low Putts: 17-Mary Ann McCourt.

GAR is comprised of seven, 9-hole ladies clubs from the Ocala and Summerfield areas. This is our second year of participation. Our representatives are Rocket Johnson and Mary Vliet. Our league wants to thank them for stepping up to keep our participation in the group. The events are very enjoyable and give us the opportunity to play at other clubs and meet people from these communities.

Lowest Putts-Team Jan. 12

60-Kay Budd, Pat Gill, Mary Giannukos, Nancy Dreimiller. 65-Renee Aden, Cheryl Nesbit, Eve Harvey, Mary Vliek. 65-Susane Trembulak, Rocket Johnson, Jean Jarmel, Marguerite Piotrowski. 67-Linda Mandala, Miriam Gerlach, Lora Rossi, blind draw.

Winter Wonder Golf / Red, White &

Blue Team Scramble Jan. 19

29-Delores Jaynes, Lydia Flinchbaugh, Julie Crudele, Mary Giannukos. 31-Carla Kimball, Kathy Triolo, Kathy Hall, Susan Layne. 32-Kay Budd, MaryAnn McCourt, Jean Jarmel, Eve Harvey; Karen Piccolo, Cheryl Nesbit, Judy Parisi, Janice Sturm.

Lucky 4s Net Jan. 26

Flight 1: 17-Barb Enos; 18-Kathy Triolo; 19-Eileen Gustavus. Flight 2: 17-Marcie Hock; 19-Kathy Hall, Sue Layne.

Three Clubs & a Putter / Team

Best Ball Feb. 2

23-Linda Mandala, Pat Gill, Donna McCombs, blind draw. 26-Delores Jaynes, Rocket Johnson, Lora Rossi, blind draw. 28-Kay Budd, Marcie Hock, Marguerite Piotrowski, Miriam Gerlach. 29-Lydia Flinchbaugh, Barbara Enos, Sally Hiel, blind draw.

Team Stableford Feb. 9

74-Eileen Gustavus, Cheryl Engeman, Rocket Johnson, Donna McCombs. 72-Karen Piccolo, Marcie Hock, Marguerite Piotrowski, blind draw. 66-Carla Kimball, Betty Werner, Lora Rossi, Judy Parisi.

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A special thanks to all who helped with the recent work party repairing and updating the shelters. The drone racing area to the southeast of the flying field has been completed. If you're interested in drone flying or racing remember you must be a member of the flying club and the AMA to use the field.

Keep in mind, Saturday, April 22 is our next Fly-In, rain date Sunday. All residents are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be available to purchase. The craftsmanship shown in the model aircraft and flying demonstrations are well worth the price of admission (free!).

Alex Fedele is this month's featured member and puts it this way, "My wife is a pool person and loves to read and I'm an R/C flyer person who loves building models. This is the perfect place for us!" And so he and Ann Marie elected to make On Top of the World their home after his retirement as a project manager



Photo by Gary Bayless

Alex Fedele night flying.

with the Gillette Company in Massachusetts. Alex says they didn't look anywhere else in Florida after visiting On Top of the World.

In the seven months or so since his joining the R/C Flyers, he's proven to be a sparkplug. After get-

ting appointed events director and holding a fun fly, he has organized a night fly every Wednesday that's quickly taken off (no pun intended), and a recent Piper Cub fly-in with special events. He has also helped with the monthly glider night, con-

tributes to the interclub newsletter and is planning a chili and chowder fun fly. Oh yes, he's also a volunteer instructor.

Alex is not hard to spot at the field. He's the only person I've met with a combination of French and New England accent having arrived in the U.S. with his parents in 1967. Maybe we should have truffles with that chowder?

He traces his interest in airplanes back to his birthplace, the seaport of Marseille, France. Where, as a seven-year-old, he made cardboard models and threw them out the fifth floor window of his parent's apartment. Perhaps that's why they left France? I keep picturing Charles de Gaulle with a model airplane sticking out of his left ear.

Anyway, after a visit to an R/C club field in the early 1980s the R/C fever struck and led to his membership in two clubs where he eventually became vice president of one and president of the other.

His favorite model of all time was a Top Flight 60 size P47. Now he can be seen with various electrics, one an amphibian with LED lights. Slow down Alex you are making the rest of us look bad!



This is how we roll! The Bocce Club board meeting was held on Monday, Feb. 6. Several issues were discussed and the following decisions were voted upon and passed by the board concerning league play:

- Two substitutes can be used on the same team. - Make-up games can be played if agreed upon by both teams.
- Substitutes can be used as long as they are league members.
- Make-up games must be played within two weeks of the original play date.
- The pallino must be at least six inches from the edge of the wall to be considered in play.
- Whatever team members you start with in best of bocce, you must finish with. If circumstance arises and you cannot finish with your original members, you will be asked to forfeit the game.
- Substitutes can be used for the best of bocce, but they must be from your own league, i.e., substitutes for a team that plays on Tuesdays at 9 a.m., must be from the league that plays on Tuesdays at 9 a.m.

The response to open bocce has been great! Open bocce is now played on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 9 a.m. and at 1:30 p.m. These are open play days and 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! Players are showing up very early to assure their spot to play. There is a sign-up sheet and the first 32 names on the sheet get to play. Please come early to sign up to assure your spot!

We are always looking for members to substitute or join the league. We encourage you to stop by and see how the game is played and what fun we have. So please call and express your interest in playing! It's a lot of fun and you get to make new friends! If you have an interest in playing on a team, please

contact the Bocce Club President Joe Bartosh at (608) 553-1602. We may be able to start another league if enough people want it.

The best of bocce play offs will be the week of April 25. League best of bocce will be on Tuesday, May 2. Open best of bocce will be on Thursday, May 4.

The bocce league banquet will be on Saturday, May 6 at the Indigo East Community Center, from 4 to 7 p.m. Details to follow. Sign-up sheets will be distributed to team captains in the coming weeks.

If you haven't signed a consent form or paid your dues of \$10,

please make sure you see your team captain or league representative. Everyone who plays, even those who play open bocce, are required to sign a consent form and pay dues.

For further information, please contact Joe Bartosh, president, at (608) 553-1602. Until we roll again ...

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Why not take advantage of our beautiful weather and go for a walk, a bike ride or take a trip to the Power Park? When the weather is not agreeable, come see us at the Recreation Fitness Center. If you need any assistance with setting up an exercise program, I'm here to help! Stop in and see me or give me a call at (352) 387-7531.

FIT TIP #1: The Surgeon General of the United States recommends that older adults get 30 to 60 minutes of moderate intensity exercise most days of the week. You can start slowly and gradually work your way up to this recommended prescription.

FIT TIP #2: In addition to the exercise benefits listed above, there are some great short-term benefits as well. Maintain your motivation to exercise by focusing on these short-term benefits: improving mood, boosting energy, reducing stress and improved sleep.

FIT TIP #3: Find a workout partner to help keep yourself accountable. Working out with a friend is a lot more fun and you're less likely to skip the exercise if you made a commitment to someone!

Arbor Club Indoor Pool							
TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
6:00 AM	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming		
7:00 AM	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open		
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk		
9:00 AM - 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 AM - 11:00 AM	Open	Shallow Water Fitness Class*	Closed for Cleaning 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Shallow Water Fitness Class*	Open		
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming (opens at 11:30 AM)	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Open	Open
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Aqua Belles**		Aqua Belles**	Open	Aqua Belles**		
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM				Water Volleyball*** 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM			
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open		
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM				Open			
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM							

Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Saturday, 7 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Sunday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Indoor pool closed for cleaning every Wednesday from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Outdoor pool closed for cleaning first Wednesday of every month
 * One hour, fee-based class. ** One hour club activity. *** Two hour club activity.



Ballet Club

Eugenie Martin

In January, the Ballet Club gave a demonstration of dances at the Health & Wellness Expo and then participated in the semi-annual Club Fair. Now, we are preparing some dances for a talent show in March sponsored by the Theatre Club. Look for the publicity on the show. It will showcase many different individuals and groups, and should be very good.

Our classes continue as usual:
 • Beginner: Tuesdays, 11 a.m.

to noon; Fridays, noon to 1 p.m.
 • More advanced: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1 to 2:15 p.m.
 • Fusion Floor Barre: Saturdays, 11 a.m. to noon.

As I have written before, newcomers are always welcome to the Ballet Club. To start, all you need are exercise clothes, socks and a bottle of water. For the Fusion Floor Barre, you also need some sort of neck roll. If you are a newcomer, it is best to call me at (352) 854-8589 before going to class. That way, I can help you sort out which class is best suited to your needs, and welcome you when you arrive. Happy dancing!



Softball

Bill Leon

During the winter, some teams needed non-team members to fill in due to various reasons. As a result, the coaches decided to split the winter league, ending the first portion at the end of 2016 and starting fresh as of January when all members returned. The teams are feeling better now that all the players are back and getting used to each other. So far, it has created more unified teams and better results for most of the teams.

The Tee Pee Tire team was a dominating force and the least affected by the lack of players. They are now playing with tougher teams and are no longer in first place. The team to watch is the Dr. Dunn team. They have come together and are playing much better ball now that their full squad is together.

Surprisingly, the Tax Panic team, which has "on paper" a solid team, can't seem to muster up the runs when needed. The pitching and the hitters are in place, but the offense hasn't yet come together. Another team, which has some good solid players is the Cebert Wealth team, but they too are having difficulties in generating the runs when needed.

The Pavarotti's team had a good first five start but seem to be lacking in the bottom of the line up and will probably be within range of being a .500 team with equal wins and losses or perhaps closer to the bottom. The Last Frontier team has the potential with some good hitters and a good defensive team in most of their positions. It is now a matter of them putting it all together and should be one of the top teams during the rest of the season.

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Celebrate Your Strength

The last 25 years have produced exciting research outcomes on the positive effects of strength training for older adults. This has created a dramatic shift in exercise training protocols for folks over 55. Prior to this recent research, the majority of exercise advice focused on aerobic activity to prevent cardiovascular disease. We now know that strength training helps to preserve muscle mass, which is critical to maintaining strength, function, and independence and also preventing falls.

This explosion of strength training research provides very encouraging news. We now know that we can combat age-related muscle loss by adding strength training to our fitness routines. Older adults who lead sedentary lifestyles are at an increased risk for disease, disability and falls. Do you find that you are becoming less capable of daily activities such as lifting groceries, climbing stairs, heavy housework or tasks that require getting down and up from the floor? If so, you are probably on your way to becoming a victim of age-related muscle loss. The good news is that research proves without a doubt that we can regain muscle at any age! And therefore we can regain the ability to function well and fall less. Benefits of strength training include:

- Increase in muscle mass and strength
- Increase in bone density
- Decrease in body fat
- Decrease in diabetes risk factors
- Decrease in fall risk factors

The Recreation Fitness Center has lots of great options for strength training. We have a full circuit of Cybex strength training machines and we provide a free fitness center orientation that will acquaint you with the machines every Tuesday at 1 p.m. Please call (352) 854-8707 ext. 7534 to reserve your spot.

There are also lots of strength training classes for you to choose from (see the fitness class sched-

FITNESS SCHEDULE

March 2017

Recreation Center Fitness Room					
TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7:00 AM	Oxycise	Oxycise	Oxycise	Oxycise	Oxycise
8:00 AM	Zumba® Mix Madelyne	S.O.S. Jonathan	Wednesday Warrior Jessica	S.O.S. Jonathan	Dance Party Jessica
9:00 AM	Tai Chi Art	KBKB Han	Intro to Yoga Jessica	KBKB Han	Strength & Stretch Cammy
10:00 AM	Balanced Body Madelyne	Chair Yoga Kathy	Balanced Body Jessica	Chair Yoga Kathy	Balanced Body Madelyne
10:50 AM	S.O.S. Larry	S.O.S. Dara	S.O.S. Larry	S.O.S. Dara	S.O.S. Larry
11:45 AM	Get Fit While You Sit Kitti	Golden Oldies Groove Madelyne	Get Fit While You Sit Kitti	Golden Oldies Groove Madelyne	Get Fit While You Sit Madelyne
1:00 PM		Fitness Orientation**		Balance Assessment**	
5:00 PM		Intro to Yoga Kathy	S.O.S. Linda		

Recreation Center Fitness Center Hours: Monday-Friday 6:30 AM - 8 PM; Saturday 7 AM - 8 PM; Sunday 9 AM - 5 PM

Recreation Center Ballroom					
TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10:45 AM	Zumba® Gold Kitti		Zumba® Gold Kitti		Zumba® Gold Madelyne

Arbor Club					
TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:00 AM Indoor Pool	Deep Water * Larry	Shallow Water * Barb	Deep Water * Larry	Shallow Water * Barb	HIIT Deep* Larry
10:00 AM Indoor Pool		Shallow Water * Barb		Shallow Water * Barb	

Fitness classes (with the exception of aqua) at the Arbor Club have moved to the Arbor Conference Center in suites listed below

9:00 AM Arbor Conference Center				Qi Gong (E,F) Art	
9:15 AM Arbor Conference Center	Yoga* (G,H) Barb Anne		Hatha Yoga*(G,H) Barb Anne		Yoga*(G,H) Mary
10:00 AM Arbor Conference Center				Intro to Tai Chi (E,F) Art	
11:00 AM Arbor Conference Center				Tai Chi Joint Health* (E,F) Art	

** Fitness center orientations and balance assessments are free. Please call (352) 854-8707 Ext. 7534 to reserve your spot.

MARCH HAPPENINGS

Strength Training 101

Wednesday, March 15 at 10:45 AM in the Recreation Center Fitness Room

to the right of this column or at otowinfo.com).

Don't miss "Strength Training 101" on Wednesday, March 15, at 10:45 a.m. in the Recreation Fitness Center. This special workshop will

highlight correct exercise mechanics to help you strength train safely and effectively. Personal trainers will be on hand to guide you on form and technique. This is free and open to all residents; there is

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Everyone Wins Club

Sandi Kemp

All are welcome at our next get together - couples and singles! We play bingo, trivia, charades, and anything else that I can think to do!

We meet once a month on the third Sunday at 6 p.m. at the Arbor

Conference Center, Suites B and C. The cost is \$5.75 which should be brought as five \$1s and three quarters. You will win cash and prizes!

Bring a snack to share - drinks are provided! Our next get together is Sunday, March 19. No reservations needed; just show up for a good time. We will be happy to see you! Please call Sandi at (352) 237-9073 if you have questions!



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Stamp Club

Joe Rosinski

Stop me if you've heard this before! I know that you're probably tired of hearing it, but as I was going through one of my mini-collections of political correspondence I came across this cover from the 1981 presidential campaign and thought I would share it with you. It was mailed from a congressman's fund for a conservative majority. It's postmarked Merrifield, VA Mar 25 '81 to an unknown recipient; most certainly looking for a contribution to the cause. Some things never change, however, note the difference in the mailing cost; only 18-cents then versus 47-cents now.

The attendance at our recent meetings has started to increase a little and we always welcome that. By the time you read this we will have our membership count for the coming year. Then the exodus for the summer months will start once again, and our meeting room will seem to get a little more spacious.

Our meetings on the first and third Wednesdays are at 1 p.m. in the second floor conference room at the Bank of the Ozarks near the entrance to the On Top of the World front gate. On the second Tuesday

of the month we have an informal meeting at Freedom Library from 6 to 8 p.m. This is more of a show and tell type gathering with no agenda or formal business conducted. If you have something you would like to discuss or show off, come on by. At times, the library has another activity and we may lose the room for that night. Please contact me at (352) 237-7366 or rosinskijoe@gmail.com ahead of time to confirm the meeting time. If you plan to attend one of our Wednesday meetings, we generally start gathering at a little after noon. We ask that you park either on the side of the bank or in the Winn-Dixie parking lot. The bank wants the area in front for customer parking. Your cooperation would be appreciated.

We are looking into working with the Gainesville stamp club in a joint venture in the next year. Our point of contact will be working out the details in the coming months. We would plan to have a joint stamp bourse at a venue somewhere between Gainesville and Ocala. This will be a one-day affair and afford the members of both clubs an opportunity to buy/sell their wares to each other.

Thanks to all of you who stopped by our table at the recent Club Fair. We hope that all of you who made an effort to stop by and had questions, will follow-up with us. A special thanks goes out to Luis Rodriguez, a former president of

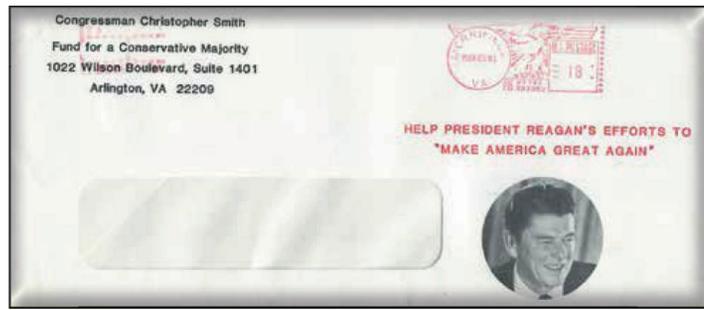


Photo by Joe Rosinski

Political cover from 1981.

our club, for his kind donation of a wide variety of philatelic items to the club.

If you have any questions about

the club or stamp collecting, please don't hesitate to contact me. I'll try and come up with an interesting topic for the next column.



Billiards Club

Phil Panzera

The Billiard Club will host a barbecue lunch on Wednesday, April 26 for all club members. There has been some question as to whether spouses who are not paid members can come also, and the answer is, "Absolutely." Spouses, whether members or not, are always invited to all Billiard Club social functions.

Tickets for the barbecue are only \$5, and are available from either Ray Stover or Penny Wilson. If you haven't renewed your membership for 2017 yet, consider this a good reason to chip in, help the club, and join the fun with your friends from the room. I don't think you can find a better entertainment value in town, as our annual dues of \$5 only works out to about a penny and a half a day. That's even cheaper than the nickel pinball machines some of us remember!

We don't pester people for dues; they're voluntary, and it's really sort of an honor system. We also don't collect dues just for the heck of it. The money is used to improve and maintain the room, and provide better equipment and playing conditions for everyone. We also use it to defray costs for social functions, just like the upcoming barbecue. You can always drop a check in the blue lockbox by the bulletin board, and we very much appreciate your friendly support.

In January, Phil Panzera resigned as vice president and secretary. Penny Wilson was also elected to continue serving as second vice president, a post in which she's done an exceptional job for years. Earlier this month Dan Newby, one of our community's best players, was also elected to serve as vice president.

Tip of the Month: The universal instruction concerning object balls frozen to the rail is just plain wrong. Do not attempt to hit the object ball and rail at the same time. Aim instead to hit the rail about a credit card's width in front of the ball. You really only need English for pretty severe cuts, so I suggest avoiding it, as it will likely hurt your accuracy more than it helps.

Anecdote of the Month: "Dad, when I grow up can I be a pool player?" "Son, you can't have it both ways."

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MARCH SPECIALS & EVENTS

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Sidekicks Western Dance

Hannah Cole

We are swinging full force into spring after completing our Valentine celebration. Carla and Tony treated us to cupcakes and cookies as we danced on the most romantic night of the year.

Next on our agenda is a St. Patrick's Day bash on Tuesday, March 14. We will have a potluck dinner and be joined by dancers from Stone Creek and possibly some from The Villages. It is always an added pleasure to have guests come to eat and dance with us. Our beginners have now learned

an astounding 13 dances! The newest of these are "Lover Please Come Back" and a waltz called "Straight From the Heart." Next on their agenda is the ever-popular "Diggy Liggy." This group has progressed with lightning speed.

The intermediate dancers will be learning a west coast swing and a new waltz to add to their vast repertoire of pattern dances. They had better watch out lest the newbies catch up with them!

Please note that there will be no dancing on Tuesday, March 21 or Sunday, March 26. There are no notable changes in time or venues. Meanwhile, keep up the good work all of you twinkle-toed dancers. Dance helps keep you young in body, mind, and spirit.



Dancin' On the Top

Arlo Janssen

All those attending the February dance held at the Recreation Center Ballroom on Saturday, Feb. 18 had a great time. Retro Express played some great music for our dancing pleasure.

Our next dance will be held on Saturday, April 22 and will have a theme of "A Night at the Races" with music by Automatic Duo.

The Saturday, Sept. 23 dance will feature the Starburst band and will have a theme of "Come Fly With Me." The Saturday, Nov. 18 dance will have a theme of "Fall Fantasy."

Our big New Year's Eve party on Sunday, Dec. 31 will feature the band Retro Express.

Dancin' On the Top is working on future dance dates for 2018. If you want to help out in any way with our dances, please contact Gene Melnick at the number listed below.

There are other opportunities to dance here at On Top of the World. In March, the weekly Friday night Happy Hour will be held in the Recreation Center Ballroom. Guest fees apply to anyone not having a resident I.D. There is also dancing outdoors at The Town Square on Friday and Saturday nights.

For membership or ticket information about our dances, please contact Gene Melnick at (352) 304-8293 or Peggy Sayat at (352) 509-7400.



Line Dancing

Nancy Carmack

Line dancing continues to grow in numbers here at On Top of the World. In addition to being a truly fun hobby that is great exercise, it is a wonderful way to make new friends and have an active social life. It doesn't matter whether you are single or a couple, when you

join line dancing, you are a part of a group of people who are always having a good time.

Even when we've had a few chilly nights, we all bundle up and dance at The Town Square on Friday and Saturday nights. When you keep moving, you don't even notice that the temperature is down a little.

When we dance to recorded music at The Town Square, we know what dance we are going to do as that is the music we dance to in our classes. However, when there is live entertainment, then we have

to decide what dance we're going to do to the music being played. We listen to hear what the rhythm is; for example, is it a cha cha, waltz, swing, tango, etc.? Then we decide what dance will go with it. Some of our dancers are really good at hearing the beat, and we rely on them to help us out.

We also dance on Friday evenings at Happy Hour at the Recreation Center and also at our monthly dance on the second Thursday of the month, also at the Recreation Center.

As our friend, George, always said, just stay in line and step when the drum goes thump.

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



Circle Squares

Walter Lamp

On Saturday, Jan. 28, the Circle Squares hosted their "Back to the 50s" dance with caller Nick Hartley. All the songs played, either in the rounds or square dance part, were from the '50s. This brought back many memories for all of us. A lot of dancers came dressed in the '50s attire. We had a real big crowd that night - 18 squares at best count with the floor crowded at times. Two local clubs, the Ocala Twirlers and Orange Blossom Squares from The Villages came to visit us and retrieve their banners.

On Friday, Feb. 3 and Saturday, Feb. 4, my wife and I were in Titusville, Fla. for the annual Winterfest. Due to the new location this year,

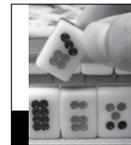
the event was renamed Space Coast Winter Fiesta. The callers were the same - Tony Oxendine, Jack Pladdy's and John Saunders. However, the cuers were new - Glenn and Rosaca Kelly from Kentucky.

There were five sessions with two in the evening with square dance attire. It's a nice touch to see one and all dressed up for some of the sessions. All types of dancing took place including plus, advanced, DBD and rounds. Dancing with national callers is certainly a treat for all of us. We can't wait

until next year.

Jack Lewis will be calling on Saturday, March 4. Ron Libby will be calling on Saturday, April 8. Both dances will be held in the Recreation Center Ballroom, from 7:15 to 9:30 p.m., with rounds included.

The Florida State Square and Round Dance Convention will be coming up on Friday, March 24 and Saturday, March 25. It will be held in the Lakeland Center, in Lakeland, Fla. It will feature the best of Florida's square and round dance callers.



Mah Jongg

Mary Ehle

The tournament is just days away and I don't know about you

but I am very excited. I will report on all the winners next month.

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Until next month, jokers to you.

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Horseshoe League
Jim Russell

Weather conditions continue to be very cooperative for those of us who enjoy being outdoors. We made it through January with very little "cool temperatures" and the trend has continued into February. In March, we should be in the clear for the rest of season.

The end of February also brought our winter league competition to a close. I'll have the results in the April edition. Tuesday, March 7 will start the spring league play, which runs for 13 weeks, ending Tuesday, May 30 at which time we'll take our three-month summer break. If the weather continues to be mild, we should be able to revert back to our 9 a.m. start time on March 7.

The pretty weather has helped in getting more players to come out on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. We have a steadily growing group of enthusiasts and hope that trend continues. During the recent Club Fair, we had several folks stop by, pick up a horseshoe and find it surprising that they weigh a little over two pounds. The gist of the conversation I had with them was that they didn't think they could throw it very far or that they had a bad arm, back, leg or neck that would prevent them from playing.

That got me to thinking that maybe we should investigate what interest might be for the game of cornhole, also known as beanbag toss. It's very similar to horseshoes but requires tossing 16-ounce beanbags into a hole cut into a rectangular platform. A bag going into the hole counts three points and a bag on the platform counts one point. Play ends when a player reaches 21 points. It can be played as a two-person team or as individuals. I would be curious to know if there is any interest in playing cornhole here at On Top of the World.

Our travel team continues play in the Tri-County Horseshoe League. Recent matches were played with several of The Villages and Beverly Hills teams, both here at home and on their turf. We currently rank fourth in the standings with four more weeks of competition to go.


Tennis
Jorge Privat
(352) 387-7539

Please remember that on the first Thursday of each month we have a free tennis clinic from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Join us in improving your strokes or learning something new.

Thank you to those who participated in the tournament. We had some nice prizes donated. Do not let the word "tournament" discourage you from participating. It's a lot of fun!

We also had a group travel to Gainesville, Fla. to watch some really good collegiate tennis at the University of Florida. There was some outstanding play.

The tennis committee has been planning a tennis social for the first part of March. Hope to see everyone there.

As most of you know, a construction crew has been working for the last couple of months to level the ground and prepare the foundation for the new tennis courts. This project should be finished by the end of the month.

In February, we highlighted three of the nine mental components in tennis: self-esteem, confidence and independence. This column will address the remaining components:

- Discipline is "training intended to elicit a specified pattern of behavior or character; behavior that results from such training." Therefore, having discipline in tennis means developing self-control and a certain pattern of controlled behavior while playing or practicing, such as staying focused during practice or a match, not allowing outside factors to distract you. The more disciplined a player; the better chances he has to reach his goals. Discipline is developed not only from quality coaching, but also out of habit and motivation. It is not an easy course because there are a lot of temptations to do otherwise. Discipline affects all components in a player's development, from his decisions on nutrition to finding the right balance between tennis and

his social life. Discipline also helps develop concentration. Distractions and temptations can easily disrupt and hinder a player's discipline.

Temperament is the development of a stable and ideal manner of thinking, behaving and reacting that is characteristic of a successful tennis player. A player with a good temperament stays positive, levelheaded and shows his emotions during a match in a positive way, no matter what the situation. It is the key to being successful. It is important for players to control their tempers and be able to solve problematic match situations with a positive attitude. A bad temperament happens when a player becomes physically and verbally angry and loses his cool during a match because things are not going his way, often times throwing his racquet, screaming and yelling at himself, which negatively affects his game even further. This is a good part of mental toughness and mind control. It is a balance of fire and ice.

Concentration is defined as a player's ability to control the direction and attention of his thoughts and focus on the primary task at hand. It involves the narrowing of one's focus to a single object of attention, as well as the ability to block-out any surrounding distractions for an extended period of time, such as a long rally or a match. When a player is fully engaged or "in the zone" then he is able to tune out everything around him. Concentration is a mental skill that can be learned and developed through repetition and practice. The more a player practices being in situations that demand concentration and a single focus, the more he can develop his concentration.

Goal setting is a player's ability to determine tasks and outcomes that must be accomplished and understand the steps necessary to reach those goals. He must be able to set his goals within a

schedule so as to maximize his level of performance. Setting goals gives a player a sense of direction and achievement by mastering skills: short term, intermediate or long term. A player must ask, "Where am I now, and where do I want to be?" in a specified period of time. On the other hand, it is important that when setting goals, they should be realistic and achievable, and should be able to evaluate his progress as he goes along.

Sportsmanship refers to the character and conduct of a player who reacts graciously during competition. It's important to show good sportsmanship in both victory and defeat. This means sincerely congratulating an opponent when he has won the match and not gloating or acting pompously toward an opponent when you have won the match. Good sportsmanship derives from a player's character and is a quality that carries over from life to the tennis court. Bad sportsmanship can often be traced back to a high level of pressure to perform well. Perhaps one of the biggest issues in sportsmanship is that of cheating. On line calls for example, good sportsmanship calls for a player to concede any point in which he does not see the ball clearly out.

Competitive readiness is a combination of each of the eight mental subcomponents to create a supreme level of mental and physical performance in a match. Before competition, players should be prepared in all aspects of the game. They must be mentally ready to compete in a high-stress situation and remain mentally focused in difficult moments. When a match between two players of equal ability and skill comes down the wire, the mental component then becomes a critical element and often makes the difference because the player who is mentally tougher is usually the one who wins.

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Hands Across the Highway

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

Are you looking to purchase original unique artwork for your home or give as a gift? Then join us on Saturday, March 25 for the annual Hands Across the Highway Art Expo, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Circle Square Cultural Center.

The annual event brings many artisans from On Top of the World and neighboring communities to display and sell their artwork at prices far below what can be found or purchased at regular art galleries. The event will not only feature art on canvas but also various types of pottery and clay jewelry.

Stop by and see what is available in the local art world. This event is free and open to the public.



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Hands Across the Highway Art Expo 2016.

'Path to Talent' to Premier

By Steve McDonald

Our spring "Path to Talent Showcase" event will be performed on Saturday, March 25, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, March 26, at 3 p.m. in the

Recreation Center. Our Monday, Feb. 13 open casting call included 15 additional acts. These will be evaluated and was

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our final opportunity for resident participation. Shortly afterwards, our storyboard committee held meetings to make final selections of those acts that will have the honor of performing during our event. Acts not selected for this show will be evaluated for possible future shows.

We are pleased to announce that for this spring's event, admission is free, along with an invitation to contribute toward the funding of our long-standing scholarship, after expenses, for a promising student selected each year from the drama department of the College of Central Florida.

In addition to making final selections for our show, our board members and storyboard committee have started to hold meetings to go through our script, and we will soon be holding walkthroughs and rehearsals with our performers, which will allow them to get a feel for the actual performances they will be doing and sequence of events. We will then hold our final rehearsals during tech week in mid-March.

We have had an outstanding turnout by our very talented residents and we have lined up instrumentals, comedic skits, and numerous solo vocals with and without

karaoke background music, dance with musical accompaniment, and a ventriloquist act with human dummy, vocal duet, and hopefully a barber shop quartet.

Please review our monthly columns and our "Path to Talent Showcase" poster, which has been printed and will be posted soon throughout our community at various venues announcing our spring show. We encourage our residents to grab a copy of our show announcement poster and, also, view it on the community cable channel.

Our show is fast approaching and we appreciate your long-standing support of your Theatre Group's annual shows. We love doing them and our shows allow us to continue to enjoy our love of performing.

If you have a background in the performing arts, would like to try out, or would just like to help in our various activities related to putting on a show, please attend one of our monthly meetings held on the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom, September through April of each year.

We eagerly look forward to seeing a great turnout at one or both of our upcoming performances. We sincerely believe you will not be disappointed.

A Time of Reflection

By Connie Filip

These are the photos that received ribbons in the ShutterBugs' Reflections category. We hope they inspire you to pick up your camera and have fun seeing what kind of double images you can create!

Here's the story behind our photos:

John found the pelicans at Homosassa Springs State Park. He said two things contributed to his luck in getting the reflection: the water was unusually calm and the trees were filtering the late morning sun.

Dale took her alligator photo during a ShutterBug field trip to Ravine State Park last July. He's young; judging from his size (four

to five feet long) ... and those shiny white teeth! Dale uses a simple point-and-shoot camera. This was the photo she used to start learning to post-edit her photos (Photoshop) with help from our very own John Ware.

Tom was awestruck by his view of St. Mary Lake in Glacier National Park in Montana. He was on a fall foliage bus trip, and with its perspective and striking colors, it became one of his favorite photos of his trip.

Would you like to try to capture your own pelican shot? Well, on Tuesday, March 7, the ShutterBugs are going to Homosassa Springs

State Park. (John was telling me that it's a great location for photo ops like his!) More information can be found on their website at floridastateparks.org/park/Homosassa-Springs

For up-to-date field trip information, visit our club website at otowspc.com.

ShutterBugs is sponsoring the March display at Master the Possibilities. Dennis Phillips is providing a photography and digital art show named "The Human Condition." It's an emotional journey through all stages in life. Sounds intriguing, Dennis!

Don't forget to check out the Master the Possibilities course catalog. There are several photography offerings in March and in the coming months.

A new photography DVD teach-

ing series program is available called "Learn & Master Photography" by Vince Wallace. It's a 24-lesson package. Stop in and learn along with us!

Our normal monthly club schedule:

- First Tuesday: Morning field trip.
- Second Tuesday: Instructional DVD.
- Third Tuesday: Photo sharing activities.
- Fourth Tuesday: Guest speaker or DVD.

Want to learn more about digital photography? Stop in at the ShutterBugs' Tuesday meeting. We start at 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. Or contact Gary Uhley, our club president, at (352) 854-8536 or guhley@cfl.rr.com.



Photo by ShutterBug John Ware

Reflections category first place: Pelican reflections.



Photo by ShutterBug Dale Gray

Reflections category second place: Seeing double.

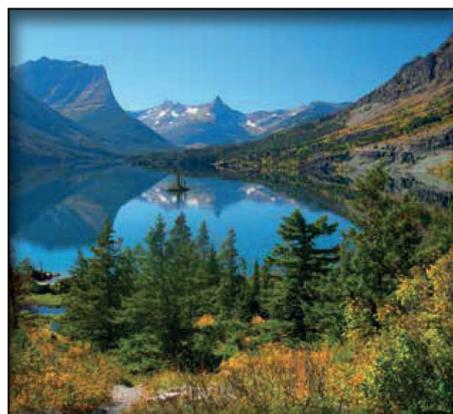


Photo by ShutterBug Tom Murray

Reflections category third place: St. Mary Lake.



Opera Appreciation Class

Bernie Kelly

The Opera Appreciation Class will meet again on Thursday, March 2, at 1 p.m. in Meeting Room #3 in the Hobby Building for "Nabucco." This is a Verdi opera from the Teatro Municipale di Piacenza of 2004. The cast is young, very talented and does a great job of showing why this was Verdi's breakout opus.

On Thursday, April 6, we invite all opera lovers to watch "Manon" by Jules Massenet. Massenet was born on May 12, 1842, in a small town near Etienne. When Jules was six, the family moved to Paris. Jules' mother gave piano lessons to

help the family pay the bills. Jules was such a good pupil that, at the age of 11, he was able to enter the Paris conservatoire. He won first prize for piano and later in 1863 he won the Prix de Rome, which meant that he got to study in Rome.

While in Rome, he met Liszt through whom he met Louise-Constance "Ninon" de Gressy, the daughter of one of Liszt's rich patrons, whom he eventually married before he went back to Paris in 1866. In 1868, their only child, Juliette was born. Two years later the Franco-Prussian War started and forced Jules and his family to leave Paris and spend several months in Bayonne in Southwestern France.

Until he composed his first opera, Jules earned a living by giving piano lessons. When he became successful, he would begin working at four in the morning composing

whatever he was working on. Unlike most composers, he seldom revised anything because he was generally happy with his draft. Of all his operas, the only one which required more time for completion was his first opus, "Le roi de Lahore," which had its debut in 1877 with great success.

Massenet's "Hérodiade" could not get staged in France because the libretto was judged to be inadequate. This did not stop the director of the opera in Brussels to produce it in December 1881 followed by a successful run at La Scala two months later. Finally, in February 1884, it reached Paris where Massenet had become the leading French opera composer of his generation.

In January 1884, "Manon" was staged very successfully in Paris. It was followed by productions in all the major opera houses in Europe

and in the U.S. Along with "Faust" and "Carmen," it has remained a cornerstone of the French opera repertory.

Jules Massenet continued to compose operas, but in the last 10 years of his life many considered him old hat. Today, his works are in the world opera repertory, especially "Werther," "Manon" and "Don Quichotte" as well as others.

For our April Opera Appreciation Class, we are going to have a great performance of "Manon" from the Berlin Opera with Daniel Barenboim conducting. Manon and her lover, des Grieux, are sung by Anna Netrebko and Rolando Villazón who sing roles that seem to have been composed for them.

We will meet on Thursday, April 6, at 1 p.m. in Meeting Room #3 of the Hobby Building. Everyone is welcome.



Concert Chorus

Patricia Woodbury

The Concert Chorus continues to practice for its Saturday, April 1 and Sunday, April 2 concert entitled "The Sensational Sixties." We are pleased that we have so many new members and are now over 40

strong. We hope you had a chance to stop at our table at the Club Fair on Thursday, Jan. 26 and talk to some of our members.

The song that we will begin our concert with is "Surfin' U.S.A." The song was written and arranged by Chuck Berry and Tom Anderson. It is the title track from The Beach Boys album of the same name, and in the spring of 1963 it reached the top 10 charts.

The Beach Boys, one of the most

important rock groups in the early part of the 1960s, launched a new style of music called "surf music." It combines close vocal harmonies with driving guitars and drums. "Surfin' U.S.A." uses ones of the two most important subject matters of surf music: surfing and cars. The song and many others like it have made The Beach Boys the number one selling American band of all time and as a result, they were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1988.

Our featured member this month is Pat Grams. Pat is from Muskegon, Mich. She has a bachelor of arts degree in English, sociology and education from Albion College, Michigan. She obtained a teaching certificate at Central Michigan University. For many years she was a full time substitute teacher in the Lansing School District for elementary, secondary and special education.

She moved to On Top of the World in 2016. During most of her life she has sung in church and college choruses. Locally she has sung in the Master Choir. Pat is a great complement to the soprano section as a first soprano as she can hit those high notes. You will see her do a solo in our spring concert. She says she likes playing bridge and is looking for a bike riding partner.



Photo by Bill Shampine

Pat Grams.

The Concert Chorus meets every Tuesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Arbor Club Ballroom. Due to planned renovation of the ballroom, on March 14 we will be meeting in Suite C in the Arbor Conference Center. If you are interested in singing with the chorus, contact David Wesenberg, president, at (217) 280-4454 or vice president, Emery Bjerkmann at (352) 873-9032. However we will not be taking new members until the fall.

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- March 7: Business meeting followed by sit and sew, at 10 a.m.
- March 14: Pinwheel table runner instruction.
- March 21: Three pocket purse instruction.
- March 28: sit and sew.

All sewing days start at 9:30 a.m. in the Art Studio in the Hobby Building.

We have had lots of new members lately and we are so glad to have you join our group. Our newest members are Lisa Augustine, Donna Boyajian, Lynda Hannon, Betty House, Lisa Murray, Carol Stanley, Carol Wittman, and Peggy Webber. Welcome ladies.

Our main interest for this club is education of our members on different sewing projects and comfort quilts for the needy. So if you are interested in learning something new, come visit us. As always, if you have any questions, please call Rhonda Wilder at (916) 764-0450.



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The New Pretenders

Bill Shampine

Well, the season at On Top of the World Communities is over. We gave our all, and we hope you had a great time. I know that we certainly enjoyed entertaining the 1,208 people who came to our three performances, two of which were sell-outs!

Although this is the end of the season for On Top of the World, we still will perform at four venues outside of our community during the month of March before calling this season complete. Of those four, three are performances for private groups -Marion Landing, Pine Run, and Cherrywood Estates. Our fourth performance is a fundraiser for the Knights of Columbus at Queen of Peace Catholic Church, and is open to the public. It will be presented at the church on Wednesday, March 22, at 7 p.m. If you missed our show here, this is your only opportunity to see this year's performance.

We already are working hard on selecting music for next year's show, and will evaluate hundreds of song possibilities to come up with the 30 best. By the way, if you have suggestions for songs you would like us to include in the program, we would be happy to hear from you. We make no promises on accepting your suggestions, but we certainly will consider them.

The New Pretenders also are actively seeking a few new people to join the troupe, particularly men. If you think you might be interested in joining us, or would like to get more information about what would be involved, please contact Nancy Grabowski at (352) 873-4315. We would love to chat with you.

Finally, I need to tell you that this is my last column for The New Pretenders. I am retiring from the troupe as of the end of this season. I have been blessed with serving as the director of this astonishing group of people for eight years, and I need to take a break. Never fear, however, the show will go on! Nancy Grabowski will pick up the mantle, and do a wonderful job for you.



Photo by Lennie Rodoff

Chookin Cbargfaf and Seetoz Wixilol, from the Arcturus star system, singing "Love Is Strange."



Sewing Bees

Linda Lohr

The hive has been buzzin' with so many new members! We are pleased to have these fantastic new people added to our group! Many hands make the labor of love that much easier.

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

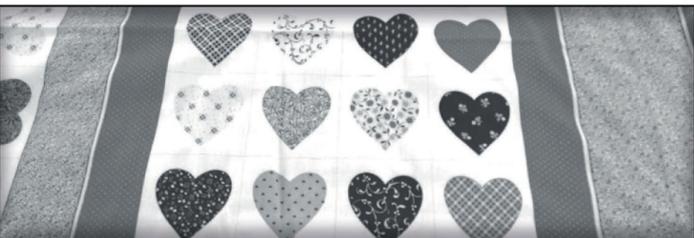


Photo by Linda Lohr

Detail of a valentine-themed quilt that was donated in February.



Rubber Stamp Greeting Cards

Linda Lohr

Our presenters for Thursday, Feb. 16 were Cathy Lewandowski and Linda Lohr. Cathy presented a great pop-out card and an open-sided card. Both cards can be prepared for any occasion as needed. Linda presented two children's cards - a tutu for a little girl using pinks and purples; and a dump truck for a little boy utilizing primary colors. The cards will be fun to prepare and to give to special friends and family.

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 including beginners or those more experienced. One or two people do a presentation each month. The group usually meets the first and third Thursdays of the month, un-

less the demonstrator requests other arrangements. 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, please call Kathy at (352) 237-6439. We look forward to introducing new people to our fun craft. Until then, keep on stampin'!



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Cards presented by Cathy Lewandowski and Linda Lohr.



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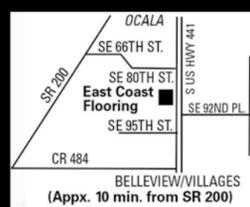
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Artistic Crafts & Gifts

Barbara Lingis

This month, we are featuring crafters Joanne Leigh and Julie Manna.

Joanne has resided here for 11 years and been a member of our club for approximately six months.

Joanne creates paper lampshades out of watercolor paper by using a method of cutting and piercing the paper. She then paints a picture on the inside of the shade, which shows through when the lamp is lit. These are delicate watercolor creations that accent the look of the shade. The way she cuts and pierces the paper gives a pattern of various scenes such as flowers, foliage, and structures. Joanne will do custom orders and just needs the shade size desired to create the

lampshade.

Other items that she has on her table are paper lanterns with LED tea lights in the center, paper gift boxes in different shapes and patterns, bookmarks made from designer paper, paper lovebirds hand cut and assembled and Valentine sweet hearts candy holders. She also has several framed cross-stitch scenes.

Our next crafter, Julie Manna, has lived here since June 2016 and is a new member of our club. She is a talented artist who paints pastel pictures from photographs of your favorite pet. When comparing her painting to the photograph, it is hard to determine which is the photo. She is able to capture the look of the animal and their expression.

Julie has been painting since 2007 and is a natural. She also makes paper purses from scrapbooking paper with poems inside. These would make great favors for

parties, and she can change the poems to apply to the occasion. Julie also paints watercolor all-occasion cards.

Joanne and Julie are an asset to our club and are both very talented.

Beginning this month, we are going to feature new items our crafters will be adding to their tables.

Crafter Helen Solan is one of our jewelry makers. Her husband, Terry, has created beautiful s-wire bracelets and rings made from copper and silver-filled wire. These are beautifully done and are adjustable to fit most any wrist/finger. These come in a variety of patterns and looks. These bracelets and rings are just some of the many beautiful pieces Helen has on her table.

Come enjoy browsing the crafters' tables in the Recreation Center Ballroom every Tuesday, from 9 a.m. to noon. You are sure to find a gift for that special person or occasion.

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Beautiful s-wire bracelets and rings made from copper and silver filled wire.

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The Happy Hookers celebrating winter in Florida with lunch at Sweet Potatoes.

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Happy Hookers

Marge Curran

Top 'o the mornin' from the Happy Hookers! March is here and the promise of spring is just around the corner. Hopefully, your new year's resolutions are holding true and that you are well on your way to a successful year.

We have had quite a few new members join us in recent months but there is always room for one more chair at the table. The Happy Hookers meet all year long, every Monday, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Hobby Building. There are no dues or agenda and no penalties for missing a meeting, arriving late or leaving early. Life can and does interfere at times.

When you join us, you will find an eclectic group of crafters doing a variety of crocheting, knitting, embroidery, needlepoint, card crafting and just about any hand-crafting project imaginable. This is a really talented group who you can always count on for help with a pattern question or stitching issue.

Members bring whatever they happen to be working on and sometimes come empty handed looking for inspiration or for a chat with friends. Many members work on personal projects while others work on projects for various charities. So if you love knitting or crocheting but have showered your own family and friends with all the afghans, hats, and scarves they'll ever need we can direct you to a cause that would greatly appreciate your time and talent.

Late in January, the Happy Hookers were well represented at the Club Fair. We are always glad to meet our neighbors, display our assorted projects, and encourage those looking to join us.

In February, the group took their bi-monthly break for lunch out at Sweet Potatoes. The event was very well attended and everyone had a great time. We set aside the first Monday of every other month for our outing.

I would like to thank the residents in our community who have recently donated multiple bags of yarn to the group! Believe me when I say that all donations are greatly appreciated and are put to very good use. Please call me for pick-up of these items at (630) 336-7105.

Please call Naomi Berman at (352) 873-4328 if you have any questions about the group.

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Art Group

Anne Merrick

On Saturday, March 25, the annual Hands Across the Highway Art Expo will be held at Circle Square Cultural Center. Local artists will have their creations on display for you to purchase, from paintings, jewelry, and hand painted cards to photographs and much more. There is always something you will like. If you are an artist there is probably time for you to reserve a table. Contact Theresa Fields in the Recreation Center to sign up.

In the meantime, we are all using our respective talents on Thursday and Saturday mornings in the Art Studio in the Hobby Building. We have new people joining us all the time and the talent is amazing. Even if you don't paint or draw feel free to come and see what we do. We are always happy to see you and show off our work.

We have people painting on canvas from two inches by two inches to 14x20 inches and beyond and on many different types of papers. Several of our members are using watercolor paint on a synthetic paper called YUPO®. The non-absorbent, ultra-smooth surface allows paints like watercolor and acrylics

to sit right on top of the paper making for beautiful, watery effects, unachievable on any other paper. It also holds pen and ink lines with razor sharp precision and markers work beautifully as well. With its durable, non-tearing construction it can withstand multiple erasures and you can even run it under a faucet to erase watercolors.

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National gold medal winner, George James has a 75-minute DVD called "Mastering YUPO: Techniques for Synthetic Paper." He shares his artistic process and philosophy with you from a painting's conception to completion. He demonstrates his techniques for achieving variegated and smooth washes, lifting, ghosting, spattering, stamping, changing darks and lifting whites.

Classes are also given at Master the Possibilities.

Join us on Thursday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon in the Art Studio at the Hobby Building.



University of Northwestern College Choir from St. Paul, Minn.

Free Choir Concert

By Gio Hutchings

University of Northwestern College Choir from St. Paul, Minn. under the direction of Timothy Sawyer will be performing "The Greatest Treasure" in the Recreation Center Ballroom on Tuesday, March 7, at 7 p.m.

The choir has toured extensively throughout the United States and

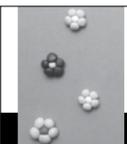
in the Ukraine, Germany, Poland, Austria, Czech Republic, Latvia, Estonia, Finland, Great Britain and Canada. This 57-member choir sings exceptional choral music as well as beautiful hymns and spirituals.

Come and enjoy this free concert.



Photo by Anne Merrick

Painting on YUPO paper by Pat McNulty.



Polymer Claymates

Shirley Rutledge

Thanks to all the visitors at the Club Fair who came to see what were all about. As a result we have gained three new members.

During our last meeting of clayers, we were privileged to have Linda Taylor demonstrate her wire 101. She discussed the type of wire and the gauge of wire used to wrap

beads. We appreciate her offering some tricks of the trade.

The group is discussing having a table at the Rags to Riches in the fall to sell some of the items we make in our Monday meetings.

Since Easter is our next holiday, we will have a class on Monday, March 20 to make an Easter bunny.

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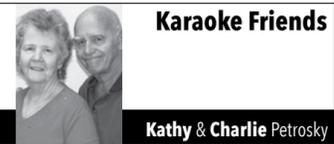


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Karaoke Friends

Kathy & Charlie Petrosky

Our karaoke group is attracting more listeners. We love an audience. When I ask a new person if they would like to be on the singing list, I hear several things. Some say, "I couldn't carry a tune in a bucket." I offer to get them one but no takers. Others look and say,

"Do you want me to really clear out the room?" Their smiles during the night make us all happy. We have been bringing a larger TV to face the group. With that, everyone can see the words and sing along if they would like to do so.

Prop night is always a favorite night. Here are some of the participants. Lora Rossi came with a teddy bear and dressed like a cat. She sang "Memories" from Cats in Spanish. She also sang Elvis' "Teddy Bear." Effie always has her guitar with her. She loves to lip sync

the old country classics. She does a great job. Bob held a heart made of stone. He sang "Stone Heart." He joked it was his wedding song. We hope he was joking.

Donnie held a girlie calendar and sang "Calendar Girl." We wondered if his wife, Rose, knew about this. Steve had an umbrella and dark glasses and sang Willie Nelson's "Blue Eyes Crying in the Rain." Gary was a big hit with a huge monkey with little monkeys. He sang "Mickey's Monkey." Tari held her purple creature as she sang "Purple People Eater." Erika and Cholaine were our

German singers and sang "Wooden Heart." Erika sang the German section. Kathy and Charlie had their clocks as they sang "Sometimes."

On prop night, we just have fun trying to find something to go along with a song. If it is not prop night, we just have fun. Some of our listeners have started singing.

If you would like to join us, we meet the first and third Mondays in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F. All residents are invited to come. We start at 5:30 p.m. and end at 8:30 p.m. Looking forward to seeing you there.



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Encore Collaborative Theatre

Lynn Miller

Encore Collaboration Theatre Club's comedy, "The Golden Girls Move to On Top of the World," has been changed to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 7 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 8. It will be a "gold" evening of total entertainment beginning with those entering at the portico being welcomed by debonair Terry Gill dressed in theme.

This play is an adaptation of the original script called "The Golden Girls Move to The Villages." It was written by Sharon "Squirt" Spivey James, and June Osteen, and was directed by Carol Azzarone-Onuschak, and played to the delight of five sold out performances in The Villages!

For years the antics of "The Golden Girls" entertained us in our living rooms. What good news to hear they are back! But, how will the gals adjust to a 9 p.m. curfew that seems to be attached to retire-

ment community activities? What fun it will be to see spunky Sophia, capable Dorothy, naive Rose and frisky Blanche weave their magic in our neighborhood!

This August you will be able to choose your table online at the premier by booking your reservation conveniently on our user-friendly website! Ticket donation for admission is \$10 per person and includes complimentary munchies on your table Saturday and dessert on Sunday. Both performances will also offer a cash bar with a variety of beverages including soft drinks and bottled water. Admission proceeds after expenses of the productions, are donated to charity.

Call to see what actors Encore may still need to add to their cast of 14 characters or if you like to sing to join their Voice of Encore. We'd love to audition you for a part or welcome you to our theatre family for this amazing production! With a show this size, there are plenty of projects that might be perfect if you would like to join our committee. Call (352) 509-4033 with questions. Remember to "look for the gold" coming this autumn in our community!

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Original Karaoke

Sindy & Richie O'Brien

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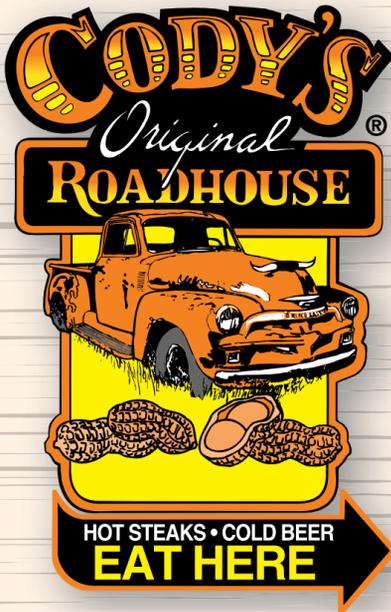
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