

**Community News**

**Kenneth D. Colen**  
Publisher

**Feel the Ground Shake**

Home building is continuing at a very fast pace around the community. In addition to the Providence I neighborhood, Avalon III has been completed providing an additional 162 lots. Crescent Ridge III is in the planning stage for 120 new lots. The south section of Indigo East has dirt flying while new roads are being constructed. This gives Indigo another 286 home sites.

With all the new neighbors moving into the community, On Top of the World Communities has plans to expand and add new recreation facilities. Design has begun on additional new conference space at the Arbor Club. We held out one parcel on the easterly side of the existing conference center for the possibility of another building. Previously, I have written about the fitness center expansion underway at the Arbor Club.

I have received a few letters asking if all residents may use the The Lodge at Candler Hills. The Lodge at Candler Hills is exclusive to the residents of Candler Hills. Candler Hills Neighborhood Association is a completely different association from On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association and thus their amenities are specifically designated for use by the Candler Hills Association members and guests only.

**Circle Square Cultural Center**

You may have noticed that construction has begun on the back portion of the building. This is all just backstage work and will have no impact on the dances and shows coming up through the rest of 2017. We are expanding by adding two more dressing rooms, storage and improving the flow of the catering staging area. Over the years, rental business at Circle Square Cultural Center has grown, along with the caliber of entertainers that have performed and we're expanding to meet those needs.

Tickets for new shows (May 2017 to March 2018) are available online at CSCulturalCenter.com, or at the ticket office Monday through Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Several shows are close to being sold out; so don't wait to purchase your tickets!

**The Town Square**

With temperatures heating up, The Town Square hours are from 6 to 9 p.m. Come out to enjoy an evening visiting with friends and dancing to your favorite tunes. There are some new groups coming to The Town Square, along with some of your favorites. Go online to check out the schedule at CircleSquareCommons.com.

For your sweet tooth, don't forget to check out Mr. B's Big Scoop for some frosty smoothies and delicious ice cream treats.

**Managing for Water Conservation!**

April was very short on needed rainfall and the little we did have was lost to the strong, dry winds. It would have been nice to have soil moisture to carry us into Florida's dry season of May and into June. The dry season puts stress on lawns, but residents of this part of the county are allowed twice per week watering via ordinance 08-09, and inter-local agreement with the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD), the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) and Marion County.

For those homeowners with SolarSync™ irrigation controllers, there is really nothing to do in terms of resetting your run times. The intelligent program in these devices sets watering times for optimal irrigation efficiency as long as your controller is applying half

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**Bonsai Exhibit**

By Roger Werner

Master the Possibilities and the Marion Bonsai Society are presenting the annual bonsai exhibit at Master the Possibilities in Circle Square Commons. The exhibit is free and runs from Tuesday afternoon, May 2 through noon, Friday, May 5. No registration is required for the exhibit.

The word bonsai means "small tree in a container" in the Japanese language, and in Chinese the word penjing means, "tray plant, tray landscape, potted scenery or potted landscape." The art started in China over 2,000 years ago, and spread to Japan, and then the rest of the world.

There will be two special workshops at Master the Possibilities: "Basics of the Living Art of Bonsai" and "The Living Art of Bonsai-Demonstration."

Peter Wood will present the first workshop on Wednesday, May 3, at 1 p.m., which will cover basic horticultural and artistic principles. Have you ever considered this art as a hobby? Peter will answer, "How does that tree grow in that small pot?" He will discuss bonsai history and the art's unique basics of styling and proper applications of soils, watering and fertilization. This is a great starter class for someone curious about bonsai.

David VanBuskirk, bonsai artist and owner of D & L Nursery, will present the second workshop. He will present a live demonstration on the creation of a bonsai tree from stock material. David has a unique skill that combines artistry and horticultural principles.



Photo by Roger Werner

**One of the many bonsai on exhibit at Master the Possibilities.**

He will also be at the exhibit every day working on trees and answering questions. This workshop is on Thursday, May 4, at 1 p.m.

Both classes are free for resi-

dents and \$5 for non-residents. To register for the classes, call (352) 854-3699 or visit masterthepossibilities.org.



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**Early morning fog at Sholom Park.**

**Times to Pause, Times to Play**

By Summer Best

The famed Greek philosopher Plato knew a thing or two about introspection, and many of us have studied his words and absorbed his advice at one time or another. We think of the Plato who is traditionally depicted as a serious and stoic figure, seemingly always knowing the right thing to say and tirelessly imparting knowledge with others.

Funny enough, Plato also knew the value of play, and among his timeless philosophical phrases, he is credited with the following quote: "You can discover more about a person in an hour of play than in a year of conversation."

So true. Tranquility, peace, and quiet moments are core values expressed at Sholom Park and have been since the park's creation by Sidney Colen more than a decade ago. Every now and then, we realize that play is just as important for each of us, as Plato noted.

We've enjoyed much play at Sholom Park recently. Our Fun at the Park series in October 2016 and February 2017 launched many moments of fun and play. It's been a joy to celebrate the history and future of Sholom Park through these events with many visitors - new and seasoned.

Last month, Sholom Park hosted numerous weddings, photo shoots, Outreach Autism Services Network Superhero Walk, Interfaith Emergency Services Ladies High Tea, and much more.

This month, whether you wish to take a casual stroll or take a friend out to play, consider Sholom Park as a destination. The park is open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. throughout the summer for all visitors.

The following special events are available to all. Sometimes, as we know, it's good to just take a walk in the park.

May we all take time to pause

and make time to play.

• **THURSDAY, MAY 4:** Master the Possibilities "Walk and Talk" class at Sholom Park, from 10 a.m. to noon. Learn the history of Sholom Park, ask about flora and fauna, hear about activities currently happening. Register by calling (352) 861-9751.

• **FRIDAY, MAY 12:** National Public Gardens Day with a "Beekeeping" presentation at Sholom Park main pavilion, from 1 to 3 p.m. Learn from beekeeping expert Chappie McChesney as he explains the importance of honeybees in Sholom Park and environments. No admission charge.

• **SUNDAY, MAY 21:** Fun at the Park: Music & Art, from 4 to 7 p.m. Enjoy chamber-style music in the Sholom Park formal garden while visiting with artists showcasing various creative mediums. No admission charge.

Please keep in touch with Sholom Park events online at sholom-park.org and via Facebook or other social media.

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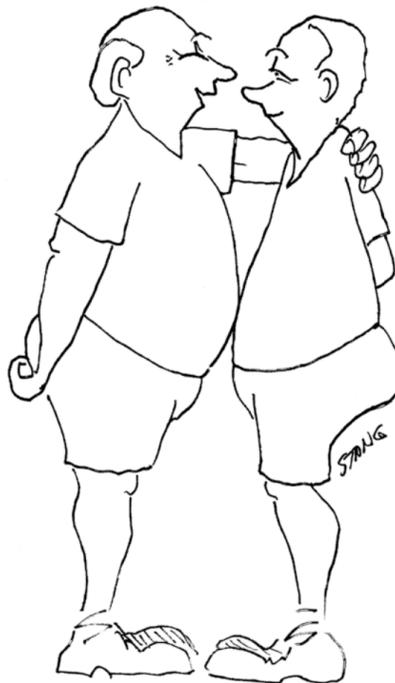
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**GOLDEN OLDIES HUMOR**

By Stan Goldstein



Enemies come and go but friends accumulate.

**Is It Legal?**

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**SCAM #1:** Credit card fraudsters are quite able to create a phony website for the purpose of your purchase of merchandise. You like what they are offering so you give them your credit card for the purchase. Then, you never get the merchandise and you find fraudulent charges on your credit card. You can protect yourself by ensuring that the site from which you want to purchase something is from a reputable source.

Never assume that a site is secure just because it says it is. Always make sure that the website is a "https" site and not a "http" site. It is not safe to send a credit card number over a connection that is not secure and "https" is secure ("http" is not).

There are two reasons: The first is that you cannot know whether the path between you and the server is safe; a path can change from one day to the next and even from minute to minute. The more

important reason is that the merchant who fails to secure his/her web transactions may have other bad habits. I don't mean to imply they are dishonest; only that they either do not understand security or they don't care about it. I don't know which is worse.

Always and promptly reconcile your credit card statements to avoid unauthorized charges. And of course, do not provide credit card information when requested by unsolicited letters, e-mails, phone calls, faxes and even when someone comes right to your front door.

**SCAM #2:** Always get the name, address and phone number from any individual or company promising debt relief. Always contact the Better Business Bureau to check on the legitimacy of the company. Do not do business with any company or persons who operate from post office boxes instead of from a real address. Get the names of other persons who've dealt with that company and then check with them. There's never a reason to pay an advance or "up front" fee.

**SCAM #3:** If someone sends you a letter or e-mail and says that they and the Lord love you and they've

got money they need you handle ... it's a scam!

**SCAM #4:** In one form or another the lottery scam works by getting you to pay money for a chance to win a large sum. Once you start paying, they keep coming back seeking more and more from you and the argument in one form or another is always the same: "You are 'this' close to hitting the big payoff." It's a scam and one of the worst kinds because it plays on your emotions and your hope to finally win the "big one." It's a scam; or did I already say that?

**SCAM #5:** If any offer appears to be too good to be true, it almost always is.

**Q.** My husband and I are worried about being sued over an auto accident that he had before we were married. What's the best way to protect the money we have?

**A.** Since the accident happened before the two of you were married, one thing you should make sure to do is keep your and his money totally separated. Keep your car in your name and his in his name and as much as possible, you should drive your car and not his. Also, keep in mind that IRAs, 401 (k) retirement accounts, life insur-

ance and annuities, so long as the proceeds are not payable to your husband's estate, are protected. There are other methods but in a column such as this, it's really not possible to get into them because they would require learning all the facts. Hopefully, of course, your husband had auto insurance.

**Q.** My husband and I were married for over 20 years. We had an unconnected relationship with his two children and a close one with my son and daughter-in-law. My husband's daughter called and left a message that I have to give her half of his estate and that's what her lawyer said. Every asset we had was either in both of our names as husband and wife or in life insurance payable 100 percent to me or annuities payable 100 percent to the survivor (me) or in his pension with me as the sole 100 percent beneficiary.

**A.** I seriously doubt that the woman's lawyer told her that but if he did, he's wrong. Based on what you told me, you as the joint owner of the accounts or as beneficiary of life insurance, annuities, and pension owns those assets and you can do whatever you want with them. If you haven't already done so, you should see your attorney to draw up your will.

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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 the Bible to experience the stories themselves. People of all faiths are welcome.

This past month we discussed ancient marriage customs, how God often did not pick the strongest or most able to carry out his plan, and how the Israelites caused permanent change in the government and prospects of Egypt.

The class is winding up our discussion of Genesis and moving on to Job and the question of why bad things happen to good people.

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

Join us every Friday and start a journey of discovery.



**Citizens Emergency Response Team**

Beth McKeen

Hurricane season is fast approaching. It begins on June 1 and ends Nov. 30. Are you prepared?

There are many sources of disaster information to help you protect your family and your home:

- marionso.com (Emergency Management Division): Provides information including how to prepare a disaster supply kit; evacuation and shelter information; securing your home; living without electricity; generator safety and emergency supplies

- floridadisaster.org
- fema.gov
- Local newspapers
- Radio and TV
- Phone book
- Weather radio

Sign up at [alertmarion.com](http://alertmarion.com) to receive notification of weather and other emergency events by phone, text and/or e-mail.

Please take advantage of the available information and be prepared!

Join our service organization and give 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](http://marionso.com), EM icon, or call Beverly Case, CERT Coordinator, at (352) 369-8103.

CERT meets the second Tuesday of every month at 9 a.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F. Our next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 9. 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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to three-quarters inch at each application. This saves you money in the long run and benefits your lawn and landscape as well. We have actually tested this product and found that the water savings can be as high as 30 percent.

SolarSync™ takes in data collected throughout the day and captures the information to determine an Et or evapotranspiration value for your local climate. The information is sent to the controller each day at midnight where it has the past three days data collected and determines the proper value to adjust your irrigation timer. The end result is an irrigation run time that is determined on the climatic conditions of your local climate and resulting water savings.

For all other conventional systems, it is a good time to review basic water conservation measures that will save you money and preserve your landscaping:

Set your irrigation clock to water on the right day, at the right time, and for the time it takes to put out no more than three-quarters inch of water on the lawn. (Watering frequency is determined by the SJRWMD and SWFWMD. Watering times are determined by the Bay Laurel Center CDD. For more information please go to [otowinfo.com](http://otowinfo.com) on proper watering schedule and the home maintenance calendar.)

Take advantage of the water audit service provided through Customer Service.

Do not wash down your driveway with a hose (always a bad idea, use an electric blower).

Spray heads and rotor heads have different precipitation rates. Rotors have an application rate of about an inch per hour. Compared to sprays, they require more run time to achieve half to three-quarters inch application but require less heads to cover a larger area. Sprays put out about two inches per hour but require many heads to cover a smaller area. Spray heads are typically used in areas smaller than 20-feet in radius where rotors would over spray onto areas that

do not need irrigation.

April and May are also the time that the management company fertilizes the common areas of the community as well as the lawn areas of homes under its management. Consistent with local ordinances and industry best management standards, the management company applies a slow release fertilizer that carries the turf areas for 100 days or more. The benefit of this practice is a much lower chance of unintended contamination of ground water with nitrates, a component in all fertilizers (and hot dogs), because of a sudden flush of nitrogen release.

Residents of Candler Hills and Indigo East are encouraged to also use slow release fertilizers, as well as follow best management practices for turf care. More specific information can be found online through the Marion County UF/IFAS Extension Service at [hort.ifas.ufl.edu/yourfloridalawn](http://hort.ifas.ufl.edu/yourfloridalawn).

It is the efforts of many residents acting as good neighbors and taking pride in their community that make all the communities of On Top of the World a wonderful place to live. Thank you!

**Travel Season**

Summer is right around the corner, and we know many residents take extended trips around the country. Experience teaches that added steps need to be taken before going on that extended trip. Below is a short list of things to do:

- Leave a contact number with at least two trusted neighbors or friends.
- Update the Association as well with emergency contact information.
- Have the interior of your home checked at least once a week by a trusted neighbor or friend or arrange for an inspection service.
- Check in with the trusted neighbor or friend while you are gone.
- Turn off the electric to the hot water heater (but not the gas).
- Have the air conditioner properly serviced by a professional before departing. This includes a drain line flush. Drain line flushing should be done at least twice a year to prevent condensate flooding your home. Air filters require monthly attention and can be changed by the owner.
- Leave the thermostat set between 78 and 80 degrees; this helps regulate humidity in the home and prevent the occurrence of mold or mildew. If you plan on being gone for several months, you may wish to consult an air conditioning professional about adding a humidistat to ensure optimal humidity levels in the home.
- Make sure your homeowner's insurance policy is current and covers both damage from wind, water, and mold. In most cases, this is now an added rider on the policy.

If the air conditioning system is not properly maintained by an owner, mold and mildew can result and become a serious problem. Improperly vented dryers (plugged vent duct) may also be a source of both heat and moisture. Water leaks in the home may also be a source of moisture. If you suspect a water leak, contact the customer service at (352) 236-6869 immediately to arrange for a leak detection! A fast response on leaks can prevent further damage and save you unnecessary expense.

Mold is evidenced by the appearance of a black, sooty substance on furniture or walls. If you suspect you have mold, it is best to contact customer service and arrange for a visual inspection. There is no charge for this service.

Rarely does mold or mildew present a health problem. Usually the main complaint is an odor and its unsightly nature. I mention this because the home repair industry is rife with scare tactics and scams, causing homeowners to spend thousands of dollars on matters that are generally easily resolved. Use common sense and have a great spring and summer!

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**2016 Quality Annual Water Report**  
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The Bay Laurel Center Community Development District is very pleased to provide you with this year's annual water quality report. We want to keep you informed about the excellent water and services we have delivered to you over the past year. Our goal is and always has been, to provide to you a safe and dependable supply of drinking water.

Bay Laurel Center Community Development District routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws, rules, and regulations. Except where indicated otherwise, this report is based on the results of our monitoring for the period of Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2016, and presented in this report are from the most recent testing done in accordance with the laws, rules, and regulations.

Our seven groundwater wells draw their water from the pristine Floridan Aquifer. We simply add chlorine to the water for disinfection purposes and are pleased to report that our drinking water meets all federal and state requirements.

In 2015, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) performed a source water assessment on our system and a search of the data sources indicated no potential sources of contamination near our wells. The assessment showed no contamination at this time in the source of the seven wells. The assessment results are available on the FDEP Source Water Assessment and Protection Program website at [www.dep.state.fl.us/swapp](http://www.dep.state.fl.us/swapp).

In the table to the right, you will find terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

**ACTION LEVEL (AL):** The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements, which a water system must follow.

**CDC:** Center for Disease Control  
**EPA:** Environmental Protection Agency

**MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL (MCL):** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL GOAL (MCLG):** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below, which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**N/A:** Not applicable.

**ND:** Not detected and indicates that the substance was not found by laboratory analysis.

**PARTS PER BILLION (PPB) OR MICROGRAMS PER LITER (UG/1):** One part by weight of analyte to one billion parts by weight of the water sample.

**PARTS PER MILLION (PPM) OR MILLIGRAMS PER LITER (MG/1):** One part by weight of analyte to one million parts by weight of the water sample.

**PICOCURIE PER LITER (PCI/L):** Measure of the radioactivity in water.

**INITIAL DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM EVALUATION (IDSE):** An important part of the Stage 2 Disinfection By-products Rule (DBPR). The IDSE is a one-time study conducted by water systems to identify distribution system locations with high concentrations of trihalomethanes (THMs) and haloacetic acids (HAA5).

Water systems will use results from the IDSE, in conjunction with their Stage 1 DBPR compliance monitoring data, to select compliance monitoring locations for the Stage 2 DBPR.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing.

Bay Laurel Center Community Development District is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for

NON-SECONDARY CONTAMINANTS TABLE							
** Results in the Level Detected column for radiological contaminants, inorganic contaminants, synthetic organic contaminants including pesticides and herbicides, and volatile organic contaminants are the highest average at any of the sampling points or the highest detected level at any sampling point, depending on the sampling frequency.							
Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Sampling Dates (Mo./Yr.)	MCL Violation (Yes/No)	Level Detected	Range of Results	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
<b>Radioactive Contaminants</b>							
Radium 226 or combined radium (pCi/l)	1/14, 4/14, 7/14, 10/14	N	3.8	0.8 - 3.8	0	5	Erosion of natural deposits
<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>							
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) (ppm)	1/16	N	2.42	1.75 - 2.42	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.
Sodium (ppm)	1/14	N	6.9	5.9 - 6.9	N/A	160	Salt water intrusion, leaching from soil.
Barium (ppm)	1/14	N	.0046	.0045 - .0046	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
Lead (point of entry) (ppb)	1/14	N	0.012	ND - 0.012	N/A	15	Residue from man-made pollution such as auto emissions and paint; lead pipe, casing, and solder.
<b>STAGE 2 DISINFECTANT AND DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS</b>							
For chlorine, the level detected is the highest running annual average (RAA), computed quarterly, of monthly averages of all samples collected. For haloacetic acids or TTHM, the level detected is the highest RAA, computed quarterly, of quarterly averages of all samples collected if the system is monitoring quarterly or is the average of all samples taken during the year if the system monitors less frequently than quarterly. Range of Results is the range of individual sample results (lowest to highest) for all monitoring locations							
Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Sampling Dates (Mo./Yr.)	MCL Violation (Yes/No)	Level Detected	Range of Results	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
HAA5 Total Haloacetic Acids (ppb)	07/16	N	6.97	5.77 - 6.97	N/A	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
TTHM Total Trihalomethanes (ppb)	07/16	N	6.11	4.33 - 6.11	N/A	80	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Chlorine (ppm)	1-12/2016	N	1.54	1.23 - 1.78	4	4.0	Water additive used to control microbes
<b>COPPER</b>							
Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Sampling Dates (Mo./Yr.)	AL Violation Y/N	90th Percentile Result	No. of Sampling Sites Exceeding AL	MCLG	AL (Action Level)	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper (ppm)	7 - 8/2014	N	0.93	1	1.3	1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives

30 seconds to two minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at [www.epa.gov/safewater/lead](http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead).

The sources of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can, also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations, which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

MCLs are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink two liters of water every day at the MCL level for

a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791.

We at Bay Laurel Center Community Development District would like for you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources and are committed to insuring the quality of your water. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Bryan Schmalz at (352) 414-5454, Ext. 4105. Our business hours are 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. We encourage our valued customers to be informed about their water utility.

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“Ultra-Beginners Yoga” on Monday, May 1 at Master the Possibilities.

**Lifelong Learning**



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Master the Possibilities Living Room gets transformed to a magical world of bonsai trees by the Marion County Bonsai Society beginning at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 2. Thirty-five bonsai trees, delicate small trees in assorted containers, illustrate the Chinese and Japanese art started more than 2,000 years ago. The free exhibit continues daily (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) through noon on Friday, May 5.

Along with this delightful display of miniature delights, students can register for four workshops tying into the bonsai theme and culture. For details go to MasterthePossibilities.org and search for bonsai. Learn the “Basics of Bonsai” on Wednesday, May 3; Peter Wood presents basic bonsai horticultural and artistic principles. This is a great starter class for someone curious about bonsai. Bonsai artist and owner of D & L Nursery David VanBuskirk presents a live demonstration on creating a bonsai tree from stock material on Thursday, May 4 during the “Living Art of Bonsai.” VanBuskirk will be there every day during the exhibit working on trees and answering any questions you have. These two workshops are free for members, \$5 for non-members.

New instructor Jerry Heines shares his deep experience with Japanese culture during “Japan: A Walk through Time” on Thursday, May 4 and “Sake: The History & Importance” on Thursday, May 4. The first course takes you through a virtual tour of Japan’s long history that stems from the pre-historic development to today’s art and fashion. The second course explores early history of sake and its importance within the Japanese culture. Discuss some of the popular areas of Japan for sake production and take a photographic tour of a typical manufacturing plant. Signed copies of Jerry Heines’ book, “Japan’s Explosive Cultural Evolution and Zen in Tokyo,” will be available for purchase. These two workshops are \$5 each for members, \$10 each for non-members.

Bonsai is not the only magical May happening at Master the Possibilities. Faculty will present more than 80 marvelous May courses. Classes include healthy topics like “Ultra-Beginners Yoga” (May 1), and art offerings like “Basics of Crochet” (May 8) and “Reverse Glass Painting” (May 15). Pet lovers will enjoy Author Wendy Barta with “A Glimpse of Canine Heaven” (May 16) and “Pet Medications” (May 19) with University of Florida pharmacology graduate students. History buffs get ready for Jerry Colen’s “Prelude to the Civic War” (May 23). During the summer, Colen follows with a multi-part Civil War Series. Student favorite, Frank DiPiero presents “The Republic of Turkey” (May 9). If you have always been curious about Buddhism, join John Hunt with Siddhartha Gautama (May 10). Call (352) 861-9751 or go to MasterthePossibilities.org for pricing and details.

The summer course catalog goes online at MasterthePossibilities.org on Monday, May 15. Printed copies should arrive by Wednesday, May 24. The summer kick-off event is scheduled for Friday, June 2, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Master the Possibilities Living Room.

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Sara Sommer

The Big Red Bus® came on Monday, April 3. We had 23 donors this time. Great job! I send a big thank you to each and every one of you.

Every time you donate, you save three lives and brighten the lives of their family members. Please enjoy using your free Fandango movie ticket. Maybe there will be some hot summer flicks to see.

The bus will be here again on Monday, June 5 at the Recreation Center parking lot, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please mark your calendar. See you on the bus.

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**Candler Connection**

**Debra Keirn**

The weather is getting warmer and as I drive by The Lodge at Candler Hills, I see many residents enjoying the new pool. If you have problems with your identification card working at the pool gates, please visit Customer Service.

I also see more residents of Candler Hills using The Lodge at Candler Hills for private parties, card games, and mah jongg. Please contact Sandy Curtis at The Lodge at Candler Hills to reserve a room for any future events. We are certainly fortunate to have the use of such a wonderful facility.

District 5 County Commissioner Michelle Stone will speak at The Lodge at Candler Hills on Thursday, May 4, at 3 p.m. Please don't miss this presentation so that you can stay up-to-date and ask questions.

Attention all ice cream lovers! The fourth annual summer ice



Photo by Bob Scherff

**Candler Hills residents enjoying the St. Patrick's Day dinner at The Lodge at Candler Hills.**

cream sundaes social will be held on Sunday, June 11, from 3 to 5 p.m. at The Lodge at Candler Hills. Tickets are \$3 per person and will be on sale at the Candler Hills Community Center, from 10 a.m. to noon, on May 9, 11, 16, 18, 23 and 25. Musical entertainment will be provided by Candler Hills resident Gates

Landry at the covered pavilion next to the pool.

A special thank you goes out to Bev McCarthy for all of her hard work and organization, and to all those volunteers who helped with the setup and cleanup at the potluck dinners this year.

We look forward to the next potluck dinner at The Lodge at Candler Hills in October. More information will follow at a later date.

The fifth annual barbeque picnic will be held on Sunday, Oct. 29 at the pavilion behind the Recreation Center. Last year, 233 residents attended. We will be looking for volunteers to help with this event, and more information will be forthcoming. Please reserve the date for

a day of delicious food and a time for socializing with old and new friends.

If you are a resident of Candler Hills, log onto the website at [candlerconnection.org](http://candlerconnection.org) to fill out the form to receive "The Happenings" monthly by e-mail.

Also, Candler Hills has its own Facebook group, which is only open to residents and renters in Candler Hills. There are currently about 200 members in this Facebook group. Instructions on how to join the Facebook group are outlined in "The Happenings."

The next Candler Connection board meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 2, at 2:30 p.m., at the Candler Hills Community Center.



**The Lodge at Candler Hills**

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Come see us at the newest facility in Candler Hills: The Lodge at Candler Hills. Summer is coming and we are excited to bring events to you in the months to come.

I would like to introduce you to our staff at The Lodge at Candler Hills: Bree McDonald, George Hill, Glenda Zielke and Jackie Brown. We can be reached at (352) 387-9508. Our address is 8575 SW 87th Circle, Ocala, Florida. Hours of operation are as follows:

- Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.;
- Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 9:30 pm;
- Sunday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

We always have an attendant available to answer any questions you may have.

There are seven rooms available to book for your entertainment needs. If you enjoy playing cards, you will love the card room with

plush chairs for great comfort. Our ballroom holds 440 (no dance floor), 350 (with dance floor) or 600 (theatre style) guests.

Candler Hills resident cards are coded to open the pool gate at 9 a.m. every day and will turn off at dusk every evening. Pool rules are the same across property; children under the age of 15 may not swim until noon. Swim at your own risk (no pool monitors). At this time, we are awaiting a permit for night swimming; will keep you updated as the time draws near.

The Lodge at Candler Hills rules for alcoholic beverages are a bit different than most of our other locations. You may bring your own alcoholic beverage to The Lodge at Candler Hills for consumption. There will be no mixing of the Friendship Catering license during certain times and events. Please be mindful not to bring glass into the pool area. Also, please use trashcans outside to dispose of any garbage.

Should you need assistance, please e-mail us at [thelodge@otowfl.com](mailto:thelodge@otowfl.com) (responses within 24 hours).



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**Keeping It Green**

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May is going to be hot and dry, count on it. The month of May is historically the driest month of the year in Florida, and this year it appears that drought conditions are likely. I have included some information and a couple of tips to avoid high water bills, wasted water and problems with your lawn and shrubs.

With watering restrictions already in place, residents have an increased concern with maintaining the landscape plants and turf during drier months. The irrigation system installed with your home is a great tool if used correctly, but can also be a detriment to your landscape and your wallet if used improperly. Water restrictions are designed to conserve water during drought conditions while meeting the minimum needs of your landscape.

The landscape plants in On Top of the World Communities, Inc., are irrigated with a low volume or drip irrigation system. This system is highly efficient in irrigating the landscape. Drip irrigation systems apply the water directly to the root ball of the plants, decreasing water loss due to evaporation and wind throw, and low volume applies the water closer to the ground within a smaller diameter than conventional irrigation. Watering times for landscape plants should be no more

than one hour but no less than 20 minutes. Prioritize your water use and water stressed plants only or areas that are highly visible.

If you have installed plant material that is not drought tolerant, hand watering may be needed and is allowed. Using a garden hose with a shut off device, such as a spray pistol, is allowed. Make sure you water these areas in well and shut the hose off when you are finished. All too often we see hoses left on, and that creates high water bills from the constant drip and occasional busted hoses.

Grass is typically the first thing in your yard to show signs of stress. Train your lawn to grow a deep, extensive root system by deep infrequent watering. When watering your lawn, apply half to three-quarters of an inch at each application. Water your lawn only when 30 percent of the lawn is starting to show signs of stress and try to stretch the duration between automatic irrigation cycles. St. Augustine will show signs of stress by turning blue green and folding along the midrib of the leaf blade. Avoiding extended periods of stress on St. Augustine will help with overall health and recovery. Zoysia will brown and go dormant at the first signs of stress. This is normal and should be expected. Routine irrigation may not be enough to maintain your lawn with a lush green appearance during drought conditions.

To determine how much water you apply, use a rain gauge. These are provided at Customer Service or the Marion County UF/IFAS Extension Service office (2232 NE Jacksonville Road, Ocala) free of charge or you can use a tuna can and measure the water applied.

Place the rain gauge in various areas of the yard to observe the distribution of the irrigation water. Dry or problem areas should be monitored first to check coverage. If you notice a problem with your

irrigation system, contact an irrigation contractor.

Mowing height and frequency will also help with drought stress. Maintaining your lawn at a taller height will allow the grass to develop a stronger root system. This is because when you mow you are basically creating an injury that the plant must overcome before it can do anything else. The plant expends valuable energy in restoring the blades rather than producing newer and stronger roots. Sharp mower blades will also help with drought stress by producing cleaner, less ragged cuts. Clean cuts cause less plant stress and water loss.

When checking your irrigation, make sure you are watering twice per week. Secondly, make sure it is working properly and the heads are putting out the correct amount of water. Typically half to three-quarters inches per application is enough to sustain your lawn through the driest periods. Run times will vary for irrigation system equipment, but on average a spray zone will need to water 20 minutes, and rotors should water for 45 minutes. The drip irrigation should water for 30 minutes to one hour based on how established the material is. MP rotators should water 90 minutes.

Look for heads that are not turning, nozzles that are clogged and not spraying the correct pattern. Heads that are out of adjustment and spraying the road or sidewalk waste valuable dollars that could be spent on your lawn. Also, check for heads that are not popping up to the proper height. This can be caused because of pressure problems or grass runners growing over the heads.

Paying attention to your lawn and watering as needed will help with the water bill. Even though it may be hot and dry, a little stress is okay. Watch for visual clues that the yard needs water. Look at the grass; when it starts turning a bluish green color and the grass folds along the midrib of the leaf blade, it is time to water. You can also walk across your lawn and see how the leaf blades respond. Grass that needs water will lay down when walked on and will not stand back up; grass that doesn't need water will stand back up.



**Food For Thought**

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**The Club at Candler Hills**

We have many things planned during the month of May starting off with Cinco de Mayo on Friday, May 5. Many cities celebrate with parades, dancing and festivals. The Club at Candler Hills (and The Pub) will be serving up some traditional Mexican food that is often served or sold on this day. It's a fun holiday and has become more about celebrating the Mexican way of life than about remembering a battle, which happened 150 years ago. Stop in and enjoy our quesadillas, chips and salsa and margaritas, from 11 a.m. to close.

The second Sunday in May is Mother's Day. We will be open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. offering a brunch buffet to include the following: bacon, sausage, oatmeal, fresh fruit, cereal, two omelet stations, scrambled eggs, hash brown casserole and a variety of sweet pastries. Reservations are recommended, so give us a call at (352) 861-9720 and let us make this day special for you.

Come celebrate National Wine Day on Thursday, May 25! We offer a variety of wines for your enjoyment. Purchase it by the bottle or by the glass. There are many to select from including Cambria Chardonnay, Maso Canali Pinot Grigio, Alamos Malbec, Broadside Cabernet, MacMurray Ranch Pinot Noir and a few others. All wines were sampled by some of our residents who took the time to help us select these favorites.

Last but not least, we honor those who served. Memorial Day is on Monday, May 29. Come out and enjoy a cookout on the patio with friends and family. If the outdoors is not where you want to be, then we have plenty of seating inside. Who can resist the smell of hot dogs and hamburgers cooking on the grill? All items are served with potato salad and coleslaw. Burgers are only \$9 and hot dogs are \$6 (tax and gratuity not included). We are open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Don't forget to wear your red, white and blue.

**The Pub**

Along with The Club at Candler Hills, The Pub will also be celebrating Cinco de Mayo and National Wine Day.

Please note that The Pub will be closed on Memorial Day.

**Sid's Coffee Shop & Deli**

There are many ways to enjoy cucumbers, from pickling, in a vegetable tray, on a salad, in a glass of water or just by themselves. Sid's Coffee Shop & Deli will be serving a crisp cucumber salad on Friday, May 12 in honor of National Cucumber Day.

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**All Around Our World**

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We have many reasons to celebrate this month with Cinco de Mayo on May 5; the Kentucky Derby, the most famous horse race in the United States, which has been referred to as "the greatest two minutes in sports" and "the run for the roses" on May 6; Mother's Day on May 14; and on May 29 we honor our Armed Forces for Memorial Day.

Be sure to stop by The Club at Candler Hills or The Pub on Cinco de Mayo for a refreshing margarita from 11 a.m. to close. Don't forget to stop by for the Mother's Day buffet brunch and the outdoor barbecue on Memorial Day. Check out Sandy Curtis' column for more information.

**Customer Service**

The Customer Service office is

closed the third Wednesday of every month from noon to 1 p.m., which falls on Wednesday, May 17, this month. Customer Service may be reached at (352) 236-OTOW (6869) or otowsservice@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.

**On Top of the World Central Re-Roofing Schedule**

The following is a list of roof replacements that are scheduled within the next 90 days: buildings 1943, 1944, 1966, 1973, 1986, and 1995 and single family homes in Crescent Ridge II: H24, 0222, 0301, 0402, 0403, 0412, 0412, 0810, and 0821. Because weather is a strong factor in scheduling a roof replacement, we are unable to provide exact dates of replacements. Schedules are also based upon several

other factors as well: return of all authorization forms for the building, street location of working proximity, and roofs which are showing the most wear will take priority.

**Modifications**

Just a friendly reminder that any changes to the exterior of your home require an approved modification before any work starts. This includes changes/additions to lawns, landscaped beds, lawn ornaments, wall art, flags, satellite dishes, water conservation systems, etc. Modifications may be submitted at the Customer Service office and routine modifications normally take seven to 14 business days to be reviewed. Some modifications may take up to 30 days. When applying for a modification, please have the following information available: who will be performing the work, specifications of work being done, site plan if required, etc.

**Seasonal Residents and Extended Trips**

During this time of year, many of our seasonal residents are heading back home and will not return until the fall, and others may be leaving on an extended trip. These residents may want to consider having a neighbor periodically check their home and irrigation system while they are away. Leaks can occur and power outages can sometimes cause the system to revert back to a default watering schedule.

We also ask that neighbors help so that homes do not appear vacant by picking up any newspapers or flyers that may be left at the residence. It also makes the home and neighborhood look nicer which

benefits everyone.

**Living in Harmony**

Recently, several neighbor disputes have been brought to our attention, and we realize that misunderstandings do occur between neighbors.

I ran across the following article on a community association website and I thought it would be appropriate to share.

"If your neighbor behaves in a manner that fails to meet your expectations and makes you angry, the only way you are going to really resolve the situation is not by creating an even wider distance between yourself and them (anger), but by making a choice to get closer and put forth an honest effort to remedy the situation "together."

Effective communication can only occur when there is a process of two-way listening. Anger prevents us from honestly listening to anything but our anger. When we transform our expectations and reduce our opportunities to get angry, we put ourselves in a position to make better choices about how we relate to the people around us and, in turn, how they relate to us. When everyone works together, anything is possible!"

I hope everyone continues enjoying the beautiful spring weather we are having and, if you are new to the area, I highly encourage you to do some exploring. Ocala and the surrounding areas in Marion County have so much to offer, especially this time of year.

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**Back at The Ranch**

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**Water Walking**

Exercising in the water has wonderful health benefits. The properties of water create a unique fitness environment, which makes exercising a very different experience than exercising on land. The major differences come from resistance, buoyancy and hydrostatic pressure. These unique elements recruit and utilize muscles differently than terrestrial movement.

The resistance of the water comes from the density of the molecules or the "thickness" of the water. This translates into a wonderful exercise benefit because movement in the water is resisted 12 times more than it is on land. This is why movement speed in the water is reduced and can sometimes feel as if you are in slow motion. This resistance puts a greater burden on the muscle, which makes it ideal for muscular conditioning.

Buoyancy is the opposite of gravity; therefore it really defies how

are bodies are accustomed to moving on land. Buoyancy provides a great assistance to movement. For example, buoyancy lifts the body; when you are submerged in water up to your waist you weigh about half of what you do on land. For people with joint problems and those who find the impact on land too difficult to exercise, buoyancy is extremely beneficial. It reduces stress on the lower body and provides greater ease of movement.

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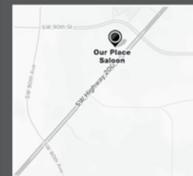
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Photo by Bob Woods  
Theresa Fields awarded "Volunteer of the Year" for 2016 to Myra Post and Cathy Raynor (not pictured).

## Volunteer Luncheon

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

The 13th annual volunteer luncheon was held at the Candler Hills Community Center with a large crowd of resident volunteers attending. The yearly luncheon is to honor all the volunteers and to recognize the "Volunteer of the Year" from the previous year.

Receiving the awards as "Volunteer of the Year" for 2016 were Myra Post and Cathy Raynor. Both are librarians who volunteer at the community's library located in the Recreation Center. Presenting the award was Activities Director Theresa Fields who presented each a plaque with the recipient's name along with the inscription "in appreciation for your dedication to the volunteer programs."

General Manager Lynette Vermilion expressed her heartfelt thanks on what the volunteers do for the

community. Theresa thanked all the volunteers for their time and support.

The volunteer program was established in our community in 2004.

This year's luncheon coincided with celebrations throughout the country during National Library Week. Tuesday, April 11, "National Library Workers Day, a day for library staff, users, administrators, and friends groups to recognize the valuable contributions made by all library workers." National Library Week was April 9 to April 15.

Lolly Foos was also recognized for heading up the volunteer program since its induction. Lolly will be stepping down from this position at the end of the year. Theresa presented Lolly with a large bouquet of flowers.

## Schooner Wyoming

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

There is a well-known bar, the Schooner Bar, on every Royal Caribbean cruise ship. At the entrance to this thirst quenching location, there is a small maritime museum.

The entrance to the Schooner Bar has the pungent smell of tar and canvas sails giving the museum the smell of authenticity. All the cruise line ship museums pay tribute to sailing ships.

The Brilliance of the Seas has a huge half model of the schooner Wyoming. The half model does not consist of either the front half or back half of the ship model but the entire length of the model.

Enclosed in glass the enormous model of the Wyoming is extremely eye catching because of its size. The model is impressive as is the background of the original sailing ship. Wyoming was the largest wooden sailing ship in the world having been built in Bath, Maine in 1909. It was a six-masted schooner measuring 450 feet overall from the jib boom tip to the rear spanker tip.

In size comparison, the USS Constitution, which is 204 feet in length and is the oldest wooden sailing ship still commissioned in naval service since 1797, and the famous British Clipper Ship Cutty-Sack is an overall length of 280 feet. The original Wyoming is almost half the size of the Brilliance.

The extreme length and wood construction, the Wyoming tends to flex in heavy seas. Flexing causes the long ship's planks to twist and buckle allowing sea water to leak into the ship's holds. The largest wooden ship had to utilize powered pumps to keep the holds relatively free of seawater.

The Wyoming sailed the seas for 15 years. She was originally constructed to carry up to 6,000 tons of coal.

In March 1924, the Wyoming was heading from Norfolk to New Brunswick when she encountered a horrible storm. The Wyoming took refuge reaching the Pollock Rip, a 10 mile stretch of water separating Nantucket Island and Cape Cod, hoping to ride out the storm. The ship's size caught up to her and the Wyoming sank in the heavy seas.



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Brilliance of the Seas has a huge half model of the schooner Wyoming.

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**Democratic Club**

**Dan Lack**

If your quality of life is better than your ancestors' by your opportunities to listen to the radio, watch TV, log on to your computer, undergo medical imaging, drive your car, and a host of others, you can thank science. Our next meeting will take place on Thursday, May 25. Our speaker will be Marty Hoffert, a New York University Emeritus professor of physics and a frequent Master of the Possibilities lecturer. He will talk about a winning science-based high-tech revitalization of the Democratic Party for the 21st century.

Marty developed scientific models of climate change at Exxon in the 1980s before politics affected people's point of view and his predictions have come true. He will make new predictions during his presentation to our club about how the Democratic Party can harness science to attract the majority of Americans who are disillusioned with the current state of affairs.

Twenty On Top of the World Democrats will attend the "Proud to Be a Democrat" dinner fundraiser on Sunday, May 7 at the Southeastern Livestock Pavilion where

we are sure to get fresh beef to eat. We will hear Steve Bittel, the new Florida Democratic Party chairman, tell us about the current state of the party and his plans for the future. Perhaps he should watch the youtube.com video of Marty Hoffert's appearance at our club's meeting?

Our club's annual spring luncheon will take place on Thursday, May 11, at noon at Stone Creek Grille. If you've made a last minute decision to go, please let us know via the contact information at the end of this column.

We continue to support the Ocala Ritz Veterans Village with donations of towels, washcloths, twin/full bed sheets, dry/canned food, toiletries, dish/laundry detergent and paper towels 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 at 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 our "otow demclub" youtube.com 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 want to thank Dr. Heidi Maier, superintendent of schools for Marion County, for her excellent presentation. She provided her vision and insight into bringing the school standards to a higher level. She praised and thanked Dr. Hamm and Dr. Grantham for their support and experience in creating a higher standard for students to attain. She mentioned there has been a noticeable uptick in the student's grade levels. She gave informative answers to our many questions.

We would like to remind our members that tickets for our Pulis pizza party on Friday, May 12 are selling well, so don't be left out ...

get yours now. All you can eat pizza, salad, dessert and refreshments for \$10! Call Joanie Crist for more information.

We received our charter allowing us to continue using "Republican" in our title until we have to renew again in 2019.

Our speakers for June are Lt. C.T. Welch, commander of the Sheriff's Sub-station on 200, and Sheriff Billy Woods. They will present a great deal of information on safety, scams, theft and how the departments are dealing with the drug situation in Marion County. Please don't miss this great opportunity to have your questions answered.

Also of note, for our July meeting, our own David Wesenberg will give a presentation on the Constitution of the United States. It will be a great opportunity to bring us up to speed on relearning about the United States' governing document.



**Community Patrol**

**Patricia Woodbury**

The monthly patrol meeting was not held in April due to the volunteer appreciation dinner held for all volunteers of the Marion County Sheriff's Office on Thursday, March 30 at the Southeastern Livestock Pavilion. Many of our patrol members attended this event and enjoyed the food and the entertainment. Thanks to the Marion County Sheriff's Office Foundation who hosted this event.

Sometimes it is good to remind our residents who the Community Patrol is, especially some of our new residents. The patrol is a service organization under the auspices of the Marion County Sheriff's Office in cooperation with On Top of the World. We are the eyes and the ears of the Sheriff's Office. We are not police officers and have no police authority or powers. However, when we are on patrol our primary job is to act as a deterrent to crime by being a visible representative of the Sheriff's Office.

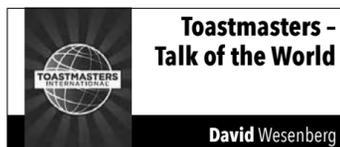
We are 50 members strong in this organization and besides meeting monthly with our Southwest

District Commander Lieutenant Welch, we patrol over 25,000 miles each year. I am sure you have seen our little Prius patrol car, provided by the Sheriff's Office, patrolling in your neighborhoods. We patrol all of On Top of the World. We also patrol Shalom Park, Circle Square Commons, Friendship Shopping Center, Canopy Oak Shopping Center, Steeplechase Shopping Center, Walgreens, 103rd Street Plaza and the new Walmart Neighborhood Market. So when you see us on patrol, please wave and say hello.

Like any organization there are other duties that have to be performed and our members spend 2,000 hours each year doing record keeping, writing reports, communicating, maintaining the patrol car, logging the driving hours, arranging for meetings and liaising with On Top of the World management and the Sheriff's Office, to name just a few.

The next regular meeting of the patrol will be Monday, May 22.

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.



**David Wesenberg**

We just completed our international table topics contest on Wednesday, Feb. 8. The winner was Manal Faulkhury with Jenna Yetenko as alternate. The table topic question was "What are rights and where do they come from?"

Toastmasters also held our international speech contest on Wednesday, Feb. 22. This contest selects our speech competitors who can possibly compete all the way to the international level. Greg Wise and Manal Faulkhury went on to represent our club as first and second place.

On Wednesday, April 12, we had our first ever panel discussion on energy. A panel discussion pres-

ents different sides of an issue and gives the audience a chance to ask questions and make comments.

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Come join us on at 8:30 a.m. on May 10 and/or May 24 at Cypress Hall and improve your communication, listening and leadership skills while having a lot fun.

For more information, please contact Dave Wesenberg at dpw@mastersoftwareinc.com.

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## Successful 'Trashy' Fashion Show

By Estelle Clark

Another year, another Recycle "Trashy" Fashion Show. The Lions Club is so happy to say it was a tremendous success. We had approximately 193 attendees, and from the remarks as the show ended they had all enjoyed it. Our first place winner was Elsa Groe representing the Charmin Chix group. Elsa donated her winnings of \$1,000 to Domestic Violence Center. Second place winner was Rebekah Leppert, who donated her \$500 winnings to the Ocala Civic Theatre. Third place went to Allyss, who donated her \$250 to the Florida Center for the Blind.

All of the models who did not place in the first three slots were awarded \$50 to donate to their favorite 501c3 charity. All participants were winners!

We would like to thank Kenneth Colen for being our MC again this year, and as usual, he did a great job. In honor of the event, Mr. Colen wore a vest made out of a feed sack.

This event could not have been done without the support of so many people. Our platinum sponsors were Walmart (State Road 200 and Silver Springs Boulevard), Walmart Neighborhood Market, On Top of the World Communities, Ocala Star Banner, Kohl's, Papa John's and Woods Printing. Our

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Our table sponsors included Dawn & Bob Perinchief at ERA Realty, Face the Day Spa & Salon, Fox Fire Realty, Renee Rose, Charmin Chix, Helga Schultz, Florida Center for the Blind, Domestic Violence, Huckel Family and Camping World.

Southern Pig & Cattle Co. catered the event.

We would like to express our thanks to Mr. Colen, Circle Square Cultural Center staff, On Top of the World's marketing department, Kohl's volunteers, our designers and models.

A big thank you to the members



Photo by Sherry Whitmer-Hall

Elsa Groe, winner of the Lions Club Recycle "Trashy" Fashion Show, with runner ups to the left.

of the Lions Club for their support and hard work. Thank you to all those who attended.

Come visit our club; we meet the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. in the Arbor Con-

ference Center, Suite B. We have fun helping those who are less fortunate. For further information, call (352) 861-7358.

Where there is a Lion there is a need.



Snowy egret.

Photo by Sandra Marraffino

## Kayak to Bird Island

By Debbie Sherer

The Unique Birders are offering a wonderful trip on Thursday, May 11. We plan to kayak to Bird Island on Lake Rousseau to observe wading birds nesting on the island. If you're interested in joining us, please contact Margitta Claterbos at mclaterbos@cfl.rr.com by Thursday, May 5. For those who wish to go on this trip but do not have a kayak, please inform Margitta that you will need to rent a kayak.

Our guide for this trip will be Sandra Marraffino of Marion County Audubon Society. Sandra began exploring wading birds on Lake Rousseau in 2007. In 2010, she became aware of a large number of wading birds around Bird Island that were being driven off their nest by helicopters and airboats. Helicopters hover over bird nesting sites to locate alligator nests. Airboats are then driven to the alligator nesting area for collection of the eggs. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission has made changes to alligator

egg collection permits to prohibit egg collection in and near wading bird rookeries. This trip to Bird Island is a unique opportunity to see nesting birds and possibly some of their young.

One of the wading birds that you may see on this trip is the snowy egret. It is a small, white egret with black legs and bill, yellow feet and long lacy plumes during breeding season. These birds are common in Florida. They forage in shallow water for small fish and crustaceans. Snowy egrets often forage in large groups.

Please join the Unique Birders for this trip. Be sure to get in touch with Margitta at mclaterbos@cfl.rr.com by May 5, if you are interested. The Unique Birders will meet at the large tree in the Recreation Center parking lot at 7:45 a.m. on May 11. Please bring a picnic lunch. Newcomers are encouraged to join us and experience the world of birds in Florida.

## Bunco for Babies

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

The second annual Bunco for Babies fundraising event was held in April at the Arbor Conference Center to benefit the March of Dimes March for Babies. This charitable event is the brainchild of Michelle (Micki) Malsch.

Bunco is a social dice game involving 100 percent luck and no skill; in other words, anyone can play this game. New players just sit down and watch a hand of two and become seasoned players.

The event fee was \$25 per person and included a buffet lunch. Local residents, including Micki, and local merchants donated gifts and gift certificates for the winners of games along with cash prizes from a 50/50 raffle. There were over 100 players this year!

Bunco for Babies raised a total of \$3,587 plus an additional \$650 was donated from a bake sale held by Micki in November 2016. Micki has been raising funds for the March of Dimes for the past nine years.

The money raised by this event creates awareness on fighting birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality. One out of 10 babies is born prematurely. By raising money for March of Babies it helps programs and provides research to save babies' lives and also provides expectant mothers the support needed to have a healthy pregnancy.

Micki spearheaded this charitable event with the help of volunteers who assisted in setting up the conference rooms for the event. All the food was supplied by Micki who made all the salad sandwiches, which numbered 120 cut into quarters. Besides the three types of sandwiches, there were fruit kabobs, pastries along with cookies, and plenty of iced tea and water.

All in attendance had a good time, both playing bunco and socializing, but the real winner of this annual event was the March of Dimes. Micki is already planning on next year's Bunco for Babies charitable event benefiting the March of Dimes.

Micki would like to thank all the volunteers who helped and participated in this charitable event. You can contact her at (352) 861-8790 or mckigfy35@aol.com for questions, information, and any other



Photo by Bob Woods

The second annual Bunco for Babies fundraising event took place on Saturday, April 8.

donations.

Are you interested in playing bunco on a regular basis? There are three bunco clubs within the community. The clubs are open to both female and male residents. Look in your community telephone directory on the club page at the beginning

of the book and choose the name and phone number of the club that interests you.

For those who missed this event, the SPCA of Marion County will hold the same type event in September at the Indigo East Community Center. No date has been set.



**Genealogy Society**

Peter Parisi

On Monday, March 13, an educational presentation, "A Story in Every Chair," was coordinated by Kay Johnston. Eight of our members presented stories about their family members and the research they have done in tracking them down. The following are brief summaries of the stories of four of our members on their ancestors. The remaining will be continued in the columns for July and August.

Julia Hendrick told us about her ninth great-grandmother, Ann Hutchinson, who came to Massachusetts in 1634. Publicly disagreeing with the strictness of the

Puritan culture, she was tried and excommunicated from the Puritan church and banished to Rhode Island in 1638. Her eighth great-grandmother, Mary Dyer, also a Puritan, came to Massachusetts in 1635, and became a Quaker.

Adam Schuler told us a unique story that he and his father were going across a frozen lake in the winter with two horses pulling a snow scraper. The ice was about 11 inches thick, but the horses fell through the ice into the water. They were able to unhitch the horses so they could get them out of the water. They brought the horses back to the barn and gave the horses whiskey to prevent them from getting pneumonia. The horses recovered but one of them had a good hangover.

Suzanne Scheraga told us it is a myth that all of the Jewish records

were lost during the Holocaust. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was the first organization to begin to compile Jewish records. Suzanne said that there are many websites for Jewish records, but she feels that the best source for Jewish records is jewishgen.org, which features databases, research tools and other resources.

Donna Cunningham told us that her fourth cousin, John "Joney" Gordon, was born in Scotland in 1828, and came to America in 1838. He was sent to Cincinnati in 1844 where he worked as a carpenter's apprentice. He then decided to become a sailor and made two trips around the globe from 1846 to 1851. He married in 1855 and moved to Iowa where he became a farmer and had nine children.

The Genealogical Society will hold a board meeting at 9:30 a.m. on

Monday, May 8 in the Hobby Building, followed by an organizational meeting at 10:15 a.m., at which we discuss what members would like to have for upcoming genealogy presentations. In addition we answer questions from members on genealogical problems. On Monday, May 15, at 10 a.m., we will hold an educational presentation in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. Peter Parisi will facilitate a presentation by Anne Gillespie Mitchell at the 2016 Roots Tech Conference on "Becoming a Master Searcher" on ancestry.com.

Our annual dues are \$10 per person or \$15 per couple. Benefits of membership include a large library of genealogical books and CDs to be signed out and used at home for genealogical research. Check out our website at otagenealogicalsociety.shutterfly.com.



**Southern Club**

Melanie Vittitow

Our meeting on Thursday, April 6 was very productive. Patty handled the meeting in the absence of our fearless leader, who was cruising. We will speak to her husband about booking dates in the first week of the month!

We approved the new board for next year. The current officers agreed to stay on for another year and we filled a few new positions

as well. There are still a few jobs that need to be covered. Among the most pressing are decorations, set-up, cleanup, buffet table hostess, and volunteers to help at the Club Fair and welcome coffee. Please consider one of them. Ann will be glad to give you details on what each position entails. Nothing is hard but you can share the duties if you convince a friend to help you.

We also discussed the membership requirements as stated in the Southern Club by-laws. Our current rules are that you had to be from the South or have lived here for at least five years. We had inquiries from recent arrivals who

wanted to join but were excluded because of this rule. We like to consider ourselves friendly and inclusive so we decided to amend the by-laws. Therefore, starting in September with our new club season, any resident interested in sharing in Southern hospitality and fellowship is eligible for membership. It would probably be helpful if you like southern food and listening to southern accents, but if you are interested in joining us; we are ready to welcome you into our group.

Our meetings are the first Thursday of the month from September through May, so mark your calendar now, and look for our column

in the September issue of the World News. Come the first time as a guest and once you meet us and see how nice we are, you will be hooked.

Our last meeting for this season will be a pizza party on Thursday, May 4. We are used to bringing food to share but it's always nice not to have to cook. Just bring utensils if you don't like eating pizza by hand (and for your salad and dessert). You may also want to bring some money for the 50/50 drawing, which follows each meeting.

If you have any questions or concerns, call (352) 873-8690. I hope to see you on May 4 at 5 p.m., Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F.



**Pennsylvania Club**

Micki Malsch

The Pennsylvania Club meeting was held on Wednesday, April 12. Pat Gabriel, from the State Road 200 Coalition, was our guest speaker and informed the group of the latest happenings on the SR200 corridor, our neck of the woods in

Marion County. Members were excited to hear about all the new businesses and restaurants coming our way.

Our last meeting before summer break will take place on Wednesday, May 10. This meeting will be a potluck farewell picnic. Members are asked to bring their favorite picnic food or dessert (enough for at least eight for sharing). Horse races will be held in honor of the Kentucky Derby. Bring those dollar bills and place your bets on our

"bobbed tail nags."

The club will resume meetings on Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2017. The club will provide refreshments for this meeting.

We are still in need of activity volunteers for Nov. 8 and Dec. 13. Please contact Micki if you would like to volunteer to coordinate activities for any of these meetings.

A special thanks went out to Rod Emrick for donating his time, expertise and materials in the construction of a flag holder for our

Pennsylvania flag. What a great job!

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 ...

**Singles Club**

Lorraine Serwan

It's May and with it we come to the end of another successful season of interesting speakers and delightful excursions.

On Thursday, May 11, we'll have our last meeting before the summer with the installation of officers at 2 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites G and H.

Our special guest speaker will be Pat Gabriel, president of the SR200 Coalition, who will be able to inform us of all the changes on the SR200 corridor.

The following Thursday, May 18, we will be carpooling to visit the Veterans Memorial Park. The group will meet at 11 a.m. at the Recreation Center parking lot to carpool to the park. Call Sally at (352) 237-9103 for more information. Lunch will be on your own.

We will resume in the fall on Thursday, Sept. 14, at 2 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites G and H. Have a wonderful summer and we'll meet again in the fall.

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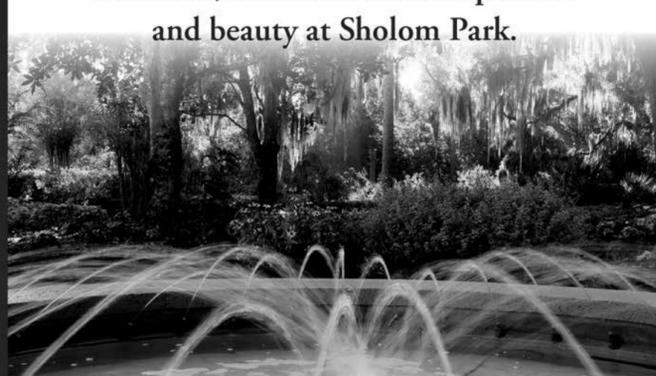
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**Women of the World**

Nancy Grabowski

The Women of the World Friday, April 7 meeting started out as usual. The Recreation Center Ballroom was filled with great friends and plenty of laughs. The refreshment committee, headed by Judy Singer, set out an extensive array of savory and/or sweet snacks. Donation tables for Marion County Senior Services and Brothers Keeper were buckling under the weight of our generosity. The stage was filled with additional donations for Operation Shoebox.

April Pollard, our current president, called the meeting to order and then it started! After the tradi-

tional pledge, "God Bless America," reading of the minutes by Carla Magri and treasurer's report given by Terri Molnar, we were informed that our speaker was running a few minutes late. The pre-arranged, pick-up truck from Brothers Keeper had not arrived and couldn't be found. So we moved on to the election of officers for 2017-2018.

The slate is incomplete. Marcie Hummer has volunteered to become president and Marge Curran would like to serve as treasurer. Kathy Doyle has said "yes" to the first vice presidents position. However, that leaves a void for second vice president and secretary. It was decided to table the election in hopes of finding two more women willing to help these lasses. Are you the gal for whom we are searching? Step right up, throw your hat into the ring, and

call April or Marcie; you won't regret it!

There were still no signs of the guest speaker, so Helen Ogren was thrown into the mix. Helen is a master gardener and had a wealth of information to share with us. She explained why the same flower can look so differently in side-by-side yards: the soil-fill used by the contractor was from differing locations, providing a different pH level! Helen also talked about lichens and how they signify "clean air."

The Brothers Keeper truck was never located; a representative of that organization told our first vice president, Cheryl Fotia, that they would only pick up on Monday or Thursday. Because we have no place to store nearly 1,500 pounds of food, Cheryl loaded her car and took it to Marion County Senior

Services. They were delighted to receive this bonus donation and very grateful for our support.

We weathered these glitches like the veterans we are and look forward to the Friday, May 5 meeting. It will be held in the Recreation Center Ballroom, beginning at 12:15 p.m. The traditional switch will happen, as usual: the officers will replace the refreshment committee behind the service line. To recognize the tireless efforts of these gals, we send them through first with thunderous applause for the fine job they have done!

Dues for the 2017-2018 season can be paid at this meeting, too, and helps reduce the lines in September. Why not bring a friend and join the longest-running, most generous, biggest organization in On Top of the World? We are only a smile away!



**The Glitzy Gals**

Janet Wahl

Florida West Coast Queens Council Gala Coronation cruise on

Brilliance of the Seas was a great time for those attending. The port of Key West was an opportunity to visit the southernmost point in the continental United States and tour the Key West Butterfly and Nature Conservatory. The other port was Cozumel where we did a city tour, which included touring a tequila

factory and sampling different flavors. The cruise had very good food and excellent entertainment.

Our luncheon at Outback Steakhouse with hostesses Caroline Caprano and Kathy Kenyon was delicious on a rainy day. QM Mary Curry had the lucky egg and was the prizewinner. QM Mary coordinated a handbag search game for specific items and Hedy Schamal was the winner.

Five of our group attended a special "Sisters Celebration of Life" at Seven Spring Golf and Country Club in New Port Richey, Fla. This event honored one centenarian (over 100), five nonagenarians (90-99) and 39 octogenarians (80-89) who are Red Hatters. Ellen Brecheen

and Betty Tesmer from our group were honored. Each one received a corsage and a certificate.

A few of our Red Hatters will be gone for the summer and we will miss them.

A number of The Glitzy Gals will travel to Tampa for the Red Hatter's picnic and tour of the Lowry Park Zoo in May. The Florida State Red Hat Convention is in September.

Project Hope continues to receive needed items from us each month.

"Being a Red Hatter has given me permission to have fun, and enjoy my Red Hat sisters and all other Red Hatters in this world." QM Mary Curry



**R/C LadyBirds**

Caren Kowalsky

Thanks to Lyn Titcombe for volunteering to be in charge of the goodies for our Friday, April 14 meeting. A warm welcome to our newest LadyBird members.

At our meeting, we heard reports from our Secretary Leigh Workman, Treasurer Barbara Wright, and Membership Nancy Dreimuller.

Next on the agenda was the report by our nominating committee, consisting of Judy Grigsby, Millie Mobley, and Dotty Livers. Candidates were announced and voted upon. The new board will be sworn in at our annual installation luncheon, which will be held at Arthur's American Bistro in Hilton Ocala on Friday, May 12 beginning at noon. To sign up to attend, please contact Caren at (352) 291-1235 or allensky@earthlink.net. We

are hoping for a huge turnout.

Although our monthly meetings cease for the months of June, July and August, our monthly luncheons continue, so keep checking your e-mail for LadyBird luncheon information.

To all of our LadyBirds who fly away from Ocala for the summer, we will miss you. Have a wonderful vacation. We look forward to welcoming you back in the fall.

From September through April, we welcome wives and significant others of any R/C Flyer to come and join us at a LadyBird meeting, beginning at 9 a.m. at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C, the second Friday of each month. One of our fantastic LadyBird bakers will provide the goodies, so bring your beverage and come join us.

If you have any questions or would like to chat over the summer, please feel free to contact me. I'm looking forward to speaking with you soon.

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**American Jewish Club**

Sandra Wolf

Last month, elections were held for the coming 2017-2018 season. The following members were elected: Nancy Carp, president; Myra Post, vice president; Stan Magen, treasurer; and Joan Brand, secretary. Congratulations to the new board and best wishes for a successful year. The installation of the new board will take place at the May meeting.

The lunch bunch was held at Stone Creek Grille, and again was a success. This month, we will be holding the last dinner for the 2016-2017 season. There will be no lunch bunch for June and July. In August, we are planning to again start with a dinner bunch. No date and location have been selected. If you have any suggestions, please contact Myra Post at (352) 861-9223.

This month's meeting is our TooJay's Original Gourmet Deli boxed lunch. If you are interested and haven't placed your order yet, please contact Irene Rudick at (352) 237-9887. Payment must accompany order form. There will also be Jewish trivia. It will test your knowledge of Jewish history, culture, and religion. It was a lot of fun when we did it last year, and expected to be again.

The board will not meet in June, and there will be no newsletter for June. I will be back again in July with information on upcoming events for the next season.

Hope you all have a wonderful summer.



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Our next meeting is on Thursday, May 18, at 1 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room at the Bank of the Ozarks. If you need to get in touch with us, please call our hotline number at (352) 362-0985.

We will bring any dogs and cats that are available to the Farmer's Market on Thursday mornings at The Town Square. We will also be in front of Circle Square Cultural Center when there is a special event, usually Saturday mornings.

We are happy to report that Jayme the kitten and dogs Laverne and Shirley featured in last month's column have been adopted into their forever homes. Congratulations to Jayme, Laverne, Shirley and their loving families.

We still need to find a home for Jake, the three-legged beagle. Her family can no longer care for her because of a change in circumstances. Jake is a sweet two-year-old beagle that misses having a loving home of her own. When Jake was a puppy, she was hit by a car and lost her back leg. Since dogs don't care about appearances, she gets along just fine. We just need to find someone for her who doesn't care about her leg either. Jake has also been spayed and is up-to-date on all shots. She settled into her foster home right away and made herself comfortable. She loves to curl up in her doggy bed. Jake is a smart girl who lets you know when

she wants or needs something. Her foster mom says she likes everyone, and she'll adore you when you take her in to her forever home.

Please consider adopting a young cat named Chloe if you're looking for a lifetime companion. She came to us as a stray in August and we don't want her to wait any longer for her forever home. She 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 will sleep with you if you let her. Chloe would do best as either an only cat or if you already have a gentle, accepting cat that she can bond with.

Now that Jayme the kitten has been adopted, we would like to find a forever home for her sister Samantha. Samantha was also the youngest kitten we took in last Au-



Jake

gust so she's about nine months old now. She is used to being around other dogs and cats and is just a lovely companion to have around the house. Samantha is very playful and likes to chase and be chased by the other cats. If you're looking for a fun buddy, Samantha is the girl for you.

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Chloe



Samantha



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will make sure that you will get the best rate available at time of booking. Since this is a small ship, staterooms are going fast.

On Father's Day, June 18, our trip is on the St. Johns River. Cruise aboard the paddle wheeler, the Barbara Lee, which navigates across Lake Monroe and up the St. Johns River in Sanford, Fla. You will witness the varied birds and wildlife of Central Florida with narration and have a prepared fresh on-board meal served at your table. The choices for lunch are prime rib, chicken cordon bleu, salmon filet, roasted vegetable lasagna, chef's salad or pasta primavera served with potatoes, vegetables, salad,

rolls and dessert. Hot or iced tea is included and there will be a cash bar. The cost of \$65 per person includes a three-hour cruise and luncheon. Please call Linda Hein at (352) 861-9880 for reservations.

On Thursday, Aug. 10, there will be a trip to the Show Palace to see "8 Track the Sounds of the 70s." Cost is \$73 per person and includes transportation, lunch, and the show. Reservations will begin on June 5. Call Janet Wiles at (804) 243-4008.

We just booked a show at Just for Laughs Dinner Theatre in Largo, Fla. The comedy show starring Barbara and Toby is "Murder at Howard Johnson's" on Saturday, Sept. 16. Cost is \$64 per person, which includes the show, buffet luncheon, taxes and tips. For reservations, call Linda Hein at (352) 861-9880 as soon as possible as we have limited seats for this event.

The shopping trip to the Orlando outlets has been changed from Nov. 7 to Tuesday, Nov. 14. Please mark your calendar accordingly.

These trips are open to all residents and their guests.



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

For example, how does one get back something erased when writing a letter or preparing a 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 to find out how to unlock it?

Our snowbird luncheon will take place on Thursday, April 27. This includes lunch for each member and a guest for \$2. We take care of our members!

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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**Native Plant Group**

Ron Broman

As promised, this is the second in the couplet of kudos to our friends from "across the pond."

As mentioned in April, the Longleaf Pine Trail needed to have some of her "human-made parts" fixed up. That is to say, the trail signs were showing the effects of some 10 years of weathering. Other signs had been removed in preparation for the expected prescribed burn.

Margitta Claterbos, our president, and her sister and brother-in-law, Ulrike and Gerd, visiting from

Germany, noticed the need and voila! they wanted to help.

Hours of work cleaning the signs, re-drilling the tiny holes, adding new screws, then re-attaching the labels have resulted in a miracle. The newly scrubbed and polished signs are ready to be replaced in their proper spots.

Now comes the fun part, the opportunity for education, one of the goals of our Native Plant Group.

Somewhere out there, inches from the trail, are plants native to the sand hill, longleaf pine community, waiting to be noticed. And one way to be noticed is to have a name tag.

Likewise, there are beautiful people, you, out there eager to find out more about their, your, new home

here in On Top of the World.

What better way to learn than to help connect a native plant with its common and botanical name?

We will ever be grateful to Ulrike, Gerd, Margitta, Bill Shampine, and Joe Hilchey for their work in "fixing up" our Longleaf Pine Trail. Thanks!

Other opportunities to learn and help appear each second Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. at the Longleaf Pine Trail; and on the fourth Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. at the SW 94th Street and SW 89th Court Road circle.

The Belleview Library garden is an additional project of the Native Plant Group. When you appear there, you'll find folks like yourselves eager to add to the health of our community.

You never know, maybe you'll



Photo by Ron Broman

**The Longleaf Pine Trail sign has been repaired.**

find your calling with the Florida Native Plant Society, Marion Big Scrub chapter, which meets at that library the last Monday at 6 p.m.

It's healthy to grow native.



**100 Grandparents**

Janet Fragapane

The 100 Grandparents have been waiting two months to get back to reading to the students at Romeo Elementary. Due to school programs and testing, we have not been to the school since February. We make a big difference in the lives of these children and it shows in their reading and attitude. The students, teachers and staff are always glad to have us there.

Our next and last bus trip to the

school for this school year will be on Tuesday, May 9. The bus will be parked at the rear of the True Value Hardware store at 8:30 a.m.

We will resume reading again on Tuesday, Sept. 12.

Donations are needed all year long for the students. I will be home all summer. So if you have art or school supplies (notebooks, pencils, pens) or storybooks, please consider donating them to the students at Romeo. New or gently used children's clothing and shoes are also needed. If donating underwear or socks, please note they must be new and sealed in their original packaging from the store.

Donations of other goods such

as children's clothing, new underwear, socks as well as Box Tops for Education and pull tabs can be dropped off at Janet Fragapane's porch; located at: 9791 SW 97th Place, (Crescent Ridge II); (352) 861-1575, or Evelyn Holiday's porch: 8880-C SW 94th Street (Friendship Village); (352) 237-0304. Please call the numbers above for pick-up needs. Thank you all!

The backpack program is always in need of donations. Please consider sending a check (in any amount) to Dunnellon Food-4-Kids, P.O. Box 262, Dunnellon, Florida 34430. On the memo line write, "for backpack."

Keep saving those Box Tops for

Education, and soda can pull-tabs. School supplies, and sports equipment are a few of the items that the school purchases from those tops and tabs.

A big thank you to Roger Anderson who donated a bicycle to the children. My husband Tom will take any bicycle you may have that you no longer ride. He will fix the bike and take it to the school for a deserving child. We have received several and the school has been so appreciative of the wonderful gift. Also any helmets you may no longer use will also be welcomed.

If you have any questions, please call Evelyn Sarns Holiday at (352) 237-0304.



**Michigan Club**

Nancy Meininger

On Sunday, April 2, the outdoor pavilion was filled with 75 yoopers and trolls from the Michigan Club. (Yoopers and trolls are from the upper or lower peninsula who lived above or below the Mackinac Bridge in the state of Michigan.)

All came with a common goal - to dine on Michigan's most popular food - the Coney Island. 100 Koegel brand Coney dogs, Michigan-made and freighted to the event, were served with Michigan's Better Made potato chips, also shipped in to celebrate opening day of baseball season and their beloved De-

troit Tigers home team.

Steve Becker and Tom Meininger manned the charcoal grill, while Kathy Becker, Joan Brand and Nancy Meininger dressed the Coney dogs to serve them. Judy Wagnitz, founding member, directed the overall service set up.

Coney sauce made by co-chair Kathie Dushary topped the dogs in buns, sprinkled with chopped onions and mustard. The beverage served was Vernors ginger ale made in Michigan, of course. Attendees brought side dishes and desserts.

Adam Schuler, Michigander, and member of the Concert Chorus, led the group in a spirited round of "Take Me Out to the Ball Game!" Competition in horseshoes and shuffleboard, which had been planned, were tabled due to the 90-plus degree temperatures.

Next month will be the final meeting until fall; a Kentucky Derby picnic will be held at 5 p.m. on Sunday, May 7 at the pavilion, complete with a ladies hat contest, games and music. The club will provide fried chicken and watermelon for the crowd. Attendees are encouraged to bring side dishes and a cold beverage of their choice.

The first Sunday of June, July, August and September, the group will meet at 5 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F to play Michigan poker, euchre and Mexican train dominoes. Regular meetings, held the first Sunday of every month, will resume on Oct. 1 with a tailgate party.

For more information or questions, contact Nancy Meininger at (352) 342-9757. To receive our e-newsletter, send an e-mail to nancy@nancymeininger.com.



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### View from the Library

B.J. Leckbee

The time has come for me to turn over the writing of this column to another avid reader. Her name is Ginny Smith, and she's a library volunteer as well as an experienced columnist. She will introduce herself to you next month.

Meanwhile, let's consider a book that Bernice Randall wrote about the subtle differences between words. The title asks the question, "When Is a Pig a Hog?" and Randall

provides the answer. Then she goes on to define the difference between the words occupation and profession, diary and journal, ghost and poltergeist, obstetrician and gynecologist, and hundreds more. This is not a book to be read cover to cover, but it definitely points out many subtleties in the English language.

- So when is a pig a hog? When a pig weighs more than 120 pounds it becomes a hog.
- An occupation is how someone engages in earning a living; profession implies the need for advanced training or skills (according to Randall).

- A diary records more personal thoughts than a journal of events.
  - A ghost refers to the disembodied spirit of a dead person; a poltergeist is a ghost that is responsible for things that go bump in the night.
  - An obstetrician specializes in the care of women during pregnancy and childbirth. A gynecologist specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of female diseases.
- Randall has arranged her words by topic, and provides an alphabetical index so the reader can easily find the word in question. "When Is a Pig a Hog?" can be

found in the language section (#423) on the center shelves. It's just one of more than 20,000 books in our library. This number includes more than 14,000 hardback fiction and mystery books, 3,300 paperback romance, 2,200 paperback mystery, 2,000 non-fiction, 250 large print, and hundreds that have their own special sections, such as the Civil War, World War II, and Florida.

Writing this column has caused me to read a wide range of books, and I owe special thanks to all who introduced me to books I might have otherwise overlooked and who shared their ideas for this column. Keep reading, everyone.



### Favorite Recipes Dinner Club

Luke Mullen

Our Saturday, March 18 dinner brought another fun and entertaining evening to our club members. Three dinners were held at club members' homes for 18 diners.

Our first dinner hosts were Annette and Paul Hodges. Two hors d'oeuvres were prepared and brought by Kathy and Luke Mullen. The first was spinach stuffed mushrooms. The second was bacon-wrapped garlic-stuffed queen olives coated with a balsamic vinegar and brown sugar glaze. Fol-

lowing the appetizers, Annette and Paul served the dinner, which celebrated the Irish in us all and featured shepherd's pie made with lamb, potato and carrots, and steamed green beans with almond slivers as the side dish. They also served a salad of baby mixed greens with mandarin oranges and tomato, and baguette bread. Nancy and Tom Meininger then served an Irish stout dark chocolate cake with fudge frosting drizzled with caramel sauce.

Hosting our second dinner were Ginny and Jerry Nardone. Pat and Russ McNulty served a parmesan/garlic riced cauliflower and bacon mini tart as an appetizer. Ginny and Jerry then served French bread with a spring salad consisting of

romaine lettuce, strawberries and red onion. The main course was honey mustard chicken, Jasmine rice and baked zesty carrots with horseradish topping. Following the main meal, Gail Rosenzweig and Ed Bodnar served one of their favorite desserts: chilled pistachio pudding with pineapple, peaches, fruit cocktail and Cool Whip.

Marti and Bill Aman were the hosts for our third dinner. Phyllis and Al Richards started things off with two hors d'oeuvre. The first was sun-dried tomato pinwheels. These consisted of a tomato wrap spread with chive cream cheese, layered thin sliced smoked turkey and ham, baby spinach leaves, and shredded carrots, rolled up and sliced into pinwheels. The second

was buffalo chicken spread, which was made with chicken breast chunks, cream cheese, crumbled blue cheese, blue cheese salad dressing and hot wing sauce to taste. Following the appetizers, Marti and Bill served spinach salad with mandarin oranges, water chestnuts and bacon bits. The main course was pork tenderloin stuffed with leeks, dried apricots and chipotle peppers with an orange sauce. Also a noodle kugel and sugar snap peas. Rhea and Jim Russell brought the dessert. They had prepared a southern-style bread pudding served with warm whiskey sauce.

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



### What's Cookin'

Kathie Dushary

#### Candy Bar Cake

One 12 ounce frozen pound cake  
3 ounces semi-sweet chocolate, chopped  
1-1/2 sticks unsalted butter, room temperature  
3 to 4 tablespoons of milk  
One 1-pound box of powdered sugar  
3/4 cup salted peanuts  
2 cups dulce de leche

#### For the Coating

10 ounces semi-sweet chocolate, chopped  
1 stick unsalted butter, cut in

pieces  
Assemble the cake, trim a 1/2-inch off the short end of the pound cake. Then trim the domed top to make it flat. Stand the cake on its side; slice in half horizontally to make to equal size rectangles.

Microwave the chocolate in 30-second intervals; stirring until melted. In a mixer, beat the butter, milk and powdered sugar. Beat in the melted chocolate. Add more milk, if needed, to make the frosting spreadable.

Lay the cake rectangles on a rack set on a rimmed baking sheet to form a long rectangle. Slide a thin piece of cardboard under the cake for moving to a platter later.

Spread the remaining frosting on the cake in a 1-inch thick layer, making the edges slightly higher than the center. Smooth the top and

sides with an offset spatula. Freeze until firm; about 30 minutes.

Mix the peanuts and dulce de leche in a bowl.

Remove the cake from the freezer. Spread the peanut mixture and the frosting in a flat even layer. Freeze until firm; about 30 minutes.

Meanwhile, make the chocolate coating. Microwave the chocolate and butter in 30-second intervals, stirring until melted and smooth.

Pour the chocolate coating on the cake and spread it evenly over the top and sides. Freeze until chocolate cools slightly; 6 to 8 minutes.

Starting at the short end of the cake, dip the edge of an offset spatula into the chocolate at an angle and gently pull up repeating along the top of the cake to create a wave pattern. Chill 10 minutes before serving.

### Scandinavian American Club

Ginny Nardone

The next meeting of the Scandinavian Club will feature the annual end of season potluck luncheon. The meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 23, at 1:30 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F.

The club takes a break during the summer months and will resume the regular meeting schedule in September. Have a fun and safe summer!

If you are of Scandinavian descent, we invite you to join us at our May meeting. Please contact Jennie Halvorsen at (352) 873-7478 or Grace Hansen at (352) 237-7780 for more information.



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Spring is in the air and summer is now approaching. Be sure to stay well hydrated by drinking plenty of water when participating in outdoor activities.

**Community Pools**

Warm weather has arrived and what better place to enjoy the outdoors than taking a refreshing dip in one of the community pools? Please remember when utilizing the pool areas that pets, coolers, food and alcohol are prohibited on the pool deck. Plastic water bottles are allowed in the designated areas.

Please note that pool rules are posted around all pools and non-compliance will result in loss of privileges! Please have resident I.D.s available when visiting the pool areas. Rules and procedures are strictly enforced. A resident must accompany their guest(s) or have the guest(s) present the I.D. of the resident they are visiting; Please note, children under the age of 15 may not be permitted in the family pools until after noon during weekdays!

If you have a medical reason that would require a cooler present, you will need to submit a letter to the homeowners association requesting "special accommodations" and receive approval. Pool monitors are now present at the Recreation Center pool.

**Volunteer Luncheon**

The annual volunteer luncheon was held on Tuesday, April 11. This event took place recognizing the coordinator and volunteers within On Top of the World who have given of their time throughout the community in 2016. Lolly Foos was recognized with a gift as a thank you for starting the volunteer program 13 years ago and she continues to support it with her services. Myra Post and Cathy Raynor were named "Volunteers of the Year" for 2016 for all their dedicated services.

Many thanks to all our volunteers for their dedicated services throughout the community.

**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 "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 challenge your neighbors and friends for a fun afternoon of mind boggling, brain taxing questions on Thursday, May 4, at 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 outside beverages will not be permitted at trivia. A free water station will be provided at all trivia nights.

**April's Winners**

1: The Octagons; 2: Know Nothings; 3: Tequila Mockingbirds.

**Get Acquainted Coffee**

Join us in welcoming some of our new residents into the community! We will have a Get Acquainted Coffee on Thursday, May 11, in the Recreation Center Ballroom, at 9 a.m. There will be coffee, doughnuts and representatives from various clubs, fitness and more. Each representative will speak on the services and programs they have to offer. At the conclusion of this event, we will take you on a short walk to familiarize you with some of the facilities and amenities that are available to you as residents.

**Indigo East Arts & Craft Show**

Indigo East will hold their sixth annual "Arts & Craft Show" on Saturday, May 13, at the Indigo East Community Center, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. They will have a lot of vendors and a wide variety of items. Please come out and see what they have to offer; admission is free! For more information, contact Nancy Ludvik at (352) 369-9973.

**Victory Casino Cruise\***

Join us for an afternoon of gambling on Tuesday, May 16 as we cruise on the Victory Casino out of Port Canaveral. 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 gam-

ing. 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 ID will be required to board.

The 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, May 18, from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom. Long White Cloud will provide entertainment. A cash bar and hors d'oeuvres will also be provided (while supplies last). This event is free!

**Memorial Day Service**

Join us for a Memorial Day service on Monday, May 29, at 10 a.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom as we honor the men and women of the United States Armed Forces. Guests include all active duty and retired military personnel. Participants and events will include the West Port High School R.O.T.C. Honor Guard, musical selections from the Concert Chorus and a retired military guest speaker along with the traditional placing of the memorial wreath. The Lions Club sponsors this event.

**Happy Hour**

Last month's "Reggae Night" Happy Hour was held on Friday, April 21. This theme brought out the bright colors with a lot of "rasta impostas;" it was pretty interesting to say the least. Our next themed Happy Hour is "Jam Night" on Friday, May 19, in the Recreation Center Ballroom. We will have four entertainers that night, and no special dress will be required!

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. Please note that no outside beverages of any kind will be allowed into Happy Hour.

The entertainment line-up is as follows:

- May 5: Johnny Alston
- May 12: Starburst
- May 19: Jam Night with Kathleen Kane (3 to 5 p.m., Recreation Center Ballroom), Sugar Time (5 to 7 p.m., Recreation Center Ballroom), Dunning Shaw (5 to 8 p.m., outside veranda) and One Flite Up (7 to 9 p.m., Recreation Center Ballroom)
- May 26: The 45's

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**The Lodge at Candler Hills & Candler Hills Community Center**

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**Community Information**

Please refrain from smoking around the pool, The Pub and veranda areas at the Recreation Center; it is not permitted. We have added a smoking area in front of the Golf Shop with signs posted.

**Telephone Directories**

The 2017 On Top of the World telephone directories are in. You can pick up your copy at Customer Service.

**Facility Hours**

On Monday, May 29, the Recreation Center and Fitness offices will be closed; The Fitness Center and Arbor Club will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with all classes cancelled that day.

**Recreation Center Wet Area & Locker Rooms**

Please note that the men's and women's wet areas and locker rooms will be closed for painting from July 10 through Aug. 6. You will have access to the Fitness Center and restrooms only. Please plan accordingly.

**Upcoming Events in June**

- Tuesday, June 6: Victory Casino Cruise\*
- Thursday, June 8: Grand Oaks Museum\*
- Tuesday, June 13: Southgate Center & Mazaro's Market\*
- Thursday, June 15: Tropic Trivia\*
- Tuesday, June 20: Starlite Majestic Cruise\*
- Friday, June 23: "Surf's Up" Happy Hour
- Monday, June 26: Last day of line dancing classes with Marilyn McNeil
- Thursday, June 29: Disney Springs\*

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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.
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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.
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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.
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Aldi/Lowe's	1:49 p.m.	3:45 p.m.
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**On the Road Again**

**Bob Woods**

Residents who joined the club on the circumnavigating cruise around Australia and the South Island of New Zealand are still reminiscing about the excursion. What an adventure!

This is a final notice for the Niagara Falls and Toronto trip leaving Saturday, June 3. There are only a few seats remaining. This is a nine-day motor coach trip making stops to and from the destination. The tour will include a guided tour of the falls and a boat ride to the base of the falls on the Hornblower. A guided tour of Toronto visiting the majestic Casa Loma castle along with visiting the prettiest town in Canada, the historical Niagara-on-the-Lake and much more. If you would like to participate, call John Ware now!

The next motor coach trip is to Callaway Gardens attending their annual Sky High Hot Air Balloon Festival. This is a four-day trip over Labor Day Weekend (Sept. 1 to Sept. 4) visiting President FDR's Little White House, attending all the festivities at the gardens including a guided tour, a visit to the National Infantry Museum at Fort Benning, the National Civil War Ironclad Naval Museum and also the Civil War prisoner of war encampment and

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museums at Andersonville. The club has three seats available. If you would like to participate, call Bob Woods now!

The seven-day motor coach trip departing Sunday, Nov. 12 to Pigeon Forge and the Smoky Mountains includes attendance to six stage shows along with a side trip to historic Gatlinburg and the Titanic Museum. The fall excursion encompasses the area decorated for Christmas and one of the shows the group will attend is "Christmas at the Smoky Mountain Opry." The coach will stop at Rock City Gardens on the way home. John and Annette Ware are hosts for this trip.

The club has two cruises booked at this time. The first is on Harmony of the Seas departing Saturday, Dec. 2 heading for St. Maarten; San Juan, Puerto Rico; and Labadee, Haiti. This is a seven-night cruise with a \$75 shipboard credit per cabin. Bob and Bev Woods are hosting.

The second is a short five-night cruise departing Tampa on Brilliance of the Seas heading for Key West and Cozumel on March 12, 2018. Each stateroom will receive a \$50 shipboard credit. Bob and Bev are hosting.

Need a flyer? Call Bob Woods at (352) 854-0702 or go to the club's website at [bobwoodsroadagain.com](http://bobwoodsroadagain.com) and download a flyer. If any questions arise or additional information is required, call Bob. All deposits are fully refundable for any reason up to final payment unless otherwise noted. Passports are required for any trip departing the U.S.



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**Aruba, this is what it's all about!**



**World Traveler**

**Bill Shampine**

Aruba, a constituent country of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, is located in the southern Caribbean Sea, about 18 miles north of the coast of Venezuela. It is 20 miles long and six miles across at its widest point. Approximately one-third of the total population of 100,000 people live in Oranjestad, the capital.

Europeans first learned of Aruba following the explorations for Spain by Amerigo Vespucci and Alonso de Ojeda in 1499. Spain quickly colonized the island for over a century. The Netherlands acquired Aruba from Spain in 1636. After

40 years of discussion, Aruba seceded from the Netherlands Antilles and officially became a country of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, consisting of Aruba, Curaçao, Sint Maarten and the Netherlands.

Unlike much of the Caribbean region, Aruba lies outside Hurricane Alley, so it has a relatively dry climate. The annual average of 18 inches of rain per year, offers visitors warm, sunny weather all year. The lack of rainfall, also gives the island an arid, cactus-strewn landscape. It is not suited for the agricultural needs of the plantation system, thus saving the island from the slave trade that was so rampant in the 17th and 18th century.

All of the early European explorers came to the Americas in search of gold. Well, they actually found some gold in Aruba in the 19th century. Further, oil (black gold) was discovered in 1924, but, since 1986, that industry has been on-again, off-again. Today, the island's economy is dominated by tourism, all else pales in comparison. Tourists are drawn by the white-sand beaches, great weather and friendly people.

Aruba is divided geographically into two distinct zones. The northeast coast is battered by the Atlantic Ocean, with its rough seas and treacherous currents. This has resulted in a very rocky coastline, with interesting pools and "natural" bridges. On the other hand, the southwest coast offers miles of beautiful white sand beaches, calm, turquoise seas, and warm waters. Water sports obviously are very popular, and include snorkeling, diving, jet ski rides, windsurfing, and kite boarding. Several readily accessible offshore shipwrecks augment the snorkeling experience.

Other fun things to do in Aruba is to hike or bike. Among other things, you can visit the old gold mine, an ostrich farm, the Guadirikiri Caves, a butterfly farm, a lighthouse, and many of the natural bridges. Or, at a last resort, you can sit in a lounge chair on one of the many beaches, sip a delicious wine while reading a good book, and listen to the waves lapping gently onto the beach. Life can be good!

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**Monday, May 29, 2017 • 10:00 AM**  
**Recreation Center Ballroom**

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- Guest Speaker Lt. Col. Carol Walker: US Air Force
- Musical selections from the Concert Chorus & Sunshine Singers
- Traditional placing of memorial wreath

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## National Senior Health & Fitness Day

By Cammy Dennis



May is the host month for National Senior Health & Fitness Day and the Recreation Center will be participating! The theme for this year is "With Movement There's Improvement!" This special event draws attention to the importance of aging actively, and will be celebrated nationwide on Wednesday, May 31.

It is abundantly clear that regular physical exercise helps to manage a healthy weight, blood pressure, blood sugar and wards off chronic disease. Even more compelling is the opportunity that exercise provides to preserve strength, functional ability and brain health. Live longer and stronger by exercising regularly!

The Recreation Center will participate in National Senior Health & Fitness Day by hosting special classes all morning and furnishing important health and wellness information. The special classes are free for On Top of the World residents and Gateway of Services pass holders, no reservation is required. Come and discover that, "with movement there's improvement!" Here is the class schedule

for Wednesday, May 31:

- **8 A.M. – BUDDY BOOT CAMP:** Bring a buddy or find one in class, all these high-energy, boot camp exercises will require a partner.
- **9 A.M. – PRANA PARTNERS:** Tap into your inner-energy as you move through a series of partner-postures and exercises that foster core strength, balance and flexibility.
- **10 A.M. – STICKS, CLICKS AND BALANCE:** A special balance class that incorporates drum sticks for a workout that supports fun and fall prevention!
- **10:45 A.M. – PARTNER POWER:** Strength and conditioning with a twist ... all the exercise will be done with a partner! Come with a friend or find one in class.
- **11:45 A.M. – SIT-FIT-FUN:** These seated exercises deliver a mix of strength, endurance and flexibility challenges. Ramp up the fun by doing them with a partner!

## New Cornhole Club

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

It's different. It's new. It promises to be a lot of fun. A new cornhole club has formed!

Cornhole is a game that is played throughout the United States and is also known as beanbag toss plus other names. It is a very popular and growing outdoor activity in certain areas of the country. This game can be traced back to the west side of Cincinnati where they would throw corncobs into a trashcan after devouring the kernels. Hence the term cornhole, which later became a tailgate event and recently ESPN televised the national championships.

This game or sport can be played by most folks, male or female, even those with limited physical capabilities and is the brain child of resident Jim Russell who got the idea of cornhole after listening to folks who would like to play horseshoes but can't due to their physical abilities. These comments started Russell thinking.

Cornhole is very similar to playing horseshoes. Instead of tossing a heavy horseshoe, the player of

cornhole will be tossing a beanbag weighing about one pound that is full of corn kernels or beans.

Russell approached Theresa Fields in the Recreation Center office and presented the idea of forming the Cornhole Club. Russell's idea was very encouraging as Theresa had flyers printed and advertised this new forming club on the community's television. At present, there are over 50 residents already signed up for this club and if you would like to participate, please call Jim Russell at (352) 861-6355.

At present, the club plays cornhole at the community horseshoe pits. Russell plans to have a meeting soon for the players to elect officers, establish annual dues, if any, and days and time of the week for play.

Cornhole is a relatively simple game where players take turns throwing beanbags at a raised platform with a six-inch hole in the far end. If the beanbag enters the hole, you score three points. The holes are exactly 30 feet apart and there are four bags for each team, gener-

ally in different colors. If the bag stays on the board then each bag scores one point.

There are teams of two or just two players who can play on any court at the same time. Scoring can vary. Some count all the points scored by each team while others subtract the lesser team's points

from the winning teams. Example: One team scores seven points and the other team scores five points. The winning team would only be credited with two points. The bags have to fall in the hole or be on the board to count in the scoring.

Want to join the club? Call Jim at (352) 861-6355.



Photo by Bob Woods

Cornhole Club members practicing tossing bean bags.

## Semi-Annual Pickleball Tournament

By Ray Cech  
World News Writer

The additional six pickleball courts that were built last year at On Top of the World, were added just

in time. From 30 members, playing the sport just four years ago, to more than 100 today is proof posi-

tive that it was a prescient decision to expand the number of courts.

On Saturday, March 25, the Pickleball Club played a semi-annual tournament. Fifty members participated. Kelli Brunner, known to members by the acronym, FLOP (first lady of pickleball), said, "Normally we have one tournament a year, and that's in the fall, but this year we thought it would be fun

to have a competition prior to the snowbirds flying back home. More than 50 members played, and it was great fun. There will, of course, still be a fall tournament."

The tournament was made up of three levels of players: one, two and three. Within each group there was a bronze, silver and gold medal winner. Following the tournament and the recognition of winners, a pizza party topped off the fun at the pavilion.

Kelli and Paul (PLOP) Brunner have been the club's leaders and organizers for the past year. After discovering pickleball, they have now just about completed their conversion from golf. Paul and Kelli find that pickleball gives them a lot more exercise, is more social, not as time consuming, and as they both say, "Not nearly as frustrating." And that's coming from a couple of pretty good golfers.

Pickleball was recently recognized as one of the fastest growing sports among all ages in the United States. And that is also the case here at On Top of the World. If you're interested in playing pickleball, or would just like to watch a game or two, get over to the courts behind the Arbor Club, from 9 to and 10 a.m. To join and start playing, you will find a club application at the courts. If you've never played before, or want to brush up on your paddling skills, Bill Daugherty and John Mullin are available to help with some instruction. The Pickleball Club e-mail is otowpickleball@yahoo.com.



Photo by Ray Cech

Pickleball tournament winners.



### Billiards Club

Phil Panzera

It was a quiet month in our room, capped off by our club barbecue and picnic. We hope everyone had some good food and a fun time.

The only other event of note was the attendance of three of our own at the Allen Hopkins Super Billiard Expo in Philadelphia, Penn. Lonnie McNew, Ronnie Cruce and Phil

Panzera attended, and it was a remarkable weekend. The expo had many professional, open, league and senior competitions, and over 50 exhibitors displaying every sort of billiards cue and accessory imaginable. There were well over a thousand competitors, playing on perhaps 400 tables, spread out over an area of about three football fields. Now that's a tournament!

There were 164 competitors in the Super Seniors Division. Lonnie, Ronnie and Phil each won their first three matches, which were best out of three races to five. Ronnie made

a terrific comeback in his third match after being down 4 to 0, only one game away from being out of the tournament. He came on strong to win the next five games in a row, and proceeded to the fourth round.

Ronnie had a tough competitor there, and a back and forth match, but Ron made a clinch shot in the last game and secured his fourth win. Although he didn't win his next match, Ron's four wins put him "in the money," and he earned a \$350 prize.

In Lonnie's fourth round match he got some bad rolls, and his competitor got some lucky breaks and was able to win.

In Phil's fourth round match he ran into a buzz saw, in the form of a seasoned expo veteran, who in his 15 expo events had won the tournament once, and also come in second twice and third twice. He and Phil had an exciting match, with both players running most of the racks. In two races to five this prior tournament winner only missed two shots, and he won even though

Phil didn't miss a single shot in sixteen games. This buzz saw actually went on to win the tournament.

Phil also played in three three-cushion tournaments, which were tough events as they included three former three-cushion national champions. Phil was able to win through to the final eight in two of the events though, which wasn't too shabby since Phil hasn't played three-cushion regularly since he moved here in 2014. Before then, Phil had played three-cushion exclusively for 25 years, giving up pool. Since moving here he's had to re-learn how to put object balls in pockets all over again, which is why he still misses so many to this day. Phil continues to remain optimistic though, and figures that in another 20 or 30 years he'll hopefully have the game down.

If anyone would like to attend the expo next year, just check it out online, or ask any of us who attended. It was as delicious and intense a pool experience as a Godiva dark chocolate truffle!



### Model Railroaders

Jim Lynam

The Model Railroaders sincerely hopes that you were able to visit our Lionel modular display last month in the Arbor Conference Center. Over the three-day weekend, the event attracted over 80 visitors, including children of all ages.

It is such a satisfying feeling to see the younger children operate the "action" tracks to unload the logs from the log car to the sawmill, and have the mill convert the logs to cut lumber boards. They were also fascinated to load the barrels from the factory onto the barrel car, and unload the barrels on the "team track." But the greatest joy was to observe families come to the room and place chairs next to the layout at eye level, and just sit in pure fascination as the trains rolled on by! The club hopes that these events will continue to delight today's children and create future model railroaders.

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## CARDS & GAMES

### Monday Afternoon Bridge

Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson

#### March 6

1: Linda & Don Sprague; 2: Marge Starrett & Joyce Walchak; 3: Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson; 4: Pat Goltart & Helen O'Brien; 5: Nancy Clarkson & Kay Boland.

#### March 13

1: Judy Wagnitz & Marlene Floecker; 2: Doris Keathley & Joan Lord; 3: Helen & Joe O'Brien; 4: Marjorie Benton & Caryl Rosenberger; 5: Joyce Walchak & Marge Starrett.

#### March 20

1: Caryl Rosenberger & Marjorie Benton; 2: Joe & Helen O'Brien; 3: Joan Lord & Doris Keathley; 4: Don & Linda Sprague; 5: Marge Starrett & Joyce Walchak.

#### March 27

1: Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson; 2: Nancy Clarkson & Joanne Jones; 3: Helen & Joe O'Brien; 4: Joyce Walchak & Marge Starrett; 5: Doris Keathley & Joan Lord.

### Tuesday Afternoon Bridge

Joanne Jones

#### March 7

1: Shirley Stolly & Betty Morris; 2: Agnes LaSala & Bernie Kelly; 3: Linda & Don Sprague.

#### March 14

1: Mazie Millward & Rad Debaroerie; 2: Shirley Stolly & Betty Morris; 3: Linda & Don Sprague.

#### March 21

1: Agnes LaSala & Bernie Kelly; 2: Joanne Jones & Rad Debaroerie; 3: Shirley Stolly & Betty Morris.

#### March 28

1: Shirley Stolly & Fran Griswold; 2: Linda & Don Sprague; 3: Joanne Jones & Mazie Millward.

### Wednesday Afternoon Bridge

Pat Goltart

#### March 1

1: Marian Hotz; 2: Bernie Kelly; 3: Pat Goltart; 4: Mary Klinzing; 5: Carmen Arroya; Cons: Betty Morris.

#### March 8

1: Betty Morris; 2: Delores Melberg & Nebbie Day; Cons: Mary Klinzing.

#### March 15

1: Pat Goltart; 2: Maureen Meade; 3: Bernie Kelly; 4: Carmen Arroya; Cons: Delores Melberg.

#### March 22

1: Mary Klinzing; 2: Maureen Meade; 3: Dianne Robinson; 4: Helen O'Brien.

#### March 27

1: Dianne Robinson; 2: Marian Hotz; 3: Helen O'Brien.

### Thursday Afternoon Bridge

Marge Starrett

#### March 2

1: Betty Morris; Tie at 2: Nebbie Day & Marlene Floecker.

#### March 9

1: Cleona Redman; 2: Carmen Arroyo; 3: Joanna Jones.

#### March 16

1: Fran Griswold; 2: Serine Rossi; 3: Marge Starrett; 4: Kay Boland.

#### March 23

1: Marlene Floecker; 2: Mary Klinzing; 3: Linda Sprague; 4: Dianne Robinson.

#### March 30

1: Don Sprague; 2: Linda Sprague; 3: Cleona Redman.

### Thursday Night Bridge

Keith Briggs

#### March 16

1: Ida Rosendahl; 2: Joan Sigafoos; 3: Keith Briggs.

#### March 23

1: Lucy Molloy; 2: Marion Hotz; 2: Deloris Oichu.

#### March 30

1: Miriam McNeilly; 2: Ida Hartley; 3: Sara Anderson.

### Tuesday Night Pinochle

Whitney Frye

#### March 7

1: Joe Eisgruber; 2: Walter Hickenlooper; 3: Ann Pelham.

#### March 14

1: Dian Rothiteen; 2: Bob Hoerr; 3: Andy Mark.

#### March 21

1: Whitney Frye; 2: Edith Kolb; 3: Darroll Maul.

#### March 28

1: Cathy Buchanan; 2: Bruce Hergel; 3: Herb Katz.

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**Golf**

**Matt Hibbs**  
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May is officially here and so are the summer temperatures. Here are some tips to beat the summer heat and stay hydrated on the course: drink plenty of water. Each golf course has a water cooler every four to six holes, please be sure to use them. Eat a few bananas to keep your potassium levels up to prevent cramping. Also be sure to wear a hat and put on sunscreen. We all know how damaging the sun can really be.

We would like to thank all who participated in the third annual On Top of the World Club Championship. Congratulations to all the flight winners in both the men and women's divisions. A special congratulation goes out to our men's On Top of the World Club Champion Fritz Langville, the ladies On Top of the World Club Champion Deborah Martin, and the ladies 9-hole Club Champion Kay Budd. Great playing!

Friday, May 5 will boast our first annual Michelle-O-Gram golf event. This event will be held at Candler Hills Golf Club with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. It's a scramble format and you may create your own foursome. The event is \$50 per person and includes lunch, prizes and a \$23.95 donation to Michelle-O-Gram. Contact either Golf Shop for more information.

To wrap up the month of May, the Tortoise & The Hare will host the annual World Memorial Day Tournament. The event will be held Monday, May 29 with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. The format will be two best balls of four and you can create your own foursome. The cost is \$25 per player, which includes lunch and awards after play. Please register in your respective Golf Shop.

Golf is a wonderful game that we all love but don't forget about the most important part of golf, safety. Always make sure you are following safety tips regarding use of golf carts, keep track of those around you, never hit into the group ahead of you, keep an eye on the weather and in case of an emergency:

- Always call 911 first.

- Make sure to carry a mobile device.
- On Top of the World and Candler Hills scorecards have the Golf Shop phone numbers and addresses listed in case of emergency.
- All golf course restrooms have addresses.

**Upcoming Events**

- Wednesday, May 3: Candler Hills closes at 1 p.m. for Ronstar application.
- Friday, May 5: Links closed until 9 a.m. and Tortoise & The Hare closes at noon for Ronstar application.
- Friday, May 5: Michelle-O-Gram Golf Event at Candler Hills Golf Club.
- Monday, May 15 through Thursday, May 18: Candler Hills Golf Course closed for aerification.
- Saturday, May 20: Par 3 Challenge at the Links.
- Monday, May 29: World Memorial Day Tournament at Tortoise & The Hare.

**World Accolades**

**CANDLER HILLS:** John Gayso, shot 73 four strokes under his age. Julian Hobby, Hole-in-One #8. Debby Wilson, eagle #7. Renee Aden, eagle #7. Everett Kimball, shot his age 70. Jay List, eagle #12. Tim Mullen, eagle #12.

**LINKS:** R.D. Zink, hole-in-one #5. Joe Bologna, eagle #1. Dennis Brown, Hole-in-One #6. Mike Bantz, eagle #18. Jim Merrick, shot his age, 81. Rudy Normandin, shot 73, four strokes under his age. John Gayso, shot 76, one stroke under his age. Bill Young, personal best round 72.

**TORTOISE & THE HARE:** Mike Wathen, eagle #5 and #16. Connie Sohl, personal best round 83. Barry Barringer, shot his age, 88. Joe Schaefer, eagle #3. Mary Muller, eagle #5.

Congratulations to everyone!

**Golf Tip of the Month**

How do you know what is the best golf ball for you? With over 85 different models of golf balls finding the right one can be challenging. Just because one ball is more expensive than another doesn't mean it's the right fit for your game. There are many determining factors when choosing the right ball.

Most high handicappers need



**18-hole Club Champions Fritz Langville and Deborah Martin, and the ladies 9-hole Club Champion Kay Budd.**

more distance and accuracy. If this fits the bill then you need a distance ball with low spin. Too much spin will cause your hooks or slices to be more severe. If you're a low handicapper with a high swing speed then most likely you will need a softer ball. This will help control the spin around the greens.

Swing speed also determines which ball is best suited for you. If you have a slower swing speed

you want a golf ball with less compression. The lower compression ball allows slower swing speeds to more easily compress the ball with the club face on the downswing and obtain greater distance. Choosing a ball with too much compression will reduce your distance off the tee because of not being able to fully compress the ball.

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**Candler Hills Ladies 18-Hole Golf**

Linda Buschur

The Candler Hills LGA-18 ladies have had a busy spring. The weather has certainly cooperated with sunshine and very comfortable temperatures.

The On Top of the World LGA-18 invited our league to play the Links on Tuesday, March 14 during the Ocala Open at Candler Hills. Also, Denise Mullen arranged an outing on Thursday, March 16, at Eagle Ridge at Summerglen. Twelve ladies attended.

Candler Hills hosted Mid State on Thursday, March 23. A total of 72 players participated which included 33 of our members. The following ladies earned 20 points each:

Low Gross: Deb Martin.  
Low Net: Bev Ovrebo.  
Low Putts: Su Freeman, Kate Beaty & Beth Wolinsky.

Congratulations to these ladies and all of the ladies who placed in their flights! Hats off to the Candler Hills LGA-9 volunteers for doing a fabulous job at registration, breakfast and cleanup.

The last Mid State for this season was held on Monday, April 10 in Inverness. Four ladies attended.

Low Net: Kathy Smyth.  
Low Putts: Iro Lisinski.

Congratulations ladies! Candler Hills ended the year with 200 points. Many thanks to all the ladies who attended Mid State throughout the year!

Special thanks go out to Kathy Smyth and Carol Clark, our representatives for Mid State this year, and also to Heddy Racinowski for organizing the breakfast and lunch for our March event at Candler

Hills. Kathy Smyth was installed as president of Mid State for 2017-2018 and Iro Lisinski as secretary. Congratulations ladies! We will host the Pro-Lady event in January 2019. More information will be available at a later date.

The Solheim Cup between Candler Hills LGA-18 and On Top of the World LGA-18 was held Thursday, April 6 at Candler Hills and Tuesday, April 11 at Tortoise & The Hare. A total field of 52 ladies participated. Great job to all the Candler Hills ladies - you fought hard and played to your max!

Congratulations to On Top of the World LGA-18 for their win with a final score of 32 to 20. As always, it was a fabulous event and all had a good time.

A reminder that the general membership meeting and elections will be Thursday, May 11 following golf. Lunch will be catered by Mo-

jo's Grill and Catering. Please plan on attending this important meeting.

Please visit our website at chlga.shutterfly.com to stay informed on upcoming events, view pictures, read minutes and lots of other valuable information.

Anyone interested in joining our league should contact President Pam Monk at themonk28641@gmail.com or stop at the Candler Hill Golf Club to pick up an application in our league book.

**Solheim Practice**

**Team Game - Best Ball of Two/ front nine and Alternate Modified Shot/Back Nine**

March 30

2 Up-Heddy Racinowski, Beth Wolinsky; 1 Up-Gail Banavige, Paula Lilly; 1 Up-Sue List, Kate Beaty; 2 Up-Judie Anderson, Judy McGrath; Even-Bev Ovrebo, Iro Lisinski, Connie Norris, Sara Nunn.

**Team Net Ribbon Event April 11**

30-Connie Deignan, Dolores Jaynes, Susan Wilkes, Maryann Polizzoti; 35-Joan Cecchini, Joyce Smith, Pauline Beloin, Cheryl Duke; 39-Linda Dumeer, Blind Draw, Mary Vliek, Patricia Howd; 39-Mervyn Paz, Marlene Floeckher, Eve Harvey, Sherry Whitmer-Hall. 39-Pat Gill, Myra Noel, Joan Loureiro, Louise Lineman; 39-Susane Trembulak, Sheila Ashe, Joan Rappa, Donna McCombs.



**Ladies 9-Hole Golf**

Judith Parisi

We had a fantastic annual awards luncheon at Stone Creek. Thank you to Lora Rossi and her committee for organizing this event. Details can be found at otowladies9holeleague.shutterfly.com.

At recent rallies, Russ Smith has been providing guidance on situations we typically encounter, such as hitting out of bounds and particularly the impact of the white fencing on the fifth hole of the Tortoise & The Hare.

Russ stated the penalty for hitting out of bounds is stroke and distance. If you think you hit out of bounds you declare you are hitting a provisional and replay the ball. Or, if you reach your ball and then realize you are out of bounds you need to go back to the spot from which you played that shot and replay it. You give up the distance of the errant shot and take a penalty stroke.

On the white fencing, it is the upright posts that determine out of bounds, not the cross beams which are slightly recessed. You would need to estimate a line that would go from one vertical post to

the other in terms of the position of your ball. If any part of the ball is in bounds, the ball is considered in bounds. However, if the fencing obstructs ones swing, there is no free relief.

Questions should be directed to the Golf Shop if the Members Booklet doesn't provide clarification.

**Honey Bee Event March 14**

69-Joan Rappa, Myra Noel, Lora Rossi, Maryann Polizzoti; 72-Caroline East, Kathy Triolo, Ethel Miller, Donna McCombs; 73-Lydia Flinchbaugh, Marianne Ingwersen, Charmaine Hassett, Louise Lineman; 73-Virginia Bayless, Betty Werner, Marcie Hock, Mary Hart. 74-Kay Budd, Dolores Jaynes, Carol Bell, Carolyn Abramovich; 74-Linda Dumeer, Barbara Cribbs, Judy Parisi, Jean Flynn.

**Team Fewest Putts March 21**

69-Eileen Gustavus, Marlene Floeckher, Joan Loureiro, Mary Hart; 71-Virginia Bayless, Susan Wilkes, Carolyn Abramovich, Blind Draw; 71-Janis Hannasch, Joyce Smith, Carol Bell, Patricia Howd; 72-Mervyn Paz, Caroline East, Sheila Ashe, Lorraine Bill; 75-Joan Cecchini, Carla Kimball, Dodie Phillips, Cheryl Duke.

**Three Blind Mice March 28**

Flight 1: 24-Carla Kimball, Linda

Dumeer, Janis Hannasch; 25-Carolyn East; 26-Kay Budd.

Flight 2: 21-Lydia Flinchbaugh; 24-Joan Cecchini, Mary Ann McCourt, Lorraine Rourke; 26-Marianne Ingwersen, Joyce Smith.

Flight 3: 23-Jane Wilson, 25-Judy Parisi, Marcie Hock, Marlene Floeckher; 27-Carol Bell.

Flight 4: 24-Patricia Howd, 25-Donna McCombs; 26-Susan Wilkes, Sheila Ashe; 28-Mary Vliek.

**Scramble-Team Gross April 4**

39-Lorraine Rourke, Pat Gill, Mary Hart, Jean Flynn; 40-Caroline East, Connie Deignan, Mary Vliek, Sheila Ashe; 40-Joan Cecchini, Joyce

Smith, Dodie Phillips, Michaele Bey-er; 41-Linda Dumeer, Marcie Hock, Maryanne Polizzoti, Lora Rossi; 41-Myra Noel, Judy Parisi, Pauline Beloin, Linda Heenan.



**Softball**

Bill Leon

With 11 games to go, the Dr. Dunn team continues to hold on to first place. There are however three teams inching up on the Dr. Dunn team so it may be a race to the end if the they begin to falter. The luck may be with them though as the team which was holding on to second place began to lose some ground and are now tied with the Tee Pee Tire and Cebert Wealth teams who are now all tied for second place.

The Tee Pee Tire Team has been hampered by the loss of a couple

of players, but the substitute players have helped keep them within contention. The Cinderella team is Cebert Wealth, which started at the bottom of the pack and has come alive to move into contention as they have picked up some good players and improved their team.

The lowly Pavarotti's and Tax Panic teams will be the spoiler teams as they are both hoping to get close to a .500 season. Both teams continue to shift back and forth in last place.

Team	Won	Lost	Tie
1-Dr. Dunn (Dennis)	13	7	1
6-Last Frontier (Mark)	11	10	
2-Tee Pee Tire (Ed)	11	10	
4-Cebert Wealth (Jeff)	11	10	
3-Pavarotti's (Bill)	8	13	
5-Tax Panic (Paul)	8	12	1

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**Men's Golf Association**

Tom Cummings

After one of the mildest winters since I moved to Florida, spring is here. Soon we will be longing for those cool mornings. As the temperatures begin to get warmer and warmer, make sure you stay hydrated and in the shade as much as possible. (That is not saying to hit the ball into the woods just to find shade though.)

The MGA has many new members and we are adding new ones almost every week. If you are new,

I am sure you will find most members are very welcoming. If you have questions just ask anyone on the board and they should be able to help you. If you are someone who has been a member for awhile, please make all the new members you play with feel welcome.

**Scramble March 1**

61-Gary Hassett, Thomas South, Dan Carty, Clarence Higdon; Tie at 63-Dale Budd, Jim Tait, Jack Hegarty, George Noltensmeyer; Roger Sparks, Carl Zeiler, John Workman, Rollin Schwab; Jerry Ashe, Tom Fragapane, George Blankenship, Tom Marta; Bob Meyer, David Schaefer, Don Delp, Paul Perrault; Terry Hoppes, Brian Andrews, Joe

**3 Best Balls of 4 March 8**

171-Joe Bologna, John Hudacik, Mike Kurlakowsky, Vince Nucaso; 180-John Langville, Henry Sohl, Dennis Pope, David Stafford; Tie at 182-Dennis McCourt, Joe Szall, Wally Schilf, Francis Caprez; John Spielvogel, Tom Fragapane, Ed Buton, Phelps White.

**ABCD Odd Man In March 15**

117-Gary Hassett, Paul Wade, Brian Andrew, Ralph Solvold; 121-Jerry Ashe, Mike Maillet, Paul Sepulveda, Larry Zieser; 123-Roger Sparks, Bob Meyer, Guy Russell.

**Team Stableford March 22**

176-John Hudacik, Dave Hannasch, Joe Quaranta, Ed Rossi; Tie at 165-Dennis McCourt, Tom Fragapane, Jerry Nagel, George Lineman; Larry Rourke, Rudy Normandin, Mike Driver, Barry Barringer.

**Individual Quota Points March 29**

Flight 1: 8-Jon Hill; 7-Roger Sparks; 6-Garry Gerlach.  
Flight 2: 7-Tom Fragapane; Tie at 6-Ed Schwinn, Brian Wilder.  
Flight 3: 15-Jay Bouton; 11-Henry Sohl; 8-Mike Maillet.  
Flight 4: 11-Ralph Solvold; Tie at 9-Dave Hannasch, Mike Driver, Tony Magri.  
Flight 5: 12-Armando Pena; Tie at 9-Ed Buton, Tary Bole, Norm Lallier.  
Flight 6: Tie at 8-Ed Duke, Vince Nucaso.



**Candler Hills Men's Golf**

Dave Miller

We welcome Gary Glyman as a new member to our organization - welcome aboard! 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 website (chmga.com), or contact one of the golf professionals in the Candler Hills Golf Shop.

Now that the NCAA basketball tournament is over, I thought this quote from Al McGuire was appropriate: "It's so ridiculous to see a golfer with a one foot putt and

everybody is saying "shhh" and not moving a muscle. Then we allow 19 year-old kids to face a game-deciding free throw with 17,000 people yelling."

Players scoring very well in February during regular league play include: Jay List (69 - three under par!), Larry Kettlewell (72), Paul Rubly, Dave Miller, Everett Kimball and Joseph Schuberth (75), Joe Damiata (76), Ken Zweiback (77), Bill Anger (78) & Joe Jingco and Julian Hobby (79). Well done!

In next month's column, we'll report on our annual Ryder Cup match with the Men's Golf Association of On Top of the World, which will be played in mid-April. Then in May we will play for the Veterans Cup with golfers from Stone Creek. Funds generated by this event go to Marion County Veterans Helping

Veterans.

In addition, we enjoyed golfing with the On Top of the World Men's Golf Association on March 15 while the Ocala Open was being played on the Candler Hills Golf Course. A heartfelt thank you from all of our members.

**4-Man/3 Best Balls March 7**

Tie at 184-Larry Kettlewell, Tom Racinowski, Ed Pozsony & blind draw and Jay List, Joe Jingco, Paul Kannapel & blind draw; 187-Jeff Downs, Anthony Bruno, Dennis McCourt & James Wall; Tie at 191-Everett Kimball, Mark Monk, Tony Mistry & David Green; Joseph Schuberth, Paul Sepulveda, Dale Budd & Richard Freeman; Gene Moff, Joe Alfano, Dan Gill & Dan O'Brien and Julian Hobby, Rick Appel, Ken Zweiback & Bob Cowie

**4-Man/3 Best Quota Scores March 21**

+17-Joseph Schuberth, Chuck Lafferty, Dennis McCourt & Gilbert Green; +14-Everett Kimball, Ken Zweiback, Dennis Norris & David Green; +13-Rick Appel, Joe Alfano, Paul Silliman & John Workman; +12-Julian Hobby, Joe Jingco, Andy Bulloch & Paul Kannapel

**2-Man Teams - Quota Points Format March 28**

AB Teams: +22-Joseph Schuberth & blind draw; +16-Joe Damiata & Bill Anger; +14-Julian Hobby & Dave Miller; +12-Jay List & Tom Racinowski.  
CD Teams: +14-Ken Zweiback & Chris Lyndrup; +13-Joe Jingco & David Green; +9-Paul Silliman & John Podkomorski; Tie at +6-Tony Mistry & John Workman and Jim McGrath & Dan O'Brien.



**Horseshoe League**

Jim Russell

The beautiful April weather has provided us great playing conditions and, as a result, we have someone new join us almost every week. We've been averaging over 16 folks each week and on a couple of Tuesday mornings, we have had as many as 20 play.

As our community grows, we hope to see even more horseshoe enthusiasts join us at 9 a.m. each

Tuesday at the horseshoe complex, located next to the softball field. We have nine pits available for play, so we have plenty of room to accommodate up to 36 players at one time.

The current spring season of play concludes at the end of May and we take a summer break in June, July and August. New players are still welcome to join us at any time and work on fine-tuning your game. That way you'll be ready to go when play resumes at the beginning of September.

During our summer break, we are looking forward to having a little renovation done to our courts. We hope to have the wooden

frames that line the insides of the pits replaced along with having a new coarser sand mix to replace the current sand used in each pit. In addition, some concrete repair work is to be done on the first four pits as well as getting some new horseshoes and upgrading the maintenance equipment with some new brooms and some additional rakes. Our thanks to Theresa Fields and her staff for all the support she provides us.

And finally, a reminder: We are your best outlet for recycling aluminum cans. Bring them to the pavilion, located between the softball field and the horseshoe pits and place your bag of cans in front of

the door with the horseshoe on it. If they are already crushed, great but if not, we'll crush them for you. Our horseshoe travel team uses the proceeds from recycling cans to fund their expenses associated with belonging to and hosting other community teams that play in the Tri-County Horseshoe League.

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**Candler Hills LGA-9 Club Championship.**



**Candler Hills Ladies 9-Hole Golf**

Susan Layne

The league did not have a lot of play opportunities in March because of the Ocala Open and the 18-hole ladies Mid-State tournament. A big thank you to all the ladies who volunteered to work the Ocala Open. What a wonderful opportunity this was to watch those young professional golfers. They are just so appreciative of all of us at Candler Hills Golf Course. We heard a lot of thank yous and also feedback on how nice the course was. If you haven't had the chance to volunteer, I would encourage you to in the future. It is very rewarding.

Twelve of our ladies played in the Golf Around (GAR) at Ocala Palms on Monday, March 20. A cool morn-

ing turned into a beautiful golf day. We had a lovely continental breakfast. Olive Garden catered lunch. It featured lasagna, salad and, of course, their breadsticks. Dessert was a variety of mousse. Ladies in the winnings were:

Flight 1 Low Net: 32-Carla Kimball.  
Flight 2 Low Net: 32-Kathy Triolo  
Flight 3 Low Net: 30-Rocket Johnson, 34-Judy Parisi.  
Flight 4 Low Gross: 52-Mary Vliek, Low Net: 32-Mary Giannukos.

Thursday, March 30 was the first round of play for the league championship on the front nine. The second round was held on April 6 on the back nine. To be eligible to play, a member must have played at least 10 times the previous year and must be able to play both weeks. Players were flighted. Overall champion was Low Gross total for two weeks. This year, 25 ladies signed up to play.

Congratulations to the league champion for 2017: Susane Trem-

bulak!

Monday, April 10 was the Golf Around (GAR) at Ocala Municipal Golf Course. Twelve of our league ladies participated. Lots of fresh fruit and muffins were served for breakfast. Lunch was delicious southern fried chicken, rolls, cole slaw, garlic mashed potatoes and green beans. Dessert was peach cobbler.

The final Golf Around for this season will be held on Thursday, May 25 at Eagle Ridge Golf Club.

**League Championship March 30/April 6**

Flight 1: 95-Susane Trembulak; 97-Eileen Gustavus; 108-Marianne In-

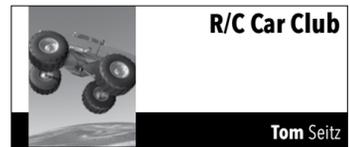
gwersen; 111-Renee Aiden.  
Flight 2: 100-Pat Gill; 103-Kathy Triolo; 106-Judy Parisi; 109-Marcie Hock.

Flight 3: 102-Mary Vliek; 106-Olive Curtin; 109-Susan Layne; 110-Carl Deahl.

Flight 4: 119-Donna McCombs; 124-Nancy Dreimiller; 128-Lora Rossi; 134-Eve Harvey.

**Golf Around April 10**

Flight 2 Low Net: 33-Pat Gill.  
Flight 3 Low Gross: 50-Judy Parisi; Low Net: 32-Rocket Johnson.  
Flight 4 Low Gross: 50-Olive Curtin; Low Net: 31-Sue Layne; Low Putts: 16-Eve Harvey.



**R/C Car Club**

Tom Seitz

The R/C Car Club is less than two years old, yet it is becoming one of the more popular community clubs, with new members added almost every week.

In April, the club held the first of what is planned as an annual picnic. It was quite a popular and enjoyable event. The club provided barbecue, with our great chefs, Bill and Charlie, doing the honors. Many potluck dishes from mem-

bers made it a scrumptious day. While we race both Sundays and Thursdays, Sunday has proven to be our best day with many racers and a significant number of spectators.

Competition in the races remains fierce with many winners in our new points system.

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.

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**Ladies 18-Hole Golf**

Susan Rhodes

Congratulations to the Ladies Golf Association 18-Hole who came out the winner against Candler Hills in the Solheim Cup with a final score of 32 to 20. Needless to say, there was quite a party on the patio outside The Pub to celebrate! The Candler Hills ladies joined in the fun, but they gave us fair warning that they are looking forward to taking us on next year!

While winning is fun, many of us agreed that the camaraderie within each team and between both teams enhanced the enjoyment. Many thanks to the golf professionals for all they did to make this event a success!

Our match play event that started in February is completed. Gail LaGrange is our match play champion, and Pat MacMurray, the runner up. Also, VaDonna Hall is the consolation bracket winner. Congratulations to all, and thanks to all those who participated.

Congratulations to Deb Martin who is (yet again) the On Top of the World ladies 18-hole club champion for 2017!

With the advent of May, many of our snowbirds have begun their flights northward. Wishing you a safe journey and a fun summer - and we look forward to your return in the fall.

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**Ladies Golf Association 18-Hole Solheim participants with Russ Smith, assistant golf professional.**

**Blue (Team Net, 2 Best Balls) March 14/Links**

85-Joan D'Addio, Lynn DeHart, Gail Banavige, Carol Johnson. Tie at 87-Peggy Borro, Donna Smith, Margaret Hudacik; Nancy Zielinski, Sara Nunn, Debby Wilson, Dawn Hagberg; Gretchen Normandin, Valerie Smith, Paula Lilly, Beth Wolinsky; Linda Blewitt, Harriet Hawkins, Kate Beaty, Donna Brunell. 88-Su Freeman, Connie Norris, Lorie Anderson, Carolyn Cummings. Tie at 89-Beverly Ovrebo, Rosemarie O'Neil, Carol Clark; Susan Rhodes, Jeanie A. Gallo, Yoshiko Young. 91-Gail LaGrange, Angie Jingco, Vicky Salyers.

**Stableford (Individual Net) March 21/Tortoise & The Hare**

Flight 1: 45-Linda Blewitt. 40-Su Freeman. Tie at 37-Gretchen Normandin, Deborah Martin. Flight 2: 39-Peggy Borro. 35-Angie Jingco. Tie at 34-Harriet Hawkins, Pat Lindstrom, Rosemarie O'Neil. Flight 3: 45-Margaret Hudacik. 43-Yuhlan Cho. 42-Susan Maillet. Tie at 41-Sandy Chase, Debby Wilson. Flight 4: 41-Donna Brunell. 39-Molly Lucieer. 37-Geri Treppa. 35-Dee Howie.

**Most Net Pairs or Better (Individual) March 28/Links**

Flight 1: Tie at 16-Su Freeman, Lynne Dickson. Tie at 15-Gretchen Normandin, VaDonna Hall. 14-Peggy Borro. Flight 2: Tie at 16-Harriet Hawkins, Rosemarie O'Neil. 14-Angie Jingco. Tie at 13-Nancy Zielinski, Joan D'Addio, May Chin, Peggy Wiechmann, Johanna Forceno.

Flight 3: Tie at 15-Debby Wilson, Margaret Hudacik. Tie at 14-Connie Sohl, Sandy Chase. 13-Lorie Anderson.

Flight 4: 16-Mary Bennett. 15-Donna Brunell. Tie at 14-Carolyn Cummings, Betty McNeeley, Jo Apperson.

**Low Gross, Low Net (Individual) April 4/Links**

Flight 1 Gross: 79-Deborah Martin. 89-Gail LaGrange. Flight 1 Net: 67-VaDonna Hall. 75-Lynne Dickson. Flight 2 Gross: 87-Peggy Borro. 90-Iro Lisinski. Flight 2 Net: 71-Angie Jingco. 74-Lynn DeHart. Flight 3 Gross: 93-Yuhlan Cho. 97-Debby Wilson. Flight 3 Net: Tie at 72-Connie Sohl, Lorie Anderson. Flight 4 Gross: 95-Molly Lucieer. 97-Marilyn Schaupp. Flight 4 Net: 70-Dee Howie. 71-Geri Treppa.



**Bunco Babes Social Group**

Micki Malsch

The Bunco Babes Social Group plays bunco in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite E. Registration is at 6:45 p.m.; games begin at 7 p.m. Although we are bunco babes, bunco dudes are invited too! Husbands do accompany their wives and play too!

The next scheduled game is Tuesday, May 23. This will be the last scheduled game before the summer break. Bunco will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 26.

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 March, there were 30 players, most of whom 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 beverage.

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**Bocce**

**Micki Malsch**

This is how we roll! Plans have been finalized for the annual bocce banquet on Saturday, May 6, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Indigo East Community Center. Sweet Potatoes Restaurant will provide catering. The menu will consist of salad, entrée choice of either stuffed chicken breast or shrimp/crab stuffed fish, vegetable, potato, dinner rolls, dessert, and choice of water or iced tea. A sugar-free option for dessert will be available. The cut-off date for reservations was April 24. Hope everyone had the opportunity to sign-up and turn in their money.

The best of bocce play offs will be the week of April 30. League best of bocce will be on Tuesday, May 2. Open best of bocce will be on Thursday, May 4. The results of best of bocce will be reported in the June edition of the World News.

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

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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		
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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.  
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\* One hour, fee-based class. \*\* One hour club activity. \*\*\* Two hour club activity.

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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.

Annual dues are \$10 and both league and open bocce players must pay dues and sign a consent form.

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

## Water Aerobics

By Jo Swing

Attention all water babies, women and men, water aerobics will start Monday, May 1, at the Recreation Center pool. Water aerobics will start at 11 a.m. and last about 40 minutes.

We will meet Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays until the end of

September, weather permitting.

Water aerobics is one of the best exercises for all ages. The water supports you making for low impact exercise. You can do things in the water that you can't do on dry land. Water aerobics increases muscle strength, builds endurance, and increases flexibility. It is a good way to burn calories without putting pressure on joints. For more information, call Jo Swing at (352) 237-4564.



**Mah Jongg**

**Mary Ehle**

I hope that by now you all have your 2017 cards. It is very different, so play carefully. Be sure to read what it says in the parenthesis. Now there is a quint hand that has just one joker. Also the first quint hand is fairly easy but the last hand on the right of the card is tricky. Be sure you read, read, read.

Please note that we will not be playing a traditional tournament

in October but will have an all-day game. Joan Castellucci and Pat Fitzgerald approached me with a super idea and we will try it out. It will be a lot easier and after 19 years, I am ready for a change. Keep the first Saturday of October marked on your calendar; call one of us for more information. We will play all day and it will be less stressful for all. Best of all, I get to play too. I want everyone to have a special day to look forward to. New players will be very happy, as some of the things we have done will make it easy for all. Until next time, jokers to you.

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**Women's Softball**

**Sandy Hoskins**

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We have been using Tuesdays to work on our skills and Fridays for pick-up games. A pick-up game means we split into teams based on whoever shows up. So if you show up on Friday, you will be on a team! We can also use support from others who may not want

to play - cheering us on, keeping score, coaching bases, etc. We have something for everyone. Our attitude is "no excuses;" we all do what we can and we all have fun.

The bottom line is that some of us can't catch well, some of us can't run well (or at all), or some of us can't bat well. But we have fun! Don't let an excuse keep you from coming out and enjoying some softball.

We meet on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8:30 to 10 a.m. at the softball field. For more information, call Carol Singer at (352) 509-4066 or Sandy Hoskins at (309) 696-9140.

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Thursday, May 11, 2017 from 9 - 11 am  
Recreation Center Ballroom

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**FIT TIP #3:** Shop the perimeter of the store. This is where you will find the healthiest food choices. Many aisles in the grocery store contain highly processed foods (think of foods that come in boxes and packages). Processed foods are high in sugar, fat, salt and calories! The perimeter of the store is where you will find whole foods that are much higher in nutrients, such as:

- Fresh produce: eating five or more servings of fruits and vegetables promotes health.
- Meat and poultry: these foods are high in protein which is an important macronutrient; protein supports muscle growth and cell repair.
- Dairy products: these foods are high in calcium and can even provide some protein, look for low fat and fat free options.



**Pickleball**  
 Bill Daugherty

March was a fun month for pickleball players. On Saturday, March 25, we had a pickleball tournament for club members. All players were



# FITNESS SCHEDULE



**May 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 Ingrid
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. Roger	S.O.S. Larry	S.O.S. Linda	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  
 \*\* Fitness center orientations and balance assessments are free. Please call (352) 854-8707 Ext. 7534 to reserve your spot.

**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*(D) 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	

\*Denotes a fee-based class

**MAY HAPPENINGS**

**National Senior Health & Fitness Day with FREE Special Morning Classes!**  
 Wednesday, May 31 at the Recreation Center  
 Please note that there will be no group exercise classes on Monday, May 29.

placed in a skill level so a person would play against another who had a similar skill set. It worked out well; all players seemed to have

a fun time. Following the tournament, the club provided pizza to all members and their guest. No one left wanting more. I did see a couple folks loosening their belts.

Winners of the tournament by group:  
 Group 1: 1-Buzz Busby, 2-Rick Vogel, 3-Mike Piccolo.  
 Group 2: 1-John Mullin, 2-Mark Lurie, 3-Bill Eleazer,

Group 3: 1-Mark Daddario, 2-Sue McLam, 3-Jane Brown.  
 Next introduction to pickleball class is Thursday, May 11, at 9 a.m. (rain date of Thursday, May 18, at 9 a.m.). For questions, contact Bill Daugherty at (352) 854-2751.

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A few of the tournament players.



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**R/C Flyers**

Gary Bayless

A recent addition to the R/C Flyers facility has been a quadcopter flying and racing venue (a covered picnic table and a mowed field with hoops sticking up in it but venue sounds more impressive). A small but growing cadre of enthusiasts (nine at last count) can be found there most days putting the strange looking aircraft (kind of reminds you of something in a Star Trek

movie) through their paces. The machines dart around like large dragonflies changing direction and hovering briefly before dashing off again. The preferred name is quadcopter rather than drone as an unmanned airplane is called a drone and with four propellers and no tail these sure aren't airplanes. Without getting too geeky the on board electronics control the direction and altitude by varying the speed of the props to making up for the lack of control surfaces and with a GPS receiver on board they can even find their way back home without pilot assistance.



Photo by Gary Bayless

Quadcopter.

This aspect of the R/C hobby has seen explosive growth in the last few years due to falling costs for the equipment, a short learning curve, and best of all, they're hard to break. I should point out the short learning curve is only to be able to get airborne and stay there for a brief time, putting the craft where you want it as I learned on a buddy box is another matter. Then the next step is flying "first person," that is, using a TV camera and video goggles setup to fly as if you're riding in the machine. This requires a second person "spotter" for obvious safety reasons and is far from easy to do.

In talking to Mike Bantz, one of the key people in the creation of the quadcopter venue, I learned a complete racing setup if you al-

ready have an R/C transmitter can be had for around \$200. A reasonable transmitter would add another \$150.

There are of course other types of these aircraft. Jim Harris, another enthusiast, uses one equipped with a camera and GPS readout to find downed R/C airplanes in corn and soybean fields in the wilds of Indiana where he spends his summers (his looks like a "Star Wars" X-wing fighter).

So if you're a little jaded flying airplanes or looking for a new challenge, stop by and check out the latest thing in R/C, funny looking things with way too many propellers. The guys there are friendly, enthusiastic and just may get you interested in something different.



**Stamp Club**

Joe Rosinski

It's time once again to spread the word about what's going on at the General Francis Marion Stamp Club. We continue with our regular meeting schedule which includes a business meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m., and a shortened version with our monthly auction on the third Wednesday at the Bank of the Ozarks on SR200, also beginning at 1 p.m. On the second Tuesday of each month we have an informal gathering at the Freedom Library at 6 p.m. for those of us who want to show a particular part of our collection(s). This evening get together lasts about two hours.

Visitors are welcome at all meetings, however, we ask that those attending any of the meetings at the Bank of the Ozarks venue to please park on the side of the bank or the Winn Dixie parking lot and not in front of the bank. The front parking spaces are for bank customers only.

The arrival of spring brings with it the onset of baseball season. The photo shows some of the stamps issued by the U.S. to commemorate various anniversaries, players, and parks having to do with the sport. From left to right on the top row a stamp issued in 1939 celebrating baseball's centennial. Next comes one honoring Jackie Robinson who became known as one of the best players in major league history. Then comes "The Sultan of Swat"

Babe Ruth who held the record for the most home runs in a career for a number of years; Roberto Clemente a star for a number of years with the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Our next stamp shows the "Iron Horse" Lou Gehrig, first baseman for the New York Yankees who played in 2,130 consecutive games before contracting Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS). The final player is Mel Ott who played the outfield and managed the New York Giants for a number of years. He was known for his unorthodox hitting style, which included lifting his right foot up prior to impact with the ball. He said this added power to his swing and was adopted by a number of players following the end of his career. The last stamp on the top is one commemorating professional baseball's 100th anniversary.

The bottom row shows five major league ballparks and includes Crosley Field in Cincinnati, Yankee Stadium in New York City, Polo Grounds in New York City, Shibe Park in Philadelphia, and Wrigley Field in Chicago. The only ones still in use today are Yankee Stadium and Wrigley Field.

The club has been contacted by the Freedom Library to provide a display at their entrance foyer during the month of July. We don't know what the display will include, but would appreciate it if you could stop by the library and see what's there. You might be surprised by what shows up.

If you have any questions about the club or any of our activities you can contact me at (352) 237-7366 or rosinskijoe@gmail.com. I will be glad to try and answer any questions you might have.



Photo by Joe Rosinski

Baseball related stamps.

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**Sidekicks Western Dance**

Hannah Cole

Once upon a time, the Sidekicks took a rest in the summer with a break lasting until October to cool us off a bit. Now, even though we continue to dance through the summer, we still have a party that used to signify the end of our dance year. After all, we are a group who loves a party that involves fabulous food and plenty of dancing.

This year, we named our bash "Saddle Up For Summer." The bash will be catered barbeque from Hardwood Smokehouse on Tuesday, May 2 from 5 to 8 p.m. It will be a western theme so make sure to wear plaid shirts, cowboy or cowgirl boots, and plenty of denim from jackets to jeans to skirts.

We do want to thank our entertainment committee, headed by Lois and Bill Hull, who have worked tirelessly on all of our parties this year. Pete and Joyce Wood assisted them. Pete, we understand, has developed skills extraordinaire in the realm of table settings, and some have even mentioned the name of Martha Stewart in connection with his accomplishments. They have really given us colorful, well planned, and successful events all year.

Oh, did I forget to mention fun? This group has certainly helped provide the setting for the fun we have had this year. Of course, the fun is not over.

Don't get too hot, but come out and dance with us on The Town Square. Anyone who is new to the community should check out our new website at [patterndancers.wixsite.com/sidekicks](http://patterndancers.wixsite.com/sidekicks). Or just come watch us dance at 5:45 p.m. every Tuesday in the Recreation Center Ballroom. Y'all come!

Remember that "Dancing with the feet is one thing. Dancing with the heart is quite another."



**Ballet Club**

Eugenie Martin

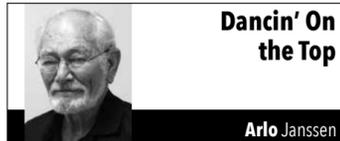
In Central Florida, I believe we have the best weather in the United States. From our ballet classes, we are constantly reminded of that while observing the blue skies and lovely foliage outside our studio in the Arbor Club. And we are also reminded that our bodies look better in brief swimsuits and light summer clothes when we are fit.

To my thinking, all exercise is good, as long as it is done on a regular basis. A lot of our dancers take other dance and exercise classes as well as ballet, and we offer floor exercise on Saturday mornings in addition to our more traditional ballet classes. Anyone who wishes may join us. I did not start dancing ballet until I was almost 50, and many of our dancers started here at On Top of the World.

Our classes are all held in the Arbor Club Exercise Studio next to the indoor pool. They continue as follows:

- 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 already mentioned, newcomers are always welcome. However, it is best to check with me first. We can chat, and I can help you decide which class might be best for you to start. Do not be concerned about having ballet clothes at first. Exercise clothes, socks and a bottle of water are all you will need, and a pillow for your neck, if you want to take the Fusion Floor Barre. So, just give me a call at (352) 854-8589, if you want to join us, or want any other information. Happy dancing!



**Dancin' On the Top**

Arlo Janssen

Our spring dance "A Night at the Races" was held on Saturday, April 22, and the music was provided by Automatic. It was definitely a night to remember with a great theme, decorations, music and dancing.

Our next dance is set for Saturday, Sept. 23, and will feature the band Starburst with a theme of "Come Fly With Me." We expect to see a few airplanes as part of the decorations in the Recreation Center Ballroom.

The dance on Saturday, Nov. 18, will have a theme of "Fall Fantasy" and will feature the music from Solid Gold. 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.

For club membership, ticket information, or if you want to help with our dances, please contact Gene Melnick at (352) 304-8293 or Peggy Sayat at (352) 509-7400.

There are other opportunities to dance here at On Top of the World. In May, 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 every Friday and Saturday night.

Please mark your calendar for the dance parties at Circle Square Cultural Center starting in May. The first dance party will be on Saturday, May 13, and will feature Second Slice. The other dance parties are set for June 10 with Cactus Jack and the Cadillacs, July 15 with Mark Zauss and the Z Street Band and Aug. 4 with Norman Lee Schaffer.



**Line Dancing**

Nancy Carmack

This month marks nine years since The Town Square opened, and we started line dancing outdoors. It is a wonderful way to enjoy our Florida weather, make new friends, get aerobic exercise, and have fun all at the same time. When it is an evening of our recorded music, we know exactly what dances we will be doing.

When there is entertainment, then we have to decide what dance to do to the particular rhythm that is being played. Either way, we always have a good time and are blessed to have The Town Square available to us. Because there are so many spectators there has been an increasing number of people signing up for line dance classes so they can join in the fun.

In March, we had a St. Patrick's Day theme for our Thursday night monthly dance. In April, we all wore our blue dance shirts to celebrate four years of having this dance. We usually have three different dances going to the same music so that all levels of dancers can participate.

In addition to these dances, we also dance at Happy Hour on Friday nights. As our friend, George, always said, just stay in line and step when the drum goes thump.

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

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The Jack Huard Tournament took place on Saturday, March 18. The 32 eager players were greeted with a cool and brisk morning. At the same time, there were also a number of spectators on hand, which also added to the excitement.

The shufflers anxiously drew their chip for placement, located their places, and found their opponent. The courts were all filled up and everyone was ready to be-

gin. There were five rounds to be played.

As the tournament progressed, the number of players grew smaller and smaller. Thus, by the time we came to the fourth round, there were four shufflers left. Charlie Lentz would compete with Henry Vieu, while Phil Crump would play against Maxine Malone Gayso. After the round was over, it was Charlie and Maxine who would vie for the championship.

The final round of the tournament had come. Back and forth Maxine and Charlie went. You could hear the excitement "aahs" and "ohs" from the spectators. They took winning turns in their

scores, as no sooner than Maxine was ahead in points, a turnabout came, and then Charlie was in the lead.

Who would be the winner? The score ended up 30 to 29 and Maxine was the winner with Charlie as the runner-up. What an exciting tournament this was! Maxine received a \$50 check and Charlie, a \$25 check. They will also have their names engraved on a plaque included with the previous winners of the Jack Huard Tournaments.

Thank you to John Mataya for having organized the tournament, and to Vickie Lentz, Annette Hodges, and Mary Lamp, the social committee chairpersons, who served the refreshments. Thanks also to Jane Boyer for her help, and to Marge Fisher, scorekeeper.

Soon the snowbirds will be leaving while others will be on vacation, but for those of you who will be here, summer shuffleboard will be replacing regular league play. Come join us at the courts for one or all of the following days and times:

- Tuesday and Thursday (8:30 a.m.): Regular shuffleboard.
- Thursday (6:30 p.m.): Ten

Pin.  
 • Saturday (8:30 a.m.): Ten Pin.  
 I have written the Shuffleboard Club column for six years now, and this will be my last one. I feel it is time to let someone else take over, and that someone will be Walter Lamp. Throughout the years, I have enjoyed writing about the club, and working with World News staff. Let us then welcome Walter as the new writer. In closing, I would like to end with a favorite saying of mine, "Remember to keep on shuffling. You will be glad that you did. See you at the courts!"

The winners in league play for March were as follows:

**Men / Women**

Monday a.m.: Charlie Lentz / Vickie Lentz, Nancy Bachman, and Nancy Dreimiller.

Tuesday p.m.: Lindsey Chatham / Margot Thomas.

Friday a.m.: Roger Werner / Shirley Lindsay.

**30 Club**

**Men / Women**

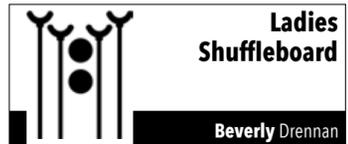
Monday a.m.: Henry Erikson / Nancy Dreimiller.

Friday a.m.: / Shirley Lindsey and Terry Reed.



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Maxine Malone Gayso, winner, and Charlie Lentz, runner-up, with John Mataya, organizer of the Jack Huard Tournament.



The Ladies Shuffleboard Club will have their last game of the season on Wednesday, May 3.

We will hold our Club Tournament on Wednesday, May 10. Our sponsor, Estate and Retirement Resources, Inc., will have a season-ending party for us on Thursday, May 11, at the pavilion starting at 11 a.m. After that, any woman can join us and play every Wednesday

at 9 a.m. throughout the summer.

Our next season will start Wednesday, Sept. 6, starting at 9 a.m., with a board meeting and membership sign up at the pavilion. Membership fee will be \$10 for the season. Regular games will start on Wednesday, Sept. 13.

It has been a fun-filled season and prizes will be presented at the party on May 11.

Here are the results of play for March:

Highest Winners: Sue Holman & Sally Herrick.

30 Club Winners: Sue Holman, Sally Herrick, Diane Carlton & Helen Finizio.

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## Outrageous Liars

By Ray Cech  
World News Writer



Photo by Ray Cech

Storytelling at Circle Square Cultural Center with Pat Nease, Margaret Spontak, Edie Gandy, Jessica McCune, Jack Copeland, Fred Pack, and Jerry Snyder.

They sounded like real life, honest-to-goodness, true stories. The audience at Circle Square Cultural Center on Tuesday evening, April 4, had to keep reminding themselves that they were make believe - all lies - and that was half the fun.

Last December, Margaret Spontak, director of education, kicked off "Fireside Stories" in the living room of Master the Possibilities. "Tellers" wowed the audience of more than 120, who came to listen and enjoy their stories. Following that very successful opening night, six more Fireside Story sessions (50 stories in all) were held during January and March. Every story time was well attended and every session garnered more raised hands asking, "Can I tell a story?"

Jerry Snyder, coordinator and MC of Fireside Stories, said, "Stories ranged from the very serious to the very funny, and everything in between. We heard tales about coming face-to-face with a moose in Alaska, how not to become an airline pilot, and a nostalgic story about an old tackle box. Many of the stories told were of events that bound families together, others dealt with everyday scenarios. Whatever the topic, they were all so very interesting."

The closing evening of April 4 belonged to the liars: Edie Gandy, Jack Copeland, Fred Pack and Jessica McCune. Their task for the night was to share a story that may have germinated in the creative side of their brain - as long as it wasn't true.

Their "lies" were adjudicated by three ersatz judges who were responsible for deciding who told the best and most original story. Jessica McCune's "big lie" about her attempt to get through Transportation Security Administration (TSA) with a chicken breast tucked down her bra won the first place award. She was followed by Edie Gandy, Jack Copeland and Fred Pack ... all great stories, that gave the judges a very difficult time in selecting winners.

Because of the success and overwhelming enthusiasm for storytelling, Jerry Snyder will be organizing and coordinating the "Master the Possibilities Storytelling Guild." There are 20 such guilds around Florida that compete year round, and Jerry tells us, "Since no one tells a tale better than an Ocalan, we're going to jump in, enjoy the camaraderie, have some fun, and share our stories." Kickoff is scheduled for sometime in September - stay tuned.

## Karaoke Friends Sponsor Prop Night

By Kathy Petrosky

We really enjoy seeing new residents join us each time. Some are singers and some are listeners. We love them both. If you sing in the shower or sing along with the radio, consider singing with us. The only requirement for karaoke night is to have fun. If you are not sure the music will be in your key, no problem. We can raise and lower keys a half step at a time.

We enjoy all types of music. We have some gospel and country. We love doo-wop and songs from the 50s and 60s. Some of our singers go way back to classic old songs and Broadway numbers. Whatever you sing will be welcomed by the group.

Prop night seems to bring the most fun for the group. We have a number of people who are very creative.

Charlie Petrosky, with beard and hat, sang George Burn's "I Wish I Were 18 Again." Lora Rosi had pic-

tures on the table while she sang "In My Daughter's Eyes." Ann and Keith Fields sang about "Molly Malone." Gary Z held plants for "Polk Salad Annie."

Lots of laughs were had when Donnie sang "It's Me Again, Margaret." Robin Wasleski did her first prop night with us. She had her teddy bear and sang "I Wish I Were a Teddy Bear." Ron Posiny sang some country numbers like "The Devil Went Down To Georgia." Nancy Walker came for her very first time and got into the spirit of things. She sang "Rhythm of the Rain" with her umbrella. Rick Nelson showed us his "Love Potion #9."

We meet the first and third Mondays of the month in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. We welcome all residents and overnight guests to join us. You do not need to join or call ahead. We look forward to seeing new people each time. This



Photo by Kathy Petrosky

Karaoke Friends sponsor prop night.

month, we will meet May 1 and 15. This is a five Monday month so no

karaoke on May 29. We hope you can join us.

## Ovations for 'Path to Talent Showcase'

By Steve McDonald

The Theatre Group's spring "Path to Talent Showcase" event was presented on Saturday, March 25, and Sunday, March 26, at the Recreation Center Ballroom and stage. Our show received wonderful feedback from our extremely appreciative audience of almost 400 people who gave very generously toward our scholarship.

We received rousing ovations and sometimes even very positive cheering and participation from our audience during our perfor-

mances. We sincerely believe that those who were unable to attend would have enjoyed the efforts put forth by 25 of your On Top of the World friends and neighbors. If you encounter someone who attended, please ask them and we feel confident they will make very positive comments.

You are indeed living amongst very talented performers and it is our plan to present this type of show next spring, begin open casting calls in September, and

welcome any existing and/or new residents who wish to display their talents.

Thanks again to our club president, Dick Phillips, who spent countless hours organizing and directing our show. He was ably assisted by other devoted members: Gary Rodoff, stage manager and stage building and teardown (assisted by Steve McDonald and Lenny Price); Anne and Jim Merrick, sound, stage setup, set decorations, and props; Carolle Carlton, props; Marion and Dennis Brenon, greeters; Marie Munroe, usher/greeter; Jean Baumgardner, casting calls organizer; Marilyn Bettinger, show editing and coordination of acts; Conrad Massa, emcee; and Harry Boyajian (assisted by Frankie Pi-

zano) supplying and operating his great karaoke tracking and sound systems. Thanks also, to Bill Monroe, our videographer, and our On Top of the World sound and lighting crews. And it goes without saying, very special thanks to all of our great performers.

We will be planning our next performance during the summer months and, 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 from September through April of each year on the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F. We invite you to join us on Sept. 11.

At our Monday, April 10 meeting, our new officers were elected and our new board of directors includes: President Harry Boyajian; Vice President Gary Rodoff; Recording Secretary Marcia Miller; Treasurer Jim Merrick; and Corresponding Secretary Steve McDonald. We also happily welcomed new members Charlie, Kathy, Laurie, Chris, Leslie, and Brady, who all performed in our recent "Path to Talent Showcase." We have several others who participated in our show who have expressed interest in becoming members. If you are a current resident and have any interest in joining our club or have any questions, you may contact our newly elected president Harry Boyajian at (239) 336-4804 or crooner1142@gmail.com.



Photo by Bill Monroe

"Path to Talent Showcase" cast and crew.

**The New Pretenders**  
Nancy Grabowski

On Sunday, April 2, The New Pretenders held the annual season-ending banquet. This time it held a bittersweet moment or two for us; think: "So long, Farewell, Auf Weidesehen, Adieu" because we said our good-byes to Bill Shampine, Rich Cooperman, Gary Springer, Edie Dieckman, Pat Schroeder, and Dee Dee Springer who have more than 60 New Pretender years of experience amongst them! We wish them "good luck" on their new adventures.

Without missing a beat (pun intended), on Thursday, April 6, The New Pretenders welcomed its new performers. Adding their energy and pizzazz to the singers are Kare Alfarnes, Bruce Herget, Nancy Jennings-Fair, Louise Morea, and Pam Monk. Look for Sue Alfarnes on the clarinet, Joyce Basch on the trombone, Mark Monk on guitar, and Terri Molnar on saxophone when the band swings out a few numbers.

Residents new to On Top of the World might ask, "What is The New



Photo by Connie Filip

**Bill Shampine, Rich Cooperman, Gary Springer, Edie Dieckman, Pat Schroeder, and Dee Dee Springer of The New Pretenders.**

Pretenders?" It is a group of fun-loving entertainers, covering many branches of the world of entertainment. The New Pretenders present a new, two-hour show each year; this season will be our 21st!

Who are The New Pretenders? Why, we're your friends and neighbors! Troupe members reside in every neighborhood within the community.

If you are interested in joining

us, please let one of our members know. We never know when an opening will come into existence, but we like to be prepared. You are most likely just for whom we are looking!

**Original Karaoke**  
Sindy & Richie O'Brien

When you love to sing and have a song in your heart, there's no stopping you. Our karaoke singers must be just that way.

Due to the Ocala Open, we were

not able to use the Candler Hills Community Center for karaoke. Every year during that time, we are normally assigned to another location to use, but that wasn't the case this year. Thanks to Tom, who got there early and found out the room was locked, called to let us know what was going on and then when everyone showed up and still wanted to sing, the most amazing thing happened, we all got together, went

into the storage closet where they keep all the chairs and set up 25 chairs in the lobby, along with all our karaoke equipment.

It turned out to be one of our best nights ever. Everyone was saying how much they enjoyed it. It was almost like sitting around a campfire and singing. So that's why I say, "When you love to sing and have a song in your heart, nothing can stop you."

I also want to thank our whole karaoke group for sticking with us and making the best of an awkward situation. You guys are amazing!

If you'd like to join us, we meet on the second and fourth Monday at 6:30 p.m. at the Candler Hills Community Center. Come sing the song that's in your heart or just come and listen, we love an audience! For more information, call Sindy at (352) 362-4810.

**Dulcimer Group**  
B.J. Leckbee

We're no longer playing just dulcimers. Now there are several guitars and a fiddle (or a violin de-

pending on the music) in our little group. These instruments add a special sound to the unique tones of our individual dulcimers, and those who've heard us play seem to enjoy the mix of sounds.

The past few months have been a blur of activity involving lots of practice for special events here at On Top of the World while teaching

new players how to read our music and play this unique instrument.

In March, the Theatre Group included us in their Pathway to Talent Showcase, and in April we participated in the Concert Chorus' presentation of "Songs from The Sensational Sixties." A behind-the-scenes look at how these shows are put together gave us an appreciation for the amount of work that is involved.

While the dulcimer was developed and made in America, it has ties to string instruments that

date back centuries; and it's been adapted to play various styles of music. On Thursday, June 22, Rich is scheduled to teach a 90-minute class on the history of the dulcimer at Master the Possibilities and a few of our members plan to be there to play a few songs. For more information on the class, check the upcoming summer catalog for exact time and location.

The dulcimer players practice every Tuesday from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite H. Come listen sometime.

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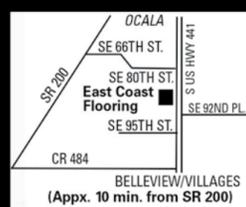
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Our last class will take place on Thursday, May 4. We will be studying and watching a performance of Francesco Cilea's "Adriana Lecouvreur," which was first performed at the Teatro Lirico in Milan in November 1902.

Francesco Cilea was born on July 23, 1866, in Palmi near Reggio di Calabria. As a boy of four, Francesco gave an indication of his aptitude for music. When he heard a performance of Bellini's "Norma," he was greatly affected by it. He was sent to the Conservatorio di San Pietro a Majella in Naples where he impressed his instructors by his willingness to work.

In 1889, he graduated and submitted an opera "Gina," which was adapted from an old French play. The opera was performed and attracted the attention of the publisher, Edoardo Sonzogno, who arranged for a second performance in Florence. In 1892, Sonzogno commissioned a new opera from Cilea by the name of "La tilde." It had a successful premier performance in Florence and eventually made it to the Vienna Exhibition of 1892. Over the years, the orchestra score was lost which prevents our evaluating it today.

"L'arlesiana" was Cilea's first full-length opera and was performed on Nov. 27, 1897, in Milan. It was based on a play by the same name by Alphonse Daudet. It has been staged a couple of times in the 21st century, but really it is simply a curiosity today. Actually, the opera was a failure in its day. It had a brief period of success because Cilea developed a personal contact with Mussolini.

In November 1897, "Adriana Lecouvreur" debuted with great success. Today, it is not a regular in the repertory, but often it is staged to please a soprano. Renata Tebaldi is one who wanted to sing the role, so The Met staged it for her.

"Adriana Lecouvreur" is based on the French actress Adrienne Lecouvreur (1692-1730) who was very real, but the story of the poisoned violets is pure fiction. Actually, the libretto is criticized as being very confusing even though Cilea did many rewrites on it.

Five years after the debut in France the opera made its way to America where it was performed first in New Orleans at the French Opera House. It was performed at The Met 11 months later in November with Caruso singing the tenor lead. It was in this tenor role that Plácido Domingo made his debut at The Met singing opposite Renata Tebaldi singing the title role.

Our performance of "Adriana Lecouvreur" is from the La Scala collection of a staging in 1989 with Mirella Freni singing the lead, Peter Dvorky as the tenor and Ivo Vinco in a supporting role. Gianandrea Gavazzini is the conductor of the orchestra and chorus of Teatro alla Scala.

We look forward to seeing all opera lovers on May 4.



It's been a long time since I modeled as an artist's model for life drawing and painting, but Carole asked me if I would pose for her class and it sounded like an interesting thing to do after 25 years.

I took some props with me to make it more interesting, a fan, an umbrella, a large hat and wore a flowing skirt the first day and an exercise outfit to show body contours the second day. I prepared myself for standing and sitting in some unusual poses.

Carole started the class with some explanation of how to draw fast, large, relatively unstructured

outlines of the body. We started with a 30 second pose, then one, two, five, 10 minute poses and increased to a final pose of 20 minutes. It is not easy to get a clear drawing in the short times but I was amazed at how much her students achieved.

As a model it takes a bit of concentration to remain in a fixed pose for 10-plus minutes. I choose the pose, then fix my eyes on a spot, make myself aware of my spatial position in case I have to reproduce it after a break and go into a Zen state. This allows me to remain still and relaxed which makes it much easier.

The students draw in pencil, charcoal or graphite with fast strokes to get the idea of the shape. Details are not the focus here. In fact less is what is needed to get the idea of movement and life. Light and shad-

ow achieved with shading keeps it loose and gives contour and depth to the drawing.

There is of course so much more to this but you will need to attend a class to find out.

Five members of this group attended the Hands Across the Highway Art Expo at Circle Square Cultural Center. It was an interesting morning with much incredible talent on display. There were as many styles of art as there were people, and the musical entertainment with coffee and doughnuts was much appreciated. I think we all enjoyed ourselves and sold some of our work as well.

You will find us Thursdays and Saturdays, from 9 a.m. to noon, in the Art Studio at the Hobby Building doing our thing. Join us to escape with your ideas and talent for a few hours.



Wow! We had a wonderful turnout for super bingo! Over 310 folks attended to see if they could win. We had 25 70/30 door prizes and

five additional gift certificates to include one each from Publix, Winn-Dixie, Scoops Ice Cream, Darrell's Diner and Pavarotti's Pizza & Restaurant.

We had three jackpots that paid \$250. Winners included Maxine, Julie, Peggy, Joanne and Bill. Hope you will all come back and re-invest your winnings in another bingo night.

Please remember we play bingo all summer. It's a fun way to spend your Wednesday evening. You can get something yummy to eat at The Pub before we begin bingo at 6 p.m.

Thank you to each and every volunteer who helped make super bingo and all our bingos so successful. Looking forward to seeing you Wednesday evening.



The Encore Collaborative Theatre Club presents our third production entitled, "The Golden Girls Move to On Top Of the World!"

The cast is set. We do need cho-

rus singers, artists, set designers, prompters and table dressers. Our productions are always cabaret style seating with a theme.

If you are creative and want to help us, please contact President Brenda Elliott at (404) 216-3009 or bellott124@yahoo.com or Judy Gill at (352) 509-4033 or thecruise-genie@aol.com.

We are the little club that can and does! Rehearsals begin in July for

our production of this fun comedy that will be seen in October at the Recreation Center Ballroom. We are amateurs and all are welcome to help create our best possible performance, donate money to charity and have fun!

This is a two-act play with 14 characters that will be shown for your pleasure at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 7 and at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 8.

## Arts & Crafts Fair

By Nancy Ludvik

The sixth annual Indigo East Arts & Crafts Fair will be held Saturday, May 13 in the newly expanded and renovated Indigo East Community Center, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Indigo East Community Center is located at 8385 SW 79th Terrace Road, just inside the Indigo East main gate off of SW 80th Avenue.

This event has free admission! Well over 20 vendors will be displaying a wide variety of handmade crafts and creations. There will be

lots of artwork in a variety of mediums, various kinds of jewelry, wooden items, sewing, crochet, photography, glass fusion, paper items, soaps, purses and totes, honey, candles, jams, preserves, pickles and so much more!

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**Concert Chorus**

Patricia Woodbury

The Concert Chorus would like to thank all those who came and supported our spring concert, "The Sensational Sixties" on Saturday, April 1 and Sunday, April 2. We hope you enjoyed the show as much as we did bringing it to you. This performance was a bit different from our usual performances from the songs to the costumes.

We hope you felt the energy and the enthusiasm the members put into this show. There is nothing like the thrill of performing for large audiences! Thank you also for your generous donations. You may not realize that all the songs we sing have a copyright and we have to purchase the sheet music.



Photo by Bill Shampine  
**Randee Gore**



Photo by Bill Munroe

**Concert Chorus performing their spring concert entitled, "The Sensational Sixties."**

The music for any given song is not overly costly, but since we need many copies even a single song is a moderate expense. So your generosity will enable us to sing new songs for your entertainment.

Of course this show would not have been possible without the exceptional encouragement and direction of Director Audrey Strong. Our thanks to Audrey and, of course, our pianist, Jeremy Trout, for their artistic talents, great effort, and support that helped to make our performance a success.

Officers of the chorus board agreed to continue for another year with President David Wesenberg, Vice President Emery Bjerkmann, Secretary Patricia Woodbury, Treasurer Linda Hein and Member-at-Large Michele Bennett.

Our featured member of the chorus this month is Randee Gore. Randee comes from Memphis,

Tenn. She has a degree in education and worked for 10 years teaching elementary school children in Miami Dade County. She later achieved a doctorate of pharmacy from the University of Florida and then worked as a pharmacist with Walgreens for 18 years.

During her teaching years, she also began singing with church choirs and with the University of Miami Civic Chorale. Randee moved to On Top of the World in 2016. She recently retired from being a pharmacist and is enjoying her retirement to pursue her other interests of singing with the

chorus, art classes, swimming and participating with the Encore Collaborative Theatre Group. Randee sings soprano and is a real asset to the second soprano section.

By the way, I hope you saw her singing her terrific rendition of "My Guy" in our spring concert.

This will be the last column for a few months, as the chorus takes a break over the summer. In the meantime, if you think you would like to find your voice and join the chorus, please contact, Emery Bjerkmann, vice president at (352) 873-9032 with any questions and let her know of your interest.



**Rubber Stamp Greeting Cards**

Linda Lohr

Our presenter for Thursday, April 20 was Ellie Richards. In addition to being a fantastic card maker, Ellie is responsible for recruiting presenters each month. Thank you, Ellie, for a job well done!

Ellie presented three cards - sympathy, thank you and birthday. Each card can be repurposed for any occasion, providing us with so many great options! We thank Ellie for her presentation and great ideas.

Anyone can be a presenter - and the cards do not have to be fancy or

complicated. Our group is based on friendship, socializing and helping each other!

Our group is open to all crafters, beginners or those more experienced. One or two people do a presentation each month. The group usually meets the first and third Thursdays of the month, unless 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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**The three cards presented on Thursday, April 20 by Ellie Richards.**

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Photo by ShutterBug Phyllis Hlavac  
Advanced category first place: Lotus.



Photo by ShutterBug Rick Nelson  
Advanced category second place: Full moon over Ocala.



Photo by ShutterBug Norbert Sachs  
Advanced category third place: Bathing.



**ShutterBugs Photography**

Connie Filip

These are the photos that received ribbons in our advanced category in our annual photography contest. We hope they inspire you to pick up your camera and have fun!

Here's the story behind these winning photos:

Phyllis went to a small, locally owned plant nursery to find this lotus. She loves this image for the peace and tranquility that it represents. She says luck was with her; she had the right lighting with no wind that day. For a sharp image, she used a tripod.

Rick was inspired to try a "portrait" of a full moon after attending Bruce Bouley's course at Master the Possibilities. He says taking a photography course is worth it if you learn just one new thing ... but always finds tips on so much more!

Norbert snapped his photo last July in his daughter's backyard in Mechanicsburg, Penn. He set up his Nikon D500 with a 200-400mm telephoto on a tripod. He waited and waited. Finally, an opportunity! Using a shutter release cable, he fired off roughly 65 shots. He felt fortunate to snag this great image.

In May, we're headed to Venetian Gardens in Leesburg, Fla. It's a local park with paved walkways, overlooking a lake. Should have great photo opportunities for arching bridges and wildlife.

For more park information, visit

tripadvisor.com/Attraction\_Review-g34388-d6720322-Reviews-Venetian\_Gardens\_Park-Leesburg\_Lake\_County\_Florida.html.

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

ShutterBugs is sponsoring Tom Murray this month in the lobby at Master the Possibilities. He's a member of various camera clubs, including the Manchester Camera Club in New Hampshire, which he joined 35 years ago before moving to Florida. Tom will be featuring his favorite photos: birds, an air show and a few creative shots you should check out!

We have a new photography DVD teaching series program 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? Stop in at the ShutterBugs' Tuesday meeting. We start at 3 p.m. in Suites B and C of the Arbor Conference Center. Or contact Gary Uhley, club president, at (352) 854-8536 or guhley@cfl.rr.com.

**LEAK AUDIT**

If you suspect a water leak, call Customer Service at (352) 236-6869 to schedule a leak audit for \$15.



**Sewing Bees**

Linda Lohr

You can tell it is spring as the snowbirds have headed back north! There are still plenty of Bees to keep the hive humming along very nicely. Louise keeps the donation process moving, with the help of other Bees, by selecting a tote to fill with a quilt and pillow with matching case, or a cute stuffed animal.

Our mission is to provide comfort for the abused, abandoned and neglected children of Marion County. Your donations all year long help us to do just that. Stop by our hive on any Thursday in the Art Studio, 12:30 to 3 p.m. We would be happy to show you our creations made with love for the children. You may find our club is just what you have been looking for to round out your week.

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 floral quilt ready for donation.

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# Matterhorn

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

King of all mountains, the Matterhorn is the most recognizable and photographed mountain in the world. It is Switzerland's most famous landmark and symbol.

The mountain stands at 14,692 feet above sea level, but ranks number 12 as one of the highest peaks in Western Europe. The Matterhorn is taller than Mt. Whitney, which is the highest mountain in the lower 48 of the United States by 187 feet.

The king of all mountains basically straddles two countries and the watershed bordering Switzerland and Italy. It is a huge impressive mountain with a near-symmetrical pyramidal peak. The four steep faces of the Matterhorn that rise above area glaciers face the four compass points only being split by ridges. If one is lucky enough to stand on the summit, that lucky person could see the Swiss community of Zermatt to of Breuil-Cervinia to the south.

Theodul Pass, situated just east of the Matterhorn, is the main passage between two large valleys and a trade route since the Roman Era.

Just on the outskirts of Zermatt, a community at the base of the mountains, is the aerial tramway that takes passengers to an altitude of 12,400 feet on the nearby mountain named Klein Matterhorn. Klein translates to little or small. The Klein Matterhorn is approximately 2,000 feet shorter in height. The tram (cable car) takes passengers

to 12,400 odd feet and is the highest elevation in Europe that can be reached by aerial tramway, along with other forms of transportation. Klein Matterhorn is situated on the opposite side of the Theodul Pass from the Matterhorn.

Zermatt is a ski and noted mountaineering resort near the base of both Matterhorns at an elevation of 5,330 feet with a year-round population of approximately 5,800 residents. At any one time, the tourist population swells during the year tripling or over the permanent resident population. There are 110 hotels in Zermatt along with countless apartment buildings with at least half the apartments owned by tourists. Over 50 percent of the year-round population works in the tourist industry such as restaurant and hotel employees.

The community of Zermatt is unique. The community's streets are dotted with places of lodging and the main street of the community contains restaurants and upper-end shops along with mountaineering shops such as ski, mountain climbing, and paragliding.

Zermatt is a combustion engine car-free community preventing air pollution that could obscure the town's most fantastic view, the Matterhorn. Passenger cars, hotel shuttles, small buses, and trucks operating within the community are all electric powered. The only combustible engines allowed in the

community are emergency vehicles such as police, fire and ambulances. Most tourists visiting Zermatt arrive by a cog railroad from a nearby town by train. Gasoline vehicles are allowed on the outskirts of town where the occupants transfer to vans and then electric powered shuttles or taxis. Most tourists arrive in Zermatt by train.

Reaching the top of the Klein Matterhorn by cable car, visitors are greeted to a large sign welcoming them to the Matterhorn Glacier Paradise. At the complex one can take an elevator to the viewing platform, which is the highest viewing platform in the Alps for a 360-degree panoramic view of Alps.

The fairytale Glacier Palace starts 49 feet below the summit station inside a glacier. The eerie tunnels are hollowed out of the glacier where ice crystals shimmer along with the glittering ice crystals and sculptures. There are all kinds of activities for tourists such as skiing and snowboarding, snow-tubing as this is a year-round snow sports area.

Sightseeing is perhaps the number one activity. All around the Zermatt area are snow-capped mountains and the most famous of them all is the Matterhorn.

The Matterhorn Glacier Paradise on top of the Klein Matterhorn is advertised as "the peak of sporting adventure."



Photo by Bob Woods

Matterhorn is Switzerland's most famous landmark and symbol

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We still have several weeks left for shopping for that special gift before our season ends. Come visit us on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to noon. For those of you who are heading north for the summer and are looking for a unique gift for that special someone, come visit us and see what is available.

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**Thursday, April 27:** 8560-A SW 90th Street (Friendship Village), 8:30 a.m. to noon • 8594 SW 83rd Loop (Candler Hills), 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Wednesday, May 3 & Thursday, May 4:** 9125 SW 91st Circle (Williamsburg), 8:30 a.m. to noon.

**Thursday, May 4 & Friday, May 5:** 10011 SW 90th Loop (Avolon), 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Friday, May 5 & Saturday, May 6:** 8712-D SW 92nd Street (Friendship Colony), 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Friday, May 12 & Saturday, May 13:** 9460-D SW 84th Terrace (Friendship Village), 9 a.m. to noon • 9354-D SW 97th Lane (Crescent Ridge I), 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Saturday, May 13:** 8088 SW 81st Loop (Indigo East), 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Wednesday, May 17 & Thursday, May 18:** 8900-C SW 97th Lane Road (Americana Village), 8:30 a.m. to noon.

**Saturday, May 20:** 9348-D SW 82nd Terrace (Friendship Colony), 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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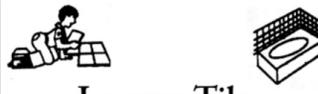
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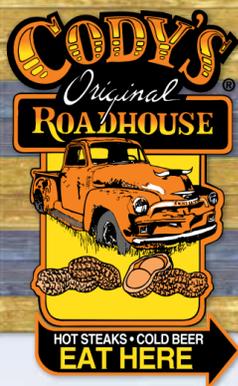
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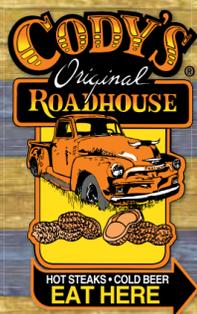
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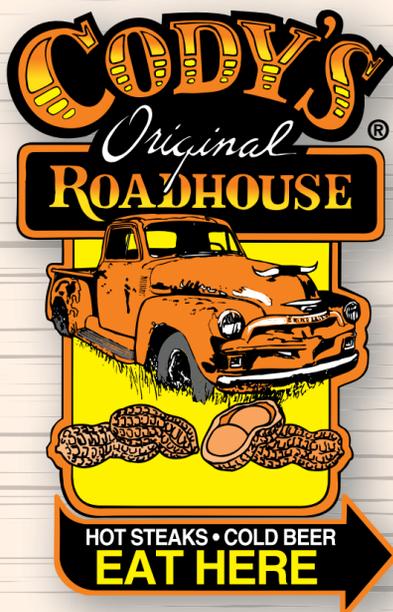
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