

Community News

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About That New Toy ...

On Top of the World has a robust R/C flying club. Over the years, the R/C Flyers has expanded from radio-controlled airplanes to radio-controlled cars (on track), and even into drones.

I mention this to remind residents that drones may not be flown over private property, neither may they photograph neighboring properties. In Florida, we have the "Freedom from Unwarranted Surveillance Act." Flights over private property first requires permission of the property owner. Typically, On Top of the World Communities does not grant permission, either privately or commercially, of any drone usage over On Top of the World-owned properties or affiliated business entities.

Any drone operator must first notify and obtain consent from neighbors prior to any attempt to operate a drone, including the capture of photographs over their homes and properties.

Really the only appropriate place to operate a drone is at the R/C flying field. This is a great group of people who are very welcoming of new residents.

Just Moving In?

Moving entails lots of packing and unpacking, generally in cardboard boxes. So, what do you do with those boxes? One thing to not do is to use the recycle bins and dumpsters at Circle Square Commons. These are reserved for the exclusive use of the commercial tenants.

For On Top of the World (Central) residents, there is ample cardboard recycling capacity at 8847 SW 90th Street, as well as 9100 SW 94th Street and also at 9154 SW 101st Court in Avalon. Please contact Resident Services for a one-time courtesy pickup.

Candler Hills, Indigo East, and Weybourne Landing residents moving into the community, please leave your boxes broken down at the curb on Wednesday by 7 a.m. for a one-time courtesy pick-up. After that, please breakdown any cardboard and place it in your recycle bin for weekly pick-up. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Walking Your Dog(s)

Candler Hills, Indigo East, Weybourne Landing and On Top of the World (Central) are undoubtedly one of the most pet friendly places I've seen. I've often wondered if dogs and cats outnumber golf carts! Truth be told, we have some fantastic places to walk dogs. Please avoid the Longleaf Pine Trail with your four-footed friends as they can damage the habitat and wildlife.

Also do not let your dog harass wildlife. There is a very good possibility that your pooch will encounter a gopher tortoise or a Sherman's fox squirrel. The tortoise is a protected species in Florida; the animal and their burrows must be respected. Did I mention that their burrows are also home to some big diamondback rattlesnakes? No joke! Allowing your dog to "explore" a burrow can often end badly for both the dog and owner.

As to fox squirrels, yes, they may appear to be "friendly" and love peanuts, but if the dog goes after them and is unfortunate enough to catch one, the fox squirrel will protect itself aggressively. The squirrel's teeth can do incredible damage. It once took me three months to heal all the deep wounds and abscesses on one of my dogs that tangled with a fox squirrel. And yes, the squirrel won that encounter without so much as a scratch!

New Construction Update

Construction is busy! If it feels like there is work being done everywhere you turn, it's because there is! From small commercial drive-ways near SR 200 to large earth moving projects and new phases

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By Phil Panzera
World News Writer

Our nation's veterans were remembered and honored in two ceremonies on Veterans Day. There was an early morning flag lowering at the Veterans Park, and then a multifaceted ceremony at the Recreation Center.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) gave a very special award to Lieutenant Colonel (LTC) Arlo Janssen. The VFW has a nationwide program which awards Quilts of Honor to distinguished veterans. LTC Janssen, a Master Army Aviator, served from 1953 to 1976. He flew many types of fixed wing aircraft and helicopters, with over 300 hours of combat flying time in Vietnam. He also served as a battalion commander at Fort Gordon, as well as a Branch Chief at the Pentagon.

A missing man table ceremony was performed by the VFW, led by Captain Heidi Brown. This ceremony remembers those prisoners of war or missing men or women from all our military branches. The red roses remind us of their loved ones and friends who keep the faith, waiting for answers. The Bible rep-

resents the strength gained through faith to sustain us. The lighting of the candle reflects our hope for their return. The cloth is white, symbolizing the purity of their motives when answering the call to serve. And of course, the chairs are empty - they remain missing.

There was a stirring equestrian tribute video about the 13 service members defending the airport in Kabul, Afghanistan, a few months ago. Mostly marines, and mostly in their early 20s, it was an emotional eulogy. Scenes of service men and women reuniting with loved ones on the tarmac as they return, mixed with scenes of those families dealing with the ultimate sacrifice we can give our country, moved many in the audience to tears.

The Veterans Club sincerely thanks On Top of the World for its exceptional support of our veterans, and many others who participated in the ceremony. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jim McGee, a World War II and Korean War veteran, and the invocation was performed by Chaplain Dr. Chuck Bon-

ner. Robert Stepp, a Marine Corps veteran and the director of land development for the community, gave a memorable and articulate speech about the honor in military service. Joe Froehlich spoke about the benefits of yoga for seniors, and the free classes he holds.

Captain Ken Puckett, our distinguished veterans service officer, spoke about military benefits, a topic of which he seems to have an inexhaustible supply of minute details. CPT Puckett has tirelessly helped countless veterans in our community wade through the labyrinthine complexities of our military benefits system, and he deserves our gratitude and recognition.

We also thank the Dancing Jewels, who performed a lovely number saluting each of the military branches, and the West Port High School JROTC, led by Colonel Robert Irick, who posted and presented the Colors.

It was a beautiful and moving ceremony; if you can, try and attend next year, in remembrance and honor. Many of us remember times when those who served were not well regarded, and we all need to make sure that never happens again.



Photo by Phil Panzera

Missing man table ceremony, by the VFW Honor Guard, led by Captain Heidi Brown.

Every Dig Calls for an 811 Phone Call

By Shane Bobsen

Installing a fence or new landscaping, starting a garden project, or building a deck, all require a call to Sunshine 811 at least two full business days before you, or your licensed contractor, begins digging to get public facilities marked and located. In fact, it's the law.

Sunshine 811 notifies its member utility companies to mark their underground facilities where you plan to dig.

Safe digging is everyone's responsibility. Failure to dig safely can result in costly damages, fines, repairs, loss of essential utility services, and even serious injuries to you or your neighbors. Underground infrastructure, when struck, can have a variety of effects.

For many homeowners, taking a shovel to the front yard is not a big deal. But, if they knew the risk of striking infrastructure under their property, or if they knew the actual societal costs of damages to underground infrastructure - \$30 billion in the U.S. in 2019 alone, according to the Common Ground Alliance (CGA) - they'd stop viewing the 811 calls before you dig process as optional.

You should call 811 (Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or visit sunshine811.com at least two full business days before you begin any digging. The specific amount of advance notice that you are required to provide varies by state. You will need to know the address of where you are doing the work, including the county and nearest

cross street, as well as the type of project you're completing and the exact area on the property where you're planning to dig.

You must wait a few days before breaking ground to ensure that all utilities have responded to your request. Once all utilities have marked their buried lines, make sure to carefully dig around any utility marks and consider relocating projects that are close to buried utilities.

Follow these steps for safe digging:

STEP #1: Plan your project. Before contacting Sunshine 811, gather specific information about your digging project such as the street address, type of project, timeline of the project and more.

STEP #2: Contact Sunshine 811. Once you have all project information on hand, it's time to contact Sunshine 811; it's free and easy. You will receive a ticket number and a list of member utility companies that will be notified of your planned digging project.

STEP #3: Wait the required time. After you submit a ticket, member utility operators have two full business days to mark the approximate location of underground facilities on your property. Legal holidays and weekends do not count toward those two days.

STEP #4: Confirm positive responses. Follow the progress of each member utility by viewing the positive response codes they use to

explain your dig site. You can find a helpful video online at sunshine811.com/6-steps-to-safe-digging.

STEP #5: Confirm the marks. Once the two full business days have passed, you must confirm that all member utility companies have responded to your ticket. Compare the various colors of the marks and flags on your property to the list of member utility companies listed on your ticket. If the marks do not match the response codes, contact the appropriate member utility using the information on the ticket. If any members did not respond, contact that member using the information on the ticket.

STEP #6: Dig with care. Now that the buried facilities on your property have been marked or cleared, it's time to start digging! According to Florida law, there is a tolerance zone that runs 24 inches from each facility's outside edge. If you're digging within the tolerance zone, use increased caution to protect the underground facilities.

Remember to dig responsibly - it's the law.



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Is It Legal?

Colen & Wagoner, P.A.



Our upcoming lecture at Master the Possibilities is Tuesday, Dec. 14, on "Financial Peace of Mind." This is a discussion of the methods we need to consider if we are to have our financial affairs in order. Please register at MasterthePossibilities.org.

SCAM ALERT: A homeowner received a postcard size piece of mail from some company with the name "Land Trust" in it. The card seemed to indicate that it was about the sale of the homeowner's home. Kinda scary for the homeowner, right? The card said to turn it over to the other side and there was a phone number to call and then a message to hear. However, when the phone number on the back is called, the message is that the company involved wanted to buy the resident's home. In my opinion, the purpose of this scam is to intimidate you into calling the number on the back of the card so they can then try to get you to sell your home to them - probably well below its market value. They'll tell you that they'll pay all the costs. They probably will so long as you take 40% or 50% less than your property is worth. Don't call the number. Throw this piece of junk in the garbage where it deserves to be. If you want to sell your home, go to a reputable realtor. There are plenty of them. They'll want your business, and they will work to conclude a sale at a reasonable price. Please be cautious.

Q. Where do you get the questions for your column?

A. Interesting question. I used to get letters in the mail - they call it "snail mail" now. I can't remember the last time I got one. Then, I would get emails. I still do, but not too many. I get a lot of questions from clients. I get some from the two elder law internet listservs I am on - the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys and the Academy of Florida Elder Law Attorneys. One of my law partners, Rachel Wagoner or John Beck sometimes pose questions for me.

As for the scam alerts, well, scams are found everywhere. I write my column in a "Q and A" format. My partner, Rachel Wagoner, uses the "paragraph" format. John

Beck hasn't written yet, but when he does, he'll select a format that is helpful to the reader.

Q. What is your opinion about annuities for retirees who don't want to, or don't know how to manage their money?

A. I think annuities can be a valid estate planning tool for the folks who need them, who understand all the costs and fees involved, and who are fully aware of the pitfalls involved in owning them. My main concern with annuities has to do with the way they are marketed to senior citizens, most of whom are well past the stage when they should purchase one as their own estate planning method. It's one thing to buy an annuity when you are much younger, and you can get through the penalty period and maybe even earn some decent return on your money. It's quite another to buy one when you are retired.

Q. I have no children. My niece stands to inherit everything I have. Her 23-year-old daughter has lived on and off with a couple of men, one of whom might be the father of her child. Can I protect any of my estate for that great grandnephew?

A. On and off. I don't doubt it. To your question: Yes, but the answer is too complex for this column. You need to meet with an estate planning and elder law attorney and have him/her set up the appropriate estate plan that protects the child.

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The holiday season is officially upon us. For some of us, that means searching for that perfect gift to give to a friend or loved one. Master the Possibilities may just be the answer to the search for something special.

Our Education Center offers the option of gift certificates for our entire curriculum. What that means is if a person were to receive one of our gift certificates as a holiday gift, that person would have our entire catalog of class offerings by which to choose something intriguing, educational, and fun.

Below are a few examples of upcoming December courses still available that one with such gift certificate may choose to use for registration.

History is very popular with Master the Possibilities' participants. On Friday, Dec. 3, Jack Ciotti will just about bring history to life in "Railroads of the American Civil War." Ciotti will have original railroad items from the Civil War in the classroom for participants to see, while he discusses the large scale of railroads during this period. This will include the delivery of troops to battle, evacuation of area civilians, and the dangers and discomfort of traveling by rail at this time. Cost to attend from 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Classroom 3 is \$11 for members and \$16 for non-members.

If you were one of those individuals who received an Instant Pot for a gift last year, but still do not know how to use it, Colleen Griffin will be hosting "Instant Pot Two-Day Hands-On Adventure." Learn how to turn on the Instant Pot, get a guided tour of how to use it, and become confident while making recipes in your personal pot with instructor guidance. This course will meet on Friday, Dec. 3 and Saturday, Dec. 4, from 1 to 4 p.m. Cost to attend is \$51 for members and \$56 for non-members, and there is a \$13 ingredients fee the day of class. Participants are asked to bring their personal pots to class, so they become familiar with using their own equipment.

Journey back in time to the 50s and 60s in Rich Cupertino's "Doo-Wop Classics: Looking for an Echo Part 3." Cupertino will be featuring multiple doo-wop groups of this time and talk briefly about each group. He may even throw in a pop quiz. Those who plan to attend need to be ready to sing and possibly dance in the seat to some favorites he may highlight. This event will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10, in Live Oak Hall. Registration is \$3 for members and \$8 for non-members.

There are more than 150 class opportunities this month at Master the Possibilities. To view all curriculum options, visit our website at masterthepossibilities.org. Our office is open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, to help with registrations either in person, or by phone at (352) 861-9751.



The annual Holiday Fest will take place Wednesday, Dec. 8.

Holiday Fest

By Linda Meyer

Get your holidays off to a great start! The annual Holiday Fest will be held in the Recreation Center Ballroom Wednesday, Dec. 8. We start at 6 p.m. with homemade cookies provided by our generous residents. This goes along with hot chocolate and coffee. This is a free event for residents! It's going to be a fun filled evening! So, come and enjoy an evening of entertainment with your friends while munching homemade cookies, and drinking hot chocolate and coffee.

Our entertainment will include, the Dulcimer Group, a Hanukkah story, and The Dancing Jewels just to mention a few. There will also be the annual favorite sing along of the "12 Days of Christmas" - southern style!

If you would like to contribute cookies, please deliver them to the Ballroom between 3 and 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8.

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within Calesa Township east of SW 80th Avenue at SW 63rd Street.

Plans are underway over in Weybourne Landing to permit a recreation clubhouse. There was a minor snafu over permitting the fire sprinkler system that will cost a 60-day delay in release of the permit.

In On Top of the World (Central) at the Recreation Center, the new cabana pavilion is awaiting a certificate of occupancy from the county. This will accommodate shaded tables as well as restrooms convenient to the Recreation Center pool.

Sales continue to be strong within the Longleaf Ridge neighborhood. Longleaf is situated adjacent to the Longleaf Pine Trail and has additional access to a trailhead from the neighborhood. This community features Premier and Carriage Series homes as well as a limited number of Estate Series homes, being offered for the first time in the Meridian Preserve community.

The extension of SW 80th Ave-

nue from SW 90th Terrace (Candler Hills entry) west to future SW 92nd Avenue, has been completed but is not open to resident access. Work is nearing completion on the first 1,500 feet of SW 92nd Court Road to open new neighborhoods of Ashford and Balfour in Candler Hills.

This improvement will also provide Candler Hills with another gated entry onto SW 92nd Court Road. It is anticipated that the hardware for the electronic gate into Kestrel will arrive after the first of the year. This gate will operate the same as Weybourne Landing. Which is to say, resident vehicles with scanner decals will be able to use a special lane. All others will need to stop and be admitted remotely after providing information to the remote attendant. Video detection will also be installed to capture license plates.

Concurrent with this, six-foot chain link fencing is being installed beginning at the intersection of SW 92nd Avenue and SW 80th Street and progressing south along the westerly boundary of Candler Hills, then south running past the Avalon neighborhoods, and terminating at the intersection of SW 94th Street (the new RV and storage facility). Viburnum will be added on

the house-side of the new fence to provide a continuous green buffer along the roadway and lots. Viburnum is a rapid grower that gets rather large and will eventually obscure the fence, just as it had along the Indigo East neighborhoods. It is an excellent visual buffer and well as greatly attenuates noise.

As land development progresses in this new neighborhood, the plan is to develop sequentially in smaller parcels whenever feasible as opposed to mass grading of the entire parcel. Although this is a costlier method, we believe the benefit of reducing the land area exposed to the potential for wind-borne erosion outweighs the added cost.

Opportunities to meet new neighbors and to experience new amenities are on the horizon. I am also aware that this level of activity brings with it the bustle of workers, the occasional traffic detour and at times, what must seem like a pa-

rade of contractors eager to start their day. We endeavor to go about our work with efficiency, cleanliness, and safety in mind.

As we progress through these projects and move on towards future tasks, I hope you enjoy these new additions as much as you do those that are already in operation.

Water Conservation Reminder

Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFMD) and Marion County reduces watering to one day per week at the change of daylight saving time. Over the cooler months, this should be no cause for concern with lawns dormant (brown!). After March, when lawns again warm from dormancy, some hand watering may be advised. If you need assistance resetting your irrigation controller, please visit OTOWInfo.com and refer to the "Homeowner Information" tab under Resources, or contact Resident Services to arrange assistance.

Keeping It Green

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Happy holidays! As the year winds down, here are a few tips on your irrigation system to help reduce usage and fungal pest tips.

Irrigation timers should be down to one day per week. Your watering day will depend on what number your address ends with (odd number homes water on Saturdays and even number on Sundays). As the grass and plants go into dormancy over the next several weeks, plants need less water.

Florida plumbing code specifies that a Pressure Vacuum Breaker (PVB) be installed on irrigation systems. These devices are a public safety measure to ensure that our potable water is safe. Protecting your backflow during the winter months needs to be a priority for maintaining your irrigation system and your wallet.

We have seen winters here in Ocala in the low 20s which causes problems for irrigation backflows. We have seen backflows throughout the community rupture due to cold temperatures, and I would rather you be prepared for the cold days this winter. At OTOWInfo.com, click the "Resources" tab, and then

the "Homeowner Maintenance" tab. Once there, you will see many selections on irrigation system programming and backflow preventer maintenance tips.

To protect your backflow, cover it with a heavy blanket or backflow bag. This should help with freezing temperatures. Resident Services sells backflow bags. This is an investment worth the price. Backflows typically cost anywhere from \$125 to \$200 depending on the contractor and what is needed to make the repair.

Fungal pathogens typically start showing up this time of year as well. Fungus is preventable with proper timing of fungicides in the landscape. For fungal pathogens to become active in the landscape a few environmental factors must be present. First, the temperatures must be between 65 and 85 degrees.

Rhizoctonia solani, also known as Large Patch fungus, is probably the easiest to identify by the "halo" or distinct yellow margin that forms and develops this time of year. Another way to identify the fungus is to run the palm of your hand across the potentially infected area and see if the leaf blades come off. If you have the fungus, the leaf blades or sheaths will break off easily.

Preventative applications are preferred but if you are trying to save the grass that has been infected using a systemic fungicide is the best bet. Systemic products are taken up in through the plant while contact fungicides actually come into contact with the pathogen.

Contractors began their maintenance obligations in On Top of the World (Central), Avalon, Providence, Longleaf Ridge, Williamsburg, Crescent Ridge, Windsor, and Renaissance Park on Nov. 1. Parkway Maintenance & Management Marion, LLC is still the main point of contact for any concerns and these concerns should be directed through Resident Services. Please be courteous to the associates in Resident Services, they are there to address your needs.

Community Emergency Response Team

Andrea La Fave



Keeping residents safe in the event of an emergency depends on the ability to communicate effectively, especially when normal means of communication may be compromised by weather or other events.

One form of communication less vulnerable is HAM radio operation; so, Marion County and the Community Emergency Response Team both plan and rely on volunteer HAM radio operators to step in when other forms of communication are lost. If you are a HAM radio operator, or if you are willing to be trained as one, please consider becoming a volunteer by contacting Bruce Twiss at brucetwiss@yahoo.com. We will all thank you!

We always welcome your attendance at our Community Emergency Response Team meetings, which are held the second Tuesday of most months. Our next meeting is planned for Tuesday, Jan. 11, 2022, at 9 a.m. in the Arbor Conference Center Event Room. For more information and to confirm the date, please contact Debra Snyder at (412) 443-2930.

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The last month of 2021 has arrived with wonderful cooler weather and holiday excitement in the air. The season of eating delicious food, baking, and making new memories with loved ones and friends has arrived. I truly hope that this holiday season is enjoyed by all.

Association Meetings

Weybourne Landing will have their annual meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 7, at 2 p.m. at Circle Square Cultural Center, and Indigo East and Candler Hills Neighborhood Associations will have their annual meetings Wednesday, Dec. 8, at 10 a.m. for Indigo, and 2 p.m. for Candler Hills at Circle Square Cultural Center. The annual meeting for the On Top of the World (Central) Owners' Association will be Tuesday, Dec. 14, at 10 a.m. in Circle Square Cultural Center.

Holiday Lighting and Decorations

As always, we are looking forward to a very festive community this holiday season. We ask that you please keep your neighbors in mind as you are decorating this season. Please remember that decorations are not allowed in the common areas and may not be unsightly, offensive, or out of character for the community.

As we mentioned last month, holiday lighting and decorations are permitted so long as the lights and decorations do not constitute a nuisance or a safety hazard for the neighbors or maintenance personnel. Colored bulbs in low voltage light fixtures and building mounted fixtures are not allowed, so please do not put colored bulbs in your lamppost. Rope and tube lighting are only allowed during the holiday season. Lights and decorations need to be removed by Saturday, Jan. 15, 2022.

Visitor Guest Passes

If you need guest passes for the holidays, please visit Resident Services at your earliest convenience to arrange for passes for any family or friends who may be visiting from out of town and staying with you

Community Patrol

Erwin Fluss



Soon the excitement of the holiday season arrives. The Community Patrol would like to wish you the best of the holidays!

Again, the essence of our organization and this column is to keep you safe. We always urge all to drive responsibly, obeying all traffic rules in your car and golf carts.

When walking, stay alert to your surroundings most especially in parking lots while shopping. Stay in well-lit areas and carry keys ready for use. Always keep your car locked and do not display any valuables in the car.

Come join the Community Patrol to help keep watch for all of us. For further information, contact Paul Altman at (860) 460-7632 or shelvesc@aol.com.

OneBlood Bloodmobile

Sara Sommer



Christmas is coming; the goose is getting fat. Please place a penny in the old man's hat. If you haven't got a penny, a pint will do. This is not quite how the song goes, but we would like you to give a pint to save a life. No matter how you celebrate the holiday season, the gift of life is the perfect gift.

The Big Red Bus® will be in the Recreation Center parking lot Monday, Dec. 6, from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. No appointment is necessary, but it might be wise to make one. Go to oneblood.org and click donate. Follow the prompts to find our drive and pick your time.

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Food and Toys for Tots Drive

The annual food drive runs through Sunday, Dec. 13. Please help support needy families in Marion County by donating much needed items in the donation boxes located throughout the community.

The annual Toys for Tots drive runs through Monday, Dec. 6. Please donate a new unwrapped toy for child this Christmas.

For drop off locations, please see page 1 of the November issue of the World News.

2022 Telephone Directory

It's almost time for the 2022 telephone directory to be sent to the publisher to be printed. All changes must be in by Friday, Jan. 7, 2022. If you haven't already submitted changes to your directory entry, please stop by Resident Services at your earliest convenience to do so.

Golf Cart Permit Reminder

The golf cart permitting for 2022-2023 began in October, and if you were unable to make it in you may still visit Resident Services to do so. Please bring the golf cart, all members of the household and your insurance policy (not the ID card) showing 100,000/300,000 liability coverage.

Resident Services

Please note that the Resident Services office is closed daily at noon to sanitize the lobby. The Resident Services office is closed the third Wednesday of every month from noon to 1 p.m., which falls on Wednesday, Dec. 15, this month. Resident Services may be reached at (352) 236-010W (6869) or otowservice@otowfl.com Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., or in person by visiting Suite 500, in Friendship Commons, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

You may wish to complete your maintenance request online versus stopping by the office. Visit OTOW-Info.com, click on the "Maintenance Request" tab and enter your request. Be sure to scroll down to enter the service you are requesting.

Please note our holiday schedule:
Thursdays, Dec 23, and Dec. 30: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Rule of the Month

Prior to moving into the community, written approval by the Association is required for each occupant. Additional annual fees also apply. Please refer to the Rules and Regulations for your Association. Leasing and Sale of Residential Units. Pursuant to the Declarations, no residential unit may be occupied, leased, or sold without the prior written approval of the occupant, lessee or new owner by the Association ...

As a condition precedent to consideration for approval, each prospective occupant, lessee, and purchaser must inform the Association in writing whether the residential unit will be occupied by at least one person who is 55 years of age or older and each proposed occupant, lessee and new owner shall appear for an interview with a designated representative of the Association.

Single Family Residential Use, Resident Photo IDs and Gate Access. Each residential unit shall be used for the purpose of single-family residence only. Single-family shall mean and refer to (a) a group of one or more persons each related

to the other by blood, marriage, or legal adoption, provided that such group does not exceed more than two adults per bedroom or a maximum of four related people who maintain a common household in a dwelling; or (b) a group of not more than two persons not all so related together with up to one person related by blood, marriage, or legal adoption to one of the other two, for a maximum of three people who maintain a common household in a dwelling. The number of individuals approved for occupancy by the Association for each residential unit will depend on the individual facts and circumstances of each application including, but not limited to, the age, number, and relationship of the proposed occupants, and the size and configuration of the residential units. Photo ID cards and gate access controls are to be issued only to residents who have been approved for occupancy in the community. Up to two photo ID cards and up to two gate access controls may be issued per household. Photo ID cards are updated every five years. Additional annual fees will apply for more than two occupants.

Have a safe and happy holiday season!

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The Lodge at Candler Hills

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It's the most wonderful time of year with family, friends, food, and the holidays! We are excited to announce upcoming activities that are planned this month:

Happy Hour

Join us every Friday in the Ballroom from 5 to 8 p.m. for Happy Hour. Bring your favorite beverage and snack of choice. Enjoy a night of dancing, clapping, and socializing. Entertainment is as follows:

- Dec. 3: Kathleen Kane
- Dec. 10: Dave & Kenny
- Dec. 17: Rear View Mirror
- Dec. 24/31: No Happy Hour

New Year's Eve*

Tickets are on sale for our annual

New Year's Eve party in the Ballroom Friday, Dec. 31, from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Evening attire (black tie optional) is required.

There will be appetizers, dinner buffet, party favors, champagne toast in a souvenir flute, and entertainment by Automatic. There will be two cash bars. No outside alcohol will be permitted.

Ticket prices are \$75 per resident and \$85 per guest attending with resident. Guest tickets will be a two-ticket maximum per household.

Social Night

Join us Tuesday, Dec. 14, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Ballroom for two hours of easy listening music by Long White Cloud. BYOB and enjoy light hors d'oeuvres (while supplies last). This is a great opportunity to meet new people.

Girls Night Out*

Girls just want to have fun and we've got the night for that Thursday, Dec. 16, from 5 to 8 p.m. Enter-

tainment will be provided by Automatic. Tickets are \$12 per resident or \$15 per guest accompanied by the resident. Bring your own beverage of choice and dance the night away!

Holiday Sing Along Party

Enjoy sounds of the season on the beautiful baby grand piano by Paul De Ritter, Sunday Dec. 19, from 4 to 6 p.m. Refreshments will include light holiday hors d'oeuvres, a desert table, eggnog, and hot chocolate. Admission is an unwrapped gift for a child for Toys for Tots.

Cocktails & Karaoke

Enjoy singing, dancing, and clapping Thursday, Dec. 23, in the Ballroom from 5 to 8 p.m. Bring your own cocktails. Guest fees are \$5 per guest and a resident must accompany all guests.

Community News

Name That Tune has been cancelled due to low attendance. Thank

you to the residents who supported this event.

Trivia is no longer sponsored by The Lodge at Candler Hills.

Holiday Hours

Holiday hours for The Lodge at Candler Hills and Candler Hills Community Center are as follows:

- Friday, Dec. 24; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 25: Closed.
- Friday, Dec. 31: Closed.
- Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022: Closed.

The pools will remain open from 9 a.m. to dusk.

I would like to wish everyone and their families a safe and happy holiday season.

*To register, visit The Lodge at Candler Hills office Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Payment is required at time of registration. No refunds will be issued 14 days or fewer prior to the registered event. Resident IDs must be presented at all events and when purchasing tickets.

Newcastle Social Committee

Sherry Bright



Where did this year go? The residents of Newcastle are all coming up on their first year anniversaries in their new home. The neighborhood itself is looking amazing with many of our neighbors completing beautiful landscaping projects, building pools, and adding their personal touch to their homes. Our neighbors are fantastic - fun, caring and active.

Our progressive appetizer walk around the neighborhood on Halloween brought out nearly 60 people, with most everyone dressed in a costume. The food, from the soup to the chicken wings to the hot cocoa, was delicious! What a great way to mingle and get to know everyone!

Our holiday party is scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 5, at The Lodge at Candler Hills; the theme is "The Gift of Neighbors." The party will be held from 5:30 to 9 p.m. For more information, please contact Jan Christ at (315) 868-6826.

At the holiday party, we will be collecting and donating teddy bears and blankets to Florida Highway Patrol. Bring new teddy bears and blankets (from receiving size to twin bed size) on Dec. 5. Teddy



Newcastle residents celebrating Halloween.

Photo by Meg Kajewski

bears and blankets need to be in a plastic bag that is closed to protect from the elements.

From all of us in Newcastle, we wish you a safe and relaxing holi-

day season.

Newcastle residents, if you would like to be included in our email list or to verify that you are on the list, please call Sherry Bright at (860)

287-9232 or Meg Kajewski at (540) 272-2247. For up-to-date Newcastle news and upcoming events, we encourage you to join our Facebook group (OTOW Newcastle Neighbors).

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Candler Connection

Debra Keirn



The holiday party/dinner dance is from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, at The Lodge at Candler Hills. 184 Tickets were sold in November for this event. The cost is \$26 per person, which includes dinner catered by Royal Oaks (entrees include roast beef with Cabernet sauce and chicken Romano along with roasted red potatoes, California blend vegetables, salad, rolls, iced tea, lemonade, coffee, and cherry cobbler for dessert). Bring your own beverage and let's kick off the holiday season! Hal Dodd will provide music for dancing.

There will not be a potluck dinner in December. We thank all our friends and neighbors in Candler Hills who helped with cleanup, setup, and check-in at each event. These potlucks would not be a success without your help. Add Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2022, to your calendar for the first potluck dinner of the new year at The Lodge at Candler Hills. More information will follow.

The speaker series, chaired by Doug Dahlen, will continue at 3 p.m. at The Lodge at Candler Hills as follows:

- Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2022: Doug Hart, Seniors vs. Crime Project.
- Thursday, March 17, 2022: Lacey Larramore, Marion County Solid Waste.
- Wednesday, May 18, 2022: Brian MacNeal, Florida Crime Prevention.

Questions regarding the ambassador program should be directed to Pat Diaz-Verson at pdv@bellsouth.net. We welcome Pat back to the board to fulfill the term of Amy Waller who recently resigned.

A casino night is being planned for February 2022. More information will follow.

New residents of Candler Hills, visit candlerconnection.org and fill out the form to receive "The Happenings" by email. 1,488 Candler Hills residents receive this e-publication to learn about events and activities.

The Candler Connection Facebook group has 1,250 members. This closed Facebook group is a good source of information for residents.



Crescent Ridge gathering.

Crescent Ridge Happenings

Valerie Ostrom



Crescent Ridge has some great folks! We had a nice potluck Saturday, Nov. 13. Our next one will be Sunday, Dec. 12, from 3 to 5 p.m.; just in time to celebrate the season with our wonderful neighbors!

We moved to this community seven years ago because of the friendly folks and this is your opportunity to meet and visit with us. Bring a dish to share and a wrapped gift worth no more than \$10 to \$15. Yes, we are playing the white elephant game! Bring a gift - get a gift! We will meet at the Veterans Park. Bring an extra chair (just in case), a drink and your yummy dish to share! Paper goods and silverware will be provided.

Getting to know our neighbors is so much fun! Connect via Facebook (OTOW Crescent Ridge Neighbors) or send an email to Carol Lewis at crescentridgenhn@yahoo.com. This email will be used exclusively for activities and reminders. We look forward to seeing you in December!

The Candler Connection board is expanding from nine to 11 members in January 2022.

The annual meeting will be at The Lodge at Candler Hills Thursday, Jan. 13, 2022, at 1 p.m. Five seats are available due to current directors resigning and the addition of two more board members. The following Candler Hills residents are interested in joining the Candler Connection board: Linda Agerty, Glenn Cohen, Russ Gemberling, Jeff Gordon, Meg Kajweski, and Jack Luiszer. There are more interested candidates than seats available; therefore, there will be an election by ballot.

The next Candler Connection board meeting is Tuesday, Dec. 7, at The Lodge at Candler Hills at 4 p.m. Any resident of Candler Hills is welcome to attend.

Happy holidays and blessings for a healthy, and happy 2022! See you around the neighborhood and at future events in 2022.



Lieutenant Colonel Arlo Janssen receiving a Quilt of Honor from Joan Lane of the VFW at the Veterans Day Ceremony in the Recreation Center Ballroom.

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December is the month of celebrations, songs, presents, and decorations. This is also the month that brings families and friends together. The pools are heated all year round, however pool and spa covers are not removed if the temperature for the day is not expected to reach 60 degrees.

Happy Hour

To keep the fun going, Happy Hour takes place at the Indigo East Fitness Center veranda and pool deck area. Happy Hour moves indoors to the Indigo East Community Center when inclement weather occurs. The event is not cancelled unless it falls on a holiday.

Happy Hour is Fridays with live entertainment from 5 to 8 p.m. This event is free for Indigo East residents and \$5 per guest. You are allowed to bring your own chair, favorite drink, and snacks.

The upcoming live entertainment is as follows:

- Dec. 3: Rear View Mirror

- Dec. 10: Take 2
- Dec. 17: Tim Hargis
- Dec. 24/31: No Happy Hour.

Sassy Ladies Night Out*

Enjoy the live entertainment and light appetizers Wednesday, Dec. 8, at Indigo East Community Center. This event is \$10 per resident and \$12 per guest. (Must be accompanied for Indigo East resident).

Trivia Night*

Come play trivia Monday Dec. 13, at Indigo East Community Center from 5 to 7 p.m. This event is \$3 per resident and \$5 per guest. Bring your favorite beverage and drink.

October

1: Ready Eddie; 2: Cunning Trivialists; 3: Polar Gators.

Holiday Sing Along

Get your vocal cords ready for Tuesday, Dec. 14. Entertainment will be provided by Prestine Allen. Enjoy delicious hot chocolate, eggnog without alcohol and a variety of desserts. Admission is an unwrapped gift for a child for Toys for Tots.

Karaoke Night*

Sing your heart out Thursday, Dec. 16, at the Indigo East Community Center from 5 to 8 p.m. This event is free and \$5 per guest.

Social Hour*

The last social hour of this year will be held Wednesday Dec. 22, at the Indigo East Community Center from 5 to 7 p.m. Cliff Richie will provide the entertainment. This is free for Indigo East residents and \$5 per guest.

Community News

Name That Tune is coming next year and will held the fourth Monday of each month at Indigo East Community Center from 5 to 7 p.m. If you would like to plan events,

Indigo East Social Committee

Janice Liberton



The Indigo East Social Committee has sponsored three successful events – a Halloween party, fall craft show, and barbecue. Thank you for your participation in these events.

The following three events remain:

- Tuesday, Dec. 7: Golf Cart Parade, 6 p.m., the lineup will be at the Community Center before 6 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 11: Christmas dessert party from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Indigo East Community Center. The final ticket sale date is Thursday, Dec. 2, from 10 a.m. to noon.
- Wednesday, Dec. 15: Ladies luncheon from 1 to 4 p.m. Ticket sales took place in November.

The Indigo East Social Committee is pleased to announce the 2022 board members: Chair Lynn West; Co-Vice Chairs Patricia Smith and Beth Griner; Secretary Athena Drewes; Treasurer Phil Mercurio; and Supply Coordinator Sandy Mercurio.

2021 is near an end and no matter what the circumstances of the present year, we all can look forward to new beginnings in 2022.

Here are a few fun December holiday facts:

CHRISTMAS: The first non-reli-

activities, classes or start a new club, please visit the Indigo East Fitness Center office for assistance.

Holiday Hours

The Indigo East Fitness Center office will be closed Fridays, Dec. 24 and Dec. 31.

Happy holidays to all!

*To register, visit the Indigo East Fitness Center office. Payment is required at the time of registration. No refunds will be issued 14 days or fewer prior to registered event. Resident IDs must be presented at all events and when purchasing tickets.

gious Christmas songs ever written were Benjamin Hanby's "Up on the House Top" and Emily Huntington Miller's "Jolly Old Saint Nicholas." Both songs dated to the 1860s. They were preceded by "Jingle Bells" which was written in 1857, but the song was not explicit about Christmas. There are other songs written prior to the above-mentioned songs, but they did not appear until a much later time. They are "The Twelve Days of Christmas" written in 1780 in England, but its melody would not be made known until 1909. Also, the English West Country carol "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" was dated in the 1830s but not introduced until 1935.

HANUKKAH: There are 16 ways to spell Hanukkah. The most common spelling in English is "Hanukkah" or "Chanukah." Hanukkah became widely celebrated in the late 1800s. The menorah is known as a Hanukiah. Hanukkah candles are added to the menorah right to left but lit left to right with the newest first. 17.5 million doughnuts are eaten in Israel during Hanukkah. Jimmy Carter was the first U.S. president to take official notice of the holiday in 1979. Each president thereafter has recognized Hanukkah with a special menorah lighting ceremony.

KWANZAA: On Dec. 26, 1965, the first Kwanzaa was celebrated by creator, Dr. Maulana Karenga. Dr. Karenga is a professor and chair of the African studies at California State University. Kwanzaa is a week-long holiday that runs from Dec. 26 to Jan. 1. The holiday is based upon seven different aspects of the "first fruits" celebration. They are unity, self-determination, collective work and responsibility, cooperative economics, purpose, and faith. Kwanzaa is the only distinct African American holiday. There are seven candles lit during the holiday, one black, three red and three green.

Whatever holiday you celebrate this December, may it bring happiness and joy to your life.

Merry Christmas, happy Hanukkah, and happy Kwanzaa. As usual, I'll see you around the neighborhood.

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Avalon Social Group



Karen Volpe & Sharon Hall

Be sure and mark your calendar for our holiday celebration Monday, Dec. 13, at the Arbors Conference Center Dance Studio starting at 5:30 p.m. The event will consist of refreshments of your favorite holiday cookies, brownies or candy and hot chocolate. You bring the goodies; we'll furnish the hot chocolate and then we'll settle in for holiday Candyland bingo. We are also asking that you bring a canned good donation for SoZo Kids (an organization serving those in rural poverty living in the Ocala National Forest); we will also donate the club's half of the evening's 50/50 split to this organization. Please RSVP no later than Monday, Dec. 6, via email to avalonsocialclub@gmail.com or via text to Karen Volpe at (631) 766-1907.

Our Monday, Oct. 11, ice cream social with bunco and cornhole was well attended with 100 of our Avalon neighbors. Ice cream and bunco were enjoyed by all. There might have been a few glitches with bunco due to lots of good conversation between neighbors, but the bunco players were good sports!

If you would like to be added to our email list or to verify that you are on the list so that you can be notified of future events, please email your request to avalonsocialclub@gmail.com.

For up-to-date Avalon news and upcoming events, we also encourage you to join our Facebook group (Avalon Social Club). This is a private group, and you will be asked for your address to verify that you are an Avalon resident. If you have trouble finding the group or getting in, please email to the address above and we'll send you the link to the group. Activities and events will also be posted at the postal center.

Recreation Center



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The holiday season is upon us! Many of us will be expecting guests. We want to help ease some of the stress by lining up several activities and entertainment for this month.

All events and detailed event descriptions are available at OTOW-Info.com by clicking "Activity Info" then "Virtual Bulletin Board," the Recreation & Wellness Connections catalog or pick up a printed flyer at the Recreation Center. Please also refer to the monthly event calendar (home delivered with every issue of the World News).

Holiday Golf Cart Parade & Celebration

This annual event is back! Join us for the Holiday Golf Cart Parade & Celebration Saturday, Dec. 4. More information about this event can be found on page 37.

To participate in the parade, register your club or golf cart at the Recreation Office by Friday, Dec. 3. For more information, call (352) 854-7533.

Model Railroaders Holiday Open House

The Model Railroaders Club invites you to visit their new, spectacular model railroad display. For more information, please refer to their article in Section D in this issue of the World News.

Line Dance Classes*

For fun and fellowship, join one of our dance classes. It is medically proven that the best activity combining physical and mental effort at the same time is dancing.

The following classes will be taught at the Recreation Center every Monday. The cost is \$10 per four-week class per month. Your monthly pass includes practice sessions on Wednesdays. Line dance tickets are on sale at the Recreation Center office from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday

Choose your class (Improver or Beginner Level II) according to your ability. Class descriptions can be found at OTOWInfo.com. The instructor is Darlene Miller, and she can be reached at darmiller222@gmail.com.

At this time, the Absolute Beginner and Beginner Level I classes are no longer accepting new students. Beginning in January 2022, Absolute Beginner will be offered for free and taught by volunteers. More information to come in January.

Tap Dance Classes*

Do you like tap dancing? Have some fun with tap instructor Penny Berton. No experience necessary. She will start with the basics, and you'll find yourself progressing quickly. Join the class, bring tap shoes (or hard-sole shoes) and awaken your love for tap.

There are currently two classes available on Tuesdays in the Recreation Center Ballroom: Intermediate (2:15 p.m.) and Advanced (1 p.m.).

Classes are \$20 per person for a 4-week class (monthly).

Beginner Broadway Dance Class*

Do you love musicals? "Chicago," "A Chorus Line," and "Grease" are just a few of the fun and exhilarating musical dance routines you will learn. This is a seven-week session with no experience needed.

The cost for the two-month class is \$42 per person. Any comfortable shoes can be worn (no sandals,

please).

Classes are Fridays through December at 1:30 p.m. at the Arbor Conference Dance Studio I-IV.

Ballroom Dance Lessons*

In December, instructor Butch Phillips will teach the Two-Step. We encourage anyone interested in partnership dancing to participate. Singles are also welcome as we will rotate partners among all willing students.

Butch welcomes suggestions from residents regarding what dances should be taught. The three-week class is held on the second, third and fourth Wednesday of each month in the Recreation Center Ballroom, from 12:30 to 2 p.m. and cost will be \$30 per resident per three-week class.

Classes will include step description for leader and follower, including correct characteristic of dance with an emphasis on lead and follow skills and lots of practice to music.

On the last day of class each month, we encourage you to bring video recording equipment to record what was taught that month.

Tropic Trivia Night*

This event is sold out for the remainder of the year.

November

1: Gym Rats: 2: AAA: 3: Bold & Brassy. Congratulations to all the teams.

Happy Hour

Make Friday a "Friyay" in the Recreation Center Ballroom from 5 to 8 p.m. Outside veranda Happy Hour now takes place from 3 to 6 p.m. The Cruise-In Happy Hour will return Friday, March 18, 2022. More information to come.

- Dec. 3: Automatic (Ballroom); Solid Gold (Veranda).
- Dec. 10: Groove 41 (Ballroom); Rock Solid (Veranda).
- Dec. 17: One Flite Up (Ballroom); Shawn Ash (Veranda).
- Dec. 24/31: No Happy Hour.

Due to inclement weather on Friday, Nov. 5, we will have a "make-up" Happy Hour Sunday, Dec. 5 with Dave & Kenny on the Recreation Center Veranda from 1 to 4 p.m.

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

Holiday Fest

Join the free resident-sponsored annual Holiday Fest in the Recreation Center Ballroom Wednesday, Dec. 8, from 6 to 8 p.m. For more information, see the Holiday Fest article in this issue of the World News or contact Linda Meyer at (973) 809-3338.

Social Hour

Enjoy a relaxing evening with friends and neighbors Thursday, Dec. 23, from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom. Light entertainment will be provided by The Saxman. A cash bar and hors d'oeuvres (while they last) will also be provided. Resident IDs are required for free entry and guest fees apply.

Wine Social*

Wine not?! Enjoy a wine tasting with imported cheese, crackers, seasonal fruit and live entertainment by Prestine Allen. This event takes place Thursday, Dec. 9, from 5 to 7 p.m. with Fresh Plates Creative Catering Chef Ralph Cipollo. The cost is \$12 per resident and \$15 per guest accompanied by a resident.

New Year's Eve*

Celebrate the end of another year and the beginning of 2022 with friends at the Recreation Center Ballroom Friday, Dec. 31, from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Doors open at 7:45 p.m.

There will be appetizers, dinner buffet, party favors, champagne toast in a souvenir flute, and entertainment by Rhythm Express. Two cash bars will be available (no outside alcohol permitted).

Evening attire is required (black tie optional). Tickets are \$75 per resident and \$85 per guest attending with resident. Guest tickets will be a two-ticket maximum per household. Seating is limited.

Victory Casino*

On Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2022, join us for an afternoon of fun with 600 slot machines, bingo, a sportsbook, 27 live table games, a la carte menu and live entertainment. Face masks are required. No smoking is allowed. Government issued photo ID will be required.

The cost is \$48 per person and includes bus transportation, food voucher, two drink tickets, port boarding fee, priority check in, \$30 in qualifying slot play, entertainment, and free drinks while gaming.

NFL Ticket Sunday

The Pub will now offer NFL Ticket Sunday. Come see your favorite game on one of the nine TVs for the NFL season. The Pub will be open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. with Happy Hour draft beers from 1 to 7 p.m. and special drink prices from 2 to 5 p.m. The full Pub is also available. Come join the fun and support your favorite teams.

Booking Facilities

Residents booking facilities for events, meetings, or parties, please note that set ups are required two weeks prior to the event. Our maintenance crew will be setting up facilities for events and as a safety precaution residents and guests will need to vacate the facility until set up is complete. Failure to vacate the room could result in set up not being completed.

Video Streaming/Rebroadcasting

Please be advised that streaming or rebroadcasting of any copyrighted video content is not permitted at any On Top of the World facility without prior authorization from On Top of the World management. It is unlawful for any movies, videos and/or training videos that contain copyrighted content to be viewed without the appropriate licensing rights. On Top of the World does not hold valid licensing rights for streaming or rebroadcasting at our community facilities which could result in severe penalties should the unlawful viewing of copyrighted video content be discovered. If you would like to view a YouTube link or have questions related to streaming or rebroadcasting at community facilities, please email t_fields@otowfl.com.

Community Information

Please refrain from smoking outside of The Pub. The smoking area is conveniently located on the side

of the Recreation Center by the pickleball courts.

Guest fees will apply when using amenity facilities or attending events such as Recreation Center Fitness Center, racquetball courts, pickleball courts, Social Hour and Happy Hour. Please stop by the Arbor Fitness Center or Recreation Center offices to purchase guest passes.

All clubs should be requesting resident IDs for anyone attending events or meetings to monitor guest attendance.

Pool Monitoring

Please note that pool monitors will be on duty at the Recreation Center checking resident IDs and ensuring all guests are accompanied by a resident.

An adult must accompany children, and the swim time for children under 15 is from noon to dusk during the week and no time restrictions on the weekends at the Recreation Center, Indigo East and Candler Hills pools. Please also note that the pool rules are posted at all pool and spa areas.

Community Updates

The Recreation & Wellness Connections catalog (January through June 2022) will be home delivered with the January 2022 issue of the World News. Extra copies will be available for pickup at the Recreation Center office.

Please note that 2023 facility bookings will be accepted as of Jan. 3, 2022. Please make sure that you submit your bookings to the Recreation Center office.

Facility phone numbers are as follows - Indigo East Fitness Center office (352) 387-9060; The Lodge at Candler Hills office (352) 387-9508; Recreation Center office (352) 387-7533 or (352) 854-8707 ext. 7498; Recreation Center Fitness Center (352) 387-7534; Arbor Fitness Center (352) 387-7638.

Holiday Hours

The offices at the Recreation Center, Indigo East Fitness Center and The Lodge at Candler Hills will be closed on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. The Recreation Center Fitness Center hours on Christmas Eve 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Indigo East Fitness Center will be 8 a.m. to noon.

All facilities will be closed on Christmas Day.

The following offices will be closed on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day: Recreation Center, Indigo East Fitness Center office and The Lodge at Candler Hills. All pools will remain open during the holidays.

**To register, call (352) 854-8707 x7533 or 352-854-8707 ext. 7498. Payment is required at time of registration. No refunds will be issued 14 days or less prior to any event or trip. Events and activities that take place behind the gates of On Top of the World are for residents only. Resident IDs must be presented at all events and when purchasing tickets.*

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Monday - Thursday			
MORNING ROUTE	PICK-UP LOCATIONS	TIME	
The Lodge at Candler Hills	SW 87th Cir.	8:35 a.m.	
Providence	91st. Cir. East - 91st. Cir. West - Post Office	8:42 a.m.	
Providence	90th St. - 92nd Pl. Rd. - 96th Ct. Rd. - 97th Cir.	8:47 a.m.	
Avalon Post Office	Parking Lot	8:51 a.m.	
Windsor East	94th Pl. - 94th Lp.	8:55 a.m.	
Windsor West	95th St. - 95th Lp.	8:58 a.m.	
Crescent Ridge 1 & 2	97th Lane - Post Office - 99th Ave. - 96th St.	9:01 a.m.	
Recreation Center	At Bus Stop Sign	9:04 a.m.	
Americana Village	89th Ct. Rd. - Post Office - 85th Ter. Rd.	9:08 a.m.	
Friendship Village	Post Office - 84th Ter. - 93rd St.	9:12 a.m.	
Friendship Colony	83rd Ter. - 90th Pl. - 87th Ave. - 97th St.	9:16 a.m.	
Friendship Park	97th St. - 94th Lane	9:20 a.m.	
Friendship Village	89th Ct. Rd. - 92nd St.	9:22 a.m.	
Friendship Colony	90th St. - Post Office	9:26 a.m.	
Candler Hills Community Center	At Bus Stop Sign	9:31 a.m.	
Indigo East Community Center	Parking Lot	Call one day in advance for pick-up	
Exit Community		9:36 a.m.	
MORNING DESTINATIONS	ARRIVE	PICK-UP	
Freedom Library	9:42 a.m.	12:40 p.m.	
Jasmine Square	9:50 a.m.	12:35 p.m.	
Dillard's/Kohl's	10:00 a.m.	12:25 p.m.	
Sam's Club	10:10 a.m.	11:15 a.m.	
Home Depot	10:15 a.m.	11:25 a.m.	
Ollie's	10:18 a.m.	11:30 a.m.	
Paddock Mall	10:22 a.m.	12:15 p.m.	
Walmart	10:27 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	
Target	10:37 a.m.	11:50 p.m.	
Hobby Lobby/Shady Oaks Shopping Center	10:47 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	
Gateway Plaza	10:52 a.m.	12:05 p.m.	
<i>Return to On Top of the World to begin drop-off/pick-up for the afternoon run.</i>			
AFTERNOON ROUTE	PICK-UP LOCATIONS AND TIMES		
The Lodge at Candler Hills	1:15 p.m.	Candler Hills Community Center	1:20 p.m.
Crescent Ridge Post Office	1:38 p.m.	Friendship Colony Post Office	1:25 p.m.
Recreation Center	1:43 p.m.	Providence Post Office	1:28 p.m.
Americana Post Office	1:49 p.m.	Avalon Post Office	1:33 p.m.
Friendship Post Office	1:54 p.m.		
AFTERNOON DESTINATIONS	ARRIVE	PICK-UP	
Friendship Center	2:00 p.m.	4:10 p.m.	
Publix	2:05 p.m.	4:15 p.m.	
Walmart Neighborhood Market	2:15 p.m.	4:25 p.m.	
ALDI/Lowe's	2:19 p.m.	4:30 p.m.	
Save A Lot	2:25 p.m.	4:05 p.m.	
Big Lots	2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	
Beall's & Dollar Tree	2:40 p.m.	3:50 p.m.	
Walmart	2:45 p.m.	3:45 p.m.	
<i>*All times are approximate</i>			
For information, call the Recreation Center at 352-854-8707 ext. 7530 or 7533			
The Community Bus will be running according to schedule as long as the Governor's requirements are allowing. We continue to direct you to the www.otowfl.com, www.cdc.gov, and www.floridahealth.gov websites for the most current and accurate updates on socializing and transportation.			

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SWANS Are Never Alone

By Sandi Dickerson

Single Women's Active Networking System (SWANS) was established for single women at On Top of the World in 2006. Our motto has always been "SWANS are never alone." We actively support each other during times of need and enjoy life through our many social events. We have a wonderful mix of women.

Trips continue to be well attended. Our first mystery trip had to be changed to Nov. 4 because of weather conditions, but the trip was a real success! We went to the Daytona Beach Speedway and had a tour through the Hall of Fame Museum. Our guide explained the history and gave us tons of interesting facts concerning the races, drivers, and cars. Afterward, we ate lunch at Cheddar's Scratch Kitchen. We ended the day at the World Equestrian Center in Ocala. We toured the facility and the hotel. The chapel is under renovation, but we did see some beautiful stained glass there.

The Barbara Lee luncheon cruise has a few seats left. Branson is not until next year, but 33 SWANS have signed up. If you are interested in any of these trips, call Lois. Also, there will be four mystery trips in the coming year that will only be for the SWANS!

The Daytona Beach Shores mini vacation was a great success. 30 SWANS spent three days in Daytona and had a blast! First, they started out by meeting for lunch at Aunt Catfish's on the River Sunday, Nov. 7. The food was wonderful, and everyone really enjoyed this as a start to their mini vacation! We also ate

at McKenna's Place NSB and we took a narrated tour on The Manatee on the Intracoastal Waterway. Ponce Inlet lighthouse was visited by many as well as the outlet mall.

Our next breakfast out will be at Red's Restaurant Saturday, Dec. 4, at 9 a.m. Call Geri Lau, our hostess, at (352) 619-4928 for a reservation. The first lunch out is full but the second one is Tuesday, Dec. 21, at Bonefish Grill. Reserve a seat by calling Wanda Bird at (352) 870-1421.

Our Christmas party is on Saturday, Dec. 11, at noon at the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios III-IV. Once again, it will be a pot-

luck with Lois and Sally donating the meat. We will have our traditional Chinese auction. Gifts should be at least \$10 (no recycled gifts). We are all looking forward to tasting the great variety of dishes and the fellowship!

Remember that you may join SWANS at any time. Our sole purpose is to make sure the single women in On Top of the World are never alone in this journey. Call Lois Nix for more information.



Photo by Cheryl Fedler

SWANS barbeque.

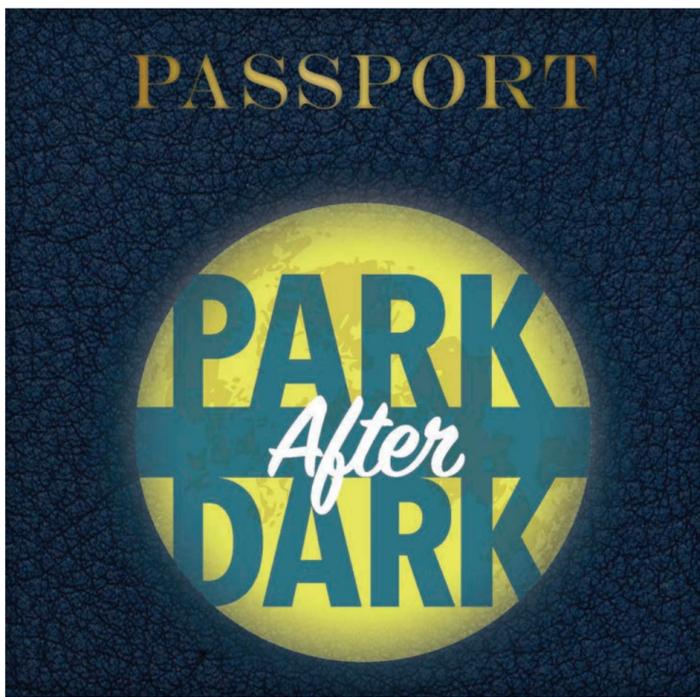


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Park After Dark World Tour Entertainment and Concert Series passport is available for purchase at SholomPark.org.

Sholom Park Park After Dark

By Christina Shearer

The holidays are here and if you are still searching for the perfect holiday gift, Sholom Park can help. A Park After Dark passport is the gift that keeps on giving even after the holidays have passed.

Experience Sholom Park like never before at our Park After Dark World Tour Entertainment and Concert Series. This entertaining and cultural concert series features a variety of live music with virtual views from around the world on a 25-foot movie screen. After a successful fall concert series, we are now preparing to take a virtual flight to Spain and Italy with a St. Patrick's Day celebration in, you guessed it, Ireland!

A Park After Dark passport includes entry to all three events. In addition to the sights and sounds of this exclusive entertainment series, passport holders will also experi-

ence a taste of each country. You can register for your passports online and then pick them up at Master the Possibilities just in time for the holiday gift-giving season. Park After Dark Passports will sell out fast and the deadline to register is Dec. 31. If you can't make it to all three events, you can register for each event separately. Visit sholom-park.org for more event details.

Sholom Park wishes everyone a safe and happy holiday season. Don't forget to visit our website for more information on upcoming events in December including Sunset Cinema featuring "The War with Grandpa" Friday, Dec. 3, and our L.E.A.F. Series "Unwrapped for the Holidays" Friday, Dec. 17. Stay tuned for information on an exciting concert event coming spring of 2022.

Christmas Bird Count

By Debbie Sherer

Monday, Jan. 3, 2022, the Birding Group will participate in the Audubon Society's annual Christmas Bird Count (CBC).

CBCs began over 120 years ago in response to the killing of herons and egrets for their plumage to be used in ladies' hats. Citizen outrage over the decline in the number of these birds led to the formation of the Audubon Society.

Yearly CBCs provide data on the status and range of birds around the world. Birds are good indicators of environmental health. CBC data from previous years have alerted scientists to the presence of toxins in the environment that like DDT. CBCs are conducted around the world and provide scientists with current information about the current effects of climate change on the environment, humans, and

wildlife.

The Birding Group for 2022 will have three to four teams who cover designated parts of Central Florida in Southwest Ocala. Each team's volunteers will be paired with an experienced leader who is knowledgeable about birds in the area. The team leader has a designated area to identify and count birds and will explain the procedures for the CBC to those new to this activity. The leader of your group will contact you with information about the time and place to meet on Monday, Jan. 3, to participate in the CBC.

Please consider participating in the 2022 CBC by joining one of the groups to count birds in Southwest Marion County. Contact Margitta Claterbos (mclaterbos@gmail.com) to participate.



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Little blue heron.



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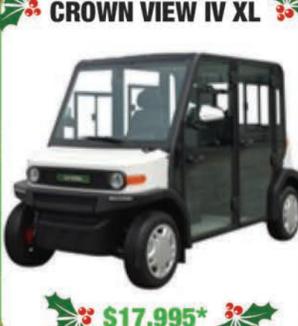
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Michigan Club



Nancy Meininger

The holiday season is upon us, and the “mitten” state is ready! Michigan Club will gather for its meet, greet, and eat Sunday, Dec. 5, at 5 p.m. at the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios I-II. We will celebrate with some rhythm and song by the Dulcimer Group following our meal.

Members are asked to bring a favorite holiday centerpiece to decorate their tables and a favorite holiday recipe to serve eight. Last names from A-G bring a dessert; H-N bring a main dish; and O-Z bring a vegetable dish.

Instead of donating our usual wrapped gift for a child, this year we have asked each attendee to gift \$5 to the relief agency for the starving children of Madagascar. Madagascar has not seen rain in over a year and there is much suffering!

Talented vocalist Linda Sisco, a

new member in our midst, treated the club to an amazing energetic concert. She took us down memory lane with songs we could listen to, dance to and sing along. Little did we know this lady on center stage had been in the spotlight in Atlantic City and on Viking ship cruises to France! She has also been a Ms. Michigan titlist and in the top 10 finalists for Ms. America!

Special thanks to Ed Sobolewski and Carolyn Abramovich for chairing this meeting.

Sunday, Jan. 2 at 5 p.m. at the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios I-III, Michigan Club will open the doors with headliner Pat Gabriel. As president of the SR 200 Coalition, Pat will provide insider information on new developments in and around On Top of the World and Ocala proper.

In February, we will be treated to a presentation of living history enacted by costumed and multi-talented Dee Collier. Dee’s performances bring us all onto the historical stage.

For more information about the Michigan Club, contact Nancy Meininger at 352-554-0757.



Vocalist Linda Sisco.

Scandinavian American Club



Ginny Nardone

The December meeting, which is our annual holiday luncheon, will be held Wednesday, Dec. 8, at noon at Bella Cucina in Oak Run. We look forward to sharing a fun and festive afternoon with our Scandinavian friends!

January 2022 will not only bring

us a new year but also a new meeting space. We will now have club meetings in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios III-IV. The first meeting of the new year will be Tuesday, Jan. 25, at 1 p.m. So, save the date and make a note of the room change.

Have a safe, happy holiday season and a spectacular new year. God Jul!

For more information about the Scandinavian American Club, please contact Ginny Nardone at (352) 304-8619.



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Moonstruck Astronomy Club

Jim Shuman



The Moonstruck Astronomy Club held its monthly meeting Thursday, Nov. 11, in the Hobby Building Event Room. Club President Jim Di Paolo presented a well-researched multimedia program on Virgin Galactic's 20-year history developing a reusable rocket plane for eventual use by civilian passengers. Following a successful flight with six passengers to the edge of space in 2021, the Virgin Galactic system is closing in on the possibility of space travel for those few willing to pay the \$250,000 price of a ticket.

Di Paolo also provided a NASA video about the James Webb Space Telescope, which is anticipated to be launched into orbit on Saturday, Dec. 18. The launch and eventual origami-like unfolding of the telescope a million miles from Earth is the culmination of 10 years of work by scientists and engineers at NASA, the European Space Agency, and Canadian Space Agency. Once in operation, the huge telescope will explore multiple phases of cosmic history both in the solar system

and in the most distant observable galaxies of the early universe.

John Bridges then provided his customary overview of the November night sky, featuring the locations of the moon, the planets, the international space station, and several celestial objects of note throughout the month. As always, club members enjoyed all these presentations as they keep everyone updated on events of interest and occurrences in the night sky.

Later in the meeting, Di Paolo described the club's most recent observing sessions in late October and early November; which were focused on the Moon, Jupiter, and Saturn. He added that that the November skies are already providing better nighttime observing conditions as the climate in Ocala becomes cooler and drier. He stated that club members should watch for emails announcing more evening observation sessions in the coming weeks and months. Sessions will be announced on any day that weather conditions allow for an open sky, and club members are willing to set up their telescopes to share observations. Members are welcome to arrive and stay as long as they wish throughout the evenings. All sessions are held adjacent to the R/C flying field.

Interest in the Moonstruck As-



Photo by Dean Rehpolh

New club member Dean Rehpolh with the Moonstruck Astronomy Club's Dobsonian loaner telescope; crescent moon photo taken at an evening observing session.

tronomy Club continues to grow. Regular meetings of the club are on the second Thursday of every month from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Hobby Building Event Room. All residents can join the club, and new members are welcome! Yearly club dues are only \$15 per year, and they include a subscription to the quarterly Reflector Magazine. Indigo

East residents require a Gateway Services pass to participate in the club. For information or club registration, please contact Moonstruck Astronomy Club President Jim Di Paolo at moonastroclub@gmail.com. More information is always available at moonstruckastronomy-club.org.

SPCA of Marion County

Kathy Kluge



Christmas is around the corner and what better time to adopt your new fur-ever friend. There's a sweet, lovable Chihuahua whose owner moved and couldn't take him to a new apartment. He's 13, housebroken, neutered, and good with people. He's okay with dogs and cats if they don't get in his face or "steal his lap."

He's a generally easy-going cuddle bug that just wants to be sleeping close to his human. There are no serious health conditions known. He's on special kibble for a sensitive stomach and it's been agreeing with him. Please call or text Donna

at (352) 237-3062 to get more information about this lovable little guy.

Another lovable little guy is Johnny. He is seven to eight months old mixed breed that weighs 10 pounds. He probably won't get much bigger. He has had his shots and is scheduled to be fixed. Like all puppies, he is rambunctious and curious. He gets along with other dogs and plays with his toys. He is crate trained and housebroken. He loves to go for walks and cuddle in your lap. He is sweet little boy. Call the SPCA of Marion County if you want more information at (352) 362-0985.

The SPCA of Marion County has a table at the Circle Square Commons Farmers Market every Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., except the third Thursday of each month when we have our meetings. Our meetings are held at 1 p.m. at Friendship Baptist Church, 9510 SW

105th Street.

We have the dogs above available for adoption right now and cats as well. If you want more information about cat adoptions, call Paula at

(352) 300-1072. Also, if you have a pet in need, please contact us. For more information, visit us online at SPCAofMarionCounty.weebly.com. If you have a question, call us at (352) 362-0985.



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Be prepared – it's a great motto to live by in the tech world. Unfortunately, when news of a big company's accounts being hacked includes yours, be sure to act immediately to change your password. Even though you are among millions of accounts, you could be one of the "lucky few" to personally get hacked.

First check your credit cards for unusual items being charged. Even seeing any small purchases is a big clue which might mean that the hacker is testing out your card to see if it works before making a larger purchase. Mobile-based Apple Pay and Android Pay are very secure, where each transaction produces a unique number the hackers can't use.

A good practice now is to sign up for fraud alerts on all your credit cards and bank accounts, since they might catch a fraud first. Set a rather low credit card limit for your alert, even \$5, so that your credit card sends you a message immediately on your smartphone when something is purchased.

Have fun with passwords like a favorite line from a movie or poem. Take the first letter of each word, mix in some numbers and sym-

bols, and you've got something that looks unique. Computer generated passwords are long and good, but copy and save it before clicking your approval.

Every online account needs its own password. Yes, that might be a lot of passwords to keep track of, but an organized and easily accessible secure database will help you tremendously.

Install a well-trusted antivirus program and update as needed, so that it protects you from ransomware, trojan horse programs, bots, and other malware.

Always sign up for "two-factor authentication" to boost security. List your cell phone number so a company can call and check that it is really you. That becomes a crucial part, beyond username and password, when the bad guys don't have your phone to complete a pur-

chase. The good news is, you are being notified that someone else is trying to buy an item with your credit card or withdraw money from your account – right now!

Residents are welcome to join our club, with \$10 individual yearly dues or \$15 per couple. The Contact page on otowpclub.org or email otowpclub@gmail.com will get you in touch with us.

Each Thursday, from 9 to 10 a.m., members enjoy free online one-on-one instruction or in-person help sessions in the Hobby Building, discussing their PC or Apple computer, smartphone or tablet issues. Members may list on our website any computer related hardware for sale or to give away.

We keep our weekly meetings fun and offer suggestions and possible solutions to help our members. Hope to see you on Saturday!

Active Singles Club

Pat Jocelyn



December is derived from the Latin word "decem" or "ten." Back in the day, the ancient Roman calendar had just 10 months in the year but later when two months were added, the name December wasn't changed.

The 12th month of the year signifies the beginning of winter and the height of the holiday season.

December also represents success, unity, trust, a divine connection, and the gift of life. Here in Central Florida, December is known for its celebrations, the arrival of our northern friends and the return of cooler weather.

Active Singles members are taking advantage of that cooler weather as we add more outside activities to our busy calendar. To keep abreast of all the Active Singles activities periodically check our website.

December is often a time when

non-profits have the greatest demand for support, and they appreciate whatever assistance we can offer. It may include volunteering time, a monetary donation, non-perishable food items or other sundry items. It's something to consider if you want to become more involved in our Ocala community.

You may also consider bringing canned or packaged dry goods to our monthly membership meetings. All items collected will be transported to the Interfaith Emergency Services food bank by several of our members.

Active Singles Club membership renewals will continue to be processed at our upcoming December and January meetings. Bring your resident ID and a \$20 membership fee.

If you wish to participate in our holiday celebration party scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 18, at the Indigo East Community Center reply to our upcoming email or visit our Facebook page.

On a personal note, I'd like to share several observations I've made during the four plus years I've been a club member:

Many of the friends I have been lucky enough to meet since moving to On Top of the World Communi-

ties are a result of participating in our club activities.

If I participated in a new activity and needed instruction, without fail someone always offered to help. I never sat alone at a dance, at a table during game night or while attending any club-sponsored activity.

I've discovered regardless of how varied our educational backgrounds, our home states, our economic status or other notable differences, our members always find a connection with one another and that in turn opens the door to lasting friendships.

I've discovered even though most of us have family living out-of-state, our members offer friendship, support, and understanding – we are a family of sorts and that's a very good thing.

I, for one, am grateful for my Active Singles brothers and sisters and thank each of you for being who you are and for embracing our motto: "We may be single, but we are not alone."

For more information about our club including how to join, contact us at activesinglesotow@outlook.com, visit us at otowactivesinglesclub.com or join us on Facebook (OTOW Active Singles Club).

What's Cookin'?

Nancy Grabowski



Here's an easy twist on a tried-and-true holiday appetizer for easy entertaining.

Twisted Pigs in a Blanket

Begin with a tube of pizza dough or crescent roll dough; roll out into a rectangle and cut into 24 squares. Place a teaspoon of marinara sauce on each square, top with a slice of pepperoni, a cocktail wiener, and a square of mozzarella. Roll and seal. Bake according to package suggestions. Serve with extra marinara.

Another tasty treat that is easy to make and eat!

Crab and Artichoke Tartlets

3 tablespoons mayonnaise
3 tablespoons sour cream
Freshly ground black pepper, to taste
1/4 cup frozen spinach, thawed and well drained
1/3 cup well-drained canned artichokes
1/3 cup lump crabmeat, well drained
1 sheet of puff pastry, thawed
3 tablespoons panko breadcrumbs
1-1/2 tablespoons Parmesan
1-1/2 teaspoons olive oil
Parsley sprigs

Heat oven to 375 degrees. Stir the mayonnaise, sour cream, and black pepper together in a medium-sized bowl. Add the spinach, artichokes, and crabmeat; mix lightly.

Unfold the pastry sheet on a lightly floured surface. Cut the sheet into three strips, 2-1/2 inches wide. Cut each pastry strip into four squares, 12 total. Press the pastry squares into 12 mini muffin pan cups.

Spoon 1-1/2 tablespoons of crab mixture into each pastry cup. Stir the breadcrumbs, cheese, and oil together in a small bowl. Sprinkle one teaspoon over each filled pastry.

Bake for 20 minutes or until the pastries are golden brown. Top each with a parsley spring before serving.

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Genealogical Society

Peter Parisi



On Monday, Oct. 18, Philip Davis of the Computer Club gave an informative presentation on how to "Safeguard and Preserve Your Important Information" via Zoom.

According to Phil, we must first determine:

1. What information is important to us?
2. What are the threats to this information?
3. What can we do to protect this information?

To most of us, family photos, financial records, and to genealogists, our research and its accompanying records, are most important to save. For financial information, Phil recommends using an Excel spreadsheet, similar to what he presented, to keep track of the category, account name, your username and password to the online account, whether it is an auto payment and the source of the funds.

What are the threats that we should be concerned about?

1. Human error where we mistakenly delete important files.
2. Software or equipment malfunction.
3. Catastrophic events such as a hurricane or electrical power loss.
4. External attacks from viruses or malware.

What would you do if any of the above events occurred? What if thieves steal your computer or lightning hits your house and your only backup and computer are destroyed. Can your family access your digital assets if they need to?

Phil recommends creating a backup strategy and implementing it. Save files often using CTRL + S. Don't click on a URL in an email

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you receive if you don't recognize who sent it. Use an external hard drive to back up important photos and files. Use iCloud or Dropbox to save working documents. However, external hard drives or Dropbox don't do it automatically and only back up files. To create a backup of everything on your hard drive including the system files, look into Carbonite or Acronis, which can back up automatically to the cloud or to external drives.

For a computer to work to its best, keep at least 20% free space on your drive. Purchase an uninterruptible power supply (UPS) to keep your computer running if you unexpectedly lose electrical power.

If you are interested in obtaining more information on how to safeguard and preserve your important records, consider joining the Genealogical Society by contacting Wilma Kelly at otowgens@gmail.com. Dues are \$20 per year for an individual or \$35 for a couple.

Our meetings take place at 10 a.m. on the second and third Mondays of the month. Our meetings continue to be hybrid, both in person at the Hobby Building Event Room and via Zoom. Members will be notified by email by our club president, Paul Belter, on how to access Zoom.

We have tentatively scheduled a holiday get-together of members at Mama B's Diner Monday, Dec. 13, at noon.

Visit us at otowgens.shutterfly.com.

100 Grandparents

Melinda Sutherland



Suzette Parker, principal at Romeo Elementary, contacted Evelyn Sarns that the 100 Grandparents will be allowed to return starting January 2022. This is a program where residents volunteer their time to read to children in the classroom once a month.

Romeo Elementary is based in Dunnellon, Florida, with many children coming from homes with financial challenges. Some children don't speak English. Yet, through the dedicated staff at Romeo, children are given every opportunity to succeed. One of the programs they bring to the school is our 100 Grandparents who help to instill the love of reading. For some of the children, we are the only grandparent figures in their lives.

To revamp the program, we need help from our community. If you were a reader or substitute and would like to return or cannot return, contact Evelyn at (352) 237-0304. If you are interested in being a reader or sub, you can also contact Evelyn.

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Honoring veterans at Tucker Hill Cemetery with Lion Tracey Hodge, Lion Charlie Hassett, veteran Bill Holcomb and Lion Moses Morris.

Lions Club



Gail Morris

We started our November by honoring veterans with the placement of flags at the Tucker Hill Cemetery, and we will continue to honor those veterans in December by placing wreaths at Tucker Hill and at our Veterans Park flag poles. The placement of those wreaths is from our club's donation to "Wreaths Across America."

Thanksgiving has come and gone but our Lions Club was very busy the week before gathering and assembling food baskets for the needy in Marion County. We distributed 15 baskets to families with children at Dunnellon Elementary School, 10 to veterans at the Ocala Ritz Veterans Village, two to Marion County Domestic Violence and two to the Arnette house. Our club members worked to gather donations for fresh vegetables and fruits from Osteen's Produce in Summerfield for our food baskets. Thanks to our Canopy Oak Publix that donated all the turkeys for those baskets, and grants from Walmart helped to complete the meal in those baskets. We are so thankful to all those who donated to this community project.

Our Lion's Club has decorated our Toys for Tots tree and are gathering the donated toys daily and taking them to the central Toys for Tots location. Thank you to all our residents for your generosity.

"Tacky Tea" is coming Sunday,

Jan. 16, 2022, in the Recreation Center Ballroom. We will have "finger" sandwiches and "biscuits" as well as both hot and iced teas. This event is going to be fun with food and entertainment. We will have a 50/50 drawing, at least 10 baskets for silent auction and a hat competition. We are asking our residents to participate in at least one of our hat categories for the prize of \$100 per hat category.

The prize categories are tackiest, most attractive, and most creative. So, get your creative juices flowing and come participate by modeling your prize-winning hat.

Tickets for this event will be on sale every Monday, Wednesday and Friday beginning Monday, Dec. 6 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Recreation Center Ballroom. Tickets are \$20. The funds raised at this event will help our club supply food to our community children and veterans in need by supporting the Ocala Ritz Veterans Village, AdventHealth Ocala emergency room and Interfaith Ministries, as well as others.

If you know of someone in our community who is in need of an eye exam or eyeglasses or any sight issues that are beyond their financial means, Lions are here to help. We have an application process and multiple ways to assist.

Our meetings are the second and fourth Tuesday of each month in the Arbor Conference Center Event Room at 5 p.m. However, in December we will meet only on the second Tuesday. You can also contact Estelle Michelson, our membership chair, at (352) 861-7358 for more information.

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Native Plant Group



Ron Broman

At this hour, I don't know what it is. This vine-like, red stemmed plant; what is it? Perhaps you know and can enlighten me. But your challenge, if you so wish, is to locate it in On Top of the World.

We can tell by the surrounding

flora that it is growing somewhere where there are pine trees and at least one large oak. Buildings are not in evidence.

What other clues as to its location can we spot? What can the ground tell us? What could that bright spot in the background be?

Where could this photo not have been taken? So which areas of On Top of the World are left to consider?

One more clue that might not be so obvious. I took this picture, and I don't do much walking in areas where I might fall. I do have a cane to assist; but I don't go very far and not alone especially when I don't know the territory.

There. I've told you enough. It's your turn. This plant looked this way in early October, so it should still be there.

I'll be searching my sources as you search as well. We'll see who comes up with its common and species name. Perhaps we both will succeed.

Call me at (352) 861-4560 when you have your answer to where in the world grows this plant? If you are "right on" you'll be offered a plant native to our area.

Come join our Native Plant Group as we continue to maintain our projects. Call the same number above for details. It's a true wonder to grow native!

Now on a lighter note, it's thyme to share this sage advice in this bountiful garden God has provided. Lettuce relish every healthy morsel; not just parsley but totally. Let us turnip every day ready to beet bok and squash the negatives and escarole the positives! It's not chard to cilantro life.

Let's collard everyone to join in giving thanks!

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Where in the world grows this mystery plant?

World Traveler

Bill Shampine



Beilstein, Germany, a small village of about 140 people, is located on the Moselle River about 115 miles west of Frankfurt. Because of its natural beauty and historic isolation (accessible only by boat), it often was called the "Sleeping Beauty of the Moselle." It is worth a trip, however, because it is one of the most charming towns in Germany. It is what I call a "Christmas card" town; one so picturesque that you might see it featured on a Christmas card.

Finds from Frankish graves show that Beilstein was settled about 800 AD. Some historians think the town was fortified about 1129, but the first published reference to a castle occurred in 1268. After passing through many ruling hands, the town and castle were granted to the Metternich family in 1637. In 1689, however, the castle was destroyed by French troops during the Nine Years' War. It has never been restored, but it is open for tours and offers an incredible view of the village, river, and surrounding vineyards.

Beilstein is also famous for a statue of a Black Madonna with an interesting history. In 1544, the rulers of Beilstein became protestants and decided to impose their faith on their subjects, mandating everyone to convert. In 1620, the town was attacked by Catholic Spaniards during the bloody 30 Years War of Religion. The locals in Beilstein were so

happy to escape the religious mandate to become protestants, they opened their gates and welcomed the Spanish troops. Not only was no one killed or raped, but nothing was stolen and no houses were burned! The peaceful takeover of the town during a time of rampant violence was considered a miracle that was attributed to a statue of a Black Madonna that the Spanish had brought with them. The 14 years of occupation were so friendly, that when the Spanish troops finally were pushed out, they left their Black Madonna statue in the Saint Joseph's Monastery Church where it had resided during the occupation. At the end of the Thirty Years' War, the statue was taken to France as a war spoil. After years of petitions, the Black Madonna statue finally was returned to Beilstein in 1950, where it now has become a pilgrimage site.

Because of its small size and relative isolation over the centuries, the village has retained much of its historic charm. Many of the buildings are built in the traditional German style, with A-frame roofs and half-timbered buildings with exposed wooden beams. The beams, often intricately carved, typically present a complex pattern, and are painted red while the fill areas are white. Many of the buildings also have colorful flowerpots hanging outside the windows.

You may be aware that the Moselle River valley is famous for its wine production. The most common grape in Germany is Riesling, which produces an outstanding, slightly sweet white wine. Beilstein, of course, is in the middle of the wine country and is surrounded by steep hillsides and beautiful vineyards.



Photo by Bildtechnik Braendle

The Rathaus (city hall) in Beilstein, Germany, is an old wooden house built in the traditional German manner.

Tall Tale Travelers

David Cranmer



uled for February and April with more to come.

Individual members have been creating informal "buddy camping" trips that so far included short trips to Flagler Beach, St. Augustine, and Cape Canaveral, Florida.

Tall Tale Travelers is always welcoming new members and is open to all residents interested in the RV lifestyle. Whether you drive a motor home or a tow a camper - or you'd like to know more about RVing - please join us. Membership is free. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, Jan. 19, from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Hobby Building Event Room. Please note the new time and date. Contact club president David Cranmer at talltaletravelers@gmail.com with any questions. For more information, visit us on Facebook (Tall Tale Travelers).

Travel Toppers

Anne Parker



The Saturday trips to the Suncoast Broadway Dinner Theater for "A Christmas Story: The Musical" on Dec. 18 and "Ring of Fire" featuring the music of Johnny Cash on Jan. 22, 2022 are wait list only.

We are planning a trip to the Just for Laughs Dinner Theater Saturday, Feb. 19, 2022, to see "Natalie Needs a Nighty," a classic comedy, just right for winter. The cost is \$78 per person which includes show, buffet lunch, transportation, and tip for the driver. Call Gail Ambrose (954) 614-0898 for reservations (Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.).

We will go to the Tampa Downs racetrack Saturday, April 2, 2022. The price is \$58 per person which includes the bus, tip for the driver, and a buffet lunch. Reservations begin Feb. 7, 2022, by calling Gail Ambrose at (954) 614-0898 (Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.).

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There are several trips in the planning stages. Please check our website for updates. These include a Mount Dora shopping trip for either February or March 2022 and a trip to Mango's Tropical Cafe in either March or April 2022.

A brochure will no longer be published; the best way to get up-to-date information is to visit traveltopperstours.com/. Information regarding our trips is also published in the South Marion Citizen. If you have suggestions for future trips, please contact any officer.

Friendly Visitor Club

Phyllis Silverman



Several residents have formed a club known as the Friendly Visitor Club and they work closely with

the Senior Resource Foundation of Ocala. They are a club of volunteers who want to make a difference by being a visiting friend to you or your neighbor. They will read stories, play cards, games and visit with those in need. For more information, contact Phyllis Silverman at (678) 709-2605.

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Women of the World

Anna McGonigal



The Women of the World members never cease to amaze me. On a gloomy, rainy day over 100 members attended the monthly meeting. Our speakers were Cindy Moore, outreach communities director, and Denise Parde, assistant shelter manager, at the Arnett House. The Arnett House provides programs and services to Marion, Lake, Sumter, Citrus and Hernando Counties by dedicated professionals who focus on the strengths of the family while providing skills to help improve life at home.

The members of Women of the World will be donating gifts to the

children who will be living at the shelter during the Christmas holiday. Names and ages of the children were hung on a tree and all the children's names were picked off the tree immediately, leaving some members disappointed they did not get a child to support. For any member who still wants to help, they still can help by purchasing gifts for the community room or gifts in general.

Cindy explained how sometimes a child will arrive at the house the day before Christmas, so they keep a stock of gifts on hand leaving no child without a gift. Examples of gifts to buy include footballs, volleyballs and basketballs, wallets, skateboards, board games (ages 10-plus), small purses, silver jewelry, sleep pants and gift cards to Old Navy, Walmart, and McDonalds. The children range in ages from 10 to 17 years old. Please bring your

gift, unwrapped, to the December meeting.

Next month our speaker is Dr. Judy Wilson, and our charity is the Domestic Violence/Abuse Center. The center is a non-profit organization committed to helping domestic violence survivors and their children. All their services are offered free of charge. Women of the World will be accepting donations for the center at the December meeting. Donations being accepted for the center include toiletries, socks, underwear, bed pillows/sheets (twin bed), towels, diapers, coloring books and golden books.

On a lighter note, preparations are underway for our annual fashion show. This season the fashion show will be held Wednesday, March 16, 2022, at Circle Square Cultural Center. Tickets go on sale at the Friday, Jan. 14, 2022, meeting. The fashion show proceeds

support Hospice of Marion County. Something new at the show are the actual fashions being modeled by our resident volunteers. Chico's Outlet is one of the vendors. On Top of the World's Golf Shop is the other vendor and will feature their latest golf apparel. Be ready to see beautiful golf apparel modeled by possibly both male and female models. More details to come in future columns as we get closer to the date of the show.

The next meeting is Friday, Dec. 3, at 12:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at The Lodge at Candler Hills Ballroom. In addition to our speaker, there will also be holiday entertainment for your enjoyment. Please remember to bring your resident ID. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (267) 421-9962.

Texas Connection Social Club

Kathy Cornell



It's a pressing situation! The deadline for our column is due two days before we meet. However, by the time the World News goes to press I know we will have had a fun time playing Family Feud. Our

Texas style version will challenge our teams to earn the most points by getting the top answer from a "survey of 100 Texans." They will tackle questions such as "What is the most favorite lunch or dinner food for Texans?" Will it be chicken fried steak, barbecue, or chili?

Our next meeting is Sunday, Dec. 12, in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios I-II when we celebrate the season with a holiday party. Meeting will begin at 6 p.m. Feel free to arrive any time after

5:30 p.m.

We're going to have our traditional white elephant gift exchange. This is a gift swap where amusing and sometimes impractical gifts are traded. The goal is to entertain rather than to gain a genuinely valuable item. These can be a gag gift, something from home, a re-gift, something you create, etc. The idea is to make it fun and funny without spending a lot of money. Please bring a wrapped and unmarked gift; one per participating person.

We'll have some other fun games to play as well. Also, please bring a light snack to share and a beverage for yourself.

If you have a connection to Texas and are looking for some Texas style fun, please contact us. We would love to tell you about our group and get you on the email list for club news and notifications. Contact Kathy Cornell at (352) 300-3729, (352) 562-2801 or kcornell54@cfl.rr.com.

New York/New Jersey Club

Gloria Nelson



Our October meeting brought over 60 people to the New York/New Jersey Club. Many of the 20 or so new members were folks from New Jersey. The new people were

asked to give a brief introduction of themselves and where they hailed from. As usual, those people from the same town clapped a big welcome for the new members.

The Hobby Building Event Room was nicely decorated in the spirit of Halloween and costumes were worn by some of our braver members. We had Raggedy Ann, a pirate with sword and hat, Captain Kirk and a few scary costumes as well.

Everyone brought delicious snacks and treats to enjoy while the music played.

We had a guest speaker, Bill Aman from Community Patrol, explaining the job of a patrol volunteer. Bill encouraged the club members to consider becoming a part of this worthwhile service.

Our November meeting was held a week earlier due to the Thanksgiving holiday landing on our regular

meeting night. However, be sure to come to the holiday party Thursday, Dec. 23, our regular fourth Thursday of the month. All meetings are held in the Hobby Building Event Room at 6 p.m. If you have any questions regarding the New York/New Jersey Club, feel free to contact Brian McDonald at cp12065@gmail.com or (518) 253-2046.



Photo by Gail Levine

President Rick Carel enjoys joining in.

The Jewish Club

Nancy Meininger



It's Hanukkah! Time to spin the dreidel and celebrate! Members of the Jewish Club will gather at The Lodge at Candler Hills, Sunday, Dec. 19, at 1 p.m. to enjoy this holi-

day. We will be entertained by vocalist Harry Boyajian from the Theatre Group. Those who have heard Harry sing know we are in for a treat!

This last quarter has been filled with fun times, from our concert with Sheba to our annual barbeque at the Veterans Park. We have joined together to sing, dance, and enjoy each other's company as never before. Our numbers have grown to nearly 250 members now and

continue to rise.

2022 holds many exciting events for our club. Among them, in January we will hear about "The Boy Who Adopted His Mother" by Pat and Irv Buppert, and in February from Gorham Black on his travels with Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.

For more information on the Jewish Club, contact Nancy Meininger at (352) 554-0757.

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Rhode Island Group

Judy Parisi



The Rhode Island Group enjoyed a tasty lunch at The Club at Candler Hills in October. Our server did a great job keeping all our orders straight and providing efficient service.

We were happy to see new people join us to share memories of our time in Rhode Island. Of course, conversation always includes talking about food and favorite restaurants, including those that serve great Italian cuisine, seafood, and more. Rhode Island is fortunate to have some unique restaurants including Wrights Farm in Harrisville. They do an award winning, family style all you can eat chicken dinner, that includes pasta with their trademark marinara sauce, fries, rolls, and salad. We talked about how great it would be to have a similar restaurant nearby in Florida.

We reminisced about bygone days and former entertainment and dining places like Rocky Point

Amusement Park and their Shore Dinner Hall. With its 135-year history, until the amusement park closure in 1996, and the iconic dining hall closure in 2000, it was a fun place to meet and enjoy concerts, amusements, dances, and great food while overlooking Narragansett Bay. The dining hall had a significant seating capacity of 2,500 and was well known by all Rhode Islanders.

An interesting historical note was that in 1904 it hosted the 40th reunion of the veterans of the Army of the Potomac. In the early 20th century, many patrons came by trolley. There was an alliance between the trolley car line and owners of the amusement park wherein the electric streetcar lines often advertised the attractions of the parks, and the parks encouraged their patrons to use the trolley.

Everyone who visits Rhode Island should try the local cuisine, but some hints on what things are called may be helpful. For example, if you want a milkshake, it is typically called a cabinet, and a submarine sandwich is referred to as a grinder. If you are looking at seafood, and would like a stuffed clam, it is re-



Photo by Judy Parisi

Rhode Island Group enjoying lunch at The Club at Candler Hills.

ferred to as a stuffie. Also, a clam in Rhode Island is generally a quahog. For beverages other than a cabinet, you may consider having a local beer, called Narragansett which is referred to as have a Gansett. And on a hot summer day keep an eye out for Dels, which is a frozen lemonade. The food and beverages are all "wicked" - "Rhode Islandese" for great.

Our next lunch is planned for

Wednesday, Jan. 19, 2022, at 12:30 p.m. at Sammy's Italian Restaurant and Pizza. An email will go out to the group in late December, early January about this lunch. If you are not on the email list but might want to join us, please email me at judith.paris@gmail.com so I can put you on our list. If you worked, served, or lived in Rhode Island, or are a family member of a Rhode Islander you are most welcome to join us.

Southern Club

Melanie Vittitow



What is the Southern Club? It's a social club. We meet once a month for a potluck dinner, short meeting, and social time. Any resident is welcome because when you moved to Florida, you became a southerner! We have speakers or entertainment and just enjoy getting together with friends. Our meeting takes place in the Arbor Conference Center Dance studios I-III on the first Tuesday of the month (September through May). The dinner starts at 5 p.m. so we ask people to come between 4:30 and 5 p.m. to check in, find a place to sit, and get your drinks. The club furnishes coffee, tea, lemonade, ice, and cups. You will need to bring plates and eating utensils.

Our first Tuesday meeting was a whopping success. We welcomed five new members and several old members who we hadn't seen in a while. It was a fun get together. Our meetings always start with dinner, and this was no exception. The club furnished pizza and members brought salads and lots of desserts to go with it.

While we waited for the pizza to be delivered, we had a speaker from the Community Patrol who explained their duties and, more specifically, their restrictions. They are an arm of the Marion County Sheriff's Office, but without legal authority to detain anyone or interfere in any way. They are basically a deterrent to crime by riding around

and keeping a look-out for anything out of the ordinary. If they spot anything, they call it in. We'd like to thank them for fulfilling this civic duty for our community.

After dinner we played a very interesting get-acquainted game. We asked a few volunteers to tell us three things about themselves or their lives, with one of them being a whopping lie. Then we had to guess the lie. This was harder than it seems because we have some

people in our club who have led very interesting lives. And some people, no names mentioned, are very convincing liars! It was a fun game. We plan to continue with various activities on this order so we can learn more about each other. I look forward to it.

Our next meeting will be held Tuesday Dec. 7. This will be our holiday feast. The club is going to furnish ham and turkey and the members will bring the fixins'. We need

to know how much meat to buy, so if you haven't already replied, we ask you to call or email (352) 857-8765 or bobczopek@gmail.com so we can get a count. To add to the fun, we will be entertained by a group of our neighbors and friends called The Dancing Jewels. They always do a great routine.

I hope you will be able to join us for a lovely evening. If you have any questions, feel free to call me at (352) 873-8690.

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Feel the Beat Under Your Feet

By Nancy Carmack



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Freddie's intermediate class.

It's hard to believe it's December, and we're into another busy holiday season!

Recently we've had some changes in our line dance community. Our Beginner Level II/Improver/Intermediate group will look for-

ward to their dance in February in the Recreation Center Ballroom as we are unable to hold our holiday dance this month. Darlene Miller has introduced some great new dances so far this year, so we will incorporate some of those dances into that February dance.

Darlene will have a Christmas dance party Monday, Dec. 13. Announcements will be made about her schedule for the holiday weeks. Wednesday practice sessions will not take place Dec. 22. Instructors will announce plans for Dec. 29.

Freddie Sharp has been teaching the Intermediate class the last two years and started her third season this September. She and her husband have decided to relocate, so Carole Lennon and I have taken over the class until we can find a permanent teacher. We will all miss Freddie and wish her the best in their new home and location. For a goodbye gift we had a group picture taken and framed to give to Freddie as a remembrance of our class.

As weather permits, we still dance Tuesday through Saturday, at The Town Square beginning at 6 p.m. The music is great, and it's fun to be outside dancing and socializing with friends.

Here's wishing everyone a wonderful and blessed Christmas.

For detailed information on classes, please contact Darlene Miller at (352) 259-3695, or Nancy Carmack for the Intermediate class at (352) 533-8870 or Sheryl Bradley for her Thursday classes at sbradley057@yahoo.com.

Bags & Boards

By Jim Russell & Bill Ballweg

OPEN PLAY: The Cornhole Club membership wishes all residents a very happy holiday season and invites everyone to come join us for open play during the winter months. The bags are flying every Monday, at 2 p.m., hosted by Glen and Andrea Richard; and at 6 p.m. hosted by Bruce Combs and Vickie Foster.

Each Wednesday, at 2 p.m. it's Ron and Barb Daughtry getting the games going for you. Every Friday, at 10 a.m. your hosts are Bill and Brenda Andrews followed at 2 p.m. with play hosted by the one and only Vince Stevens.

Our supply of new bags has recently arrived and many of us hope they will help to improve our game! Come join us at the Veterans Park facility for a fun time with your friends and neighbors.

MIXED LEAGUE: With one week to go in the fall season the Old Pokes (Brenda and Bill Andrews) hold a three-game lead over the Jokers (Vickie Foster and Vince Stevens). With Old Pokes and Jokers playing the final week there is a chance that the Jokers can tie for first place but will need a clean sweep of all three games. Congratulations to all the players as this was a very competitive season.

MEN'S LEAGUE: The men's league matches have been very competitive and many surprises in the re-

sults. The Undertakers (Bob Helf and Bill Ballweg) are attempting to capture their ninth consecutive championship before they retire from the leagues and turn pro. The Undertakers have a sizable lead with two weeks remaining but are followed closely by the Dirt Bags (Rick Dikeman and Dwight Weirick) in second place.

ONE-ON-ONE (SINGLES LEAGUE):

The one-on-one league is our newest addition to our league offering. Unlike our other leagues which feature doubles play this league features individual players. The good news is this new format allows players to show their abilities, but the bad news is the players cannot declare losing is the fault of their partner. At this point, we have two players (Bob Helf and Mike McCauley) who have distanced themselves from the pack. Donna Hansen and Bruce Combs remain in the hunt as the final standing will depend on some rather crucial end-of-the-season matches.

If you are interested in participating in our mixed, men's, or one-on-one leagues, contact Bill Ballweg at waballweg@yahoo.com for more information.

LADIES LEAGUE: Play has concluded and plans are underway for their next round of play. Contact Vickie Foster at poo2dog@verizon.net for all the details.



Photo by Jim Swift

Advanced Table Tennis Club members Jim Swift, Janos Sikos, Vijay Jain, Alex Nagy, Paul Stadterman, and Dennis Tenorio.

Getting Back Into the 'Swing' of Things

By Athena Drewes

We continue to enjoy table tennis and getting to see many new members playing and getting back into the "swing" of things! Our Monday and Tuesday doubles time slots (6 to 8 p.m.) are beginning to be the most popular times, but we also have lots of other opportunities with beginners (Tuesdays, 1 to 3 p.m.; Thursdays, 3 to 5 p.m.); ladies (Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to noon); doubles (Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, 1 to 3 p.m.); and singles (Wednesdays and Sundays, 1 to 3 p.m.) for all levels! We hope you will consider joining.

We have a special membership fee now, if you pay your \$10 annual dues now, you get the rest of the year included!! We do not want you to stay away thinking you will have to pay double if you join now!

Several members have been asking some thorny rule questions, and here are the answers from the internet and rule book:

Q. What happens if the player in the act of service misses the ball completely, or it falls directly onto the floor?

A. A missed serve is called a "fault" if the server swings and misses the ball. The server may stop the serve by catching the ball and starting over. A player loses a point if he/she fails to make a good serve (eg. throwing the ball in the air and failing to hit the ball or failing to hit it onto his opponent's side of the

table) or allows the ball to bounce twice on the server's side of the table. If the ball touches the net and lands in, it remains in play. There is no limit to the number of net (let) serves.

For a legal serve in table tennis, you must throw the ball up into the air at least six inches. You can't just hit the ball straight out of your hand which is a common thing for beginners to do when first starting to play.

Q. Which side to use on the paddle?

A. While this isn't always true, in most cases the red side allows the ping pong ball to go faster. The black side is usually known to put a better spin on the ball. Since generally the red is faster and spins a bit less, professionals tend to use a red rubber on their forehand and black on their backhand. The top Chinese players use a black tacky rubber on their forehand.

Q. Can you switch hands during the game?

A. Yes! According to International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) rules there is no mention of losing the point if you decide to switch your playing hand during a rally. But you can only use one paddle to play with (not having one in each hand!).

Wishing you all very happy holidays! Come play table tennis and have some fun!



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Cornhole play under the lights.

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R/C Car Club



Gene Mangold

Welcome race fans. Today I'd like to introduce you to Doug Coleman.

All drivers must sign in and select which of the nine classes to race. I saw that Doug Coleman was already signed into novice and sitting at the first assembly table. He was preparing the beautiful two-drive buggy car he built from a kit. The building is not an easy task as it requires much skill and technical know-how to read all those diagrams and instructions.

The races had not started, so I sat down and chatted with Doug. He was born in Canada, served in World War II with the Canadian Navy protecting U.S. ships, graduated as a mining engineer in Toronto, worked for the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, and in 1960, was transferred to Bethlehem, Pennsylvania and became a U.S. citizen.

Suddenly, the race committee interrupted us over the loudspeaker that we have 28 races today with 65 cars. The race day consists of two sets, the first set of races is for qualifying, and then the second part is for award points. Drivers are assigned to heats by their performance in the previous qualifying races.

Doug told me he was racing in novice class because he had gotten rusty by keeping up with his other activities. He moved from his home in Pennsylvania after finding On Top of the World, a community that offered many amenities to keep

him busy.

Again we were interrupted by the loudspeaker saying that the novice class would be starting and that drivers needed to place their cars on the starting ramp. So I followed Doug over to the ramp, then to the elevated driver's platform. He sprinted up the stairs, quickly taking his place. The driver's stand has a birds-eye view of the entire track to help navigate around without hitting the wall.

After the race, he told me he loves to dance at Happy Hour at the Recreation Center, play cards, and attend many socials. In addition, Doug is in training to fly airplanes at the R/C flying field.

My impression of this man is that he hasn't slowed down in all his years. Instead, he enjoys life to the fullest and does a great job driving his R/C car even though he came in second.

October

Rage-Ken Berry. Two-wheel drive buggy-Dominic Papa. Two-wheel drive truck-Ron Kaulfersch. Four-wheel drive buggy-Ken Berry. Four-wheel drive truck-Ken Berry. Stock GT-Ken Berry. Touring-Dominic Papa. Tie at novice-Paul Altman and Jim Printer.

R/C car races start at 1 p.m. on Thursdays and Sundays at the R/C car track; slot car racing on Tuesdays at 1 p.m. in the Arbor Activity Center Music Room; and legend cars on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. at the R/C car track. Call President Fred Penichet at (914) 588-7293 for information.

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Candler Hills Ladies 9-Hole Golf

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A special “thank you” to everyone who supported our recent Michelle-O-Gram breast cancer fundraiser. Unfortunately, Mother Nature did not cooperate, and we were not able to play. Through the generosity of registered players, we were able to raise \$3,117.50 to help the charity to provide mammograms locally for those who can’t afford them. Sherry Roberts told me over the phone that the past 18 months have been very difficult due to not being able to have fundraisers like ours. They were overjoyed to receive this donation.

Save the date for a new clinic Monday, Jan. 24, 2022, Chip, Sip and Dip. Look for the details in Decem-

ber and join in the fun.

Would you describe yourself as one of the following?

1. Someone learning to play.
2. Someone who plays golf recreationally.
3. Someone who plays for the competition.

Do not confuse your handicap ability with the answer to these questions. You can be a lower handicap, but the social and recreational aspects of the game can still be more important to you. Likewise, you can be a higher handicapper, but your competitive nature for the sport is more important to you.

For the most part some of those who compete are quite happy with their handicap level where it is. Many of those who are committed to enjoying the game as recreational players view the investment of time and money into “improvement” as wasted time. I want you to reflect on the fact that whatever your motivation, accomplishment and growing competency offer

fulfillment. They also bring confidence and more magical moments, whatever your motivation.

We have many opportunities to assist you in your game improvement. The following are options available to you:

- Monthly game improvement clinics by topic, which are usually the first two Saturdays of each month. Pre-registration and payment or voucher are required at the Candler Hills Golf Shop.
- Private lessons with one of our five golf professionals – see the individual who you are selecting as your instructor for pricing.
- If you are new to golf, we offer Intro to Golf Classes every

couple of months. The classes are divided into five-hour long sessions where we introduce the beginning golfer to the game. If you know someone who would like to take up the game, have them reach out to us with their contact information.

Playing lessons is where a professional spends some time with you in actual playing conditions on the course to offer helpful tips to make better choices to improve your game and your scoring.

Please feel free to contact Nick (nick_schwander@otowfl.com) or myself (denise_mullen@otowfl.com) with any questions you may have. Candler Hills Golf Shop phone number is (352) 861-9712.

Ladies 9-Hole Golf

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As we glide into the month of December, the LGA-9 schedule will be on the following Tuesdays:

- Dec. 7: Individual Low Net (The Tortoise & The Hare) is where ladies play their normal round of golf with all ladies flighted, based on their current handicap index.
- Dec. 14: Team Shamble – 2 Best Ball (The Links) is where ladies tee off, then the team picks the best drive. Each player then plays her own golf ball from there for the rest of the hole. The scoring will be the 2 Best Balls of the foursome.
- Dec. 21: Individual Even Holes (The Tortoise & The Hare) is where ladies play their normal round of golf, but we only use the scores

from the even holes as your score for the round.

Dec. 28: 4 Clubs & A Putter – 4 Best Ball Team Net (The Links) is where ladies will choose four clubs from their bag to play the entire round of golf with, plus their putter (total of five clubs). Each player’s score will then be used as the team score.

Did you know that a golf ball isn’t officially “holed out” until it hits the bottom of the cup? The new rule where you can putt with the flagstick in adds some intrigue to the “holed out” verbiage. If you look at Rule 13.2c “Ball Resting Against Flagstick in Hole,” you’ll get a better understanding of what you can deal with out there on the course.

If any part of the ball is in the hole below the surface of the putting green, the ball is treated as holed even if the entire ball is not below the surface.

If no part of the ball is in the hole below the surface of the putting green:

- The ball is not holed and must be played as it lies.
- If the flagstick is removed and the ball moves (whether it falls into the hole or moves away from the hole), there is no penalty and the ball must be replaced on the lip of the hole.

The holiday season is officially upon us. With that being said, I hope everyone has an enjoyable time with family and friends.

Horseshoe League

Joe Lawson



As the time has changed, the starting time for our horseshoe league was moved to 10 a.m. As December starts, the horseshoe travel league is underway. Our regular league play will continue each Tuesday until Dec. 21. We will then take two weeks off and resume league play on Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2022. Every Tuesday, we will have open play between Dec. 21, through Jan. 4, 2022.

We want to welcome all our new members who attended one of our training classes and are now playing with us weekly.

We want to welcome back Betty DeLong, who is one of our residents who has played with us before. Welcome back snowbird, Dan Ebbighausen. We are glad you are both back.

Good luck to our travel team who is trying to capture the tri-county horseshoe championship for the second time in four years.

If you have any interest in attending one of our horseshoe training sessions in December or joining the league, please contact Joe Lawson at softballjoe46@gmail.com. We play every Tuesday in our league play and participate in the travel league Thursday mornings.

Check our bulletin board at Veterans Park for our travel league home and away schedule.

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Golf

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The golf staff would like to wish everyone safe and happy holidays. We will kick off 2022 with our annual Jekyll & Hyde Friday, Jan. 21, on both The Links and The Tortoise & The Hare. The Snowflake Open will follow Saturday, Jan. 29, on Candler Hills Golf Course. Please contact either Golf Shop for more details.

Our golf staff needs your assistance! For Andy Jorgensen and his staff to provide perfect playing conditions, all golfers need to fill their divots with sand and fix ball marks on the greens. When putting, please be sure to lift your feet and not shuffle across the greens. It is your responsibility as golfers to

help maintain these beautiful golf courses.

The golf staff would like to remind everyone to register or renew your golf membership for 2022. Indigo East residents please update your Gateway of Services pass for 2022 before you register for membership. If you're renewing your membership or considering joining for 2022, please contact Trudy Foster at (352) 854-2765 with any questions (Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.). We encourage everyone to register early in December because the membership office will become very busy by the end of the month.

Need holiday gift ideas? Be sure to check out the annual holiday sale Wednesday, Dec. 15 through Friday, Dec. 31. There will be special discounts on apparel, golf bags, and golf shoes. Don't miss Santa's lucky leftover table! If you spend \$100 in one transaction, you will be automatically entered into a raffle

to win a new golf bag.

World Accolades

CANDLER HILLS: Peggy Shanfelt, birdie #1 and eagle #7. David Bene, hole-in-one #13.

THE TORTOISE & THE HARE: Bill Maxwell, eagle #5. Steve Gersten, eagle #5. Rick Doyle, eagle #5. Bob Flynn, eagle #5. Bob Barbee, eagle #1. Ron Delaney, eagle #5.

THE LINKS: Eileen Gustavus, eagle #9. Jim Weaver, eagle #1. Congratulations to all!

Upcoming Events

- Friday, Dec. 3: Beat the Pro at The Links and Candler Hills, 9 a.m. shotgun.
- Friday, Dec. 24: Golf Clubs close at 2 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 25: Golf Clubs closed.
- Friday, Dec. 31: Golf Clubs close at 3 p.m.
- Saturday, Jan 1, 2022: Golf Clubs close at 2 p.m.

Golf Tip of the Month

You hit your second shot in a greenside bunker, you need to get up and down to save par and win the match. You step up to the shot, dig your feet in and take a swing. Next you look up to see the ball sailing clear across the green. Does this sound familiar?

This is a common mistake that all golfers make. Most are defeated before they even set foot in the bunker. Bunker shots should be easier than any other shot in golf. The reason being is you're not actually trying to hit the ball.

When hitting a greenside bunker shot you should open your stance and club. Swing a little harder than a typical shot from the same distance and try and hit an inch behind the ball. Never decelerate your swing. This will allow your club to dig into the sand forcing the ball to pop out nice and soft. Next time step in that bunker with confidence, trust the shot and win the match.

Men's Golf Association

John Yenne



Next month, the new board elected by the membership on Chicken Day Wednesday, Dec. 1, will be seated to select new officers for the 2022 Men's Golf Association.

On Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2022, the new board will elect its own president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. The following committee appointments will also be made - tournament chairman, food and beverage chairman, and membership chairman. In addition, two at-large positions will then be appointed.

This month, be sure to pass along your thanks to the current board, which has served the membership through some challenging times. Albert Einstein famously said, "Only a life lived for others is a life worthwhile."

Don't forget our 2022 membership drive, which is underway now. Dues are \$10 annually.

The membership currently stands at 354. Please welcome our newest: David Clune, Charles Regini and Marvin DeBerry.

Mark these upcoming Wednesday events in your calendar:

- Dec. 8: 2 Man Team Low Net

- (The Tortoise & The Hare)
- Dec. 15: Individual Low Net (The Links)
- Dec. 22: Shamble (The Tortoise & The Hare)
- Dec. 29: 2 Best Balls (The Links)

Chicken Day Scramble Nov. 3/The Links

53-John English. Rd Zink, Paul Snyder, Mike Benes. Tie at 54-Rusty Rhodes, David Clune, William York; Dave Falcone, Bigelow Robinson, David Garland, George Brombacher; Dale Clarke, Don Edmond, Joseph Mandala, Bob Janssen. Tie at 55-Steven Sarkozy, Ricki Plesea, Bob Barbee, Ed Hoppa; James Gourlay, Bruce Venslavsky, David Wohlleber, Thomas Kujawa; Mark Durso, Henry Sohl, Leonard Ruble, John Bauer; Joe Wilks, Tom Fragapane, Carl Zeiler, Bill Koch; Joe Polizzotti, Mark Beauchamp, Mike Kurlakowsky, Greg McDowell. Tie at 56-Rusty Zarrell, David Woitek, Norm Hayworth, John Johnson; John Parnau, Kevin Thompson, Dwight Weirich, Paul Silliman. Tie at 57-Mario Grosso, Robert Coutu, David Hannasch, Marvin DeBerry; John Spielvogel, Kevin McGuinness, David Miller, Thomas Norris.

Any 4 Clubs Nov. 10/The Links

Flight 1: 71-Julian Hobby, 74-Lyle Gave, 76-Paul Stoecklin. Tie at 78-Art Lagrange, Ricki Plesea. Tie at 80-Steven Rudolph, James Gourlay.
Flight 2: 69-Jim Weaver, 76-Dave Cuvellier, 77-John English. Tie at 79-Dennis McCourt, Dan Goggin, 80-Ken Zweiback.
Flight 3: 68-Gary Hassett, 72-David Wohl-

leber. Tie at 74-Roger Sparks, Gregory Dyer, 75-Bigelow Robinson, 77-Ruben Alvarez.
Flight 4: 68-Dwight Weirich, 72-Bob Barbee. Tie at 75-Charles Crenshaw, David Hannasch, 76-Matt Raies, 78-Dennis Dobosh.

Flight 5: 74-Jim Kurlapski, 75-Bob Marks, 76-David Garland, 77-Leonard Ruble, 79-Mike Lane, 80-Ed Vasoli.
Flight 6: 73-Joseph Dunnack, 75-Bob Rickett, Tie at 77-Tary Bole, Loren Magsam, 80-Joe Polizzotti, 81-Bob Gorman.

New Dancin' On the Top

Arlo Janssen



Here we are already in the holiday season! All the New Dancin' On the Top Club officers wish you and your family a wonderful Christmas! We want you and our family of dancers to be safe, healthy, and enjoy dancing in our great community.

Our autumn-themed dance was held Saturday, Nov. 13, in the Recreation Center Ballroom. The mu-

sic was provided by Automatic, and pizza was served to start the night of dancing. The dance was enjoyed by all.

A big "thank you" to all those club members who have volunteered to help with our dances over the years. The New Dancin' On the Top Club will close out its operation before the end of this year. We hope you will continue to enjoy dancing in the year 2022. So, keep on dancing in the future wherever your dancing shoes will take you.

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Candler Hills Men's Golf

Terry Hoppes



We welcomed new members Howard Gluckman, Marvin DeBerry, Kevin Thompson, and George Creighton.

The annual meeting was held Tuesday, Oct. 26, after the Scramble. Paul Rubly and Terry Hoppes retired from the board and were replaced by Bill Gurbisz and Mike Kelly.

Stableford Best 2 of 4 Oct. 12

Tie at 92-Mike Kelly, Bob Hilton, Rex Heitz, Omer Fannin and Paul Sepulveda, Virgel Jajalla, Robert Dellapenna, Paul Randles and Ken Franks, Jim Weaver, Dave Miller, Tom Joy. 85-Bill Gurbisz, David Fosdick, Joe Jingco, Philip Moherek. Tie at 84-Larry Ketterwell, Mike Altomare, Richard Ross, Marvin Brooks and Dave Fritz, Louis Heger, David Nelson. 83-Dave Falcone, Dennis McCourt, Ed Bischoff, Dennis Huber.

League Championship Oct. 19 & 20 Gross

Club Champion Blue Tees: -1-Dave Falcone. +8-David Steel. +13-Lonnie Page. White Flight 1: +13-Joe Schuberth. +15-David Butler. +18-Michael Cunningham. White Flight 2: +22-Ken Zweiback. +32-Richard Ross. +35-Don Wheeler.

Net

Club Championship Blue Flight: +1-Bill Gurbisz. +5-Dave Falcone. +7-Jon Hill. Tie at +8-David Fritz & David Fosdick.

White Flight 1: -3-Jim Weaver. Tie at +1-Charlie Taylor & Larry Smallwood.

White Flight 2: Even-Dennis McCourt. +2-Tom Joy. +10-Tim Beaty.

Scramble Oct. 26

-17-Bill Gurbisz, David Fosdick, George Issac, Omer Fannin. -16-Paul Rubly, Paul Sepulveda, Hal Levine, Don Wheeler. -15-Dave Falcone, Joe Pruss, Terry Spurlock. Tie at -14-Lonnie Page, Ken Zweiback, Louis Heger and Mike Kelly, James Logan, Richard Ross, Paul Randles and Jon Hill, Rusty Zarrell. James Dewey, Bill Scaringe and Kenneth Franks, Mori Fierce, Rex Heitz, Bill Searight and Mike Altomare, Bill Mengele, Steven Gersten, George Brombacher and Stephen Bussey, Bob Hilton, Dennis McCourt, Philip Moherek.

3 Best Balls of 4 Nov. 2

-17-Bill Wallenstein, David Clune, Richard Ross, David Nelson. Tie at -14-Dave Falcone, Virgel Jajalla, Howard Gluckman, Sam Fox and Bill Wignall, Paul Rubly, Terry Spurlock, Marvin Brooks. -13-Stephen Bussey, Lyle Gave, Tim Beaty, Bill Searight. -12 Joe Schuberth, Jim Weaver, Don Wheeler, Brad Best. Tie at -11-Paul Sepulveda, David Fosdick, Dennis McCourt, Don Huston and Jim Napierski, Bob Hilton, Kevin Thompson, Paul Randles.

Quota (Individual) Nov. 9

Flight 1: +3-Brian Gauthier. +2-Bill Wignall. +1-Dave Falcone. Even-Donald Otto. Tie at -2-Larry Ketterwell, Tom Presnick. Tie at -3-Terry Hoppes & David Butler.

Flight 2: +4-Paul Sepulveda. +1-Michael Cunningham. Even-Lyle Gave. -1-Ray Christ. Tie at -2-David Fosdick & Paul Rubly. Tie at -4-Billy Scholp, Mike Deahl, & David Fritz.

Flight 3: Tie at +1-Louis Heger & Charlie Taylor. Even-Dennis McCourt. -2-Jim Weaver. Tie at -4-Terry Spurlock, Michael Altomare, & Ken Zweiback. Tie at -5-Don Edmond & Virgel Jajalla.

Flight 4: -2-Gilbert Green. Tie at -3-Howard Gluckman, Joe Jingco, Tim Beaty. -4-Bill McElroy. Tie at -5-Hal Levine, Kevin Thompson. Tie at -6-Rex Heitz & Richard Ross.



Photo by Charlie Taylor

Dave Falcone was the winner of the Candler Hills MGA two-day tournament.

Flight 5: Even-Tim Williams. -1-Robert Dellapenna. Tie at -2-John Sullivan, Marvin Brooks & Don Wheeler. Tie at -4-Dennis Huber & Bill Searight. Tie at -5-Sam Fox & David Nelson.

For more information regarding our league, please visit CHMGA.org.

Ladies 18-Hole Golf Association

Susan Yenne



It came down to the final putt on the final hole in the two-day quest for the 2021 league championship. Sandy Snyder prevailed over Vadonna Hall, 155 to 156, in one of the tightest matches in league history.

Snyder, who moved here two and a half years ago, has been playing golf for 50 years. Her parents belonged to a nine-hole course at a country club in Madison, Indiana. One round and she was hooked. "It is me against the golf course and, of course, against me. No person on the other side of the net or throwing a ball at me or defending me."

Over the years, she's worked on physical fitness, running marathons, and participating in triathlons. Having ready access to golf in this community made it easier to get serious about golf again. She now plays four to six times a week and uses a fitness routine of aerobic (run, bike, swim, walk), strength, core, balance and stretching to improve her play - as well as mental

work.

Congratulations to Snyder, Hall and the other winners!

League Championship

Flight 1: Gross: 161-Christine Giza. 168-Mary Jeannotte. Net: 147-Bobbie Wiener. 150-Deby Wilson. 152-Gail LaGrange.

Flight 2: Gross: 185-Jo DellaPenna. 186-Jill Strey. 189-Marcela Nunez. Net: 151-Connie Sohl. 156-Bruce Combs. 159-Lilly Gee.

Flight 3: Gross: 181-Linda Blewitt. 188-Mary Ruffner. 190-Jean Hsu. Net: 147-Nancy Zielinski; 148-Jane Hall. 154-Kathleen Mansfield.

Flight 4: Gross: 200-Pam Brown. 201-Vickie Foster. 210-Peggy Benedict. Net: 155-Terry Wilks. 159-Debbie Zile. 168-Elena Sumpter.

Scramble/Shamble 2 Best Ball (Team Net) Nov. 1/The Links

97-Gail LaGrange, Jill Strey, Joan Gerbo, Gloria Cullins. 98-Deborah Martin, Bruce Combs, Jane Hall, Susan Yenne. 100-May Chin, Yuhlan Cho, Darlene DeBerry, Linda Ryan. 101-Vadonna Hall, Janis Hannasch, Peggy Benedict, Sandy Snyder. Tie at 102-MJ Strelec, Judi McGuinness, Jonell Washburn, Carolyn Cummings; Christine Giza, Peggy Borro, Liz Bruss, Debbie Zile. Tie at 103-Linda Taylor, Peggy Wiechmann, Jan Christ, Jean Hsu; Vickie Noltsmeyer, Peggy Ellenberger, Jacquelin Randour, Vickie Foster.

Red/White/Blue 2 Best Ball (Team Net)



Photo by Susan Yenne

Sandy Snyder won the 2021 league championship.

Nov. 8/The Tortoise & The Hare

97-Mary Jeannotte, Ellen Brin, Linda Blewitt, Jeanne Newman. Tie at 100-Lisa Free, Connie Sohl, Nancy Zielinski, Lynn Barger; Mary Ann Livingston, Judy Graham, Jean Hsu, Rosann Ross. Tie at 102-Christine Giza, Jo DellaPenna, Joan Gerbo, Jan Christ; Gail LaGrange, Christine McIntire, Betty McNeeley, Suzanne Weirick. 103-Bobby Wiener, Jacquelin Randour, May Chin. Tie at 105-Kathleen Goodwin, Joyce Jones, Donna Brunell; Linda Taylor, Bruce Combs, Gloria Cullins; Deborah Martin, Connie Feola, Pam Jones, Carolyn Cummings; Beverly Ovrebø, Debby Wilson, Pam Brown, Sandy Chase.

Cycling Club

Dennis Baker



Let's ride! Wheeling Around the World is a cycling club! We ride around nearby communities and trails! The club welcomes residents and their guests interested in cycling regardless of cycling experience or ability. Come join the fun. You're sure to find compatible cyclists among those already enjoying the benefits of this great sport and exercise.

We meet several times each week at the Power Park on SW 90th Street. Check the schedules published regularly on Facebook (OTOW Chat Room) or contact Dennis Baker at dbaker@laposte.net. You may also wish to join the Wheeling Around the World Cycling Club Facebook Group to be sure to stay up-to-date on club activities.

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The weather has been amazing and it's wonderful to see the return of our snowbirds.

We had a very nice day at the barbecue organized by the tennis committee. The committee is already talking about a potluck.

The new Round Robin format has been welcomed and will continue until we come up with a different format.

I hope you all have a terrific December to round out the year on a positive note and be prepared to start 2022 with an even better outlook.

My tennis tip this month focuses

on what I learned from my parents, coaches, and other people who influenced my tennis life.

RESPONSIBILITY: It begins with simple basic routines. Being on time and prepared for a lesson, match, or practice. Bring the right equipment for each workout or practice.

HONESTY AND FAIRNESS: With the pressures that exist in tennis today, some players can be less than truthful. Honesty and integrity need to be sewn into the fabric. If you are in a position to correct an incident, do not make excuses for the player. Let the player know unequivocally that cheating will not be tolerated.

CIVILITY: Treatment of an opponent is about basic civility. Courtesy, which includes shaking hands to start a match, sending balls back to your opponent after points are over, not complaining about calls,

and being gracious after winning or losing a match should always be stressed.

SELF-DISCIPLINE: No matter what situations confront the players during a match, it is important to teach them to always control their emotions. Guide them so they can always maintain a steady and consistent emotional approach.

NO EXCUSES: Play the game! How many times have you heard a player complaining, mostly because he's losing and can't handle it? Gamesmanship is used to disrupt the opponent's game, and that should not be allowed.

PERSISTENCE: A student must be persistent. When the going gets tough, you must focus, show strength, and not quit. Persistence in difficult times makes for a more successful player.

COURAGE: Stand for what is right.

Players should understand that how others are treated on and off the court is each person's responsibility. It is important to show courage to tell a coach, parent or someone about any situation that is wrong.

RESPECT: Respect is the core of everything we do. A player needs to understand that they must respect their opponents, coaches, spectators, teammates, and the game itself. No player is bigger than the game. Show respect for others and you will learn to respect yourself.

These are some of the principles which guide me in the way I teach, the way I talk to others, the way I handle situations, the way I dress and the way I play; in the hope that others will see me as an example of person and player you'd like to meet and share some time with.

See you on the courts!

Candler Hills Ladies 18-Hole

Beth Wolinsky



To some, golf is considered an elite sport, but it did have humble beginnings. It was originally a simple game played by shepherds in Scotland. Sticks were used to hit rocks to pass the time and the game of golf evolved into the sport we have learned to love and hate at the same time.

We welcome some new members to the league: Ellen Brin, Wendy Fosdick, Janelle Gluckman, Judi McGuinness, and Christine McIntire. We look forward to playing with you!

A new website is up and running for all the ladies golf leagues in On Top of the World. You may access it at ladiesgolfotow.com. Information about the leagues may be ob-

tained as well as being able to find out games being played and other pertinent news. Maria Fournier is the designer of this new website. Thank you, Maria.

Don't forget about the holiday party, dinner and awards celebration at The Lodge at Candler Hills Thursday, Dec. 9. It's always a fun night, so please mark your calendar.

Hopefully, we have turned the corner with the heat, and we can start experiencing some beautiful autumn temperatures. Once again, please remember to use sunscreen and hydrate.

Anyone in On Top of the World is welcome to join our league. Please contact our president, Shelly Karsnitz, at karsnitz1@gmail.com if you wish to become a member.

Finally, stay safe, have fun, believe, achieve and enjoy golf.

Aces Wild (Individual)
Oct. 7

Flight 1: 65-Christine Giza. 70-Sandy Snyder.

72-Beverly Ovrebo.
Flight 2: 66-Virginia Madura. 71-Roe Gromacki. 75-Iro Lisinski. 76-Virginia Combs.
Flight 3: 63-Angelita Jingco. 70-Karen Curtis. Tie at 73-Vickie Foster. Carol Clark.
Flight 4: 74-Jan Christ. 75-Gloria Collins. 77-Beth Wolinsky.
Flight 5: 71-Sandra Randles. Tie at 77-Cynthia Gersten. Kathy Zunica.

Lucky Fours (Individual)
Oct. 14

Flight 1: 40-Sandy Snyder. 43-Christine Giza. Tie at 44-Shelly Karsnitz. Beverly Ovrebo.
Flight 2: 37-Virginia Combs. 42-MJ Strelec. 43-Donna Smith. 44-Mary Jo Lock.
Flight 3: 42-Angelita Jingco. Tie at 46-Iro Lisinski. Kate Beaty. 48-Virginia Madura.
Flight 4: 44-Diane O'Brien. 46-Gloria Collins. 48-Vickie Foster. 49-Jean Hsu.
Flight 5: 37-Peggy Shanfelt. 39-Sue Fierce. 43-Janette Sheil.

Pink Ball (Team)
Oct. 21

Tie at 141-Deborah Martin, Pamela Jones, Beth Wolinsky and Kate Beaty, Beverly Ovrebo, San-

dra Randles. 142-Christine Giza, Virginia Madura, Cynthia Gersten. 143-Shelly Karsnitz, Karen Curtis, Anne Dahlen. 147-Michele Otto, Virginia Combs, Sue Fierce.

Ladies Shuffleboard

Lois Nix



The presentation of shuffleboard shirts to 12 ladies took place Wednesday, Oct. 20 at our board meeting and luncheon. Michael Riley, our sponsor, presented the shirts. We had nice sandwiches from Publix with chips and iced tea. Michael has been very supportive to our club since 2016. If we can have our tournament in March 2022, Michael will present the trophies to the winners.

The weather was great for shuffling in October and the beginning of November. We are looking forward to the return of our snowbird shufflers. We hope that the cold weather will not travel with them.

New women are joining almost every week.

On Wednesday, Oct. 20, the Colen Built Development marketing department came to the courts to video our ladies shuffling; we had fun playing and acting. We then had a group picture taken. We wore our club shirts. Jokingly we said that we wanted to see our picture on a billboard in Georgia, just before entering Florida. We would be honored to represent the wonderful life we have here in our community.

Our club continues to grow. We welcome all women to join us. Happy shuffling and be safe.

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Happy Healthy Holidays!

When making out your gift-giving list remember to put yourself on it. Give yourself the gift of health. Make sure your holiday "to do" list includes activities that engage in wellness principles. Being well requires mindful attention to things that support health and happiness. Wellness is a proactive state of mind whereby you take deliberate actions to advocate for yourself. These actions can be physical, social, emotional, intellectual, spiritual, environmental, and vocational. Although this season affords us the opportunity to dive into the dimensions of wellness, there are often temptations that pull us off the path.

Attention to exercise and healthy nutrition typically drops down on the priority list during the holidays. Seductive treats and more time at parties can make it very difficult to "eat right and exercise." Nutrition becomes a challenge and shopping, socializing and travels interrupt our regular exercise routines. You may be surprised to know that the average weight gain over the holidays (Thanksgiving through New Year's) is only 1.06 pounds. WebMD calls attention to this in "Holiday Weight Gain, the Big Fat Lie." In this examination of seasonal weight gain, Dr. Jack A. Yanovski, MD, head of growth and obesity at the National Institutes of Health, explains that this is a "good news, bad news story."

Although a one-pound weight gain does not seem like much, the trouble comes in when that one-pound is not lost after the holidays. These small, cumulative weight gains can result in big health problems. Staying active during the holidays is one of the best ways to help combat extra calories and allows you some wiggle room to indulge occasionally. Additionally, exercise affords you the benefit of coping with holiday stressors and improving the quality of your sleep.

Most of us have high expectations for happiness during the holidays. Happiness is the culmination of engaging in a variety of wellness dimensions, nurturing body, mind, and spirit. In my studies of health sciences, I have learned that happiness needs to be cultivated. Realizing we hold the power to make decisions and take personal actions for our happiness can be very empowering. One of the pitfalls of holiday happiness is that it perpetuates something called hedonic adaptation.

Simply put, hedonic adaptation is when we desire to attain something that will make us happy (a new car, a new dress) but once we get that "thing" our happiness dissipates. This leaves us wanting the next "thing" and we keep acquiring more "stuff."

Interestingly, experiences rather than "things" that boost happiness do not dissipate the same way. Because the experiences we have are novel and fleeting, they have a lasting impact on our happiness. Perhaps we should consider that this time of year will yield greater feelings of happiness if we root them in experiences not things.

Wishing all residents, a rich and rewarding holiday season. May you spend time with loved ones and fill your heart with moments that last a lifetime.



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11:00 am <small>Recreation Ballroom</small>	Dance Aerobics LINDA		Zumba® Gold KITTI		Dance Aerobics DENISE
1:00 pm		Fitness Orientation*		Balance Assessment*	
3:00 pm	Yoga JOE				
4:00 pm				Guided Meditation SANDRA	
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11:00 am	Yoga MAUREEN		Yoga TRISH		
1:00 pm		Posture Assessments*		Fitness Orientation*	
2:00 pm	Balanced Body L2 GB		Balanced Body L2 QUINCY		

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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7:00 am	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim
8:00 - 9:00 am	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk
9:00 - 10:00 am	Deep Water Fitness Class**	Shallow Water Fitness Class**	Deep Water Fitness Class**	Shallow Water Fitness Class**	Deep Water Fitness Class**
10:00 - 11:00 am	Open	Shallow Water Fitness Class**	Closed for Cleaning 10:30 - 12:30 pm	Shallow Water Fitness Class**	Open Swim
11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming		Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming
12:30 pm	Aqua Aerobics Club	Shallow Water Fitness Class**	Aqua Aerobics Club	Shallow Water Fitness Class**	Aqua Aerobics Club
1:30 pm	Open Swim 1:30 - 2:30 pm	Water Volleyball 1:30 - 3:30 pm	Water Volleyball 1:30 - 3:30 pm	Water Volleyball 1:30 - 3:30 pm	Open Swim 1:30 - 2:30 pm
2:30 pm	Deep Water Fitness Class**				Deep Water Fitness Class**
3:30 - 5:00 pm	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim
5:00 - 6:00 pm	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming
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Keeping it Healthy Over the Holidays

My advice for the holidays is not to obsess over weight gain. Direct your energy and attention to celebrating with family and friends. Visualize precious time with loved ones in a mindful way that also honors your health. A healthy body is more capable of playing with grandchildren, bending down to get decorations out of the bottom cupboard, and spinning your partner on the New Year's Eve dance floor. Here are three tips to help re-

set your holiday mindset.

FIT TIP #1: Make a list, check it twice, and make sure you are on it! We make lists for shopping, prepping, and preparing to do things for others. You owe it to yourself to make sure self-care is on one of those lists. Plan your day and schedule time for physical activity and healthy meal prepping.

FIT TIP #2: Keep sugar off the dinner table. Don't sweeten the sweet potatoes and stop glazing the carrots. There is plenty of sugar in the

cookies and treats that abound this time of year. Keep the dinner table free of sugar and be mindful of dessert portions.

FIT TIP #3: Focus on the days between the actual holidays. Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Hanukah are not the culprits. It is okay to splurge occasionally. However, all the parties, potlucks and cookie trays in between can wreak havoc on your waistline. Enjoy the actual holiday without undermining your health on the days in between.

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Holiday "Well" Wishes

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courage you to engage in all the holiday happenings and apply some simple strategies to preserve physical and emotional health. Seasonal treats and stress are abundant. Here are three simple ways to help make your holidays happy and healthy.

1. One of the best things you can do through the holiday season is to keep active. Exercise will help to burn off extra holiday calories. Remember that cardiovascular activity and strength training are both important. Cardio activity demands energy and therefore uses up calories and fat stores during your exer-

2. Managing the holiday hustle and bustle is important. As we add additional activities to our already busy schedules, often this results in stress. A good workout will take our minds off those long "to-do" lists and release the good neurochemicals in the brain. Try adding self-care activities to your routine to promote relaxation. Try a yoga class, get a pedicure, or schedule a massage. Make

3. Get organized and work on time management skills. Organizing your holiday commitments may mean planning out your day the prior evening. By prioritizing your tasks, you will feel more in control and less overwhelmed. This will also leave you time for yourself.

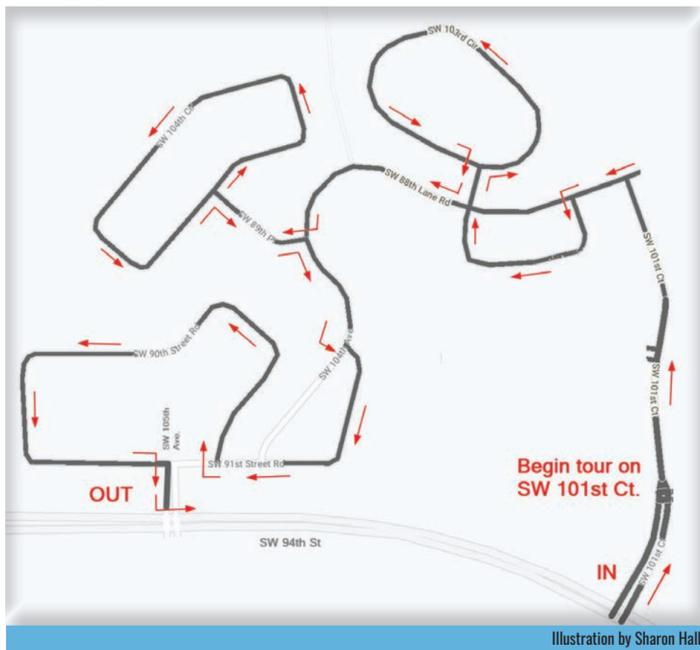
The Ranch has got what it takes to keep you moving and manage holiday stress. Let us help make your holidays happy and healthy.

Avalon Light Up

By Sharon Hall

Avalon invites you to stroll or ride through our neighborhood Sunday, Dec. 5, after 6 p.m., for our first-ever luminary event. If you cannot make it that day, a great many of the luminaries will continue to be on display until Christmas. Come

and enjoy!
We are joining with our friends in Windsor who are lighting up their luminaries that night as well. Make a night of it and enjoy their display too!



Avalon Light Up route.

Illustration by Sharon Hall

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Historical Trick or Treaters

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

It's become a tradition for the staff at Master the Possibilities to get costumed-up, visit neighboring offices, hand out sweet treats, and have some fun.

This year, Halloween was celebrated by the staff, each one dressed in a fashion that represented notable historical figures. Michelle Shideler, director, led the trick or treaters as Madame Curie. There was Smoky the Bear, Pikachu, Sheriff Joe Arpaio, Rigoberta Manchu, Frida Kahlo and, of course, Rosie the Riveter. Not all familiar? There's always Google.

After a stop on The Town Square for a quick photo, the notables went on and visited neighboring offices around Circle Square Commons. They were welcomed with smiles and applause. The costumes were realistic and the candy, a real treat. "It's a great way," said Caren Francis, also known as Rigoberta Manchu, "to get to know our neighbors, and this year, to promote our kickoff for the upcoming semester." All agreed, it was a Halloween filled with good fun and high spirits – no one opted for the "trick."



Photo by Ray Cech

Sheriff Joe Arapaio (Trish Perry), Smoky the Bear (Jim Shook), Frida Kahlo (Olivia Davidson), Pikachu (Tina Shook), Marie Curie (Michelle Shideler), Rigoberta Manchu (Caren Francis), and Rosie the Riveter (Amanda Mariglia).



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An honor guard of softball players salutes the flag at the Veterans Park after placing a wreath honoring fellow softball player and U.S. Army veteran Grover Anderson. The honor guard, softball players and veterans representing branches of the armed services are, from left, Pete Feliciano (USAF), Jed Baird and Ron Hamel (USMC) and Rick Munsell (USN).

Softball

Tom Sheridan



Is there a red-blooded American boy who didn't grow up totally immersed in that great American pastime, baseball? Who didn't worship his heroes on the ballfield and hang on their every at-bat? Who didn't



Photo by Tom Sheridan

Steve Tate tips his hat during a fall season game.

come home with scrapes and grass stains from sliding into a sandlot third base?

Well, yes. Meet Steve Tate. Despite that non-traditional childhood, Tate has made up for it all on the On Top of the World softball field.

Tate moved to Candler Hills in 2020 from Matawan, New Jersey. But he grew up on the streets of New York City where the closest he came to anything resembling baseball was the ever-present stickball. Similar, perhaps, but very different. "There were lots of people in the neighborhood missing their broomsticks," Tate said with a chuckle.

"I didn't watch or follow baseball," he said, but conceded he was a Yankee fan growing up. It was a cultural thing. "I was only a Yankee fan because I lived in New York City," he said.

That baseball-less background explains why softball wasn't on the menu when Tate relocated after retirement.

It was learning to fly radio-controlled airplanes at the flying field that helped push him toward softball. "We'd go out every morning at sunup, then have to wait for the wind to die down," he said. But after six months, Tate said he yearned

for something more active. After a busy 18-hour-a-day career as an electrical contractor, he said, "This is no good. I can't sit here every morning for the rest of my life. I was too active."

One day, he said, he passed by the ballfield and said to himself, "Let me try that - and I got hooked. At first, I couldn't even throw from catcher to pitcher. I couldn't run. I thought, this isn't going to work. I want to be good." It took a lot of individual practice, a lot of effort. But it worked.

Today, Tate's no superstar, but he plays well. "I love it," he said. And yes, he still flies R/C planes. "A little bit," he said.

In league play, the Softball Club's eight teams are winding down the fall season which will end just before the Christmas holidays. Currently, games are played Monday and Wednesday mornings.

Winter season begins Jan. 3 and will last into April. The continued exponential growth of the club's roster - encouraged by the sport's

soaring popularity and by On Top of the World's growth - has meant that planning for winter is an ongoing job for the club's board of directors.

How many teams the league will field, and how playing days are scheduled will depend on how many new players join the veterans and our returning snowbirds. New players are welcomed any time. For information about softball, contact Tom Sheridan at tomsheridan.fl@gmail.com.

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Sidekicks Western Dance

Paula Shira



As we approach the end of the year 2021, we reminisce about the past and look forward to the future. Our club began years ago when a group of line dancers asked their instructors Sherry and Jack Ashenfelter if they could teach some couples dances. In January 2001, Jack and Sherry along with non-residents Marilyn and Ray McNeal formed the Pattern Dance Club. In 2006, Jack and Sherry turned

over the reins to Carla and Tony Magri, who had extensive pattern dancing experience. As volunteer instructors, they strengthened the club's focus on country and western music and eventually introduced about 70 different dances to the club.

In 2010, we formally voted to rename our club Sidekicks Partner Dance Club and the dance "Sidekick" became our signature dance. In 2019, after 13 years of teaching, Carla and Tony decided to step down as the main instructors and Paula and David Shira along with BJ and Roger Schwartz stepped up and now lead the teaching and weekly dancing.

Looking forward, our holiday party is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 14. This will be a full dinner and dance. We will dance all our regular dances, but the music will be all holiday songs. Grandma will no doubt be run over by a reindeer and silver bells will be ringing. This is always the most fun dance of the year, and all our classes will meet that night to share in the fun.

Sidekicks will take a break after our holiday party, but we will be back on the floor in 2022. We are planning several more parties before our season ends, including a Valentine's Day dance, an ice cream social and a year-end party where we celebrate our graduating beginners.

Now that the weather is cooler and it is getting dark earlier, we will be dancing at The Town Square at Circle Square Commons from 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays. On Wednesdays, we very often have some of our Stone Creek fellow partner dancers join us, which is always fun. Their leaders were also taught by Tony and Carla Magri. If you happen to be listening you might hear us call 5-6-7-8 so we all start at the same time, except for when we don't and even then we manage to make it work.

The Sidekicks circle will continue and as we always say, it is never complete without each and every one of you and there is room for more.

Ballet

Eugenie Martin



As the holiday season approaches, the Ballet Club has become very busy. Because we have added new members, we are now offering a new Beginner class on Tuesdays, from 11 a.m. to noon. (The full weekly schedule is shown below.) Because we have been invited to participate in the class demonstrations at the Health & Wellness Expo in Circle Square Cultural Center on Saturday, Jan. 15, 2022, we are busy preparing our routines and preparing a photograph of club members to be displayed while we dance at the Expo.

Our new class schedule is as follows:
 • Beginner: Tuesdays, 11 a.m. to noon with instructor, Suzanne Scheraga. Fridays,

noon to 1:15 p.m. with instructor Eugenie Martin.
 • More Advanced: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1 to 2:15 p.m. with instructor, Eugenie Martin. Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. with instructor, Suzanne Scheraga.

Our Tuesday class is the most basic beginner class and is recommended as a starting class for dancers who have no previous dance experience. The Friday class is for new dancers with some previous experience.

We always welcome newcomers. To start, you need no ballet clothes. Just wear stretchy exercise clothes and socks. Please bring a bottle of water, also. You will need it. If you are interested in joining one of our classes, please call me at (352) 854-8589. We can chat, and I can help you decide which class is best for you to attend in the beginning.

Happy holidays to everyone!

Shuffleboard

Walt Lamp



October was good to the club and players this month. The weather has been suitable for play.

October Men/Women

Monday a.m.: Nick Dreimiller/Nancy Dreimiller. 30 Club-Vicki Lentz.
 Tuesday p.m.: Lou Fisher/Nancy Chatham.
 Thursday a.m.: Rick Vogel/Annette Hodges. 30 Club-Bob Stubbs.

The 30 Club welcomed these new members: Phil Mercurio, Phil Weiner and Charlie Lentz (twice)/Jane Boyer.

The Tuesday p.m. shift has seen a rise in new membership. That's great!

Introduction to shuffleboard is offered on the second Saturday of the month at the courts at 11 a.m. The next scheduled class is Saturday, Dec. 11. If you are interested in learning the game, we invite you to the courts at Veterans Park. We will go over the rules, scoring, safety and the basics of shooting the puck. Open-toed footwear is not permitted. Paul Hodges teaches the class.



Photo by Carol Bonifield

Call of the Wild Sports Club founder and president, Roger Bonifield, will be turning over the helm to a new president, starting in 2022.

Call of the Wild Sports Club

Roger Bonifield



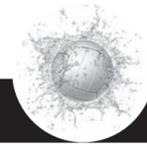
December is here, and the year 2021 will soon be only a memory. Although we only had six months of club meetings, we did have a very positive year, with several great events and over 25% growth. We are now closing in on 150 members and have another month to go. We managed to pull off two picnics, and in just a couple weeks, will celebrate with the return of our holiday dinner. Also, this December, many of us will be grabbing our lucky deep sea fishing hats and shirts, along with maybe some Dramamine, to board the Thunder party boat for a try at some big gag grouper.

It is not only a season of growth, but also a season of change for us as a club. At our Wednesday, Dec. 1 meeting, we elected a new slate of club officers. That is correct, I am standing down, and starting in January, our new team will be sworn in. It has been a tremendous honor and privilege to be at the helm for the last four and a half years, watching this club grow from its original 15 members to now nearly 150. We still have several positions for other members to step into and help the club move on into 2022, so if you are one to get involved in something positive, now is the time.

Please feel free to join us at our meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 5, at 1 p.m. in the Hobby Building Event Room. All are welcome. And for now, please feel free to call me if you have any questions at (352) 300-3601.

Water Volleyball Club

Dave Malkin



The Water Volleyball Club is now one of the newest clubs at On Top of the World. Our newly-elected officers include President Dave Malkin; Vice President Dan Connors; Secretary/Treasurer Arlene Carlton; and the two members at large are Marsha Wahrheit and Karen Kenton.

The club meets three days a week - Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday - in the Arbor Fitness Center indoor heated pool with play commencing at 1:30 p.m. Two courts are available to the membership for two hours each of these days.

The club welcomes all newcomers as well as those who have previously played volleyball in our pool or elsewhere. Come join us any of these days and see how much fun we have and see if this club is right for you. Come early and socialize on the pool deck, but above all, stay for the fun and laughter. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Dave at davemalk@yahoo.com.

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Archery Club

Dee Dombach



As Archery Club members assembled on the firing line to film our part of the On Top of the World promotional video, Floyd Scott joked that it felt like the Battle of Agincourt. That great battle, fought Oct. 25, 1415, still rings through time as one of the most surprising and unlikely victories in history. According to some accounts, Henry V of England led his force of 5,000 against 15,000 Frenchmen, and Shakespeare's imagining of Henry's stirring Band of Brothers speech would rouse anyone to war. The battle was won by the bravery

and superior weaponry of the Anglo-Welsh: the deadly longbow.

Longbows were six to seven feet long, had an average draw weight of 110 pounds, could penetrate armor at 100 yards, and kill at 200 yards. Archers carried two sheaves of 24 arrows each and could fire around 15 in one minute. It's said that the sky over Agincourt darkened because of the vast numbers of arrows fired. Henry lost 600 men, but 8,000 Frenchmen were lost or captured, giving victory to the English and securing the longbow's reputation as the machine gun of the Middle Ages.

Speaking of longbows, the subject of our member spotlight this month is a proficient longbow archer. Dick Purnell is a Pennsylvania native who grew up in a family of hunters who used longbows in ar-

chery season - never a recurve or compound. Dick moved to the Tampa Bay area in 1980 and worked as a general contractor building single family homes. When he retired in 2002, he moved to a small farm in the country where he was able to practice shooting with his long bow and hunt.

In 2015, he sold the farm and all his archery equipment and moved to On Top of the World. When the Archery Club formed, he had to start over with all new equipment, and decided to convert to a compound bow. It has been a challenging learning experience, but Dick has quickly improved and honed his skills with the compound. Dick enjoys the club competitions, and win or lose, always has a great time.

With a growing membership of 183 active members, the Archery

Club always welcomes new members to experience the thrill and satisfaction of target shooting. Everyone, regardless of experience, can improve their archery skills and enjoy camaraderie with fellow archers. You don't even need to have your own equipment to start; the club provides bows and arrows for use by new members. Our club bows have flexible draw weights of 12 to 25 pounds, and novices can start practicing at a 10-yard target. There are fun tournaments and challenges, like the Shrinking Target Challenge and the Turkey Shoot.

If you are interested in finding more information about the club, please contact Bob Papirner at rpapirner@aol.com or Mark D'Addario at markdad06@gmail.com.

Come join us! You can even imagine you're a member of Harry's band on St. Crispin's day.

Billiards Club

Phil Panzera



We hope everyone had a happy Thanksgiving. This month we would normally be looking forward to our annual Christmas dinner, but it was decided to cancel that this year because of safety concerns. Next year we hope to be able to hold this premier social event for our club.

November was a quiet month in the room. The men's league had playoffs in the last two weeks, but

the results are not known as we go to press. The next league session is scheduled to start up in January 2022, and you'll receive plenty of advance notice if you wish to join.

During the next two weeks we are considering holding one or possibly two tournaments. Details should be finalized and announced by the time you read this. If you are not receiving emails from the club, and wish to be notified about leagues, tournaments and social events, please send me an email at rocketceo@gmail.com.

The club's free Wednesday night pool classes (at 6:30 p.m.) have been well received, and I've received a lot of positive feedback; thank you. I had thought these classes would

be short-lived, but many seem genuinely interested in learning more, and improving their game.

I have long felt that the better one plays, the more fun you have, and that is the primary goal. I can't do anything to help our decreased coordination and fading eyesight, but the longer you play, the more you realize that pool is actually more a game of the mind than the body. Shooting straight is important of course, but there is a large amount of pure knowledge, subtleties and tactics that can give you an edge, no matter how many back surgeries you've had.

We've had quite a few new members join recently, many coming from the pool class. Welcome

aboard! For the new lady members, note that there are two ladies' practice sessions every Monday and Friday from 9 to 11 a.m. Feel free to come down and meet some of the other ladies. For the Monday session, please all note that the room is limited to lady players only.

Finally, one of our members has pleaded with me, multiple times, in a loud and passionate way, to "Stop the presses," and to "Alert the media!" I am pleased to accede to his fervent wishes, and let you know that he has finally made three balls in a row recently. To my good friend Art, congratulations, and there ya go.

Bocce Club

Michelle Malsch



This is how we roll! Open bocce continues to be one of the hottest games in town. As of late, all six courts are being utilized and are at full capacity. Open bocce is played Mondays, Wednesdays, Friday, and Saturdays, at 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Please arrive a few minutes early so that a count can be taken and numbers of players per court can be decided upon. Teams are decided by the luck of the draw. Masks or face coverings are optional. Social distancing guidelines may affect the number of players per court.

Open bocce is a good opportunity to practice or learn the game. Anyone who shows up can play. This is your chance to watch, learn and/or play, however as a new player, once you have played with the league on three occasions you will be expected to join the league, pay dues, and sign a Release and Hold Harmless consent form.

The annual banquet will be held May 7, 2022. The location will be determined pending member participation.

We are looking for players to form a team of four for league play on Thursdays, at 10 a.m. If you are interested, please contact Terry Connolly at (352) 362-7284.

The schedule for league play has been posted on the bulletin board. There will be no bocce the week of

Dec. 28, for the Christmas holiday. League play will resume Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2022.

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Winners from the Recreation Center Halloween Happy Hour – Phil Rutledge (scariest), Mike Piccolo (funniest) and Kimber Cor-many (most original).



Photo by George Hill

The Lodge at Candler Hills Halloween Happy Hour costume contest winners were 1: Marte and Dennis Dobosh as The Mad Hatters; 2: Sherri and Tom Winn as hillbilly bride and groom; and 3: Jim and Mary Buchanan as Ed from "Christmas Vacation" and a skeleton.



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Indigo East Halloween Happy Hour winners were 1: Kevin and Becky Hull dressed as Day of the Dead; 2: John and Beth Griner as Ozzy and Sharon Osbourne; and 3: Kevin and Karen Jensen as Vikings.

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Top Pickleball Club

Bill Bender



As you read this, the pickleballers are fondly remembering their "picklenik" luncheon celebration Saturday, Nov. 20. It gave opportunities for resident pickleball players to get together, share a meal, and socialize off the courts in the Recreation Center. It also offered a venue to award medals to those who were winners at the competitive events held in the week prior.

- There was so much to celebrate:
- The tremendous growth in Top Pickleball Club membership, making it now one of the largest clubs in our community.
 - The expanded training opportunities for club members to advance their game skills from our staff of highly skilled instructors.
 - The construction of 11 new courts that will soon be completed which will be a significant offering to residents. This will nearly double our capacity and it couldn't come at a better time. With the growth of our community, as well as the immense popularity of the game, there is no doubt that these new courts will be well used.
 - The opportunities afforded by the game of pickleball for unadulterated and healthy fun and exercise.

As it is easy to see, pickleball has become a big deal in the life of many

residents. With 23 courts near the Recreation Center and two more in Weybourne Landing, On Top of the World will no doubt be recognized as a center for pickleball by anyone shopping for a new home.

As residents read this, if your interest is sparked, you only have to make your way to the courts adjacent to the Recreation Center Mon-

day through Saturday, from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. to see how the game is played. If you like what you see, come join us at one of our free introductory classes. These sessions are specifically for residents who want to learn about the fastest growing sport in the world (approaching 500 club members right here).

Just show up at 10 a.m. on any

Monday or on the first Saturday of the month with plenty of liquids (to avoid dehydration), wearing tennis or court shoes, and we will provide the rest (equipment and fun). We recommend that you not purchase paddles before taking the lesson as our instructors will guide you in choosing the proper equipment. In one hour, it will be abundantly clear if this sport is for you.



Top Pickleball Club board of directors includes President Andy Woods, Director Herb Katz, Secretary Bill Bender, Treasurer Shizuka Campagna, Director Dave Woitek, Vice President Dave Phelps, and Director Jim Sipe.

R/C Flyers Club

Dan Gaffin



The R/C Flyers are proud to announce that the Fun Fly-in held Saturday, Oct. 30, at the flying field was a great success! The field was a buzz with many spectators, registered pilots, and volunteers.

There was a total of 39 registered pilots for the Fun Fly-in. There were guest pilots from Tampa, Orlando, Crestview, and many of our resident pilots as well. All these pilots put on a spectacular show for the

spectators who witnessed absolute precision by the pilots. Although there was a good amount of wind during the event, these pilots performed stunts and landings as if the air was standing still.

There was also a great display of many types and sizes of planes which really confirms the diversity of this hobby. It was rewarding to hear the spectators voicing their pleasure and amazement as they watched the flying and flying stunts. And when you hear people telling the club members that they loved the show and that they themselves are considering learning to fly, it made the event even more successful.

This successful Fun Fly-in event would have not been possible without the expertise of our event coordinator, Jack Kezelain and the assistant coordinator, Dick Rose. Our event announcer, Bob Wroblewski, was amazing and kept the crowd informed and the event schedule running smooth. As with every well-run event there were many volunteers involved. There were 24 volunteers who served in many capacities, and this especially contributed to the success of the Fun Fly-in. Thank you to all those who volunteered! Your efforts are greatly appreciated!

If you missed the Fun Fly-in, we hope you won't miss any of our future ones. Not only was the fly-

ing fantastic, but there was food to purchase that was tasty and reasonably priced and the 50/50 raffle presented one lucky winner, Steve Dudas, with a win of over \$300. There is a great video that was produced by the club videographer, Jim Di Paolo, about the Fun Fly-in at otowrcflyers.com. The R/C Flyers are currently anticipating holding another Fun Fly-in in April 2022, so stay tuned for that announcement and plan to attend.

The R/C Flyers membership is strong with 190 current members and three of these members are new as of October. If you are considering joining the R/C Flyers there is information available at otowrcflyers.com about how to join.

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Holiday Golf Cart Parade & Celebration

By Dave DeAngelis
World News Writer

In college, I had a professor who administered tests that were very easy to do well on, claiming that retention would be greater when not being sidetracked by tricky questions. Heck, worked for me! So, here is a piece of cake multiple-choice quiz, just for retention, for the upcoming, spectacular, Holiday Golf Cart Parade and Celebration.

- Which one of these takes place on Saturday, Dec. 4, starting at the Recreation Center parking lot at 2 p.m. with judging on The Town Square at 4 p.m.?
 - First Annual Best Dental Implants Festival
 - Hip Replacement Sack Races
 - Holiday Golf Cart Parade and Celebration!
- Stop the madness!
Various categories will be judged for prizes. Which one is not a category?
 - Most creative
 - Funniest
 - Most festive
 - Best disguised stolen cart
 - Best in show (golf cart representing a club)
 - Most original
- The parade will showcase the following except which one?
 - Classic and antique cars
 - Decorative golf carts
 - Armadillo toss
 - Recumbent trikes
 - R/C airplanes and cars
 - Marion County Sheriff's Office and Fire Rescue personnel, and Mr. and Mrs. Claus!

Along with the best in show award (trophy awarded and inscribed for later display at a facility within On Top of the World after the celebration), what else can I expect at the celebration after the parade?
Entertainment by the band, Life of the Party, Dickens Carolers, and Frank Miller dressed as Santa Claus with his sleigh for photo ops.
Drawing at 7 p.m. for a 50/50 raf-

file with proceeds going to Maybells House, Inc.

Food trucks include Big Lee's, Island Café, and Popadop's Kitchen as well as Mr. B's Big Scoop Ice Cream for that sweet treat!

So how will I know what the parade route is, you ask? Well, one option is to follow the cart in front of you (time to turn around if you see a sign that reads - "Gainesville 4 miles"). Or you can make up your own route. Better yet, and highly advisable, look for the posted route map. Here's a wise tip from a regular golf cart parade participant - "Be sure to start out with full batteries and an empty bladder."

Remember, Saturday, Dec. 4. Cart line up is in the Recreation Center parking lot starting at 1:15

p.m. for a 2 p.m. parade start that will circulate through parts of the community. Judging will be by a selected panel starting at approximately 4 p.m. at The Town Square and followed by the Holiday Celebration there!

To register your golf cart for the parade, please call (352) 854-7533 by Friday, Dec. 3. Please follow Circle Square Commons on Facebook (@cscetownsquare) for more information about the Holiday Celebration.

Have fun out there and smile for the camera! Quizzes will be graded.

On Top of the World
Holiday Golf Cart Parade & Holiday Celebration
Saturday, December 4, 2021
Line up starts at 1:15 pm in the Recreation Center parking lot.
Parade starts at 2:00 pm.
Celebration at The Town Square at Circle Square Commons starts after parade.
Judging starts at 4:00 pm.
Registration is FREE of cost, but required.

Model Railroaders Open House

By Paul Lewandowski

The year-end holidays are almost here! The members of the Model

Railroaders wish everyone a happy and healthy holiday season.

A long-standing tradition in this country has been a toy train running around under a Christmas tree. Most of our members had that very pleasant experience as youngsters, and we want to make a similar experience available to our children, grandchildren, and indeed, children everywhere.

Our model layout room does not

have room for a full-sized tree, so we will set up a small Lionel three-rail layout under the tree in the lobby of Master the Possibilities (MTP) from Monday, Dec. 20, through Thursday, Dec. 23. The layout will be available for public viewing during the normal lobby hours.

Our three-rail (Lionel) modelers have been busy on the layout since last month's column. Roads and sidewalks have been laid out, a mountain with a tunnel has sprung up in one corner of the layout and a "riverbed" now runs from the mountain through the Lionel town. Several buildings have been wired for lights and/or sound.

We wish to thank Jim Vail for his donation of The Seaboard Coast Line (SCL) Spirit of '76 U-36B engine and cars. The real SCL engine was the first to be numbered and painted (1971) to celebrate our nation's 200th birthday on July 4, 1976. Unfortunately, the real engine was not preserved and was scrapped in 1992.

Our model layout room will be open to residents between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 28, through Thursday, Dec. 30. People who have model train engines are invited to bring them to run on our layout these days. Please note that the HO scale is DCC only. Older DC-powered HO scale engines will be damaged if they are used on the DCC system. During the holidays, if a resident has visitors who cannot be available on Friday afternoon, special off-hours access to the layout may be arranged by calling Jim Lynam.

For information on joining our club, call Jim Lynam at (352) 861-2822. Our club schedules run sessions on Fridays (except holidays) from 2:30 to 4 p.m. in the Hobby Building Model Train Room. Club business meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month (except holidays) at 9 a.m. in the Hobby Building Event Room.



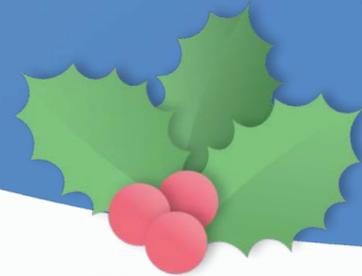
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Karaoke Friends

Kathy & Charlie Petrosky



The room was full for prop night. People came because they had no idea what prop night was. They left saying we will be back to sing. The singers enjoyed the audience's reaction.

The Dancing Jewels joined us with big analog clocks and danced and sang "Rock Around the Clock." Laura, dressed as an angel, joined John as he sang "Angel." Vicky started the night playing the piano with large glasses and a boa singing Elton John's "Crocodile Rock." Karen Piccolo was a hit dressed as Michael Jackson singing and dancing "Billie Jean." Charlie always loves to fool with the group. He wore his big rooster head and sang "Little Red Rooster."

Rosemary and Bill, wearing stripes, sang "Jailhouse Rock." Bill had his exes lined up as he sang "All My Exes Live in Texas." Nancy Warren and Laura Zavdsky were dressed as mad scientists and sang "They're Coming to Take Us Away," to so much laughter. Norma sang "Dreams" wearing a granny night cap. Cicily had her stuffed dog to sing "How Much is That Doggie in the Window." Russ sang "You Don't Know Me." The opening line is "you give your hand to



Photo by Steve Warren

Karaoke Friends prop night in November.

me." What laughter as he raised up an oversized glove on his hand.

Diane had a feel good saying around her neck singing "For the Good Times." Peyton came prepared with his umbrella because "Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head." Lucy had red roses and sang

"Paper Roses." I was prepared with frying pan and eggs and did a duet with Charlie called "How Do You Like Your Eggs in the Morning." Ed, wearing his patriotic shirt, had us all singing "God Bless the USA."

Come dressed in Christmas attire and sing songs of the season Mon-

day, Dec. 6. We meet the first and third Mondays of the month in the Arbor Activity Center Music Room. Singing starts at 5:30 p.m. and ends at 8:30 p.m. Come any time in between. Hope to see you there.

The New Pretenders

Nancy Grabowski



The recent decision to postpone The New Pretenders performances in February 2022, was a most difficult one to make. However, our spirits are buoyed by the outpouring of support from our amazing residents. Phyllis Pastore, a member of the troupe said it best, "We are all disappointed that we will not be performing next year, but we are looking forward to giving you a wonderful performance the following year." This sentiment is shared by the entire membership.

Shhh! We cannot tip our hand right this minute. However, some surprises for our community are in the wings! We are confident that

you will be elated by them. Hopefully, the great reveal will happen in the next edition of the newspaper.

One of the basic tenets behind The New Pretenders is giving back. We continue to espouse this philosophy and will demonstrate it at the Holiday Fest on Wednesday, Dec. 8, in the Recreation Center Ballroom. Our cupcake donations are a visual expression of our thanks to our fellow residents.

The New Pretenders continue their recruiting efforts and perhaps this is the proper time to entice you to come along on our journey! While I can read some minds thinking they don't have what it takes, let me prove you do have hidden talents. We offer a host of opportunities that are not limited to singing or playing an instrument.

Our own Bob Schmitt says it like this, "Hello, residents! We are hoping to get back on track with our

shows in the coming months. We are a community-minded group that gives to many local charities. We would like to invite you to join our troupe. The New Pretend-

ers would like to wish everyone a happy, healthy holiday season."

Jennie Stauffer, our songbird with the British accent, concludes by adding, "Bless us, everyone!"



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Phyllis Pastore, Bruce Herget, and Bob Schmitt.

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CARDS & GAMES

Bingo

Nancy Grabowski



On Sunday, Oct. 31, an appreciation dinner was held at The Lodge at Candler Hills for all bingo volunteers. Ralph Cipollo of Fresh Creative Plates Catering created a wonderful menu. There was a salad with two types of dressings, rolls and butter, fresh seasonal vegetables, chicken Marsala, beef tips with mushrooms and gravy, lasagna, key lime pie and cheesecake. Cold beverages like citrus water and lemonade were served, too. Everything was delicious! The highlight of the get-together was the surprise raffle: gift cards from local small businesses were awarded. Nineteen volunteers went home with one!

On Wednesday, Nov. 3, Harry and Pat Clark won multiple times! However, no one won the big jackpot. On Wednesday, Nov. 10, Don Hood won twice in the first half, but Iris was the big winner. She finally won the jackpot which had been sitting at \$250 for eight weeks. Many of us are hoping to have the same fortunate turn of events at super bingo. We'll let you know if that happens!

In December, there will be no bingo. However, there will be a variety of activities in the Recreation Center Ballroom instead. Two of them are a holiday concert by the Concert Chorus and the Holiday Fest organized by Linda Meyer with an amazing lineup of community talent! Check out the dates and come join the fun.

All bingo volunteers want to take this opportunity to extend holiday greetings to all, particularly the folks who support us throughout the year. We wish you safe travels as you gather with family and friends. A final wish for your health and well-being in 2022!

Bridge



Monday Afternoon
By Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson

Oct. 11
1: Betty Morris & Steve Sekoc; 2: Linda & Bill Ryan; 3: Linda Curtiss & John Ryan; 4: Judy Mackowiak & Rick Saffol; 5: Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson.

Oct. 18
1: Joan Lord & Craig Ford; 2: Mar Balchin & Carol Johnson; 3: Linda & Bill Ryan; 4: Pat & Debbie Quinn; 5: Barb Heller & Caryl Rosenberger.

Oct. 25
1: Marlene Floeckler & Joe McKeown; 2: Pat & Debbie Quinn; 3: Judy Mackowiak & Rick Saffol; 4: Bob Kraus & Craig Ford.

Nov. 1
1: Pat & Debbie Quinn; 2: Barb Heller & Caryl Rosenberger; 3: Judy Mackowiak & Rick Saffol; 4: Carol Johnson & Bruce Gillet.

Tuesday Evening
By Robert Kraus

The Duplicate Bridge Group meets every Tuesday in the Arbor Activity Center Card Rooms I-II at 6 p.m. Please arrive a few minutes early to get seated and sign in. This is a pairs game so please come with a partner.

We collect \$0.50 per person at the start and after all the boards are scored, this is distributed the following week to the top North/South and East/West teams. Typically, we have about six tables in play and have room to accommodate several more.

If you enjoy a challenging game of bridge, come give us a try. If you would like more information, contact Bob Kraus at (352) 492-8525; or Gayle Taylor at (352) 387-9571.

Oct. 19
1: Bob Kraus & Gayle Taylor; 2: Darlene Fiel & Andrew Fiel; 3: Dan Hall & Jeff Bell.

Oct. 26
North/South
1: Dan Lack & Ed Bodnar; 2: Wayne Caldwell & Caryl Rosenberger; 3: Bob Kraus & Gayle Taylor.

East/West
1: Paul Claremont & Patsy Claremont; 2: Jon Ladd & Judy Ladd; 3: Jean Krueger & Sophie Redman.

Nov. 2
North/South
1: Rik Saffol & Joe McKeown; 2: Bob Kraus & Gayle Taylor; 3: Caryl Osenberger & Jack Heller.

East/West
1: Sophie Redman & Jean Krueger; 2: Darlene Fiel & Andrew Fiel; 3: Mike Meirick & Steve Secac.

Wednesday Afternoon
By Dianne Robinson

Oct. 6
1: Bernie Kelly; 2: Mitch Meirick; 3: Debbie Quinn; 4: Rik Saffol; Cons: Bob Kraus.

Oct. 13
1: Pat Quinn; 2: Joe McKeown; 3: Dianne Robinson; 4: Betty Morris; Cons: Bernie Kelly.

Oct. 20
1: Debbie Quinn; 2: Phyllis Silverman; 3: Al Kremer; 4: Bob Kraus; Cons: Lucy Malloy.

Oct. 27
1: Bernie Kelly; 2: Dianne Robinson; 3: Mariyn Valchin; 4: Bruce Gillett; Cons: Lucy Malloy.

Thursday Afternoon
By Marlene Floeckher

Oct. 7
1: Linda Curtiss; 2: Joan Lord; 3: John Ryan; 4: Mary Bloch; Cons: Dianne Robinson.

Oct. 14
1: Pat Quinn; 2: Rik Saffol; 3: Steve Sekac; 4: Judy Mackowiak; Cons: Marlene Floeckher.

Oct. 21
1: John Ryan; 2: Pat Quinn; 3: Phyllis Silverman; Cons: Bernie Kelly.

Oct. 28
1: Phyllis Silverman; 2: John Ryan; 3: Pat Quinn; 4: Mike Merrick; Cons: Rik Saffol.

Thursday Night
By Jeff & Pam Bell

Come join us at 6 p.m. on Thursdays in the Recreation Center Lounge. No need to bring a partner, we will pair up by luck of the draw and rotate partners throughout the evening.

Bring \$0.25 and a smile. All levels are welcome. Our friendly and relaxed bridge group is growing!

Oct. 14
1: Mary Bloch; 2: Mar Valchin; 3: Gayle Taylor.

Oct. 21
1: Jeff Bell; 2: Mar Valchin; 3: Patsy Claremont.

Oct. 28
1: Al Whitford; 2: Gayle Taylor; 3: Lucy Molloy.

Nov. 4
1: Paul Claremont; 2: Sara Anderson; 3: Michael Brody.

Bunco Babes Social Group

Michelle Malsch



The Bunco Babes Social Group is back! We play bunco in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studio IV, which is the last room on the right (if you are facing the building), on the fourth Tuesday of the month. The next scheduled game is Tuesday, Dec. 28. Registration is at 6:45 p.m.; games begin at 7 p.m. You do not have to call to register. You need only show up. You may bring a guest. The room is set up for 32 players. Please make sure you arrive on time to reserve your spot.

We are moving to a new location in 2022! Effective Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2022, we will meet for play in the Recreation Center Lounge, second floor (previously the library). The time remains the same. Always check the World News for the latest updates for our group.

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. New players are always welcome.

The cost is \$3 per person and all monies collected are returned at the end of the game to the category winners. There are also two drawings for door prizes for those who did not win any of the cash prizes. Please bring your own beverage and snack if you wish. There is a short intermission after the first three sets have been played.

Come join in the fun and make new friends! For more information, please call Micki Malsch at (352) 615-2790. Stay safe and be healthy until we meet again!

Pinochle



Tuesday Night
By Herb Katz

Oct. 5
1: Bruce Gillett; 2: Kathie Dushary; 3: Leon Freehauf.

Oct. 12
1: Jim Magoon; 2: Judy Wagnitz; 3: Roger Costello.

Oct. 19
1: Al Whitford; 2: Edith Kolb; 3: Phyllis Jarsky.

Oct. 26
1: Jim Recor; 2: Kathie Dushary; Bruce Gillett.

Friday Morning
By Mary Hannon

Oct. 15
1: Mary Hannon; 2: Bruce Gillett; 3: Al Whitford.

Oct. 22
1: Charlie Budd; 2: Jim Magoon; 3: Judy Fries.

Oct. 29
1: Jim Magoon; Tie at 2: Al Whitford and Bruce Gillett; 3: Linda Trombley.

Nov. 5
1: Charlie Budd; 2: Linda Trombley; 3: Janice Sturm.

Nov. 12
1: Jim Magoon; 2: Bruce Gillett; 3: Maggie Jones.

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Candler Hills Golf	7 AM - 2 PM	CLOSED	7 AM - 3 PM	8 AM - 2 PM
Circle Square Cultural Center	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
The Club at Candler Hills	11 AM - 8 PM	CLOSED	11 AM - 4 PM	CLOSED
Resident Services	CLOSED Office Will Close @ 2 PM on Thursday, December 23	CLOSED	CLOSED Office Will Close @ 2 PM on Thursday, December 30	CLOSED
Indigo East Fitness Center	Office Closed	CLOSED	Office Closed	CLOSED
The Lodge at Candler Hills	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
Master the Possibilities	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
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Original Karaoke

Sindy & Richie O'Brien



I hope everyone is ready to end this year on a good note, a singing note that is. Everyone loves singing Christmas songs.

Did you know that Christmas carols were first sung in Europe thousands of years ago? They were first pagan songs sung at the winter solstice celebrations. The word carol means dance, or song of praise and joy. Carols used to be sung for all seasons but now we only sing them at Christmas time.

Early Christians took over the pagan solstice celebrations for Christmas and gave people Christmas songs. In 129 AD, a Roman bishop said, "A song called Angel Hymns should be sung at a Christmas service in Rome." Another Christmas hymn was written in 760 AD for the Greek Orthodox Church.

Soon after this many composers started writing Christmas carols. Not many people liked them because they were written in Latin and they started losing interest in celebrating Christmas all together. Saint Francis of Assisi changed this. In 1223 he started his nativity plays in Italy. The new carols spread to other countries. They sang songs that told stories. The earliest carol like this was written in 1410. Most carols were untrue and written about the holy family and were more entertaining than religious. Traveling singers and minstrels started singing carols for local people.

When the Puritans came to power in England in 1647, the celebration of Christmas singing carols stopped, but people still sang them in secret. Two men, William Sandys and Davis Gilbert, collected lots of old Christmas music from England.

Before caroling in public became popular, there were official carolers who only sang on Christmas Eve. They were called Waits and were led by the town's council leaders. They had the power to take money from the public, all others were charged as beggars.

Also, at this time, orchestras and choirs were being set up in England and the people loved it. Carol services became popular, as did the custom of singing in the streets. Both these customs are still popular today. I hope you learned something today.

We want to wish everyone a healthy and happy holiday season. Come join us and sing some of your favorite carols.

We meet the second Monday at the Arbor Activity Center Event Room at 6:30 p.m. and the fourth Monday at Candler Hills Community Center. All residents are welcome in both places. For more information, call Sindy at (352) 362-4810.

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View from the Library

B.J. Leckbee



One of the popular genres of fiction today is action/adventure, which is usually a series by an author who creates a likeable hero/heroine who somehow keeps getting into trouble, despite many obstacles and triumphs. Books in this category are filed by the author's name.

Some of the popular authors and their creations are David Baldacci - The Camel Club and also Will Robie; J. K. Rowling - Harry Potter; James Patterson - Alex Cross, Women's Murder Club and others; Patricia Cornwell - Medical Examiner Kay Scarpetta; Ian Fleming - James Bond; Clive Cussler - Adventurer Dirk Pitt; Dan Brown - Robert

Langdon; Robert Ludlum - Jason Bourne; and Lee Child - retired U.S. marine Jack Reacher.

Jack Reacher, as Lee Child created him, retired from the U.S. Marine Corps after serving almost all his time in other parts of the world. He decided to spend his retirement years travelling through the United States of America.

At six feet five inches tall, weighing 210 to 250 pounds, Reacher is big; He's smart, he's a loner, doesn't talk much and has no permanent address. His primary modes of travel are hitchhiking and walking. He owns nothing that won't fit in his pockets. And he seems to find trouble, or people who need help, wherever he goes. In Texas he helps a woman whose husband has threatened to kill her. In Georgia he's thrown into jail for a murder he didn't commit. While hitching a ride on his way to Virginia, he finds himself involved in a conspiracy. In California, New Eng-

land, Virginia, South Dakota, and Nebraska he finds adventure and, of course, danger.

Lee Child has published a Jack Reacher novel each year since 1997 and is, as you read this, probably writing another one.

Look for his name or the names of all the authors mentioned above in the fiction section. As always, we are dependent upon the generous donations of our residents.

Concert Chorus

David Wesenberg



The moment has come for our winter holiday concert in the Recreation Center Ballroom at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, and at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5. Join us for a delightful program of holiday songs, and maybe a few surprises.

There is more good news. We now have a director for our spring program, "Hooray for Hollywood." Randy Schmid will be our director. Rehearsals will begin in January 2022.

The Concert Chorus is open to all residents including Indigo East residents with a Gateway of Services pass. What a great opportunity to perform music and make new friends. Be sure to bring your resi-

dent ID. Our rehearsals are Tuesdays from 9 to 11 a.m. in the Arbor Conference Center Music Room.

Every member must register as a member of the Concert Chorus and the dues are \$10. This fee goes to provide music and occasional props for our performances.

The Concert Chorus is seeking a pianist for our spring program. This is an important and respected part of the performance. What a great chance to work with a great group of music minded people.

Singing is always a lot of fun! Especially with others. If you love to sing, join us, and find out for yourself how much fun it is to sing and prepare our musical programs in the fall and spring. If you like good music, bring your listening ears and enjoy a great concert Dec. 4, at 7 p.m. or Dec. 5, at 3 p.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom. For information or to join, contact Mary Ann Majni at flmam68@aol.com.

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Linda Toner



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Photo by ShutterBug Denise Gatchell

Black-bellied whispering tree duck.



Photo by ShutterBug Denise Gatchell

Heron in black and white.



Photo by ShutterBug Robert Wester

Lynn.

ShutterBugs Photography

Connie Filip



ShutterBugs are proud to present our novice winners from this year's photo contest.

Thanks to all the ShutterBugs who entered their photos and to our residents who voted for their favorite in the people's choice. Results are being tabulated and will be announced later.

If you missed seeing our photo display in the Recreation Center in November, you can still see all our

entries on our website at otowspc.com.

Denise Gatchell took the novice class honors with her first-place photo "Black bellied whispering tree duck." Denise says, "I try to take my camera with me whenever I go on nature walks." That day, she was walking along the Hogeeye Preserve Pathway located in The Villages, Florida.

"As I was walking the path, I saw a duck sitting in a tree! That was a first for me. The duck was quite the poser and allowed me to get several great shots." She entered this photo because she loves the subject. I had to ask her where the duck was in the tree - she told me the nest was

about seven feet up. Good spot!

Denise also took the second-place award with "Heron in black and white." She says there is a small rookery in Northwest Florida called Veterans Park. "I love to visit there and take pictures of its largest resident, the great blue heron. I liked how the sun and shadows looked on this heron and decided it would be beautiful in black and white. I entered this photo because it's simple yet dramatic."

Robert Wester's image of Lynn was awarded third-place honors. Robert took this portrait as part of his project for the Crealde School of Art in Winter Park, Florida. Lynn was a student-model at the school.

His class was challenged to capture the expression found in eyes. By working at the school, Robert was able to use the studio's strobes in a large soft box to generate soft, effective lighting.

Be sure to stop by Master the Possibilities' lobby to see our holiday photo display during the month of December.

Want to learn more about digital? Stop by the Hobby Building Event Room for ShutterBugs' Tuesday meetings (second to fourth weeks). We start at 3 p.m. For more information contact Gary Uhley, our club president, at (352) 854-8536 or gsuhley@gmail.com.



Photo by Yvonne Beckman

Windsor luminaries.

Windsor Luminary Celebration

By Bryan Cerutti

Windsor invites you to stroll or ride through our neighborhood Sunday, Dec. 5, after 6 p.m., and bask in the glow of the candles at our 13th annual luminary event. If you cannot make it that day, a great many of the luminaries will contin-

ue to be on display until Christmas. Come and enjoy!

Our friends in Avalon are lighting up their luminaries that night as well. Make a night of it and enjoy their display too!

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Theatre Group

Richard Rosen



The Theatre Group's April 2 and 3, 2022, production of the sparkling musical revue – "The Best of Times" – has been cast! At this writing, the following talented residents will be "hitting the boards" for this spectacular program of Broadway and Off-Broadway theatrical treasures: Claudia Baker, Carole Beauchamp, Jane Bennet-Bailey, Nancy Carp, Norm Crouse, Wayne Dilts, Cicily Kaye, Russ Kaye, Sue Holland, Rosalina Norita, Brady Reeves, Leonard Rivkin, Judy Romanisko, Ken Russell, Sherry Troy, and Dave Wesenberg. Also, the tap dance ensemble will knock your socks off with two show stopping routines!

Our production crew includes Richard Rosen – director; Nancy Carp and Ken Russell – assistant directors; Philanthy Nichols – musical director; Claudia Baker – cho-

reographer; Penny Berton – choreographer for tap; Dave Wesenberg – technical director; Dave Whitmore – accompanist; Joe Marquis – lights; David Cranmer – narrations; and Allison Cranmer – backstage.

The musical numbers include "Comedy Tonight," "Tomorrow," "Honey Bun," "Bali Ha'i," "I'm Going to Wash That Man Right Out of My Hair," "Happy Talk," "On a Clear Day You Can See Forever," "Try to Remember," "Monologue in the Glen," and "Just Say No," "I Enjoy Being a Girl," "Heart," "Carousel Waltz," "You'll Never Walk Alone," "If I Loved You," "Ain't Misbehavin'," "Aquarius/Let the Sun Shine," "One," "What I Did For Love," "Fugue for Tinhorns," "Summertime," "Diamonds are a Girl's Best Friend," "Climb Every Mountain," "Wouldn't It Be Lovely," "On the Street Where You Live," "I'm Getting Married in the Morning," "With a Little Bit of Luck," "I Can't Say No," "Put on a Happy Face," "Kids," and "The Best of Times."

Songs span from "A Funny Thing



Photo by Richard Rosen

Russ Kaye, Dave Wesenberg, Ken Russell, and Norm Crouse play members of the moribund Washington Senators in "Heart" from "Damn Yankees."

Happened on the Way to the Forum," "Annie," "South Pacific" to "The Fantasticks," "Damn Yankees," "A Chorus Line" and many

more!
Tickets for this amazing show will go on sale in February 2022.

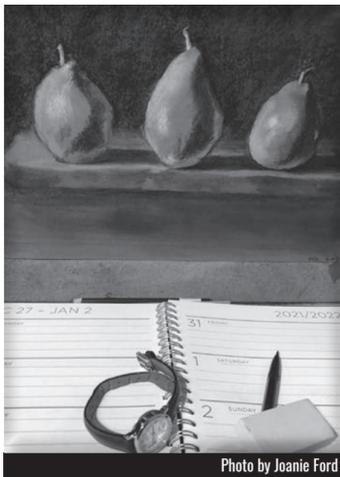


Photo by Joanie Ford

Managing time.

Art Group

Joanie Ford



I turned the shower handle and tested the warmth of the water with my hand. Perfect.

Carefully stepping into the flow of the shower head, I allowed the stream of the water to enliven and refresh me. I knew it was going to be great day.

As I reached for the towel to pat myself dry, I glanced at the clock, I was surprised at how much time had passed. I must learn to better manage my time, I thought to myself.

As an artist I have thought a lot

about how much time it takes to study and create art. I realize that living in a retirement community I don't have to work, but I have to manage my time effectively.

Being a busy senior makes life feel full and alive. I am not one of those people who can spend a portion of the day watching TV for hours.

Although I have ran a business, raised a family, I still feel like time is getting the better of me, and like they say, no one is guaranteed tomorrow.

I decided to dedicate this bit of newspaper space to remind us of the principles of managing our time.

Setting goals is an important step in the process. For how can we go anyplace unless we have some type of roadmap to get there? You don't

need to be an artist to apply this principle to your life. For you, a goal might be exercising daily.

Prioritizing wisely is something that is important. Living in On Top of the World provides us with so many great activities we need to ask ourselves what we really want to do with our time.

Taking daily breaks is important also. I recently read that the people who get ahead in what they do take a break each day. My mind feels that is counterproductive to getting ahead. I decided to take the author's advice and most days I stop everything and rest. It works.

Organizing myself and my possessions is something that I work on every day. How can I get the most out of the day in front of me? What is important to organize or put first this day?

I also want to remember to remove non-essential tasks that I think I must do, but I really don't need to do. As an artist, my focus is to create art and read about art every day. It is also my focus to get up to the Art Room each week and spend time creating with other artists.

If you are a beginner artist or a seasoned one, I invite you to share time with us. You don't have to be a pro to come to the Art Room. We are a great bunch of friendly people who love to share and help.

The Art Group meets in the Hobby Building Art Room Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Check the activity schedule for meeting times. I will manage my time and hope to see you there!

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Antonio Mendez and his future wife Jonna were CIA operatives working to spy on Moscow in the late 1970s, at one of the most dangerous moments in the Cold War. Jonna kept files on all foreigners, studied their patterns, and tapped their phones. Intelligence work was effectively impossible. The Soviet threat loomed larger than ever.

The Moscow Rules tells the story of the intelligence breakthroughs that turned the tide in America's favor. As experts in disguise, Antonio and Jonna were instrumental in developing a series of tactics – Hollywood-inspired identity swaps, ingenious evasion techniques, and an army of James Bond-style gadgets – that allowed CIA officers to outmaneuver the KGB. As Russia again rises in opposition to America, this remarkable story is a tribute to those who risked everything for their country and to the ingenuity that allowed them to succeed.

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Sewing Bees

Linda Lohr



The hive is buzzin' with our snowbirds back from up north! More and more bees are comfortable coming back into our room and sewing with the rest of the hive.

We wish to give a huge thank you to Jake Jacobs and Dwight Bartholomew. These two gentlemen are fantastic quilt makers! They donate their quilts, pillows, and stuffed toys to our group for donation to our many agencies. If you have chance, stop in and we can show you one of their beautiful creations.

Again, we thank you for your support during the recent Rags to

Riches.

On Thursday, Nov. 18, we stuffed 50 stockings with small toys and stuffed animals. There were 25 for girls and 25 for boys. These were donated Friday, Nov. 19.

May you all have a blessed holiday and a prosperous 2022!

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 Hobby Building Art Room from 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 Kathy Nardone at (352) 300-3063 or Marsha Schneer at (813) 920-3487 with any questions or concerns.



Photo by Linda Lohr

Quilt donated to Sewing Bees from Jake Jacobs and Dwight Bartholomew.

Happy Hookers

Jan Spielvogel



Last month I wrote about what happens to the donation items we receive. This month I am sharing what Happy Hookers has created and donated in 2021 in support of the three organizations we regularly donate items to:

- Dunnellon Elementary: 258 hats and 600 Christmas stockings.
- Romeo Elementary: Various arts/crafts items (paper, stickers, handcraft kits, etc.) and 740 Christmas stockings.
- Domestic Violence Center:

Five ponchos, 88 blankets and 11 quilts.

We have two ladies who have taken over the role of donation coordinator from Ellyn Weir. We welcome Ann Gallo and Kathleen Frost to this role.

Happy Hookers wishes everyone a blessed holiday season and a healthy, happy 2022!

Happy Hookers is open to all residents. We meet year-round on Mondays, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Hobby Building Art Room. There are no dues, agenda nor penalties for missing a meeting, arriving late or leaving early. Life can and does interfere at times, and we would hate for that to hold you back. What we do have is a group of ladies busy crocheting, knitting, needlepointing, card crafting, embroidering,

and handcrafting of all kinds. This is a very talented group that's never too busy to help someone with a difficult pattern or stitch. We welcome newcomers with open arms. Attendees should bring whatever they happen to be working on.

If you have any questions about our club, you may call Naomi Ber- man at (352) 873-4328.

If you have yarn, pattern books, knitting needles, crochet hooks or other crafting tools that you no longer have a use for, donations are always appreciated. Please bring them on Mondays during our meeting time or contact either Ann Gallo at (917) 597-2178 or Kathleen Frost at (625) 690-5945 to arrange for pickup.

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Ina and Shelley Kline with great cart decorations.

Fun with Golf Carts

Janis Holte-Pavlatos



Our Halloween golf cart parade Saturday, Oct. 30, was a howling success. There were 49 decorated carts honking their way through our neighborhoods. A couple of carts had up-beat, perky music playing to the delight of residents and the dogs that chimed in as we went by. The cart decorations were colorful, fun, varied and very well done. Kudos to the great decor.

The famous white van that was parked in the lot was stuffed with donations to be distributed to the various charities by hard working Charlie and Fran Calhoun. Residents are generous in their giving. Your kindness and sharing are appreciated.

George and Valerie Ostrom waved and cheered us on from their front porch. Gary and Dee Null led the parade.

We had our usual afternoon potluck at the Veterans Park pavilion. Friends, fun and food ... this is always a hit. Fran Calhoun did a great job of running a 50/50 raffle to raise

some needed funds. Gary and Dee Null, Tom Pavlatos, Janis Holte-Pavlatos set up and decorated the pavilion with witches, skeletons, eyeballs, and ghosts. Oh, and did I mention the eyeballs were hanging from the fans?

Sunday afternoon some of us drove our decorated carts to Bridgewater Park. Oh my, what joy! Residents were waiting in a row, smiling, waving, and giving us candy. Seeing their delight was the highlight of the weekend.

On Saturday, Dec. 4, the Holiday Golf Cart Parade will take place within our community. George Ostrom has registered our club to join in. Please have a sign on your windshield that reads "Fun with Golf Carts Club." Gather and lineup in the Recreation Center parking lot between 1:15 to 1:30 p.m. for a departure at 2 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 18, will be our (Fun with Golf Carts) Christmas parade and afternoon potluck. We will meet at the Recreation Center parking lot and lineup at 9:45 a.m. for a departure at 10 a.m.

The potluck at the Veterans Park pavilion will be 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. (Time change due daylight.) Please visit our Facebook page for food assignments.

Rubber Stamp Greeting Cards

Linda Lohr



Our presenter for Thursday, Nov. 4, was Mary Capri. She presented three lovely cards.

Two cards were appropriate for Thanksgiving and the third card was a "thinking of you" card for almost any occasion. We thank Mary for providing all the stamps, punches, sayings, and embellishments to complete all three cards.

Our group is open to all crafters - beginners or those more experienced. One or two people do a presentation each month. The group meets the first and third Thursdays of the month at 1 p.m. in the Hobby Building Event Room.

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.

For information on any class or for general information, contact Penny at the email below. There are basic supplies that are needed, such as a trimmer, glue, scissors, and card stock. Everyone in the group shares their supplies and everyone brings new ideas to the table. You are only limited by your imagination!

If you feel this might be a class you would enjoy, or if you have any questions, please contact Penny Douphinett at pennydough@gmail.com. We look forward to introducing new people to our fun craft. Until then, keep on stamping!

All of us in the group wish everyone a merry Christmas and a prosperous 2022!



Photo by Mary Capri

Cards presented by Mary Capri.

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Chris Kilbride



The Artistic Crafts & Gifts' Tuesday craft show at the Recreation Center Ballroom is from 9 a.m. to noon, and will continue weekly through May.

Our website ArtisticCrafts.org will give you a glimpse of our very talented crafters and artisans. The group started back in the early 1990s, and the show has grown from seven crafters to now over 45 on Tuesday, with over 55 online and more gearing up to go virtual. All resident crafters are welcome to sell virtually on our website and inquire about a table at our Tuesday show.

This month we feature Marie Gile who moved here from Green Valley, Arizona. She loves Ocala because it reminds her of growing up on her family's farm in New Jersey with the rolling fields, fences, and horses. She loves flowers and nature, having learned about all the beautiful plants that her mother nurtured and grew. Their colors and textures still inspire her today.

Marie learned many crafts from her mother as a young girl such as embroidering, knitting, crocheting, and sewing. But it wasn't until she learned to weave in her late 30s, that she had a passion to make cloth. She joined a state-wide guild in Michigan where she was able to attend conferences and take design classes. She found out she could do "artistic" creations! In one of the

special three-hour workshops, she learned how to dye silk scarves in the shibori style. She left that class hooked on playing with silk and dyes, leading her to research a variety of books on the technique and further exploration. That was 15 years ago. She still loves seeing each new creation, experiencing the magic that has happened combining dyes and designs.

Recently, she has added a somewhat new technique called deconstructed screen printing using thickened dyes as a resist. The results are always inspirational for Marie!

Taking online classes these past few years brought new passions such as making collage wall art and using beeswax on some of them to create an encaustic wall piece. She also studied and created art bowls made with paper clay and plaster cloth, where most are finished with beeswax and embellished with beads, wire, and other findings.

Having won many awards in juried shows for her fiber art, Marie is selling her weavings, scarves and other creations at guild sales, art centers and on Tuesday!

For those who have never visited on Tuesday, please take an hour, and go by to see the wide variety of quality items for sale. All vendors are now part of our virtual website also, so you can see everyone's crafts even if you can't get to the weekly show. Any vendor can make arrangements for you to purchase items throughout the week.

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



Photo by Gail Schultz

Christmas wishes in red.

Sunshine Quilters

Donna Boyajian



When we think of quilting our thoughts go back to the pilgrim days with homes without heat, and early settlers traveling west in covered wagons. Big, thick handmade quilts kept families warm against the harsh and cruel winters. Quilting in the United States has a long and rich history, and we assume that quilting is unique to us. However, one of our Sunshine Quilters learned differently.

Whitney Rearick moved around a lot growing up as a "Navy brat." In her adult years, as an Air Force officer and wife, she lived in 13 states and two countries - Turkey and South Korea. Prior to moving to On Top of the World in 2018, she lived in Anderson, South Carolina.

She attended University of Georgia ("Go Dawgs") and then followed with a career in the Air Force as a communications officer for seven years. Her husband, Dave, is also retired Air Force and an avid softball player.

Whitney's interest in quilting was, like so many of us, sparked by her mother and grandmother. Her quilting styles vary but she loves patchwork, hoping to someday conquer the never-ending battle of scrap overload!

It was during Whitney's time in South Korea that she realized that quilting had crossed the ocean. She loves making baby quilts, which came in handy, since she belonged to a group that made baby quilts for service members who lived on the

peninsula and came to the main U.S. hospital on base to have their babies. Each "stork nest" baby received a quilt. They made about 75 quilts per year! It was also in Seoul, that Whitney found fabric shopping to be in her words, "Great!"

Whitney has two machines, a Bernina (which is her home machine) and her Brother, which is reserved for traveling.

What is Whitney's favorite thing about Sunshine Quilters? "The ladies."

Charity begins at home and each month the Sunshine Quilters donate quilts to Alpha Center for Women and Marion Senior Services, both in Ocala. Twenty-four beautiful quilts were donated August through November.

We welcome new members Brenda H., Marlene C., Clareann P., Marcia L., D.J. Lewis, Kay, Joan N., and Donna A. It is so nice to have you all. Interested in joining in our fun? Please stop by the Hobby Building Art Room on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. to check us out. We love to see new faces and we gladly welcome quilters of all experience levels.

December activities include our monthly meeting, a holiday party, and sit and sew.

Congratulations to our new officers: President Gail Schultz, (returning) Vice President Lyn Timm, Secretary Neisa (Nicky) Alonso-Mestre, and Treasurer Vicky Sanders. A huge thank you to outgoing officers, Lisa Augustine, Linda Ward and Ginny Fairhurst. We so appreciate you all and all you have done for Sunshine Quilters. For more information on our club or our December schedule, please call Lisa at (610) 304-1273.



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Marie Gile gets creative with silk and dyes, showing enlarged details of several scarves.

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Republican Club



Lizabeth Woodard

On Friday, Nov. 12, the Republican Club's president called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. (new start time). An opening prayer was given by Fiona Bowling and all veterans came forward to lead in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. In recognition of Veterans Day, our veterans were then presented with a flag and thanked for their service. Over 100-plus members were in attendance.

Club President Liz gave brief updates on her most recent activities:

-Attended the recent club presidents' meeting where a review was presented on the rules and regulations for holding club meetings in On Top of the World.

-Held a club executive committee meeting where many topics were discussed, including future guest speakers, possible increase in dues, upcoming club officers' election, producing a membership satisfaction/information questionnaire, etc.

-Continues to volunteer with Operation Shoebox and encouraged members to join in the fun.

Members were encouraged to write, call, or email our elected officials to make our opinions and concerns known. After all, they are working for us and are accountable to us. Members were encouraged to write on various topics.

The newly developed questionnaire was distributed at the meeting to ascertain members' overall satisfaction with the club activities and speakers, as well as their expertise or past work experience to help with club activities, such as writing, technology, research, etc.

Sandy and Paul Selesky, co-coordinators of Operation Shoebox, noted that Christmas stockings continue to be packed on Wednesday mornings. Many of our members have volunteered to take part in this important and special endeavor for our troops.

Shirley and Phil Rutledge, chairs of the Law Enforcement Committee gave an update on their activities, including upcoming fundraising events.

Featured speaker Pat Gabriel of the 200 Coalition gave an update on the developments in and around Ocala. Ms. Gabriel does a great job informing us of both completed and upcoming projects.

The club meets the second Friday of each month at 6:30 p.m. (new start time) in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios I-IV. For more information regarding the Republican Club, please leave a message at (518) 534-0201; your call will be answered as soon as possible. Come join in the political conversation with like-minded, positive, and friendly people.

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Democratic Club



Dan Lack

We do not meet in December due to the end-of-month holidays. So, let's recap our year.

The club met online every other month until July when we restarted our monthly in-person meetings with safety precautions. Our speakers included the new Chair of the Marion County Democratic Party Diana Williams, New York University Professor Emeritus Marty Hofferth who spoke about climate change, Jim Störmer who told us about the Citizens' Climate Lobby, Florida Department of Health Marion County Administrator Mark Lander, Marion County Board of Elections Supervisor Wesley Wilcox on the integrity of our elections, and Ocala Ritz Veterans Village Lead Program Specialist Casey Boone. Our final meeting of the year in November was devoted to our annual roundtable discussion of the issues and the presentation of the winner of our song contest.

Next year, we expect that our club will get involved in the federal, state, and local elections and we'll resume our local restaurant luncheons and an ice cream social.

Our club supports the Ocala Ritz Veterans Village, a former Ritz hotel that was converted into a facility for formerly homeless veterans. The Ritz provides a safe environment for these brave men and women to learn to become productive members of our community and to live on their own once again. The Ritz needs pillows, pillowcases, twin size sheets, towels, wash cloths, toiletries, laundry pods, paper goods and canned/dry food. Please bring your donated items to our meeting.

Did you know that there are more than a dozen religious holidays between November and January? The Democratic Club board of directors wishes all residents who celebrate any of those holidays, happy holidays and a happy, healthy and fact-filled 2022.

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Friendship Connection



Carron Janssen

Hard to believe this is the final column for 2021! It has been a year of changes not only for everyone in On Top of the World but especially for Friendship Connection. We started the year without being able to meet at all, then moved on to meeting outdoors with 50 participants only. Finally, we were able to return to the Recreation Center Ballroom with unlimited number of participants although we had to change our day from Sunday to Saturday. Hopefully, 2022 will bring us a little more stability. Most of our dates have been approved for next year, so let's all keep our fingers crossed.

By the time this column is being read, our ticket sales for "Mingle Jingle" will be over. Regrettably, if you did not already purchase one, it will be too late. As previously reported, our final date for ticket

sales was firm as we needed to inform the catering company of the number of attendees. Hopefully, everyone who wanted to attend was able to purchase their ticket.

Believe it or not, our next event will be in 2022! It will be Saturday, Feb. 12, in the Recreation Center Ballroom from 4 to 6 p.m. To be more inclusive, we will have a Mardi Gras theme instead of Valentine's Day. More information will be in next month's column.

The Friendship Connection planning committee would like to wish everyone a very happy and healthy holiday season. If you will be traveling, please stay safe. If you are seeing family, enjoy every minute of your time with them.

Friendship Connection is open to all residents of Friendship Colony, Friendship Park, and Friendship Village only. Our events are scheduled on the second Saturday of every other month from 4 to 6 p.m.

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Williamsburg Neighbors

Ginny Nardone

The folks in the neighborhood have been very busy of late having fun and planning fun parties for us.

Recently we gathered at the Arbor Conference Center to enjoy a get acquainted social. Everyone was eager to be together and catch up on current happenings and very happy to meet many new friends in the neighborhood. Our own, Jill Carel, designed a "tell me more" activity designed to help us discover interesting things our neighbors have experienced. Who knew that one

of us completed a 500-mile cycling trip for cancer awareness or we have a former field hockey player and referee in our midst! As I've said before, Williamsburg is a great neighborhood filled with very interesting people and this get together certainly proved it!

Next up is our annual holiday party Thursday, Dec. 16, at 5 p.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom.

Linda Jones and her party crew have another sparkling and spectacular night planned for us. If you haven't purchased your tickets, please do so by Thursday, Dec. 2. Call Carmel Kessler at (336) 253-1250, Ruth Santman (407) 497-3346, or Kathy Stroot (812) 878-8209 today to your purchase tickets!

The William's Burgers want you! That's our trivia team and they need a few new members. If you are interested in joining this lively, fun group please text Sandy Matlock at (714) 493-6639 today and help the home team!

If you are new to Williamsburg and have not had your information added to the email contact list, or if your previous information needs to be updated, please call Ginny Nardone at (352) 304-8619 or Cathy Higginbotham at (352) 509-4266.



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Neighbors enjoy the Williamsburg fall social.

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Winds of Windsor

Walt Lamp



Several residents of Windsor participate in trivia at the Recreation Center on the first Thursday of the month. It's so much fun to compete against the other 29 teams of eight where knowledge on many subjects comes in handy. There are prizes for first, second and third place finishers.

First, we have the trivia team named House of Windsor, which is appropriate for this story. They are currently all Windsor residents – Bryan and Donna Cerutti, Bob and Cheris Garrison and Bob and Marty Howe. Two other residents from another community were on the team in the beginning, but no longer play. Ellie Cyr and Kathy Peak were the first two substitutes, but now George Bausewein and R.D. Zink have taken their place as permanent. Their successes have been impressive. Among them are first place in February 2018, November 2018, and January 2019. This team will be together except for the Howes and were replaced by Gary and Susca Johnson, also of Windsor, in the November competition.

Another Windsor trivia team is the Factoids with Doug and Yvonne Beckman, and Walt and Mary Lamp starting it off. Then, Tom Morris and Annette Hodges joined us as permanent new members. For the other two slots, we have residents from other neighborhoods. The Factoids tied for first place in October 2021 and thereby split the winnings with the other top team. The Factoids have a couple of third place finishes and one second as well.

Ellie Cyr, who was a substitute for the House of Windsor for a while but is now on another team named Bold and Brassy, is the only Windsor resident on this team. They have been quite successful also. Bold and Brassy has two second places and one first place since July 1 and within the last year and a half.

Peter Woods is another Windsor resident who plays with the Know Nothings team. They also have a first-place finish to their credit.

Windsor didn't fare too well in November trivia. But Ellie Cyr with Bold and Brassy placed in third and won some cash. In December, Windsor will be out in full force again each team trying to finish first!

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For Sale

Books: DIY handyman, cookbook, hard copy World Book Encyclopedia or hard copy science & invention, \$5 per set. Computer, science or educational, \$1 each. (352) 873-2171.

Clothing: Men's, sizes 42 to 48 includes dinner jackets, tuxedo, sports coats, pants & shorts. Make offer. (352) 433-5576.

Electronics: Panasonic phone (KX-TGM420) for hard of hearing, loud & clear, \$75. (352) 509-4593.

Fitness Equipment: NordicTrack low impact cardio exerciser, portable, non-electric, and very effective, \$250. (331) 222-2482.

Fitness Equipment: Teeter Hang Up (EP960) inversion table for back pain relief, \$200. (304) 893-1261.

Golf Equipment: Tour Edge Hot Launch 37° chipper, right-handed. (201) 317-7488.

Home Décor: Oriental rugs, 10"x14" claret (red) with ivory border; 10"x14" navy with ivory border; and 8"x10" gold with claret border. (812) 251-8533.

Home Décor: "Winter Mill" signed and numbered art print by artist Sherry Masters, professionally framed, certificate of authenticity, 21-1/2" w x 18" h, \$20. (352) 509-7147.

Misc. Items: Quilting and outdoor upholstery fabric, as well as various cushion forms, various prices. Dropleaf crafter's table, 35" h x 60" w x 36" d, 30" wide when leaves are dropped, 1 drawer and shelf, locking wheels, \$125. (304) 893-1261.

Misc. Items: 12 white dinner plates with 4 matching serving bowls and 1 large platter, \$150. (352-237-8082.

Misc. Items: Vintage 1970s Irish Belleek shamrock basket weave porcelain, green mark, 4 cups, creamer, open sugar, \$50. Toolitin telescopic ladder (approx. 15') with stabilizer bar, \$60. (352) 509-7147.

Misc. Items: Weber Summit (S-470) propane gas grill. Craftsman 6,250-watt portable generator. Whynter 14,000 BTU portable air conditioner. (360) 927-3528.

Musical Instrument: Casiotone CT-460 keyboard with charger, \$15. (35)2 509-7147.

Musical Instrument: Martin 0-17 guitar with case. (331) 222-2482.

Sports Equipment: Women's Schwinn 26" bicycle, 21 speeds, blue and white, steel frame, comfy seat, \$90 cash. Adjustable resistance bike trainer (RAD Mag Elite), 9 resistance settings, fits road or mountain bikes with 26-28" wheels, front wheel riser and instructions, \$50 cash. (804) 304-8680.

Sports Equipment: Women's 27.5" Schwinn bicycle, 21 speeds with matching helmet, mirrors, blinking safety lights, upgraded comfort seat, Titanker locking chain, bike rack and basket, \$250. (304) 893-1261.

Tools: Black and Decker 8 1/4" compound miter saw, \$75. Drill Master 4-1/2" angle grinder, \$20. (570) 640-6756.

Tag Sales

Thursday, Dec. 2 & Friday, Dec. 3: 8966-B SW 94th Lane (Friendship Park), 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 3 & Saturday, Dec. 4: 10065 SW 98th Lane (Crescent Ridge), 8 a.m. to noon · 8412-C SW 93rd Place (Friendship Colony), 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. · 8530-C SW 92nd Street (Friendship Colony), 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. · 8929-G SW 94th Street (Friendship Colony), 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. · 9016 SW 96th Terrace (Providence), 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 4: 8611 SW 94th Circle (Stonebridge), 8 a.m. to noon · 8866 SW 86th Loop (Candler Hills), 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. · 9646 SW 92nd Place Road (Providence), 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. · 9766 SW 90th Street (Providence), 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 5: 8868-J SW 97th Lane Road (Americana Village), noon to 4 p.m. · 9766 SW 90th Street (Providence), noon to 4 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 9 & Friday, Dec. 10: 9511 SW 95th Avenue (Windsor), 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. · 9521 SW 94th Court; 9287, 9329, 9354, 9394, 9419, 9530 SW 94th Loop (Windsor), 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 10 & Saturday, Dec. 11: 9406 SW 94th Loop (Windsor), 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. · 8712-A SW 92nd Street (Friendship), 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 17 & Saturday, Dec. 18: 9860-A SW 89th Terrace (Americana Village), 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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