

Community News

Kenneth D. Colen
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Blossoming into Spring

In the last 30 days, the single most asked question I have heard is "What's happening at the Recreation Center? What are you building?" Sidney Colen & Associates has begun construction on a new Golf Shop and cart barn. The community has outgrown the current facility. This new shop will have a better space arrangement for golf club members and for the scoring area, as well as office space for the golf pros (basically, they are working out of a broom closet now).

As we finish the new Golf Shop, the current Golf Shop building will be renovated into the new home of The Pub, with larger seating areas, private dining space, and a much more functional kitchen.

The current Pub area will be renovated into more meeting space, back stage and dressing room areas, and a staff work area. The current dressing rooms will go away in favor of this better space arrangement for the Recreation Center Ballroom.

Work on the Hobby Building is underway. Better sound attenuation between rooms is being added. The ShutterBugs will be getting their space with an overhead projector and screening area. The Model Railroaders will be moving into the old poker room, and the Library will migrate to a newly renovated space previously used as the card room.

Earthwork will begin early summer on the addition of new pickleball courts on the west side of the Recreation Center. After discussion with some of the neighbors, the site plan was revised to move the courts further away from the western property boundary to provide a better separation. A landscaped drainage retention area will also be part of that boundary toward the low side of the site.

The Veterans Park is scheduled to begin earthwork in May and be open by Veterans' Day in November.

The Links golf course is undergoing the first renovation in 20 years. The 37-year-old irrigation system is 10 years past its original useful life. We are taking the opportunity to add the Links course to the water conservation reuse system. Andy Jorgenson has great plans for this legacy course.

Practical Preventative Home Maintenance

From May through September, your air conditioning systems will be running full tilt. These systems don't operate by themselves without proper care and maintenance. For a helpful short video on practical things you can do to service your air conditioning system to keep it functioning efficiently visit ontopoftheworldinfo.com/homeowner-maintenance.

Periodic maintenance includes changing filters monthly and pouring vinegar into the main condensate pan to keep the main drain flowing without obstruction. Check the outflow outside near the compressor. If you don't see the cleaning solution coming out, the drain line is blocked and needs immediate attention.

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

Americana Village, Friendship Village and Friendship Colony

Residents of these neighborhoods received a letter from Bay Laurel Center CDD explaining the next steps following the installa-

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Summer Catalog Kick-Off

By Michelle Shideler

Master the Possibilities is pleased to partner with the Marion Bonsai Society again this year for the 11th annual bonsai exhibit in the Master the Possibilities Living Room. The free exhibit, which is open to the public, will be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday, May 2, and 9 a.m. to noon on Friday, May 3. Register for "The Living Art of Bonsai - Demonstration," 1 to 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 2.

There are more than 160 courses

from which to choose this month, and classes will be available through Saturday, May 25. For those wanting to venture outdoors this spring, instructor Lars Anderson has added a kayak excursion this term for the "Springs & Wildlife of Chassahowitzka River" from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 9. On this easy-paced kayak/canoe tour, participants will learn about resident plant and animal species of the Chassahowitzka



Taking Steps to Fight Parkinson's Disease

By Cammy Dennis

It was a beautiful spring morning on Saturday, April 6, when 177 people gathered at Shalom Park to show their support and Walk for Parkinson's. The enthusiastic crowd provided an energy that motivated and inspired all.

The walk was hosted by Mind and Motion for Parkinson's, a not-for-profit organization that provides education, exercise and support for PWP's (people with Parkinson's) and their care partners. Mind and Motion for Parkinson's meets monthly at Master the Possibilities on the last Friday of every month.

April was National Parkinson's Awareness month, which was the perfect time to rally the troops to join the walk and "take steps to fight Parkinson's Disease." The Walk for Parkinson's was a huge success!

Opening remarks from Parkinson's experts provided an encouraging and spirited start to the walk. Dr. Nieves, a leading neurologist, and Carissa Campanella from the Neuro Challenge Foundation for Parkinson's came out to lend their support.

Dr. Nieves encouraged everyone living with Parkinson's to keep looking forward. She confidently reported that she thinks there will be a cure for Parkinson's found within her lifetime!

Carissa Campanella noted that the Neuro Challenge Foundation for Parkinson's is eager to lend their support to PWP's and care partners in Ocala, and they are working to

establish a Parkinson's Care Advocate here in Marion County.

The On Top of the World fitness team was very proud to be a part of this initiative. A very big thank you goes out to the sponsors and volunteers who helped make the Walk for Parkinson's such a huge success!

The Recreation Center and The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa both have exercise classes dedicated

River and learn some of the area's rich pre-history and history. Cost is \$45 for members and \$50 for non-members. Additional information will be available at time of registration.

Master the Possibilities will be offering two classes on the 1969 Apollo 11 flight. Both are free and open to the public but require registration. "Nova: First Man on the Moon" will be held 1 to 3 p.m. on Monday, May 20 in Cypress Hall and is a PBS special presentation of the first man on the moon. Watch this inspiring story of the heroic risk-taking astronaut who took command of the Apollo 11, and hear interviews with Neal Armstrong's family and friends. This special viewing will include the exploration of the man behind the myth, and his unsung achievements as a U.S. Navy combat veteran.

Rich Cupertino will lead a community discussion on "Remembering the First Step on the Moon" afterward from 4:30 to 6 p.m. on Monday, May 20 in Cypress Hall. This learning environment will give people of all ages the availability to talk about personal experiences from this historical event. Join the class and share memories and remembrances. Participants are even invited to bring any memorabilia or tangible items for show and tell.

Creating much hype around Master the Possibilities is the anticipation for the new summer 2019 catalog. Our kick-off event has been scheduled for 1 to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8 at Circle Square Cultural Center. Those who attend this free event, which is open to the public, will be able to meet many of our faculty members, receive the new catalog early, and even pre-register for courses before registration officially opens 9 a.m. on Friday, May 10. Those who attend the kick-off may also register to win a free seat in one of our classes during the summer term.

To register for classes or to learn more about Master the Possibilities, please visit masterthepossibilities.org, or call (352) 861-9751, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

specifically to those living with Parkinson's disease or any movement disorder. The class is "Move to Improve". All of the exercises in this class help to manage the symptoms and challenges associated with Parkinson's. The exercises support strength, balance, multitasking, and producing vocal volume. Move with greater ease, and let your voice be heard!

This class welcomes those with Parkinson's disease or any movement disorder as well as their care partners. For more information about the Parkinson's exercise class or Mind and Motion for Parkinson's, please call (352) 854-8707 ext. 7532.



Photo by Cammy Dennis

Enthusiastic participants getting warmed up to Walk for Parkinson's.

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Photo by Bob Woods
A CERT team attends to a victim of a disaster during a practice drill between On Top of the World and Spruce Creek.

CERT Drill

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

Recently, two communities joined forces at Sholom Park for an emergency drill. The drill comprised of the Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) from On Top of the World and Stone Creek.

This CERT drill was organized so that members could practice administering aid in the event of a disaster. Members are all volunteers assisting the Marion County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) and Emergency Management Division (EOC).

In the event of a major emergency, such as a hurricane or tornado, CERT members are trained to jump into action. CERT is activated for widespread, not localized, disasters and assists those requiring help until first responders arrive.

The drill members helped six injured residents from the theater club in Stone Creek. The "injured" wore makeup on their body resembling injuries. Members would evaluate each patient and record

everything done or stated by the patient on paper. Teams have four members: team leader, assistant team leader, scribe and ham radio operator.

The injuries looked so real that many took a second look. All the injured patients took their roles seriously. They did such a great job pretending to be in real pain that it was hard not to believe them. This was what the exercise was all about.

CERT members are trained in disaster preparedness, basic first aid/CPR, psychology and fire safety. Training is provided to the group by EOC, MCSO and Marion County Fire Rescue. If EOC activates CERT, team members will gather at the On Top of the World command center located at the Recreation Center's ground floor.

Our community's CERT is continuously training. They practice procedures throughout the year, at monthly meetings and annual drills. CERT is not a club in our community but a service organization that is staffed by volunteer residents. The old verbiage of "practice makes perfect" exists in the CERT drills.



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tion of 2,098 new water meters. The purpose of this project was to accurately meter individual water usage within each dwelling.

The CDD began sending out a monthly sample statement of actual usage to those villas that have the new meters. This is not a bill! Rather it is a statement of usage designed to make residents aware of their water usage and to encourage greater conservation as man-

dated by the Southwest Florida Water Management District.

The sole purpose of this project is to encourage greater water use awareness and conservation. Beginning in March 2020, all residents in those neighborhoods will need to have accounts established with the Bay Laurel Center CDD. The CDD is holding a series of workshops for residents to encourage early sign-up and to answer any questions related to this change.

The Community Services Fee in these neighborhoods will be reduced in 2020 to provide a significant offset of expenses currently covered by the Association for indoor usage. The outdoor irrigation will remain under the Association.

Wednesday and Friday through Friday, Sept. 27. The class will run from 11 to 11:45 a.m.

Help is urgently needed to keep this program viable. Please call Jo Swing at (352) 237-4564 to volunteer.

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Keeping It Green

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So you want a lush, green yard? First off, maintenance is very important to achieve this goal. Maintenance consists of mowing to a certain height, appropriate addition of fertilizers, and water. Next is how does the grass respond in cold weather? What does spring green up mean? And, when should the lawn emerge from winter dormancy? How is your grass supposed to look in winter, summer, and times of drought, or times of stress, and how do you spot a pest problem?

At On Top of the World, the following types of grasses are planted: Bahia, St. Augustine and Zoysia. Each has different cultural requirements and maintenance needs.

Bahia is the best grass for drought tolerance, disease and insect pressure. It requires the least amount of water to keep it looking good, the least amount of fertilizer, if any, and the least amount of inputs for disease and insect control. This grass type sounds enticing until you see the seed heads that pop up hours after you mow it. The one drawback that deters most homeowners is the seed head or tassel.

Bahia, like Zoysia goes dormant when under drought stress. It may look dead and dry but normally after a rain shower, the grass revives and becomes a nice green. There is very little to no shade tolerance with Bahia grass. Please check your association restrictions to see where you can utilize this grass.

Bahia should be mowed anywhere from three to four inches and fertilizer should be applied around early to mid-April applying

one to two pounds per 1000 square feet. Insect and disease applications should only be applied when conditions are favorable for development.

St. Augustine grass is another grass type allowed in many neighborhoods in the On Top of the World Communities. St. Augustine has been known to grow all throughout the state and has a reputation for being a great lawn grass but it has some drawbacks. Many homeowners think that this is a water hungry grass that needs abundant quantities of water to survive, but that is simply not true.

Most important with this type of grass is to create a deep root system that will ultimately reduce the amount of water needed to maintain and sustain a beautiful lawn.

St. Augustine grass is susceptible to a few pests and fungus. Chinch bugs are probably the worst enemy of this type grass. Fungus pressure is experienced in spring and early fall when temperatures are between 60 to 70 degrees. Weed control is not too difficult with St. Augustine as long as you maintain a healthy lawn. St. Augustine should be mowed anywhere from two and a half to four inches depending on type.

Fertilizer should be applied at a rate of three to four pounds per 1000 square feet around early to mid-April and June-July and late August or September if fertilizing three times per year. Insect and disease should only be treated when conditions are favorable for development.

Lastly, Empire Zoysia is the grass installed across the community today. This grass is drought tolerant, has many weed control options and minimal insect issues. With all that said, the grass is more prone to disease in the early spring and fall.

Most people do not understand how Zoysia responds to drought stress. When under drought conditions, the grass will go dormant and turn brown at the first signs of drought. This can be alarming to new homeowners until they understand this grass. It is normal to see drought conditions in Florida. The month of May typically is the hottest, driest month on record each year. You can expect to see drought stress in your lawn during mid-April to the second week in June, or until normal summer rains return. This grass responds well however and will surprise you as it greens up quickly.

Empire Zoysia grass should be mowed anywhere from two to three inches. Fertilizer should be applied at a rate of two to three pounds per 1000 square feet around early to mid-April and June-July and late August or September if fertilizing three times per year. Insect and disease should only be treated when conditions are favorable for development.

Fertilizer recommendations are based on UF/IFAS Best Management Practices. Residents should apply fertilizers only when needed and at the lowest application rate recommended based on BMPs.

How long does it take to establish a new lawn? This is dependent on cultural practices, watering and fertilization/disease and pest control. Typically, a lawn can take anywhere from three to five years for the subsoil to mature and colonize with the organisms found in healthy soils.

As we have experienced from our studies with UF/IFAS, soils are compact and sterile at time of install and the latest recommendations from UF/IFAS say do not amend soils. However, the studies we are participating in may reflect a change in how the industry operates in the coming years.

Remember to make sure your clock is watering twice per week and half to three-quarter inches at each watering cycle. Hopefully we see the rains come back in June.

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Linda Denno, front and center leading her weight loss challenge participants in a boot camp workout at The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa.

Photo by Jessica Pinkowski



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Trainer Talk

Meet Linda Denno, one of The Ranch's certified personal trainers. Linda is well known on the fitness floor and much loved by her clients. You will see Linda coaching, encouraging and even boxing with her clients. Linda has a keen understanding of aging science and is a master at helping her clients achieve a vast scope of successes. She has helped her clients with joint replacement recovery, weight loss, balance improvement and even win 5K races. Her ability to improve the quality of her clients' lives is one of the reasons she stays so busy. Read on to learn more about this amazing woman.

What was the draw for you to become a fitness professional and how long have you been a personal trainer at The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa?

Linda: "In my late 20s I started going to the gym with a focus on being "skinny." Back then, I was what is termed "skinny fat," meaning that even though my body weight was in the normal range, my body fat was a whopping 38%. Ironic that even though I was a size six ... I was also obese at the same time! I realized I was going to have to change my thinking if I was going to change my body. Therefore, I hired a personal trainer and changed my focus from being skinny to being healthy. My trainer encouraged me to eat more and assured me that I would not get fat. By eating smaller, nutrient dense meals, lifting heavier weights, and doing cardio I significantly changed my body composition. I lost fat and gained muscle. I felt stronger and healthier and the real bonus was that my back no longer hurt. I was hooked! Years later, after I burned out in the corporate world, I decided I wanted to do something I loved which was helping others to become strong and fit. I began personal training at The Ranch Center Fitness & Spa in May 2007 and have been rewarded with helping people to feel better and live better ever since."

You recently held a weight loss challenge for your clients, most of whom participated. What was the benefit of this program over the "one-on-one" training that you do?


Linda: "There's something a little easier about letting yourself off the hook when you know no one's watching ... or so you think! So you slip a little ... you eat that cookie, the breadsticks, ice cream, and find excuses for not going to the gym. However, when you commit to a specific challenge, you hold yourself much more accountable. With the weight loss challenge, participants made a commitment to themselves and to the group. They made an official statement of what they wanted to accomplish, and how they were going to accomplish it. It really helps to know that you are not making a commitment alone, and that others are supporting you in a positive way to help reach your goals!"

Based on your years of experience and training, what is the one bit of advice you could share to boost someone's weight loss success?

Linda: "If I had to pick just one bit of advice it would be to show up for yourself! You have to make yourself and your health a priority if you want to be strong, healthy, and ultimately fit for the rest of your life!"

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Indigo East residents are probably the luckiest residents in On Top of the World. In addition to our beautiful homes, manicured landscaping, two pools, a fitness center, and the many amenities offered by On Top of the World, Indigo East Community Center is the heart of so many activities sponsored by the Indigo East Social Club. Five hard working volunteers Melinda Huser, chair; Janet Stroup, vice chair; Anne Cymerman, secretary; Janet Poulin, treasurer; and Owen Brady, inventory controller, spend countless hours planning events to make sure all residents get to know each other and have fun.

On Sunday, March 10, the club hosted a potluck dinner. It was a great success, made possible by so many creative chefs living right in our very own neighborhood.

Some club activities are held monthly, such as a men's breakfast and a women's breakfast. A new fun event, bingo, is now on the fourth Monday of each month, beginning promptly at 6:30 p.m. The first bingo was held on Sunday, March 24 and attended by many residents.

All planned events are for Indigo

East residents only. These events are listed on the 2019 Indigo East Social Club events schedule, previously emailed to all residents. New residents can obtain a copy by contacting Melinda Huser at melinda.huser@yahoo.com.

The next big club-sponsored event is the Indigo East second annual Memorial Day cookout and pool party. This event is hosted by Mike Huser and Steve Schleselman and will take place at the Indigo East Community Center on Monday, May 27, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$8 per person and will be sold on the following days: May 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, and 24 from 10 a.m. to noon. May 8 and 22, from 5 to 7 p.m. Prepare to bring your appetite and enjoy the abundance of delicious food.

For a complete list of the many Indigo East functions, copies of the monthly activities calendar are available at the Indigo East Community Center. Theresa Fields has also posted flyers for several events she is sponsoring, which include dances, karaoke, and trivia for residents to enjoy.

New residents should contact Roger Schwartz at schwartz8096@gmail.com, to register for important email notifications. The words "Indigo Resident" must appear in the subject line. Also, new residents should contact Mary Lou Masone at fmlmasone@gmail.com to register their name, address and telephone numbers for the Indigo East online directory.

Boredom does not exist in our dynamic neighborhood. There are no strangers, just friends we are eager to meet and include in our neighborhood family.



As Memorial Day approaches, please take time to honor our military heroes.

What a wonderful time we all had at the Candler Hills spring dinner dance in April. 108 Candler Hills residents attended, and enjoyed an evening of good food, dancing and socializing. A special thank you to the social committee for your efforts in organizing this event and for your hard work to make it a success.

The new undertaking of the poker run car rally in April was also a huge success. The participants enjoyed a day of scavenger hunting in our antique cars as well as our everyday cars, and then returned to The Lodge at Candler Hills where prizes were presented to the car rally winners. A pig roast catered by Hill's BBQ & Catering followed the event along with an evening of dancing. Again, a thank you to the social committee for your hard work on this event as well as to Barbie and Bob Trebilcock for the wonderful idea and for organizing the car rally.

The Candler Hills potluck dinner (picnic time for the red, white and blue) will be on Tuesday, May 28, at 5:30 p.m. at The Lodge at Candler Hills. Residents with last names beginning with A-H should bring a main dish; I-R a dessert; and S-Z a side dish or salad. Setup volunteers should arrive at 4:15 p.m. All others by 5:30 p.m. to ob-

tain a table number for seating. \$1 per person covers eating utensils, plates, napkins, and decaf coffee. Please label your dishes for people with dietary issues. A 50/50 drawing will be held. To attend contact Deb Keirn at (352) 414-5737 or arthurkipdeb@verizon.net to let me know how many will attend and if you can help with setup or cleanup.

There will be two ice cream socials this year. The first is scheduled for Sunday, June 16 (Father's Day), and the second is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 18. Both events will take place at The Lodge at Candler Hills.

The annual picnic will be held on Sunday, Oct. 20, at the picnic area near the baseball field behind the Recreation Center, and the Candler Hills holiday party is scheduled for Friday, Dec. 13, at The Lodge at Candler Hills. Watch for more information in future World News columns and "The Happenings."

The Candler Connection Facebook group has grown to over 650 members. This closed group is a good source of information.

If you are a new resident of Candler Hills, log onto candlerconnection.org and fill out the form to receive "The Happenings" by email in order to keep up-to-date with activities and events. There are approximately 1,076 Candler Hills residents in this database.

The next Candler Connection board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 7, at 2:30 p.m. at the Candler Hills Community Center. Any resident of Candler Hills is welcome to attend.

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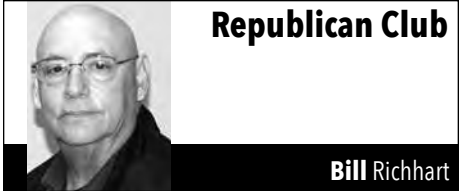
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Republican Club

Bill Richhart

We were honored to receive our charter allowing us to use the name “Republican.” It is renewed every two years. Thanks to our officers – President Bill; Vice President Susan; Treasurer Joanie; and Secretary Fiona – who participated in this success by working together.

A number of our members have joined me in trips to Tallahassee to meet with our Republican legislators. We have learned what bills are currently proposed and an update on other ideas and bills for the future. We appreciate them taking their time and showing us the Tallahassee legislators at work. If any of our members who have not been there and wish to go, please contact President Bill.

Our speakers for our April meeting were a representative from the Fair Tax; candidate for

Marion County Property Appraiser, Lee Herbst; and candidate for School Board, District 1, Todd Yocum. Other Republican dignitaries from Marion County were also in attendance.

For our Friday, May 10 meeting, we will have our “legacy” pizza party to honor our past presidents. So that we do not miss anyone from long ago, President Bill would like members to contact him.

President Bill is working hard to bring Congressman Neal Dunn to speak at a future meeting. He has been very involved in helping clean up the remnants of Hurricane Michael, which devastated his area on the Panhandle.

Thanks to all of our members for their continued regular attendance, and for inviting new members to join us; we are growing. We meet the second Friday of the month at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E-G, at 7 p.m.

If there are any questions, please contact President Bill at (260) 515-0543.



Democratic Club

Dan Lack

Our next meeting will take place on Thursday, May 23 when our speaker will be Dennis McFatten, director of Safe Schools in Marion County. Back in the old days when we went to school, we practiced duck and cover drills for nuclear attacks. Kids these days are preoccupied with different concerns, and Dennis will tell us how our school tax dollars are being spent to keep the next generation safe.

If you want to attend the Marion County Democratic Party’s Proud to be a Democrat dinner at the Southeastern Livestock Pavilion on Sunday, May 19, at 3 p.m., you may sign up at mariondems.org. You may also find information on that website if you choose to mail in your check. The keynote speaker

is Florida House of Representatives Minority Leader Kionni McGhee. You do not have to be a Democrat to attend.

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

Videos of our speakers may be viewed at youtube.com (otow demclub). We continue to support the Ocala Ritz Veterans Village with donations of towels, washcloths, twin/full bed sheets, dry/canned food, toiletries, dish/laundry detergent and paper towels so that we can show our appreciation to these men and women who sacrificed so much for us.

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



Finding Zen

Christina Shearer
info@sholompark.org

Fun at the Park - Music & Art

Sholom Park is hosting their third annual Fun at the Park - Music & Art event on Sunday, May 19, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Local artists will be showcasing their artwork for your enjoyment. Take a stroll down artist lane and discover the artistic talents who live right here in Marion County. Bring your lawn chairs or blanket, find a shady spot in the formal garden and relax to the soulful sounds of Mark Smythe. Clear your mind and soothe your soul as you walk the Labyrinth to the soothing sounds



Veterans Club

Charles Calhoun

The Memorial Day Ceremony will be on Monday, May 27, at 10 a.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom. Please join us to honor those who gave all to our country. Please bring your service pictures to the next meeting so we may share them at the ceremony.

Please welcome Tim Williams, retired captain U.S. Marines Corps, and his wife who just moved here. Tim enlisted in 1965 and served several tours in Vietnam as a machine gunner. He also served as an instructor at Quantico and worked as military police. He then met his wife, Jane, whose father was a U.S. Navy dental surgeon and then went on to Officer Candidate School (OCS) and received his commission in 1975. He attended the University of North Carolina and then served as the provost marshal for the Marine Corps Logistics Command.

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of Marina Tucker on the violin.

Enjoy some lunch from Curbside Cuisine or pack your own picnic basket and make it an afternoon with family and/or friends.

L.E.A.F Series

You may also join us on Friday, May 17, at 10:30 a.m. for our L.E.A.F Series “Exercise your Senses at Sholom Park.” Our guest speakers, Jamie Schofield and Ashlee Seek, co-founders of the Faithfully Guided Foundation in Ocala will do an educational talk under the pavilion and a sensory walk around Sholom Park that will exercise your senses, stimulate your brain and refresh your mind.

For park guidelines and a list of participating artists, please visit the Sholom Park website (sholompark.org) or Facebook page.

We will be collecting donations for Operation Shoebox and the Ocala Ritz Veterans Village at the Memorial Day Service in addition to our regular monthly meeting. We meet monthly at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite B on the third Thursday of the month at 2 p.m.

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Friendship Connection

Gail Curione

The Friendship Connection, a social group for residents of Friendship Colony, Village or Park, has scheduled its first meet and greet on Monday, May 13, at 5:30 p.m. at the pavilion. This will be a time to meet your neighbors and help the planning committee determine how often the group would like to meet and what you would like our meetings to include. Please bring a finger food to share, your own drinks and your ideas. It will be an evening filled with food, fun and fellowship. Spread the news to all your neighbors!

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Call of the Wild

Roger Bonifield

Sometimes it is a little difficult writing these columns because you want to tell everyone not only about all the great events coming up, but also about all the fun events you just had in the last month. Since this is a monthly publication, it's almost impossible to talk about how well some of those events went, because they haven't happened yet. So, keeping my always positive attitude, let me just say, April was great!

Thanks to the folks at the Recreation Center, after a weather delay,

we had a great deep sea fishing trip out on the Gulf. We also had our second annual great fish fry with nearly 100 people in attendance.

We also had our first in a series of Gulf flats charter fishing trips with top notch, professional charter captains. This is a new program we just began. We have made arrangements with two of the areas top charter captains to reserve two to four dates each month just for our club. These boats take out three fishermen for four hours of great fishing on the Gulf flats, going after species like speckled trout, red drum, snook and many others. These trips are for members only, and you can book directly through the club. We have three more trips available in May, and more coming in June.

We also had a very fun day working with the Ocala Parks and Recreation department at a kid's fishing derby at Tuscawilla Park. We helped young people enjoy a great day of fishing. Prizes were awarded in many categories, and our club, as a partial sponsor of the event, donated money for the prizes.


Coming up in May, in addition to the flats charter fishing trips, we will be going out to Fort Island Trail State Park on Thursday, May 16 for some fun shore fishing and picnicking in Crystal River.

And in early June, partnering up again with the Recreation Center, we will be going on another deep sea fishing trip with The Dolphin Fleet out of Tarpon Springs. That trip is on Tuesday, June 4, and you can register for that at the Recreation Center office. Just another

quick note, June 1 is the beginning of grouper season, a highly sought after fish for its delicious taste. That trip is open to any resident and their guest.

Whether you are new here at On Top of the World, or a long time resident, if you would like to learn more about Florida's great outdoors and all the fishing and hunting possibilities it offers, please come and join us. We meet the first Wednesday of every month, from noon to 2 p.m., temporarily in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite C. Once renovations are complete, we will meet in the Hobby Building Event Room.

If you have any questions, or would like more information, please feel free to give me a call at (352) 300-3601.



Citizens Emergency Response Team

Beth McKeen

As you read this column, we are about a month away from the beginning of hurricane season, which runs from June 1 to Nov. 30. We have been fortunate in recent years that Marion County has not encountered a destructive hurricane and we hope that 2019 is another one of those years. However, we all need to be prepared!

The Marion County Sheriff's Office provides detailed disaster preparation information at marion-so.com, under the Support Services Bureau, Emergency Management.


Stone Creek and On Top of the World CERT members joined together in Sholom Park for a disaster drill in March. This was our first combined drill and we plan to make it an annual event. All participants felt that this experience was very helpful, enjoyed meeting

members from a different team and thought the "victims" did an excellent job.

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

If you would like to become a member of our CERT team, please contact Beverly Case in the Marion County Sheriff's Office at (352) 369-8103 to receive an application. The next class will be in June or July.

We welcome your attendance at our CERT meetings, which are held the second Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 14, at 9 a.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite G. For more information, contact Beth McKeen at (352) 237-5079.



Williamsburg Neighbors

Ginny Nardone

On Saturday, April 5, Williamsburg residents were singing in the rain as we gathered at the pavilion for the second annual neighborhood picnic. This year, we had a brown bagged bring your own everything (BYOE) event. Some neighbors decided to share food preparation for a small group, while others shared snacks and brought their own main course. Whatever approach was taken one thing was certain; it was a great opportunity to get together, have fun and meet new people.

In my last column, I wrote about

the small group discussions taking place on three topics of interest. The first group met to work on adding new block captains and further defining their role in the community. Williamsburg currently has nine block captain teams. When the final teams are in place, residents will be informed in this column and by email.

It's also the time of year we make summer plans and we say goodbye to our snowbirds. We wish everyone a fun and safe summer wherever you choose to spend it.

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



OneBlood Bloodmobile

Sara Sommer

The Big Red Bus® came on Monday, April 1. We had 22 donors this time. Great job! I send a big thank you to all of you.

The bus was a little different this time. It was a training bus with four trainees being watched very closely by their trainer. It was quite

fun to see how they worked together. They will be a great asset to the OneBlood team.

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

The bus will be here again on Monday, June 3 at the Recreation Center parking lot, from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please mark your calendar. See you on the bus.

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Active Living
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Spring is in the air with summer quickly approaching. Triple digit temperatures will be here before you know it ... make sure you stay well hydrated by drinking plenty of water when participating in outdoor activities.

Community Pools

With the warmer weather here, what better place to enjoy the outdoors than in one of the community pools? Please remember when utilizing the pool areas that pets are prohibited on the pool deck. Pool rules are posted around all pools and non-compliance will result in loss of privileges.

Please have resident IDs available when visiting the pool areas. Rules and procedures are strictly enforced. A resident must accompany their guest(s) or have the guest(s) present the ID of the resident they are visiting. Please note that children under the age of 15 are not permitted in the family pools until after noon during weekdays. Pool monitors are now present at the Recreation Center pool.

Telephone Directories

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

Happy Hour

Join us for Happy Hour every Friday night in the Recreation Center

Ballroom and on the outside veranda of the Recreation Center, from 5 to 8 p.m. The entertainment lineup for May is as follows:

- May 3: The Chauffeurs (Ballroom); The Joes (Veranda).
- May 10: Kathleen Kane (Ballroom); Ron Hackling (Veranda).
- May 17: Debbie Owen & Tony T (Ballroom); D.J. Sanchez (Veranda).
- May 24: Danny & Johnny (Ballroom); Johnny Lobo (Veranda).
- May 31: Solid Gold (Ballroom); Sal (Veranda).

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

Get Acquainted Coffee

Join us in welcoming some of our new residents into the community. Get Acquainted Coffee will take place on Thursday, May 9, in the Recreation Center Ballroom, at 9 a.m. There will be coffee, doughnuts and representatives from various clubs and more. Each department will speak on the services and programs they have to offer.

Shopping Trip*

Shop until you drop on Thursday, May 16, at Southgate Center and Mazzaro's Italian Market. Southgate Shopping Center in Lakeland will be the first stop where you will find stores such as Old Time Pottery, Big Lots, Bealls Outlet and Tuesday Morning. You will

also have the opportunity to have lunch at one of the restaurants. But wait ... the next stop is Mazzaro's Italian Market where you can also enjoy lunch on the patio or inside bar. This is an Italian cuisine fine food market located in St. Petersburg, Florida. It is known for its cheeses, olives, deli sandwiches, bakery items, handmade pastas and pre-made dishes. So if you are looking to bring home some of the finest handmade Italian items or wine, be sure to pack your cooler as the bus will have plenty of room for everyone's needs.

Please note that there will be a lot of walking on this trip. The bus will be on site to take your packages throughout the day, if needed. The cost is \$28 per person.

Daytona Flea Market*

Come join us at the Daytona Flea & Farmers Market in Daytona Beach on Friday, May 17, where you'll find over 1,000 booths and 600 vendors. Hundreds of antique dealers, crafters, artisans and swap meet vendors set up shop selling everything from fresh, local produce, custom jewelry, original artwork, gourmet coffee and tea - even automobile tires and fishing equipment. We should arrive around 10 a.m. and you will have approximately three hours to browse and shop. The cost is \$28 per person. Please note this trip requires a lot of walking.

Victory Casino Cruise*

Join us for an afternoon of gambling on Wednesday, May 22, as we cruise on the Victory Casino out of Port Canaveral, Florida. You'll enjoy bingo, entertainment, live table games and over 300 of the latest slots. Dine in the Atlantic

digo East Fitness Center office.

Community Information

Please note that it has been brought to our attention that residents are bringing their pets to the garden area. Please keep all pets out of garden areas.

Facility Bookings

The 2020 room request bookings will be ready in a few short weeks. Please make sure you have submitted your paperwork. Also please note that all bookings requiring special setups and deposits will need to be submitted two weeks prior to your event. Setups and deposits turned in late could result in delays or possible cancellations.

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

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

- Wine and cheese party
 - Potluck night
 - Luau pool party
 - Sassy ladies line dance party
- * Events are open to Indigo East residents and their guest(s). A guest is defined as anyone not holding a current Indigo East resident ID, and additional fees may apply.

Café and receive free drinks while gaming. Please note that a valid government-issued photo ID will be required to board. The cost is \$45 per person and includes transportation, boarding of the Victory Casino and buffet.

Social Hour

Come join us for a relaxing evening with friends and neighbors on Thursday, May 23, from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom. You will enjoy light jazz and blues music with Stan Prinston. A cash bar and hors d'oeuvres (while they last) will also be provided. This event is free.

Tropic Trivia Night*

Do you like trivia? Come challenge your neighbors and friends for a fun afternoon of mind-boggling, brain-taxing questions. We have added more tables, which increases your winnings! Trivia is held on the first Thursday of every month with the next one on Thursday, June 6, at the Recreation Center Ballroom. We will have tables of eight and you will select the team names. Please note you must have four or more paid contestants at a table to select a team name.

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

April Winners

1: Thesplanage; 2: Octagons; 3: Happy Ours.

Community News

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

Upcoming Events

- Tuesday, June 4: Dolphins Deep Sea Fishing Trip*
- Thursday, June 6: Tropic Trivia Night*
- Thursday, June 13: Barbara Lee Luncheon Cruise*
- Friday, June 21: Jam Night with Four Entertainers
- Wednesday, June 26: Victory Casino Cruise*
- Thursday, June 27: Social Hour with Long White Cloud

*To register, call (352) 854-8707 x7530 or x7533. Payment is required at time of registration. No refunds will be issued 14 days or fewer prior to any event or trip. Events and trips are open to residents and their guests. A guest is defined as anyone not holding a current "Gateway of Services" resident ID and additional fees apply.




Indigo East
Theresa Fields
(352) 387-7372

Summer is here and with that brings the warmer temperatures that Florida is known for. Remember to use plenty of sunscreen when outdoors and stay hydrated.

Join us for karaoke night at the Indigo East Community Center, from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, May 10. Bring your own cocktails and enjoy singing, dancing, and clapping with other Indigo East residents. This event is free to our Indigo East residents. Guest fees of \$5 per person will apply to anyone not providing an Indigo East resident ID card. Residents must accompany guests.

Challenge your neighbors in a game of trivia on Wednesday, May 29, at the Indigo East Community Center ballroom, from 5 to 7 p.m. Get those thinking caps on, form a group and come out for a fun-filled night of mind-boggling questions.



The Lodge at Candler Hills
Theresa Fields
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The warmer months are fast approaching with our temperatures rising into the upper 90s. You will want to stay hydrated when planning outdoor activities

We are happy to announce that we have a new coordinator at The Lodge at Candler Hills - Michele O'Malley. Please stop by and welcome her!

Michele will be working closely with me to help plan fun and exciting events for our residents during the summer months. Just a preview of some things to come.

- Ladies luncheon garden party
- Wine tasting social night
- Ballroom dance night
- Island pool party
- Jazz and blues cocktail night

Trivia is held on the first Tuesday of each month, with the next one on Tuesday, May 7, in the ballroom, from 5 to 8 p.m. The cost is \$3 per resident and \$5 per guest attending with the resident. For more information, contact Diane Podkorski at (352) 547-6456.

Social Happy Hour will be held on the third Saturday in May. The next one will be on Saturday, May 18, in the ballroom, from 5 to 8 p.m. Enjoy live entertainment with Kathleen Kane. Bring your own beverages and snacks and enjoy the evening with friends. Resident IDs are required for entry. Guest fees will apply for all guests.

Tickets are \$3 per resident and \$5 per guest attending with a resident. We will have teams of eight per table. Register at the Indigo East Fitness Center office.

On Wednesday, May 8, join us for "Disco Night" with Kathleen Kane in the Indigo East Community Center, from 5 to 8 p.m. Snacks will be provided and residents can bring their own snacks along with their choice of beverage. This event is free to Indigo East residents. Guest fees of \$5 per person will apply to anyone not providing an Indigo East resident ID card. Residents must accompany guests.


Do you have items that you would like to get rid of and make a little extra cash doing it? We will be having a Trash & Treasure Sale on Friday, May 17, at the Indigo East Community Center, from 9 a.m. to noon. Purchase a table and sell your items. S.P.C.A. of Marion County will also be on site selling coffee and doughnuts with all proceeds going to the sheltered animals. Tables are \$8 each and you can purchase your table at the In-

Kocktails & Karaoke will be held on Thursday, May 23, with Charlie and Kathy in the ballroom, from 5 to 8 p.m. Bring your own cocktails and enjoy singing, dancing, and clapping with other Candler Hills residents. Guest fees are \$5 per guest and a resident must accompany all guests.

Start the summer off by joining us for a Parrot Pool Party on Thursday, May 16, at the pool, from 1:30 to 4 p.m. It's an outside barbeque with hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad, baked beans, coleslaw, fruit and condiments. We will have live entertainment with Fred Campbell. Tickets are \$15 per resident and \$18 per guest. Tickets may be purchased at the front office. This is a BYOB event. Please make sure that all drinks are in approved containers for the pool area.

2020 bookings are currently being accepted for rooms at The Lodge at Candler Hills and Candler Hills Community Center. Please remember room requests are done on a year-to-year basis and resident IDs will be required for bookings. If you are planning an event, it is important to have all paperwork turned in at least two weeks in advance. This gives adequate time to submit setup and guest list to the appropriate departments.

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



BUS SCHEDULE

Monday - Thursday

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

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

Here's a portion of the lyrics from "Yesterday" written and sung by the famous rock group - the Beatles:

"Yesterday, all my troubles seemed so far away
Now it looks as though they're here to stay
Oh, I believe in yesterday"

Mathew Street in Liverpool, England was made famous by the "fabulous four." The Beatles first visited the Cavern Club, at 10 Mathew Street, on Feb. 9, 1961 where they played to the lunchtime crowd for a mere five British pounds.

The Beatles played at the club for a total of 292 performances making their final appearance at the club on Aug. 3, 1963. This last performance was just one month after the group recorded "She Loves You," and six months before their first trip to the United States.

The Beatles invasion in the United States began with a Pan Am flight from London to New York City on Feb. 7, 1964. Their first gig in America was live on The Ed Sullivan Show on Feb. 9, 1964. Two days after their television appearance, their concert took place at the Washington Coliseum, a sports arena, attended by 8,000 fans.

The Beatles popularity began with John Lennon, Paul McCartney, George Harrison and Pete Best. Best was replaced by Ringo Starr in August 1962 upsetting many Beatle fans after rants of "Pete forever; Ringo never!" The Cavern Club grew in popularity becoming the most famous club in Britain.

The Cavern Club had to be destroyed due to construction of an underground railway, but a replica of the club was constructed on "75 percent of the original site" in 1984 utilizing over 15,000 bricks retrieved from the original club. Paul McCartney played his last concert at the club in December 1999.

Mathew Street is home to many other clubs that the Beatles frequented and other well-known tourist venues. Today, Mathew

Street is one of Liverpool's most popular nightlife destinations. During the day, the street is crowded with tourists wanting to see everything immortalizing the Beatles.

Another famous tourist destination in Liverpool is the Albert Dock where The Beatles Story museum is located. This award-winning museum is the world's largest permanent Beatles museum where fans can discover personal stories of one of the greatest bands of all times.

The museum houses original instruments and other items including John Lennon's piano and his special round spectacles, George Harrison's first guitar, and Ringo Starr's drum kit. Visitors to the museum can also explore an exact replica of the Cavern Club.

The Albert Dock is a complex of dock buildings and warehouses which opened in 1846. The dock area was constructed out of cast iron, brick and stone with no natural wood making it the first non-combustible warehouse system in the world. Today, the Albert Dock is a major tourist attraction in Liv-



Photo by Bob Woods

The famous Cavern Club in Liverpool.

erpool and the most visited multi-use attraction in the United Kingdom outside of London. The dock consists of museums, bars, restaurants, and two hotels.

It is estimated that over four mil-

lion tourists visit Liverpool yearly, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Maritime City. During 2016, it was reported that the Beatles are still bringing roughly 82 million British pounds to the Liverpool economy.



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"Mardi Gras" Happy Hour was held on Friday, March 22 in the Recreation Center Ballroom.

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Submarine Veterans

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

There is a small group of U.S. Navy submarine veterans residing at On Top of the World who served in our nation's "silent service" from World War II until recently.

The group meets with other submarine veterans from all over Marion County on the third Saturday of each month, except July and August, at Marion County Veterans Service. The purpose of the group is to honor the memory of those submarine sailors who gave their lives in the pursuit of their duties while serving their country.

The local veterans group is called Nautilus Base Ocala and is named after the submarine USS Nautilus, which is now part of the Submarine Force Library & Museum in Groton, Connecticut. The Nautilus (SSN-571) is the first operational nuclear-powered submarine and was the first submarine to complete a submerged transit under the North Pole.

Nautilus Base Ocala is a member of the national organization of submarine veterans formed after World War II. The local group built

a 1/13th scale replica of the Nautilus and they travel to local events with it. The model measures 26 feet in length.

Their pet project is donating funds to the restoration of the USS Drum (SS-228); located at the Battleship Memorial Park in Mobile, Alabama. The submarine is out of water because she sustained damage from a hurricane's surge in 1998.

The Drum is the oldest American submarine on public display

having been commissioned in 1941 at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Maine. She earned 12 battle stars – sinking 15 ships.

For more information about Nautilus Base Ocala, visit nautilusbase.org or contact Base Commander Joe Hilchey at (352) 304-8704 or johilchey@gmail.com.



Photo by Bob Woods

Nautilus Base Ocala with their 26-foot USS Nautilus replica in front of Marion County Veterans Service.

Memorial Day Service

By Sherry Whitmer-Hall

Memorial Day is just around the corner. The Lions Club invites all veterans and residents to attend our free Memorial Day Service. This tribute to our veterans will begin at 10 a.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom on Monday, May 27.

The Memorial Day program will include a slide show of resident photos who were in the military. This appreciation portion of the program has been personalized especially for our veterans. If you or your veteran, would like to share

their picture, please contact Lion Sherry Whitmer-Hall at (913) 638-9256 or skwhitmer@yahoo.com. If a military picture isn't available, a picture of our resident with a military cap (or just a photo) would be fine.

Information and a tribute to the Merchant Marines is long overdue. They are not included with our military branches. The United States Maritime Administration, under

the Department of Transportation, handles programs that administer and finance the United States Merchant Marines.

The Merchant Marines were the unsung heroes who helped end World War II sooner than expected. In their "Liberty Ships" they brought much needed supplies to our allies in Europe and Russia.

We are proud of these brave individuals and their heroic service to our country. They never received the honor of being a veteran.

The Lions Club has also planned unique ways to honor the veterans of Korea and Vietnam. Please invite your friends to come help us appreciate our veterans.

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

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



Photo by Sherry Whitmer-Hall

Resident and veterans at the 2018 Veterans Day ceremony.

Sunspots, The Sun's Corona & Solar Flares

By Jim Shuman

The Moonstruck Astronomy Club held an unusual meeting in April by viewing the sun on Thursday, April 11. Club President Jim DiPaolo, Vice President Larry Isenberg, John Bridges, and Norman Stringfield set up their telescopes adjacent to the Arbor Conference Center to let club members view sunspots, the sun's corona, and solar flares using specialized filters and sun funnels. Twenty club members attended the afternoon observing session. Precautions were taken to assure that no one looked directly at the sun.

Club members are looking forward to observing sessions in the summer months, when clear nights reveal the "summer triangle" of stars in Cygnus, Aquila, and Vega, the Andromeda Galaxy overhead, and deep space objects such as star clusters, nebulae, and double-stars. Many astronomical objects can be seen easily during the observing sessions, which are held on the R/C Flying Field.

It appears that many residents are interested in astronomy as the club has experienced steady growth in membership since it was

formed in June 2018. Given events such as the recent eclipse, publication of the world's first image of a black hole, and more general questions about space, the planets, and the cosmos, the club has plenty to discuss at every meeting.

The Moonstruck Astronomy Club meets on the second Thursday of every month in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite B, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Any resident can join the Moonstruck Astronomy Club, and new members are welcome! Yearly club dues are only \$10.

Observing sessions are announced via email in the afternoon of any day that 1) weather conditions will allow for an open sky that evening at the R/C Flying Field, and 2) owners of telescopes are willing to set up for others to see interesting celestial objects. Sessions begin after dark and last into the evening, depending on the conditions and on the prospect of seeing specific targets as they cross the night sky.

If you have an interest in joining the club or would like additional information, please contact Jim DiPaolo at spacecadet3010@gmail.com.

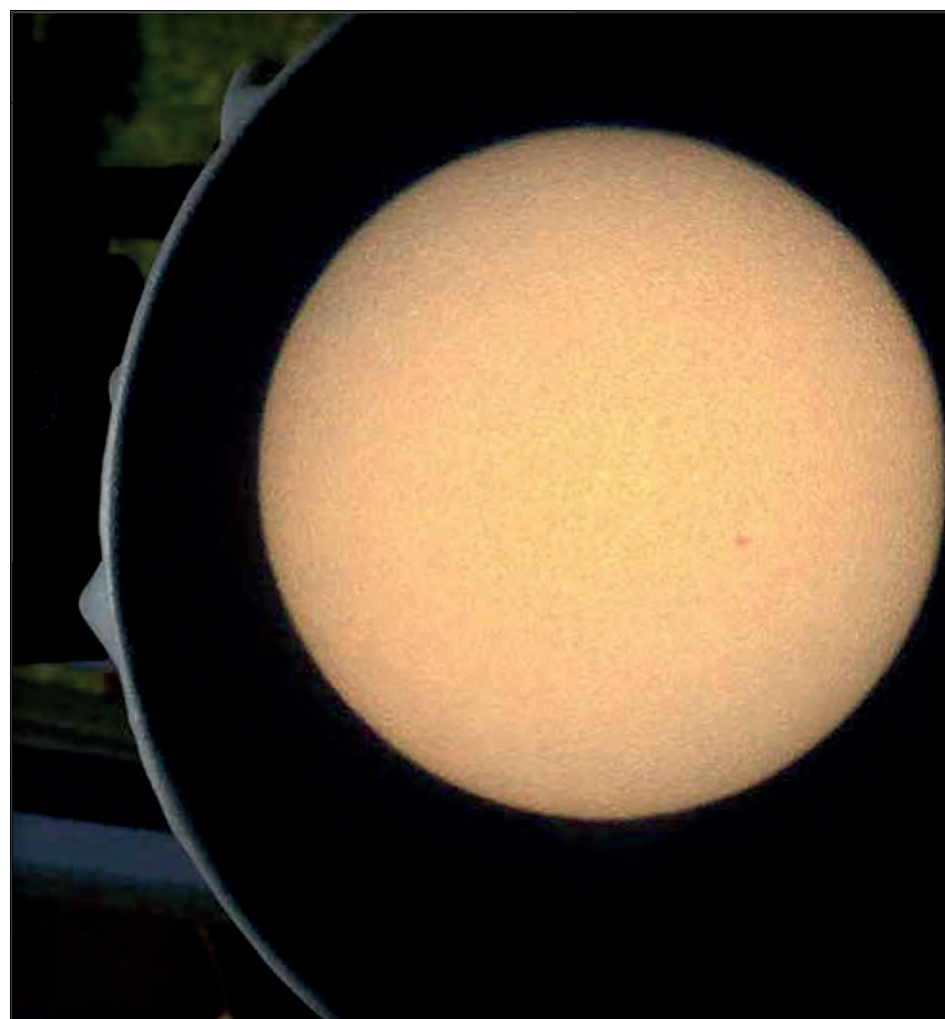


Photo by Cathy Clinton

Image of the sun with a sunspot as seen on Larry Isenberg's sun funnel attached to his Meade 90mm refracting telescope at the Moonstruck Astronomy Club viewing session on Thursday, April 11.

Active Singles



Kathy Mansfield

Active Singles were well represented by 18 of our members for the Hoofin' It for Hospice at Sholom Park. What a turn out! Thank you to all who attended. Our walkers also enjoyed the hike through Pruitt Trailhead. We have more walking or hiking event plans coming up in May, such as a hike through Landbridge Trailhead.

The monthly happy hour at Candler Hills Community Center has returned after a hiatus in March. We have fun each month. Coverage charge of \$2 is required but well worth the fun and socializing.

Regretfully we had to cancel our movie night. But the membership is getting ready for our second Memorial Day picnic on Sunday, May 26. Bring your games, side dishes

or desserts, and beverages.

We are also planning our second annual golf cart poker run for Saturday, June 22. Indigo East Community Center will be the start and the end of the poker run. Looking forward to the potluck dinner following the cart parade and card draw throughout the communities.

Walley Ball continues every Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Recreation Center. These teams are working their way to the Olympics! And don't forget our golfers. We have monthly nine-hole scrambles. Beginners are welcomed to join us as well, as we celebrate in The Pub afterwards.

During our April membership meeting our club discussed and voted on changes to the club's guidelines/bylaws. The outcomes will be posted here next month.

Don't forget your non-perishable donations for Interfaith Emergency Services. You can bring them to our membership meeting on Wednesday, May 15.

SWANS

Lois Nix

We would like to introduce all the single ladies of On Top of the World to our club - Single Women Active Networking System (SWANS).

We have been a very active and supportive club to all single women since 2006. New members are always welcome! We look forward to the new ideas, suggestions, and energy new members bring to the table.

It has been said that we only eat out; that is far from the truth. Our club participates in book clubs, board and card games (especially Samba), theatre/movie trips, cruises, and trips to the beach. Do we eat? Yes, we do! We eat out breakfast, lunch and dinner monthly! We also meet in club members' homes for appetizers and dinners. And ... we do love our barbeque!

Food and drink have always been

a part of celebrations. SWANS love to celebrate each other in friendship and food.

The most important thing about SWANS is that regardless of what life experiences you may have had - you do not have to be alone! SWANS (many have been members for years) have developed friendships and are supportive and generous. We love to have a good time - laughter is much a part of us. We are all young at heart. Our members are of all ages, what a joy to see and hear a 60-year-old laughing with a 90-year-old.

While you are reading this 25 of us are trying to decide what we are going to pack for our annual trip to the beach where we will enjoy a luau, dinner cruise, beach and pool. Karaoke night will be fun!

SWANS is well organized by wonderful women who willingly volunteer to make single life fun and pleasant. Remember SWANS are never alone.

Singles Club

Lorraine Serwan

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

On Thursday, May 9, we'll have

LifeSouth Bloodmobile

John Klopfer

The next LifeSouth blood drive is on Monday, May 6, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thank you for your support.

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our last meeting before the summer with the installation of officers at 2 p.m. in the Arbor Activity Center Event Room.

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

On Thursday, May 16, we will car pool to Dunnellon, Florida to take a relaxing cruise on the river with Captain Jon. Call Lorraine at (352) 854-1365 if you wish to go. You may also sign up at the May 9 meeting. Cost is \$15 and is due in advance by May 9.

Our meetings will resume on Thursday, Sept. 12, at 2 p.m. in the Arbor Activity Center Event Room. Have a wonderful and safe summer, and we'll met again in September.



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Kathy and Charlie Petrosky at Everyone Wins on St. Patrick's Day.

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Everyone Wins Club


Sandi Kemp

We had our last Everyone Wins in March and will start up again in October! We have lots of fun playing group games like bingo, What's My Line, Name That Tune, charades, and much more! The cost is \$5, which should be brought as five \$1 bills. You will win at least \$2 and maybe more if you are lucky! You may bring a snack to share and I provide drinks - soda and water. We meet in Arbor Conference Center, Suite B on the third Sunday of the month, at 6 p.m.


Our next get together will be on Sunday, Oct. 20. Everyone is welcome - couples and singles. No reservations needed; just show up and we will be happy to see you! Questions? Call me! Sandi Kemp at (352) 237-9073.

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Women of the World

Nancy Grabowski

With the unexpected resignation of President April Pollard, Gail Cucionone took the reins for the April meeting of Women of the World. An unexpected delayed start added to Gail's opening act but she handled it like a pro!

The featured speaker for the meeting was Jennifer Martinez, executive director of Marion County Senior Services. The relationship between Marion County Senior Services and Women of the World goes



Genealogy Society

Peter Parisi

On Monday, March 18, Rick Mau, program chair of the Genealogical Society of Hernando County, gave a very informative presentation on "Finding Genealogical Information on Your Ancestors Using Newspaper Research."

Rick stated there is genealogical value in old newspapers. You can find information on your ancestors from obituaries. You may also find birth announcements, marriage announcements, sometimes even divorce information, social gatherings, high school and college graduations, military and civic service. All of these announcements may give you not only the names of the person, but also the names of their spouse, children, parents, grandparents and siblings, where they lived and worked and type of occupation.

How do you get started with newspaper sites? A few of them are free, but few of the free ones are comprehensive. However, they may have information you cannot find elsewhere. Most sites are fee-based and are usually more complete. Newspapers within a particular geography tend to overlap and show up in multiple archives. Look before you buy a subscription, because all sites let you see a list of their newspapers for free. However, seeing the results of a search

back more than 10 years.

At that time, a newspaper article detailed the cuts to the budget. Andrea Flannery, a long-time member, challenged friends from various clubs and activities to pitch in and help. Men and women golfers, mah jongg players, Bible study groups, and a close circle of friends answered the call. Over \$500 was raised, helping Marion County Senior Services to continue many of its vital programs. Andrea worked tirelessly to assure that this was not a one-time effort and was rewarded by becoming the Marion County Senior Volunteer of the Year! It is this same spirit that compels us to give our monthly support to this orga-

doesn't mean seeing the articles.

The following is a list of websites of newspapers:

- newspapers.com: Fee-based and is owned by and integrates with ancestry.com.
- genealogybank.com: Fee-based.
- newslibrary.com: Fee associated and partners with and is part of genealogybank.
- chroniclingamerica.org: No fee and is part of the Library of Congress.
- newspaperarchive.com: Fee-based.
- news.google.com/newspapers: Free.

There are some smaller regional sites, such as:

- fultonhistory.com: Based out of New York.
- ohiohistoryhost.org/



SPCA of Marion County

Sandra Wolf

This is the month of Cinco de Mayo, and El Toreo has chosen the SPCA of Marion County as their charity. The SPCA is most grateful for this honor. We hope you will dine there during this month.

Twins are the featured cats of the month. Nicky and Ricky are six-month old cats. They have special spotting on their coats. These brothers and the breed are known for their gentle demeanor. They love each other as well as humans.

nization.

The May meeting will be highlighted by the election of new officers. A full slate of candidates will be presented; a call for candidates from the floor will be made and should none be forthcoming, the president will ask for a motion to allow the secretary to cast the official ballot for all members. The newly elected officers will be sworn in and begin their duties at a cross-over meeting later in May.

During the meeting, members are invited to pre-pay their dues for the 2019-2020 membership year. Annual dues remain at \$15 and can be paid by cash or check made payable to WOW. At this meeting,

we will also fill out a survey, which chooses the various charities to be recognized with additional donations beyond what we have already given.

Women of the World will provide light refreshments for the May meeting. We hope to have a great turnout, giving us a chance to socialize before the summer break. Women of the World is open to women from every neighborhood in On Top of the World. Bring a friend, make a new friend, renew some old friendships ... this is the place to make it all happen! See you on Friday, May 3, around 12:15 p.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom.

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You can also find local newspapers at historical or genealogical societies, county and town libraries, local newspapers and college and university libraries.

Information that you find in these newspapers may help you tell a family story about some ancestor whom you never knew. It may show the personal side of the family. It may even entice participation by reluctant cousins. But remember, not all of your ancestors made the newspapers and not all newspapers are online.

Rick then gave some examples of how his "newspaper finds" told him that the children of a relative who died young were raised by the sister of that relative. A family reunion summary added children's names that he didn't have.

Searching old newspaper sites is as much an art as a science. Creativity and persistence are good things. Search with a plan. Know what or who you are looking for and what state and county, even adjacent counties. Realize that names were abbreviated.

On Monday, May 13, at 10 a.m. in the Hobby Building, the society will hold an open genealogy discussion meeting by the membership on genealogy issues or discoveries they have learned.

On Monday, May 20, at 10 a.m. in the Hobby Building, guest speaker, Annette Burke Lyttle from heritage-detective.com, will give a presentation on "What is Social History and Why Should a Genealogist Care?"

Check out our website at otow-genealogicalsociety.shutterfly.com.

They are looking for a permanent place.

Pictures of the twins as well as our other adoptees can be found on our website at spcaofmarion-county.weebly.com. It has been an active year for cats giving birth and we are trying to get as many as possible adopted.

We can be found Tuesdays in the Recreation Center Ballroom, from

9 a.m. to noon, and on Thursdays at the Farmers Market at The Town Square. Donations of food and blankets or towels can be made at either place. Blankets and towels must be washed.


Our monthly meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at the Bank OZK, at 1 p.m. We hope you will come and visit us. Our hotline is (352) 362-0985.




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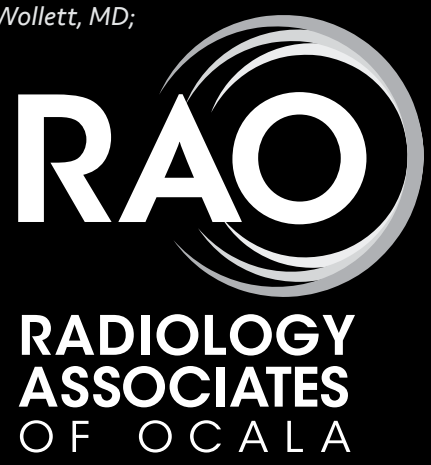
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Janet Fragapane

Lots of good things are happening at Romeo Elementary. Principal Balius spoke to us about what the children are learning and how well they are doing. The third grade students are doing very well in their reading. The fourth and fifth graders are reading above the state level. Reading diagnostics are



Photo by Bill Shampine
Joan Boling is prepared to excite her class at Romeo Elementary.

currently in progress. If a student is struggling, the teacher will go over and over with that child until they understand. No child will be left behind for lack of trying on the part of the student or the teachers. This teaching staff is very focused on seeing that every child succeeds. Third grade is mandatory retention for children who cannot pass the state tests. If the student speaks another language and has only been in the U.S. for under 2 years, a little more leeway is given to them as in the form of the summer reading program. By then it is generally an “aha!” moment that all parts of reading and math reveal themselves and the child can move up to fourth grade.

During the Summer Slide (summer educational program) students will be getting a magazine called the Weekly Reader. It is several pages of math, reading and science for the children to work on over the summer. It is used for grades kindergarten to fourth grade. Every week it contains things to do in school and at home. Parents can see and help their child with any questions they may have.

The price is \$5.50 per student. The parent needs not fear not being able to afford this reader. Donations have been made to be sure every child who is in school has a Weekly Reader to use.

Our substitute readers in April were Catherine Fucini-Cannatella, Dee Smith, Ralph and Judy Halper and Rob Vlacancich. Thank you to them and to Frank McGinty, Phil Karcheski, Carolyn Self, and Phyllis Jarskey for bicycles, school supplies, storybooks, clothing and hats.

The school year ends in May. With it is the fact that several children will be without food. Please send a donation of any amount to Food-4-Children Backpack Program, P.O. 262, Dunnellon, Florida 34430. On memo line write “backpack program”.

Donations of bicycles, helmets, gently used clothing, socks, underwear in new unopened packages, and school supplies can be left at Evelyn Holiday, 8880-C SW 94th Street (Friendship Village) or call (352) 237-0304. Janet Fragapane, 9791 SW 97th Place (Crescent Ridge II) or call (352) 861-1575.



Photo by Ron Broman

Lady dragon in the Garden of Weedin’.



Native Plant Group

Ron Broman

It was summer of 2010, June to be more precise, when the dragon appeared; not her first and certainly not her last coming out.

Let's be fair and clear. In June 2010, Arisaema dracontium, picture and all, was featured with this column. Well, maybe not quite all.

In the last nine years, this humble scribe has learned much more about her. First, our dragon lady is related to Jack-in-the-pulpit. (I should have known.)

Both are members of the arum family, in which the actual flower is protected by a leafy spathe (a smaller leaf below the flower).

The spathe forms the so-called pulpit on which the flower stalk “stands” and the hood that arches up and over it. The finger-like flower stalk (the “Jack”) is covered by dozens of extremely small white flowers. The female flowers are at the bottom and the male are midway up the stalk. Mostly very small flies pollinate the flowers, and the dense clusters of berries that follow in the fall are brilliant red. (The author adds that the berries are often eaten by song birds.)

If you're studying the photo, looking for the flowers, good luck! I hunted as well to no avail, until

I found her “younger sister” close by, where I spotted one flower. Perhaps we'll be lucky with the pollination and have some berries, and some seeds!

There are actually three closely related Arisaema species in Florida. Pester John, A. quinatum, is confined to just a few counties in the Central Panhandle and is not available commercially in Florida. The other two, green dragon, A. dracontium, and Jack-in-the-pulpit, A. triphyllum, are more widely dispersed and often available.

With green dragon the flower follows the full development of the leaves and is hidden under them. The hood of the “pulpit” is shaped like a beak and the flower is smaller. She is more drought tolerant and blooms later than the other two.

Given the fact that our “dragon lady” has survived in our Garden of Weedin’ for almost 12 years, it seems she is well adapted to her partially shaded rich humus called home.

So now you know as much as or more than I do about the green dragon. If you would like to see how she's behaving or would like to know how to purchase Florida native plants, give us a call.

Come join our native plant enthusiasts as we continue to maintain the Longleaf Pine Trail and arboretum, the SW 94th Street circle and the Belleview library native garden. Call (352) 861-4560 for details.

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World Traveler

Bill Shampine

Regardless of your religious background, I suspect that you all have heard of the Sea of Galilee. Located in the northeastern part of Israel, it is a large freshwater lake about 62 square miles in area, 141 feet deep, and 656 feet below sea level. This famous lake has been called by different names throughout history, the most popular being Lake Tiberias during Roman times, the Sea of Galilee during biblical times, and Lake Kenneret, from the Hebrew Bible, in modern times. For most of us, the lake is famous in relationship to the ministry of Jesus, much of which takes place along the lake shores.

The lake has been a source of sustenance for people living in the area for millennia. Historically, it has provided both fresh water and a significant food supply from a thriving fishing industry. However, this bounty now is being threatened. Unfortunately, Israel is entering its sixth year of a severe drought, which has left all of the lakes, rivers, and aquifers in the region at unprecedented 100-year lows. The drought, coupled with increased use of the water, particularly agriculture, has resulted in a water crisis.

The surface of the Sea of Galilee is reaching what is called the “black line”, an elevation of 705 feet below sea level. There are multiple salt water springs under the lake, and it is feared that if the lake’s water level falls below the 705 feet, the salt water will rise and the lake will become irreversibly salinized. Not to get too technical here, but fresh water floats on top of salt water because of the density differences of the water. If you remove one foot of fresh water, the salt water will rise 20 feet.

Historically, Israel has pumped about 450 million cubic meters (mcm) of water from the lake through the National Water Carrier to supply drinking water throughout the country. I might add that 50 mcm of that water are sent to Jordan.

So, what is being done to help save this critical water source? Israel has built five large desalination plants in recent years that now provide about 70% of the country’s drinking water. These plants pump much of the desalinated water into the lake, which serves as a reservoir for this “fresh” water. Nevertheless, because of the drought, the 450 million cubic meters typically withdrawn have been reduced to 40 million cubic meters. In yet another conservation effort, the Israelis recycle about 86% of their wastewater for agricultural use.

The Sea of Galilee is a fascinating place to visit. It has such a long history and is replete with locations that resonate with us, such



Photo by Zachi Evenor

The southern end of the Sea of Galilee.

as, Capernaum, Mount Eremos (the Sermon on the Mount site), the “Jesus boat” relic located at Kibbutz Ginosar, Tabgha (where Jesus is reported to have fed 5,000 people

with five loaves of bread and two fish), and Tiberias. The picturesque lake is set in a beautiful environment. It is surrounded by high, verdant rolling hills. You can swim in

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Do Texans have a sense of humor? Sure we do! As evidence, our Texas comedy night in April featured professional standup comedians who were born or raised in the Lone Star State. That “wild and crazy guy” Steve Martin (Waco) was such a popular standup that he had a regular guest spot on Saturday Night Live before moving on to movies and television.

Mark Lowry (Houston) is best known as a Christian singer but is also an accomplished comedian who has recorded 12 albums. Jamie Foxx (Terrell) is so known for his Academy Award winning movies that people tend to forget he started as a standup.

Rodney Carrington (Longview) with his good ole boy mix of stand-up and comedic country music has been a staple on CMT. Jeff Dunham (Dallas) holds the Guinness World Record for “most tickets sold for a standup comedy tour” and has the distinction of delivering his jokes through his ventriloquist dummies.

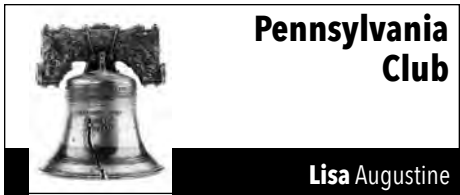
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Salad” White (Fritch) is a classic story teller who explains why “you can't fix stupid.” He has charted on the Billboard Comedy Charts and is Grammy nominated. My personal favorite is Bill Engvall (Galveston) who only took two years after beginning his career to be recognized as Best Male Standup at the American Comedy Awards. Sharing stories of daily life and frustrations of same, such as in his signature “Here's your sign” bit, he is hands down one of the funniest and most relatable comedians you could ever see. If you aren't familiar with these folks you can check them out on YouTube. Just be aware that some of these guys are on the “colorful” side and their videos are sometimes uncensored.

Our next meeting is on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12, beginning at 6 p.m. in the Arbor Activity Center Event Room. We'll have some activities that will take us down memory lane to what we did as kids for summer fun. And maybe we'll hear a few tales of summer mischief that caused some of our moms to fervently look forward to school starting again! Please bring an appetizer type snack or a dessert to share and your own beverage.

We are a club for residents who have a “connection” to Texas by: being born and/or raised there; living there for work, college or military service; spending time there for any reason (vacation, professional, competitions, etc.); or having family living there. For more information about the club, contact Kathy Cornell at (352) 300-3729, (352) 562-2801 or kcornell54@cfl.rr.com.



The Pennsylvania Club had their monthly meeting, and as always, we had some good snacks, home baked goods and a nice visit with friends. Our last meeting for the season will take place on Wednesday, May 8 and it will be a picnic



Our Saturday, March 16 dinner brought another fun and an entertaining evening to our club members. Four dinners were held at members' homes for 26 diners.

Our first dinner hosts were Connie and Mal Press. Lynn Palo and Carl Spotts prepared two hors d'oeuvres – Little River Cafe stuffed mushrooms and deviled baby potatoes. Kathy and Luke Mullen then served a Greek salad. Connie and Mal then served chicken Parmigiana with a side of spaghetti, which also included homemade pasta sauce. Kathy and Don Grosner prepared a chocolate decadence cake for dessert.

Hosting our second dinner were Pam and Jeff Bell. Phyllis and Al Richards served caprese skewers and Italian stuffed mushrooms. Pam and Jeff then served stuffed mushrooms and antipasto



On Tuesday, April 2, we had our second meeting. It was a lot of fun with many new attendees. We had great food and lots of talk with fellow Midwesterners. The Dulcimer Group educated us about dulcimers and entertained us with great music and sing-alongs.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, July 2, at 5:30 p.m. We will have an Independence Day cook-out at the pavilion. All who have a connection to the Midwest are welcome!

If you have any questions, please call Elaine Sullivan at (505) 401-1257.

theme. We want to make sure that we send our snowbird members off with a bang.

The club continues to grow as our community does and it is always nice to make connections with people who come from the same area. So, if you are new to the community and want to make some new friends join us at our May meeting at 3 p.m. at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites F and G. See you there!

skewers, salad, lasagna, and garlic bread. Nancy and Tom Meininger then served a fantastic key lime pie.

Hosts for our third dinner were Glory and Bruce Herget. Mary Hannon and George Campbell brought a platter of assorted hors d'oeuvres, made with bacon, ham, cheese, onions and olives. Glory and Bruce began the meal with a Bok Choy salad. Next was chicken cordon bleu, German string beans, roasted red potatoes and garlic and artisan bread. Honoring St. Patrick's Day, Pat and Russ McNulty made a Guinness chocolate cake.

Ann and Conrad Massa were hosts for our fourth dinner. Diane and Dave McCarthy brought hors d'oeuvres. One was spinach balls and wonton wrappers stuffed with a sausage, ground beef and a cheese mix. Ann and Conrad then served a mixed greens salad with balsamic and oil dressing. Main course was lasagna. Annette and Paul Hodges served an Irish apple cake.

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



This month's club meeting is our annual end of season potluck luncheon. This is a very popular event, so plan to make your favorite recipe and bring it to add to the variety of foods on the buffet table! We also will continue the tradition we began last year of collecting items to be donated to Interfaith Emergency Services. Members are asked to bring a nonperishable food item or personal hygiene item, which will be given to Interfaith. Summer is a time when food supplies are low but the need for food increases. This is an opportunity for us to get together for food and fun and to end the year providing help for the local community.

All residents of Scandinavian descent are invited to participate in club activities (spouses welcome). Please join us on Tuesday, May 28, at 1 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite B. For more information about the club, contact Ginny Nardone at (352) 304-8619.



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Travel Toppers

Anne Parker

Our Father's Day trip on June 16 down the St. Johns River aboard the Barbara Lee is wait-list only. The cost of \$70 per person will include a three-hour cruise and luncheon freshly prepared on board. The meal includes a choice of prime rib, chicken cordon bleu, salmon filet, or roasted vegetable lasagna, chef's salad or pasta primavera served with potatoes, veggies, salad, rolls and dessert. Hot and iced teas are included; a cash bar will be available. If you are interested in being on the wait list, please call Linda Hein, at (352) 861-9880 (weekdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.).

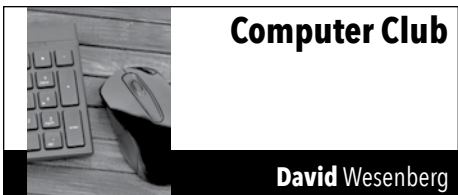
The seven-day trip to the 2020 International Balloon Fiesta is now open for booking. Call Inge at (352) 237-7428 to hold your place (weekdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.). A deposit of \$200 per person is required at the time of booking. Air will be out of Orlando on Oct. 1, 2020 with all coach arrangements made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

on your government-issued ID.

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

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

We look forward to having you join us on these adventures. Visit us at traveltopperstours.com for a listing of current trips. Remember these trips are open only to residents and their guests.



Computer Club

David Wesenberg

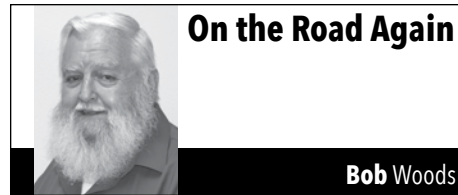
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Thank you for responding to our April column with your computer problems. We were happy to help you get your computers working properly and answering your questions. If you email dpw@master-softwareinc.com your question, answers will be posted for others to see. We hope to have our first "How To" video this month on "Clean-

ing Your Machine." Also there are some computers for sale. If you have something for sale, email us and we will post it.

Become a member and join us in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites F and G on Thursdays or Saturdays, at 9 a.m. You will be glad you did. Meetings include product presentations, practical demonstrations and answers to member questions. Dues are \$10 per person or \$15 per couple a year. To join, contact Bill Torzsa at (352) 873-8519, Arnold Hansen at (352) 237-7780 or Dave Wesenberg at (217) 280-4454 or dpw@mastersoftwareinc.com.

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On the Road Again

Bob Woods

This year is cruisin' along. The club has just two remaining trips for the year! Honestly, I haven't thought about next year yet. As I say, time is flying faster than my mind can comprehend. Anyway, let's talk about what's coming up. Please note that both trips are sold out, but there is a stand-by list.

The Washington, D.C. trip departs our community Thursday, June 6. This is a seven-day/six-night trip with a guided tour of Washington that includes visiting war memorials, hopefully, a tour inside the Capitol Building rotunda, Arlington National Cemetery and the Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknowns along with the Smithsonian Institution, and much more. The group will

also visit Mount Vernon and the Museum of the Bible. This trip requires a lot of walking.

Departing Thursday, Oct. 3, the group is heading to the annual Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta in Albuquerque, N.M. where approximately 500 balloons will be lighted and take to the air in a mass ascension. We will tour the old city area in Albuquerque and Santa Fe plus many additional destinations. This is a seven-day, six-day trip.

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

If anyone would like to participate in any of these trips by first placing your name on the stand-by list or receiving additional information or flyers, please call Bob Woods at (352) 854-0702 or visit bobwoodsoutheroadagain.com. See you on the road again.



Toastmasters - Talk of the World

David Wesenberg

We are proud to announce that Pamela Winters won third place at the Area International Speech Contest at Freedom Library in March.

This coming month we will be meeting Wednesdays, May 8 and May 22 at 8:30 a.m. in Cypress Hall. Come and listen to some great speeches and watch toastmasters speaking on their feet and wrestling with impromptu questions.

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Horseshoe Champions

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

Take a two and a half pound piece of curved metal and toss it up in the air; maybe 10 feet high and 37 feet away. And if you're a pretty good thrower, you could be rewarded with the sound of metal on metal — you cross fingers that you will.

The game, of course, is horseshoes, and it is played regularly here at On Top of the World by the recently crowned "champions." The horseshoe team was crowned Tri-county Travel League season champions. The competition held every year is played among 11 teams, all from senior communities: The Villages, Del Webb, Recreation Plantation and host community, Beverly Hills.

While horseshoes here in our community is a game of recreation and intra-team challenges, the Tri-County competition gives an added dimension to the players. Paul (Paulie) Pardee, team secretary, said, "Playing against other teams is fun and exciting, and winning takes those emotions to an even higher level." Other team members, including President Ed Bodnar and Maintenance Director Larry Stickles, agreed, adding that in any sport competition simply makes one a better player.

The first horseshoe team at On Top of the World goes back almost 14 years. There were two horseshoe pits back then — there are now nine pits with two more on the drawing board. The 13-week winter season

kicks off in December and winds down in March. Play, however continues among members down at the pavilion every Tuesday morning. As in golf where "close doesn't count," but it does in horseshoes, players are given point handicaps once an average is established. Also those of a "certain age," are given the choice of throwing from

27 feet rather than 37.

The horseshoe team welcomes new members and invites anyone who is interested in combining exercise and great fun to consider joining. You can call team secretary, Paul Pardee at (352) 509-4903, or just show up at the pavilion down by the softball field any Tuesday morning.

Finally, why are horseshoes lucky? The story goes all the way back to ancient times when goblins were considered a fearsome lot. They supposedly cast spells

over cows so they refused to give milk, and chickens from popping out eggs and, of all things, caused infertility. But it was also believed that goblins were afraid of metal ... so, horses were often shorn of their shoes, which were then hung in every room — sometimes two in the master bedroom.

Now there you have it. Oh, and don't forget, the horseshoe is hung with ends pointing up; pointing down, all your luck will simply run out.



Tri-County horseshoe champions.

Photo by Ray Cech



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Residents taking a FOD step aerobics class.

High Tech Wellness

By Cammy Dennis

Our lives are shaped and influenced by technology, and fitness is no exception. Many residents have smartphones and wear devices that monitor daily steps and measure heart rate. Wearable technology does a great job of keeping physical activity high on the list of daily priorities. High tech wellness has now made its way to On Top of the World's exercise programming with virtual fitness classes! FOD (Fitness On Demand) is a virtual fitness platform that allows you to choose from over 600 fitness videos!

FOD is available at both the Arbor Fitness Center and Indigo East Fitness Center. With just the touch of a screen, you have a wide variety of exercise options available to you. Choose from cardio, strength, mind-body, martial arts, dance programs, and many more. In addition to the core programming that FOD provides, On Top of the World has their very own "active aging" work-

outs available. The fitness team has filmed videos specific to the needs of older adult exercise. These can be found on the FOD kiosk under "World Class Active Aging." Currently, there are 10 videos to choose from under the following titles: Walk Fit, Dance Fit, Muscle Fit, Stretch Fit, Step Fit (step aerobics) and our very popular Boomer Beat (drum stick workout). Come by and give FOD a try; our knowledgeable fitness attendants can assist you.

On Top of the World's group fitness programs still include over 50 live exercise classes per week. FOD is in addition to our current Recreation Center and Arbor Fitness Center classes. FOD provides a huge convenience for our residents to select when and what type of exercise class they want to take. Whether you are looking to get in a good strength workout or get your heart rate up in step aerobics, the options are there.

Wanted: Fans!

By Tom Sheridan

The song's a classic. You know the words so sing along:

"Take me out to the ball game,
Take me out with the crowd;
Buy me some peanuts and Cracker Jack,
I don't care if I never get back ..."

Sure, you can catch a game in St. Petersburg or Miami (expensive!) or on TV (boring!). Or you can head on down to On Top of the World's regulation softball field behind the Hobby Building and catch an exciting contest right here. And there's very little off-season; our community's teams play virtually year-round.

Despite rousing competition and players you might actually know, too many local residents don't recognize that senior softball right in their very backyard is the best free sports entertainment in town.

C'mon down to games Mondays and Wednesdays, starting at 8:30 a.m. You can join regular fans like Lou Granata in the stands or in

chairs or even tailgating.

Granata is a familiar face just outside the fence beside the visitors' dugout. Originally from New Jersey, Granata loves to watch the sport. Actually, he said, "I'd love to be out there; I'd kill to be able to play." He did play, many years ago, he said.

Rather than perch in the bleachers, Granata pulls up a folding chair and sits in the sun, adjusting his World War II veterans cap. As we were talking between innings at a recent spring game, a player shouted from the field, "Hey there, Lou; No. 1 fan!"

And he is. "It's great to watch," he said.

But too often our softball stands are sparse with fans; the rest of you don't know what you're missing. That old song, which hails from 1908, still has power:

"Let me root, root, root for the home team,
If they don't win, it's a shame.
For it's one, two, three strikes,
you're out,
at the old ball game."

And every team is the home team.

The only problem: you'll have to bring your own peanuts and Cracker Jack. And beer.



Photo by Tom Sheridan

Super fan, Lou Granata, enjoys a spring softball contest.

On Top of the World's six teams are in the homestretch of the winter-spring season which ends in mid-May. But don't worry, summer play begins soon afterward with four teams playing exciting matchups Monday and Wednesday mornings.

At press time, the standings were tight, with the Dr. Dunn (manager Paul Gatto) and Pulse Center (manager Ron Hamel) teams locked

in a dead-even tie for first place. Ed Basan's Cebert Wealth squad is this year's Cinderella team, fighting its way from lowly bottom-dweller to a third-place tie with Bob Carlson's Swinson Chiropractic squad. In fifth place a few games back is Jeff Thomas' Pearson Nissan team followed by Jimmy Russo's Hilton Auto bringing up the rear.

There's still time to come out and watch some great softball.

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March 4
1: Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson; 2: Betty Morris & Pat Goltart; 3: Joe & Helen O'Brien; 4: Joan Lord & Sharon Davis; 5: Jim & Ruth Jackson.

March 11
1: Don & Linda Sprague; 2: Cleona Redman & Mary Rose Janssen; 3: Joan Lord & Sharon Davis; 4: Betty Morris & Pat Goltart; 5: Sharon Miller & Fran Griswold.

March 18
1: Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson; 2: Mike Meirick & Caryl Rosenberger; 3: Joan Lord & Sharon Davis; 4: Cindy Brown & Elsa Groe; 5: Rad D. & Bernie Kelly.

March 25
1: Joe & Helen O'Brien; 2: Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson; 3: Joan Lord & Craig Ford; 4: Mike Meirick & Caryl Rosenberger.

Tuesday Night Dup Bridge

Marie Fiorillo

March 5
North/South 1: Dan Lack & Ed Bodnar; 2: Sophie Redman & Jean Kreuger; 3: Kathie Dushary & Marjorie Benton.
East/West 1: Paul Reidinger & Bob Durst; 2: Barbara Heller & Barbie Trebilcock; 3: Peg Borro & Sharon Miller.

March 12
North/South 1: Caryl Rosenberger & Jack Heller; 2: Dan Lack & Ed Bodnar; 3: Kathy Dushary & Marjorie Benton.
East/West 1: Barbara Heller & Barbie Trebilcock; 2: John Lollo & John Leasure; 3: Betty Devoy & Rita Smyth.

March 19
North/South 1: Dan Lack & Ed Bodnar; 2: Caryl Rosenberger & Jack Heller; 3: Jim & Ruth Jackson.
East/West 1: Peggy Borro & Sharon Miller; 2: Barbara Heller & Rita Smyth; 3: John Lollo & John Leasure.

March 26
North/South 1: Dan Lack & Ed Bodnar; 2: Caryl Rosenberger & Jack Heller; 3: Kathie Dushary & Marjorie Benton.
East/West 1: Peg Borro & Sharon Miller; 2: Barbara Heller & Bettirae Woodruff; 3: Bob Durst & Paul Reidinger.

Wednesday Afternoon Beginners Bridge

Jean Krueger-Travis

Practice and play with new bridge players or those returning to bridge after "many years".
We will meet at the tables in the Master the Possibilities Living Room every Wednesday, from 1 to 3 p.m. Please contact Jean at (352) 414-5907 or jakt@excite.com to indicate if you will attend, or if you have any questions.

Wednesday Afternoon Bridge

Dianne Robinson

March 6
1: Craig Ford; 2: Nancy Lustenberger; 3: Bernie Kelly; 4: Fran Griswold; Cons: Donna McMurray.

March 13
1: Shirley Stolly; 2: Nancy Lustenberger; 3: Craig Ford; 4: Marlene Floeckher; Cons: Betty Morris.

March 20
1: Shirley Stolly; 2: Nancy Lustenberger; 3: Joe McKeown;

4: Pat Goltart; Cons: Helen O'Brien.

March 27
1: Don Sprague; 2: Linda Sprague; 3: Pat Goltart; 4: Joe O'Brien; Cons: Craig Ford.

Thursday Afternoon Bridge

Pat Goltart

March 7
1: Bernie Kelly; Tie at 2: Dianne Robinson & Nancy Lustenberger; Cons: Joanne Wagner.

March 14
1: Marlene Floeckher; 2: Betty Morris; Cons: Nancy Lustenberger.

March 21
1: Pat Goltart; 2: Rad; Cons: Joanne Wagner.

March 28
1: Joe McKeown; 2: Nancy Lustenberger; Cons: Joanne Wagner.

Thursday Night Bridge

Pam & Jeff Bell

Come and join us for some friendly bridge. We have all levels of players attending. Play starts at 6:30 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite C.

March 14
1: Patsy Claremont; 2: Jeff Bell; 3: Paul Claremont.

March 21
1: Jeff Bell; 2: Pam Bell; 3: Marilyn Valchin.

March 28
1: Brent Powell; 2: Paul Reidinger; 3: Fran Griswold.

April 4
1: Patsy Claremont; 2: Jeff Bell; 3: Paul Claremont.

Friday Ladies Luncheon Bridge

Jean Krueger-Travis

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

April 5
1: Barbie Trebilcock & Bettirae Woodruff; 2: Jean Krueger & Mystery Partner; 3: Sophie Redman & Sally Stark; Cons: Sharon Miller & Caryl Rosenberger; "2" Prize: Bettirae Woodruff.

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Monday Night Euchre

Bob Bicknell

March 11
Tie at 1: John Wahl & Chip Parsons; 2: Jo Swing.

March 18
1: Sharon Dean; 2: Rich Piotrowiak; Tie at 3: Bob Bicknell & Phyllis Wahl.

March 25
1: Mike Gerbo; Tie at 2: Billy Swing & Jerry Dean.

April 1
1: Mary Bartel; 2: Marsha Vieu; Tie at 3: Sharon Dean & Amy Burris.

April 8
1: Mark Delafleur; 2: Dick Bartel; 3: Paul Schaefer.

Wednesday NASCAR® Euchre

Bob Bicknell

March 13
1: Wayne Garwood & Jo Swing; 2: Toni Strance & John Wahl; 3: Sharon Dean & Henry Vieu; 4: Gayle Argano & Jean Gillette.

March 20
1: Sharon Coldiron & Jo Swing; 2: Roger Tiessen & Walter Hickenlooper; 3: Mary Bicknell & Noreen Snively; 4: John Wahl & Wayne Garwood.

March 27
1: John Wahl & Dave Smith; 2: Henry Vieu & Sharon Coldiron; 3: Cleona Redman, Phyllis Wahl & Dee Smith.

April 3
1: Sharon Dean & Jo Swing; 2: Henry Vieu & Jean Gillette; 3: Dick Bartel & Roger Tiessen; 4: Toni Strance & Mary Bartel.

Friday Night Euchre

Bob Bicknell

March 15
1: John Wahl; 2: Phyllis Jarskey; 3: Walter Hickenlooper.

March 22
1: Mary Bartel; 2: Marian Holt; 3: Gitte Agarwal.

March 29
Tie at 1: Gitte Agarwal & Phyllis Jarskey; Tie at 2: Mary Bartel & Wayne Garwood; Tie at 3: Arlene Leuhrs & John Wahl.

April 5
1: Dick Bartel; 2: Bob Bicknell; 3: Jean Gillette.

Tuesday Night Pinochle

Herb Katz

March 5
1: Andy Nuccio; 2: Barbara Benyaker; 3: Jacquie Brown.

March 12
1: Bob Hoerr; 2: Andy Nuccio; 3: Dan Ebbighausen.

March 19
1: Ed Casper; 2: Bob Hoerr; 3: Pat Noel.

March 26
1: Herb Katz; 2: Andy Nuccio; 3: Walter Hickenlooper.



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Golf

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

We would like to thank all who participated in the 5th annual On Top of the World Club Championship. Congratulations to all the flight winners in both the men's and women's divisions. A special congratulation goes out to club champions Joe Wilks, Deborah Martin and Kay Budd (nine-hole). Great playing!

Thursday, May 2 will boast our annual Michelle-O-Gram golf event at Candler Hills Golf Club with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. It's a scramble format.

The Tortoise & The Hare will host the annual World Memorial Day Tournament on Monday, May 27 with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. The format will be two best balls of four and you can create your own foursome. The cost is \$30 per player, which includes lunch and awards after play. Please register in your respective Golf Shop.

Golf is a wonderful game that we all love but don't forget about the most important part of golf – safety. If not careful you can get injured in a variety of ways on the golf course. Here are some safety tips to help you in case of an emergency:

- Always call 911 first.
- Carry a mobile device.
- On Top of the World and Candler Hills scorecards have Golf Shop phone numbers and addresses.
- All golf course restrooms have addresses.

Upcoming Events

- Thursday, May 2: Michelle-O-Gram at Candler Hills Golf Club.
- Monday, May 13 through Thursday, May 16: Candler Hills Golf Club closed for aerification.
- Saturday, May 18: Par 3 Challenge at Tortoise & The Hare.
- Monday, May 27: World Memorial Day Tournament at Tortoise & The Hare.

World Accolades

CANDLER HILLS: Joe Schuberth, shot his best round 71. John Wood-



Photos by Gary Robertson

Ladies nine-hole club champion, Kay Budd. Ladies club champion, Deborah Martin. Men's club champion, Joe Wilks.

ard, shot 75 one stroke under his age. Bobbie Wiener, eagle #7. Cheryl Nesbit, eagle #7. Mike Altomare, hole-in-one #17.

TORTOISE & THE HARE: Brian Andrew, hole-in-one #11. Tom Smith, shot 79 eight strokes under his age. Ed Schwinn, eagle #2 twice. Rosemarie O'Neil, eagle #9. Bill Wertz, hole-in-one #8.

Congratulations to everyone!

Golf Tip of the Month

How do you know what is the best golf ball for you? With over 85 different models of golf balls finding the right one can be challeng-

ing. Just because one ball is more expensive than another doesn't mean it's the right fit for your game. There are many determining factors when choosing the right ball.

Most high handicappers need more distance and accuracy. If this fits the bill then you need a distance ball with low spin. Too much spin will cause your hooks or slices to be more severe.

If you're a low handicapper with a high swing speed then most likely you will need a softer ball. This will help control the spin around the

greens.

Swing speed also determines which ball is best suited for you. If you have a slower swing speed you want a golf ball with less compression. The lower compression ball allows slower swing speeds to more easily compress the ball with the club face on the downswing and obtain greater distance. Choosing a ball with too much compression will reduce your distance off the tee because of not being able to fully compress the ball.

Make sure you know your game and choose the right equipment.



Ladies 9-Hole Golf Play Day

Daniel Janiak

It's May already! We are starting to feel the humidity and are experiencing the afternoon showers. Please make sure you are staying hydrated and wearing your sun protection. One product I have been wearing is arm sleeves to block the sun. They actually cool your arms on a hot day. Please check either Golf Shop if you are interested.

This month we have the Tee-It-Up Scramble, which is exactly how it sounds. You are able to tee the ball up anywhere besides the put-

ting green. The players like this event because it's a team format and the teeing rule allows for better shots, which equals more fun.

We also have the Michele-O-Gram event on Thursday, May 2, which is actually an 18-hole event that raises money for the local charity. The money goes to men and women who need a mammogram and cannot afford it. If you are not participating in this event, you are still able to make a donation in the Golf Shop. This is a non-profit organization where all the money is generated through fundraising efforts and donations.

Monday, May 13 through Thursday, May 16 we will be closed due annual aerification.

The last Thursday in May we will

be playing the Scramble format. This format is a team event where everyone hits, you choose the most desired position and then everyone plays from that spot to the completion of the hole. Please note that I did not use the term "choose the best ball" because a lot of the time we confuse the Scramble format with the Best Ball format. Best Ball is a team format, which everyone plays their own ball to the completion of the hole and then you take the best score of the group for that hole. The wording always mixes people up.

If you are interested in playing in any of these events please see the Golf Shops for more details. We will be able to assist you in every area of interest. Have a wonderful month of May!

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Ladies 9-Hole Golf

Judith Parisi

Our annual awards banquet was held on Wednesday, April 24 at The Lodge at Candler Hills. Kudos to Sue Jackins and her committee for organizing this fantastic event. The meal was catered by Hardwood Smokehouse.

At this event we recognized our outgoing officers and board, as well as the achievements of our members over the past year. Please visit otowladies9holeleague.shutterfly.com to see pictures and read about the fun happenings.

We are transitioning as of this May from a league to a Ladies Nine-Hole Play Day coordinated by the Golf Shop. It should be a seamless transition that will preserve all the fun golf we have come to enjoy plus expand the number of ladies who are able to join us.

If you have a golf handicap and would like to join us on Tuesdays for a nine hole round, please contact the Golf Shop for details on participation. It's a great group of ladies who enjoy the camaraderie of the game and gathering after.

We will have some challenges as the Links is closed for renovations, and we are sharing the Tortoise & The Hare course with the LGA-18 for the next several months. Driv-

ing up through the path to the Golf Shop requires a bit more focus with the ongoing construction, but we are looking forward to having a beautiful new Golf Shop that will more than make up for any short term concerns. Plus we are excited about improvements that will be made to the Links.

Low Net

March 12/Links (Back Loop)

Flight 1: 29-Carla Kimball; 30-Virginia Bayless; 35-Pat Gill.
Flight 2: 28-Hilda Budd; 32-Mary Harvey; 33-Judy Parisi.

Flight 3: 29-Donna McCombs; 32-Suzanne Weirick; 33-Ethel Miller.
Flight 4: 29-Sue Wilkes; 36-Cheryl Duke; 40-Mary Vliek.

Team Stableford

March 19/Tortoise & The Hare (Front Nine)

88-Barbara Enos, Marilyn Davsko, Jean Jarmel, Carolyn Abramovich; 76-Janis Hannasch, Lydia Flinchbaugh, Sheila Ashe, Michaela Beyer; 75-Donna McCombs, Marlene Floeckher, Kathy Triolo, Sue Wilkes; 69-Kay Budd, Carol Johnson, Emily Brown, Mary Vliek

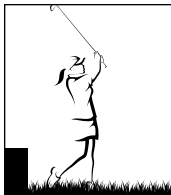
Fairway Hits (Net)

March 26/Links (Front Loop)

Flight 1: 24-Marilyn Davsko; 26-Susane Trembulak; 26-Kathy Triolo; 27-Carla Kimball
Flight 2: 22-Marlene Floeckher; 23-Lydia Flinchbaugh; 24-Linda Dumeer; 27-Pat Gill
Flight 3: 24-Kathy Hall; 25-Judy Parisi; 26-Suzanne Weirick; 28-Melinda Turner;
Flight 4: 18-Ann Flynn; 22-Louise Lineman;
27-Linda Heenan; 29-Mary Vliek

Guess Your Gross Score April 9/Tortoise & The Hare (Back 9)

Flight 1: 49-(0) Susane Trembulak; 50-(0) Marilyn Davsko; 52-(0) Eleanor Lee.
Flight 2: 50-(2) Barbara Enos; 53-(1) Mary Ann Polizzotti, 69-(0) Sherry Whitmer Hall.
Flight 3: 54-(7) Donna McCombs; 60-(0) Marcie Hock; 61-(1) Louise Lineman.
Flight 4: 60-(6) Mary Vliek; 63-(1) Michaela Beyer; 65-(2) Cheryl Duke.



Ladies 18-Hole Golf

Susan Yenne

And the winner of Match Play is Peggy Ellenberger! After more than two months of play, Peggy narrowed the field of 32 contestants to take the prize. Yulan Cho was runner-up. Antonia Varney beat Vadonna Hall to win the consolation bracket for the second year in a row. Congratulations, ladies.

Forty-four women played in the Solheim Cup, with the On Top of the World team edging the Candler Hills team, 29.5 to 14.5, over two days of play. Next year, the game may switch to a tournament where names from both clubs are mixed together then drawn to determine teams.

League member Diane Boston had a hole-in-one on #11 of Tortoise & The Hare on Sunday, Feb. 24. She used her 6-iron hybrid. She had a previous hole-in-one in Texas in June 2017.

Congratulations to Debby Wilson and Gail LaGrange for winning the OOW Ladies Shootout March 4.

As we move to tee times for league play through November, the best way to find your time is on Golf Genius or stop by the Golf Shop the day before. We're looking into a way to get it automatically emailed to everyone each week.

Mark your calendar for the Tuesday, Aug. 6 Invitational with women from the LGA-9 and -18 leagues from Candler Hills and On Top of the World, with lunch to follow at The Lodge at Candler Hills.

New member, Katie Schriewer, who moved from Cincinnati 18 months ago, has been playing 20 years and has a handicap of 23. She brings our membership to 68.

Member/Guest 1 Best of the 2 March 12/Tortoise & The Hare

Flight 1: 44-Deborah Martin, Maria Fournier. 46-MJ Strelec, Diane Addis. Tie at 48-Christine McIntire, Pam Carpenter; Bobbie Wiener, Jonell Washburn; Vadonna Hall, Donna Smith.

Flight 2: 40-Betty McNeeley, Sandi Sforza. 43-Robbie Limoges, Janis Hannasch. 44-Connie Sohl, Paula Lilly. 45-Marlena Laclair, Marsha Guth. 46-Peggy Borro, Laurel Rohrer.



Photo by Susan Yenne

Peggy Ellenberger won this year's Match Play.



Photo by Lynn Barber

Diane Boston hits a hole-in-one.

Flight 3: 40-Antonia Varney, Mary Burns. Tie at 42-Susan Maillet, Joyce Jones; Rosemarie O'Neil, Mary Ann Polizzotti. 45-Valerie Smith, Kathy Triolo. 47-Joan D'Addio, Cheryl Nesbit.

Flight 4: 39-Piper Thomas, Joan Gustafson. 42-Maxine Allen, Mary Ann McCourt. 43-Johanna Forceno, Marcie Hock. 45-Ellen Brin, Elsa Groe. 46-Linda Bervinkle, Linda Dumeer.

Scotch Ball Two Some

March 26/Tortoise & The Hare

Flight 1: Tie at 69-Robbie Limoges, Debby Wilson; Linda Kitz, Molly Lucieer. Tie at 70-MJ Strelec, Pat Lindstrom; Gail LaGrange, Betty McNeeley. Tie at 71-Lorie Anderson, Linda Taylor; Deborah Martin, Linda Bervinkle.

Flight 2: 64-Sharon Johnson, Christine McIntire. 69-Nancy Zielinski, Joyce Jones. 70-Valerie Smith, Geri Treppa. 71-Ellen Brin, Peggy Ellenberger.

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Recent new members include Steven Sarkozy, Louis Ouellet and Michael Cunningham – welcome!

Joe Schuberth had a fabulous round of golf on Tuesday, March 19, shooting one under par 71! Other golfers scoring in the 70s recently were Everett Kimball (74), Mike Boedy (75), Joe Damiata (77), John Mayfield, Bill White, Bill Wignall & Dave Miller (78) and Terry Sigler, Mike Deahl, Mike Altomare, Charlie Taylor, Gene Moff & David Clune (79).

Due to the Ocala Open and one weather cancellation, we have an abbreviated list of golf results this month.

4-Man Team Quota Points
March 19

34–Joe Schuberth. Mike Altomare, Sam Fox & blind draw; 31–Terry Hoppes, Ken Zweiback, Tim Beaty & blind draw; 22–Joe Damiata, Tony Bruno, Joe Jingco & Danny Ball; 20–Ken Zook, John Mayfield, Carl Forsberg & C. David Nelson.

Stableford – Best 3 of 4

March 26
138–George Allen, Mike Madura, John Workman & Dave Miller; 137–Bill White, Mike Altomare, Sonny Bunce & David Green; tie at 133–Mike Boedy, Ken Zweiback, Bill Derohan & Edwin Viloria and Joe Schuberth, Andy Bulloch, Gil Green & Hal Levine; 131–Mike Deahl, Dennis McCourt, Rusty Zarrell & Tim Kennedy.

Individual Quota Points
April 9

Flight 1: 10–Mike Boedy. 9–Bill Wignall. 8–Everett Kimball. Tie at 6–Joe Damiata & Terry Sigler. Flight 2: Tie at 8–Virgel Jajalla & Charlie Taylor. 7–Ken Zweiback. Tie at 6–Sonny Bunce & Mike Altomare. Flight 3: 10–Joe Jingco. 8–Gene Francisco. 5–Mike Madura. Tie at 4–Mike Cunningham & Rusty Zarrell. Flight 4: 8–Paul Silliman. 7–John Workman. Tie at 6–David Green & Hal Levine.

Our annual Match Play championship was completed in March with Joe Damiata winning a close final match with Joe Schuberth. A field of 26 golfers participated in the single elimination event. Six other golfers made up the 'elite eight' finishers – Paul Kupsco, Paul Sepulveda, Larry Garvin, Tim Beaty, Ken Fournier and Jon Hill. Congratulations to all who participated.

Events that will be reported on in the next couple of months are the Ryder Cup challenge with our MGA friends “on the hill” in April and our annual charity event for the Veterans Helping Veterans organization in May.



The monthly Chicken Day events will take a break June through August and resume in September.

MGA membership stands at 236. Please welcome our newest members – John Spisak and Jerry Dennis.

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

- May 8: Individual Net
- May 15: Scramble (with Candler Hills MGA)
- May 22: Team 3 Best Balls
- May 29: Me Too (every player gets one mulligan per hole)

Shamble
March 20/Links

98–Rudy Normandin, Dennis Barber and Barry Barringer. 102–Brian Wilder, Jim Lefaver, Mike Driver and David Nelson. Tie at 103–Richard Deschenes, Roy Coombes, John Parnau and Ron Brewer; Joe Wilks, Joseph Mandala, George Line-man and John Sutherland; Jarrett Englar, Howard Atherton, and Mike Kurlakowsky; Larry Manion, Gene Cardarelli, Tony Loureiro and Dennis Pope. Tie at 104– Gary Hassett, Mike Limoges, Clay Norgan and John Moses; Ken Zweiback, Carl Zeiler, Steve Molnar and Francis Caprez; Joseph Bologna, Rick Schriewer, Bob Egger and Armando Pena; Rusty Rhodes, John Spisak, Howard Hudgens and Vince Nucaso.

Chicken Day Scramble
April 3/Tortoise & The Hare
59–Joe Wilks, David Schaefer and Barry Smith. 61– Charles Crenshaw, Brian Andrew, Jeff Downs and George Brombacher. Tie at 62–Anthony Morris, Richard Deschenes, Bob Gee and Bill Koch; Steve Adams, Tom McHaffie and Leonard Weigel. 63–Gary Hassett, Charles Zarrell, Brad Weirick and Tony Magri. Tie at 64–Larry Manion, Roy Coombes and Clay Norgan; Gary Singleton, Ricki Plesea, Paul Silliman and Barry Barringer; Mike Wathen, Bruce Venslavsky, Mike Kurlakowsky and Nick James; Jay Bouton, Kevin Hammonds, Mike Benes and Vince Nucaso; Jarrett Englar, Gene Cardarelli, David Hannasch and Lance Davsko.

Individual 4 Clubs
April 10/Tortoise & The Hare

Flight 1: 64–Jay Bouton. Tie at 65–Joe Wilks, Jeff Downs. Tie at 67–John Hudacik and Joe Hawkins. Flight 2: 63–Gregory Dyer. 64–Jim Weaver. 66–Mike Madura. 68–Bob Mondore. Tie at 69–Howard Atherton, Mike Wathen and Joseph Szall. Flight 3: 65–Roy Coombes. Tie at 66–Ron Delaney, Kevin Hammonds and Claude Howie. 68–Mike Limoges. Flight 4: 60–Paul Richards. 65–John Parnau. Tie at 66–Jim Lefaver and Bill Dobbins. 67–Mike Kurlakowsky. Flight 5: 62–William Miller. 66–Ralph Solvoid. 67–Barry Smith. 68–Jerry Nagel. 69–Vince Dellapenta. Flight 6: 63–John Owen. 64–Douglas Coleman. 66–John Bauer.



Spring is definitely in the air. The cool mornings and warm breezy afternoons are perfect for golf. Remember to hydrate while on the course as well as bring a light nutritious snack to keep energy levels up.

The Solheim Cup Tournament between On Top of the World LGA-18 and Candler Hill LGA-18 was completed on Tuesday, April 9. The winner was On Top of the World LGA-18. Congratulations!

On Thursday, May 2, the Michelle-O-Gram tournament will

take place. Anyone interested in joining our league should contact Betty Dong at bddong@gmail.com. Applications are available in our league book at the Candler Hills Golf Shop.

Until next time, have fun, and hit them straight!

Best Ball
(one best ball on par 5s, two best balls on par 4s, and three best balls on par 3s)
March 21

Flight 1: Net-27, Total Net 109-Diane O'Brien, Mary Burns, Laurel Rohner, Lydia Flinchbaugh. Flight 2: Net-26, Total Net 110-Pam Carpenter, Jonell Washburn, Suzanne Sigler, and Blind. Flight 3: Tie at Net 19–Angelita Jingco, Kay M Budd, Deanne Green, Beth Wolinsky, Joan D'Addio, Judie

Anderson, Kate Beaty, Mary Ann McCourt.

Solheim Practice Leaderboard
March 28

Flight 1: Won–Kate Beaty, and Donna Smith, Judie Anderson and Marie Fournier.

Flight 2: Halved–Betty Dong and Virginia Madura, Jonell Washburn and

Eileen Gustavus. Carol Clark and Vicky Salyers, Angelita Jingco and Bertha Myers. Won–MJ Strelec, and Lynn Barber

Flight 3: Halved–Diane O'Brien and Gail Banavige, Anne Dahlen, Ilyong Dicus. Renee Aden and Mary Ann McCourt, Beth Wolinsky and DeAnne Green.

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Cornhole Club

Jim Russell

The first annual Cornhole Club picnic took place in the pavilion on Saturday, March 16. About 50 club members enjoyed great food and some fun Cornhole related games that tested their ability to score points blindfolded and using “your other hand” to toss the bags. Prizes were awarded to the players scoring the most points.

Drawings were also held for several door prizes. Thanks to all who attended and for each bringing a delicious dish. The event was a big success because of the participation of the members.

Open play continues each Monday and Thursday, at 6 p.m. (weather permitting). Turnout has been excellent so come early and sign in to assure you get to play on the regulation boards.

League play is also in full swing! The men's doubles league consists of four teams that play at 3 p.m. each Wednesday. They compete over an eight-week time frame with

the current spring league competition ending on Wednesday, May 8.

The mixed doubles league consists of eight teams that play at 3 p.m. each Thursday and compete over an eight-week time frame ending on Thursday, May 9. Unlike open play, league play takes a break June through August but returns in September.

Bill Ballweg is the league play commissioner and has done an excellent job in organizing and running our Cornhole Club leagues.

MIXED DOUBLES: After three weeks, the Dinkers (Bob Zangmeister and Vickie Cornell) have taken an early lead followed closely by the Hoosiers (Mike and Joanie McAllister) and the No Names (Bob Helf and Lynne Dickson). Three additional teams are only a game and a half behind. It will be a long, hot battle for the championship with some very talented teams fighting for the title.

MEN'S DOUBLES: The Hoosiers (Mike McAllister and Vince Stevens) have started the season by flexing their muscles and grabbing a quick lead. The remaining teams are battling it out for second place, reflecting parity in this league. The talent level is outstanding, with players



Photo by Jim Russell

Cornhole Club members play “blind luck” during our first annual club picnic.

hitting three point shots with regularity.

The fall league will begin in September for both mixed and men's doubles and we hope to add a women's doubles league. If you are interested in joining any of these leagues, please contact Bill Ballweg (waballweg@yahoo.com). We have limited spots available so sign up early. We welcome two-person teams as well as interested individ-

ual players who we can match up with other single players to form your team.

You will start to see some dirt moving in the Crescent Ridge III area, the site of the new Veterans Memorial. The area will include new cornhole courts, which will allow us to have our own courts. It is anticipated that our new venue will be ready for play before the end of the year. Stay tuned!



Sidekicks Western Dance

Carla Magri

We all know that dancing is good for both mind and body, but the Sidekicks share more than just health benefits. We're a family.

As we prepare for our end of dance year party we look back on the past dance year and all it contains, making new friendships, renewing old ones and just enjoying a shared activity.

To see our new members learn and improve is such a pleasure. To watch the joy and smiles on the faces of all of our members is a wonderful thing, even when we're smiling at an “unintended variation,” and when our beginners and intermediates are all on the dance floor together, it truly is an awesome sight.

As we say so long to our snowbirds (not goodbye) and wind down this dance year, we wish everyone a happy, healthy and safe summer. Don't forget to keep dancing. See you at The Town Square.

Happy trails ...



Billiards Club

Phil Panzera

Dan ran another successful eight-ball mixed doubles tournament this month, with 18 players attending. Congratulations to Diana Villars and Art Keck, who galloped through the field undefeated, winning first place. Diann Devereaux, a relative newcomer to the game, did exceptionally well to claim second place along with Lonnie McNew.

Lynne Dickson and Ronnie Cruce played their usual strong games and came in third.

With nothing else to talk about this month, let's take a look at the development of pool in our country, which some of us find interesting. For example, which is older: eight-ball, nineball, straight pool, or three-cushion billiards? Not many would get this right, for the correct answer is “none of the above.” Read on to find out which pool game spawned all others.

For centuries, England and France were the heart of the billiards world, and then the U.S. became the third country obsessed with this beguiling and enchanting game. Early Americans played various forms of European billiards and pin billiards from Italy. They also – in contrast to Britain and its empire – imported Carambole tables without pockets from France. While in pool we care where the object ball goes, in carom games we instead care where the cue ball goes.

While some tables started appearing in the colonies during the 1600s, the oldest billiard games formally played in America were one-pocket and four-ball billiards, a carom game on a six-foot by 12-foot table with only four pockets. By the late 1870s straight rail and fifteen-ball pool were dominant. Straight rail was the American name for the European Carambole game, and was the forerunner of all American “carom billiard” games. Interestingly, American fifteen-ball pool, more commonly known as rotation, is the predecessor of all modern “pool” games.

Carom billiard games dominated the American public eye until 1919, when Ralph Greenleaf's pool playing captured the nation's attention. Through the 1930s, both pool and carom billiards, particularly three-cushion billiards, shared the spotlight.

Eight-ball was invented shortly after 1900 and is one of the most widely played of all billiard games today. While many think straight pool was one of the earliest games, that event didn't dawn until 1910. Nine-ball was developed around 1920, and will soon be celebrating its 100th birthday.

Pool Etiquette: When not your turn, respect your opponent's playing space. Try to find a location to sit or stand that is out of both their line of sight and out of their way. If you are in their line of sight, even peripherally, you should be as quiet and still as Lincoln in his memorial. Talking is fine before your opponent gets down on his shot, but keep the volume down and be aware that some people are bothered by it.

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The R/C Car Club is now approaching four years old and remains one of the more active community clubs, with members and spectators enjoying race days.

In April the club held what is now one of its famous “picnics under the oaks.” Our great chefs were Bill and JD. The club provided hamburgers and dogs. Baked beans, potato salad and more were also on hand, making it a scrumptious day.

Previous day’s rain made the track too wet to use on picnic day. But a temporary drag race track, set up by Harlold Hoskins, was enjoyed by several people.

Competition in the regular races remains fierce with many winners in our points system. The winners for March were as follows:

Novice–Ron Cote; Rage–Paul Beyer; Two wheel buggy–Paul Burrey; Two wheel truggy–Phil Paquette; Two wheel truck–Frank Spencer; Four wheel buggy–Ken Berry; Four wheel truggy–Cecil Abbott; Four wheel truck–Frank Spencer.

With the advent of warm weather, our summer racing schedule begins. In May, races are scheduled for 9 a.m. on Tuesdays and Saturdays. The first summer day is scheduled for Saturday, May 4.

If you have not been to the track in a while, the road to the track has changed a bit. Just past the Arbor Activity Center, one side of the road to the track is paved, and at the end a sign labeled “RC” points to the track road. Be aware of the heavy equipment that occasionally crosses the road; the driver may not always see you.

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



Photo by Tom Seitz

R/C Car Club chefs, Bill and JD.



We are midway in the spring season but mentioning anything about standings seems insignificant considering that we are still bathing in the glory of becoming the Tri-County Horseshoe League champions last month. If you have questions, what follows are all the answers:

All residents are eligible to join. There are no dues. The league is funded by recycling aluminum cans. Empty cans not required, but bring them if you have some.

We play at the horseshoe pavilion (adjacent to softball field), Tuesdays, at 9 a.m. (winter season starts at 10 a.m.).

We play three games throwing 40 shoes each. Men under 70 play at 37 feet and women and men over 70, at 27 feet. Handicap is 90% from 60 once an average is established (three games).

Weekly competition is by random draw of pit numbers. Four people at each pit play a round robin (each other) using handicaps and record results. League standings will be

posted the next day. There are no prizes except bragging rights.

There is a 13-week winter travel team season where teams play against other retirement communities. Any league member willing to travel to other locations may join, however you must establish a travel team average (three games). Travel team shirts are supplied.

For more information, please contact Ed Bodnar at (352) 237-6116, Larry Stickles at (352) 300-3767, or Paul Pardee (352) 509-4903.

Horseshoe League

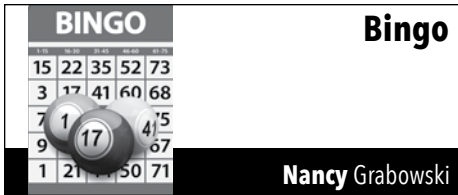
RULES OF PLAY: When a game ends with both players having the same score, the player with the most ringers records a win and the other player gets a loss.

If we have an odd number of players that results in three players at a pit the single person must throw all four shoes and score both colors then record the best score. To record a win, the single player must tie or beat their average. After the first game, the single player and loser rotate to adjacent pit. Nobody plays as a single more than one game.

When there are two players at a pit they may walk back and forth, each scoring their color. Or they

may each stay at one end of the pit, throwing two shoes back and forth and record their scores.

If a player starts a game and does not finish for any reason, only that game will be forfeited.



The semi-annual super bingo games were played on Wednesday, April 10 in the Recreation Center Ballroom. Lucky winners cashed in 16 games at \$75 each and four jackpot games worth \$250 apiece. Those lucky winners will be included in next month’s column. The next super bingo is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 6.

Regular bingo resumes on Wednesday, April 17. Residents and their guests can begin purchasing cards at 4:30 p.m.; the cards are sold until 5:45 p.m. or until we sell out. 70/30 raffle tickets can be purchased at the same time; each winning ticket holder pockets \$20 to start the evening. After the raffle, play begins usually just before 6 p.m. Depending on the length of the games (and if there are multiple winners), we generally finish around 8:15 p.m.

A variety of games are played at each session and pictured on the screen next to the number board. A flashing number indicates the last number called; it remains flashing until the next number is called. The prize money is determined by the number of players and the cards they purchase. Since we resumed in January, we have maintained a winning pot of \$50 per game. There are always two jackpot games, too.

Ron Motchkavitz is our head caller. Other callers are Earl Hancock, Linda Leigh Jones, Mary Beth Bell, and Carl Folkers. Jerry Kimmel is our favorite substitute caller!

Volunteers handle the purchase of cards and raffle tickets, others handle distribution of cards and verification of winning numbers, others handle money, and still others handle the equipment, which involves setting up, tearing down, and maintaining our things. If you’re interested in becoming a volunteer, see Nancy Grabowski, Ron Motchkavitz, or Carl Folkers for more information.

Hope to see you soon, perhaps as soon as next Wednesday!





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Tennis

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We had beautiful weather in April to play tennis and pickleball!

During March and April, we have been going to the University of Florida to watch their men's and women's teams battle it out against other big schools. I am still waiting to see if there is any interest to go to the new USTA tennis facility in Lake Nona and spend a day playing and watching some of the top touring pros during their practice sessions.

Also, as expected, the tennis meet with Stone Creek, at their facility was a success. Our thanks again to Martin Kartzmark for organizing and coordinating this activity, and to all who participated.

Be a Great Doubles Partner

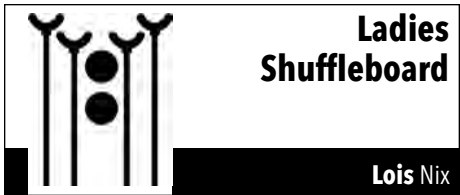
If you master the following five skills, you will be the most sought after tennis partner anywhere:

1. Develop a dependable doubles serve. This is the player you can depend on to shut down the other team and hold serve. It would be nice if you could blast a 120 mile an hour serve and win it every time, but it is not necessary. It is more important to connect on a high percentage of first serves, place them well and get yourself in excellent volleying position. Move the ball around in the box and mix up speeds and spins. A kick serve will give you a safe net clearance for consistency, and time to get into position for your first volley.
2. Be very active at the net. There is a lot of truth to the notion that a team is only as good as its net player. You

need to be aggressive and impose your presence. A good net player is always in the head of the returners causing indecision and misery. Accept the fact that sometimes you will miss or get passed, but learn to move at the right time. A good rule of thumb is to move across in an angle toward the net once your opponent starts his forward swing on his return.

3. Practice a variety of returns. Being able to return from either side is an advantage, but you need to master four difficult shots – the down the line backhand return to the opposing net player; the inside out backhand return to the opposing net player; the inside backhand return at the server; taking second serves early and following the ball to the net; and the chip and block return lob over the net player's head, preferably over his backhand side
4. Work on a couple of touch shots. If your opponents are able to counter your returns and come to the net, hit dipping short angle shots toward the alleys or top spin lobs to either side of the court.
5. Communicate with your partner and have a good attitude. Your partner needs to know that you are connected and that it's not him against you as well as the other team. If you are not conveying your thoughts, he will assume the worst and think you are not happy with his performance, even if it's true, this will make him play even worse. A good doubles partner is overly optimistic all the time. Communicating with your partner regularly puts doubts in your opponents' minds as to what you are going to do next. And, win or lose, always try your best to help your partner.

See you on the courts!



Ladies Shuffleboard

Lois Nix

Our third season of shuffleboard will be over on Wednesday, May 29. We will be shuffling all summer starting on Wednesday, June 3, at 9 a.m.

Our final board meeting will be on Wednesday, May 15, at noon in the Arbor Activity Center. We have had a fun season and do hope that you will shuffle with us this summer. We welcome all women to join us and to enjoy the game of shuffleboard.

Our shuffleboard tournament was held in March and 21 women participated. Winners are as follows:

1: Janet Juhlin; 2: Lynn Dickson; 3: Barbara Stickles.

Our sponsor, Michael Riley of Estate and Retirement Resources, presented trophies to the winners on Wednesday, April 3. The vice president of our club, Helen Finizio, then presented Michael a plaque for appreciation of all that

he does for us. After these presentations we had a nice lunch.

Our club is a member of the Florida Shuffleboard Association, Northern District. We have been invited to participate in the ladies only tournament in October.

The Northern District will have Summer Rotational Tournaments in Hawthorne, Leesburg, and Tavares. We have also been invited to participate in these. Lois Nix has the schedule. This would be fun and give all interested more exposure to the game of shuffleboard.

February and March had rainy Wednesdays so scores are lower than usual.

February

Most Games Won–Caroline Hill, Sally Herrick, Lois Nix, Pam Russell and Lynda McIntyre.

30 Plus–Lois Nix, Barbara Stickles and Lynda McIntyre.

March

Most Games Won–Janet Juhlin.

30 Plus–Lynn Dickson, Dee Caple, Darlene Clark, Valarie Belik, Pat Bowles, Sally Herrick, Sandy Bates, Becki Kotschi.

Looking forward to see many of you on the courts for the summer. Happy shuffling.



R/C Flyers

John Workman

The spring picnic is now history, and the R/C Flyers had a ball! The weather started off a bit cool, but warmed up as the day progressed. Fifteen flyers participated in the fun-fly events organized and run by Alex Fedele and dozens were “persuaded” to join in the ground-based field events run by our popular announcer Bob “Robo” Wroblewski. Everything went off safely and the crowd of 113 attendees had a lot of fun.

The cooks (Jerry Weage and Tom Czikk) had the burgers and dogs ready early and everyone was apparently hungry as serving got underway as soon as it was announced. The wives and significant others prepared a bunch of goodies to add to the club-prepared side items, and the total picnic was a great opportunity to get to know each other better. Many thanks and kudos to Phil Moherek for organizing the event and to Alex Fedele for his able assistance. Many other members put forth the effort to

have things ready and to get things put back in order after the event. Thanks to all.

As the days are getting warmer and the snowbirds fly north for the summer, activities will settle into the normal seasonal pattern. Access to the field is excellent. If you are interested in watching some of the flying, pick a day when there isn't a lot of wind and come on out to the flying field. The typical day seems to split into four distinct groups. The early flyers tend to be flyers with smaller electric-powered models. After about 9 a.m. these are replaced by a group that typically flies larger models, many with gas or alcohol fuel combustion engines. After noon another group comes out, often flying aerobatic patterns with large models. And, finally, the late-afternoon group shows up with whatever is of interest at the time. The above is just a generalization, but it gives an idea of the variety of flyers in the club. Of course, bad weather discourages everyone from coming out.

If the action brings out an interest that you may want to join in, see a club member to find out more. We currently have over 150 members and are growing consistently, especially with new residents.



Mah Jongg

Mary Ehle

I hope everyone has gotten their new 2019 card. The hands on the new card are a bit tricky. Remember what used to be three of a kind, twice and then four of a kind, twice are now three-four-three-four. The

singles and pairs section seems a bit easier. It is real easy now for the second one. I have made that one twice in the first two weeks. Some of the old closed hands are now open and new ones are closed. I am sure you will like this card because you can easily switch hands. There is great moving around the room. Check out the very last hand in singles and pairs. I hope to make it once this year. How about you? Until next time ... jokers to you!

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FIT TIP #1: Try to eat an hour or more prior to exercise. A healthy, low sugar carbohydrate is a good option to provide your body with quick access to energy. Spicy foods may upset your stomach and rich foods (high in fat and/or protein) take longer to digest. These are not great options prior to exercise.

FIT TIP #2: Don’t use exercise as an excuse to eat. Realize that just because you got in a good workout does not give you free rein to over indulge. Replenish your body after a workout with some protein to re-fuel muscles and stay hydrated.

FIT TIP #3: H2O is best. Water is generally the best way to replace lost fluids. However, if you are exercising for more than 60 minutes, a sports drink with electrolytes may be beneficial.



Shuffleboard
Walter Lamp

As of the end of April, the Shuffleboard season for 2018-2019 is over. We had another fun filled season. But the weather played havoc with our schedule. Especially the Monday a.m. shift had a number of cancellations with rain being the biggest problem. A wet court slows down the disc and causes the players to try and compensate, but very rarely are successful.

The next official season begins in early September. But, in the meantime, we have our summer schedule beginning in early May (Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, at 8:30 a.m.). We also have Ten Pin on Tuesdays and Thursdays, at 6:30 p.m. and Saturdays, at 8:30 a.m. We encourage and invite the residents to join us at one of our summer sessions, to learn, play and maybe get a liking too. It’s very informal, allowing more time for learning at your pace. So, come on down to the shuffleboard courts.

We had our annual Jack Huard Tournament on Saturday, April 6. Mr. Huard was one of our founders, here at Top of the World, in 1986. Our tournament chairman, John Gayso, kicked things off at exactly at 9 a.m. We had 20 con-



Archery Club
Frank Tarentino

Our Tuesday, May 7 monthly meeting is at noon, at The Lodge at Candler Hills ballroom. This is a special event for the club, our first hot dog and chili social. Tickets are \$5 and include a hot dog with all the fixings, a cup of chili, a bag of chips, cookie, and water. Tickets will be on sale at The Lodge at Candler Hills on Thursday, May 2, from 10 a.m. to noon. Regular club business will follow the social.

In May, there will be a field trip to the Easton Newberry Archery Center at Newberry, Florida. For more details, please contact Leo McCormick at (352) 873-9381.

Construction of the archery range is slated to begin in May and will be part of an extensive recreation area. Practice bows and ar-



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FITNESS SCHEDULE					
May 2019					
Recreation Center Group Wellness					
TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7:00 AM	Oxycise	Oxycise	Oxycise	Oxycise	Oxycise
8:00 AM	Dance Party Denise	S.O.S. Jonathan	Wednesday Warrior Jessica	S.O.S. Jonathan	Boomer Beat Darla
9:00 AM	Strength & Stretch Tucker	KBKB Han	Chair Yoga Julie	KBKB Han	Strength & Stretch Tucker
10:00 AM	Balanced Body Tucker	Chair Yoga Kathy	Balanced Body Jessica	Chair Yoga Kathy	Balanced Body Madelyne
11:00 AM	S.O.S. Larry	Move to Improve Jessica	S.O.S. Ingrid	Move to Improve Larry	S.O.S. Larry
11:00 AM Ballroom Location	Zumba® Gold Kitti		Zumba® Gold Kitti		Zumba® Gold Madelyne
12:00 PM	Get Fit While You Sit Kitti		Get Fit While You Sit Kitti		Get Fit While You Sit Darla
1:00 PM		Fitness Orientation*		Balance Assessment*	
5:00 PM		Intro to Hatha Yoga Kathy		Yoga Sandra	
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TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7:00 AM	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand
8:00 AM	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand
9:00 AM	Yoga Julie	Boomer Beat Jessica	Yoga Linda	Boomer Beat Cammy	Yoga Renu
10:00 AM	STRONG Kelly	STRONG Tucker	STRONG Linda	STRONG Kelly	STRONG Roger
11:00 AM	Dance Aerobics Jessica	Dance Aerobics Madelyne	Dance Aerobics Denise	Dance Aerobics Madelyne	OPEN Fitness On Demand
12:00 PM - 8:00 PM	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	OPEN Fitness On Demand	Yoga Club 4:00 PM-5:00 PM	OPEN Fitness On Demand
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TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
6:00 AM	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming
7:00 AM	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
8:00 - 9:00 AM	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk
9:00 - 10:00 AM	Deep Water Fitness Class***	Shallow Water Fitness Class***	Deep Water Fitness Class***	Shallow Water Fitness Class***	Deep Water Fitness Class***
10:00 - 11:00 AM	Open	Shallow Water Fitness Class***	10:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Shallow Water Fitness Class***	Open
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Closed for Cleaning	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Aqua Belles	Open	Aqua Belles	Open	Aqua Belles
1:30 PM- 5:00 PM	Open	Water Volleyball 1:30 PM-3:30 PM	Open	Water Volleyball 1:30 PM-3:30 PM	Open
*** Fee-based class For pool inquiries, please call (352) 854-8707 Ext. 7639.					

testants and two categories for this match. The overall champion, Charlie Lentz, received a trophy and \$20. The runner up, Darryl Kenyon, received \$15.

In the other category were players who lost in the first round of the championship and then had a separate tournament. The winner, Lou Fisher, received \$10. And the runner up, Scott Lyons, received \$5.

Congratulations to all the winners and all the players who participated.

Finally, the end of the season pizza party closed out the season on Saturday, April 27.

March Men/Women
Monday a.m.: Charlie Lentz/Vicki Lentz. 30 Club–Annette Hodges.
Tuesday p.m.: Lou Fisher/Jane Boy-

rows will be available for residents wishing to visit the range. USA Archery certified instructors will be on hand to insure everyone receives proper safety instructions.

Hope to see you at our hot dog and chili social on Tuesday, May 7. For more information, please contact Frank Tarentino at otowac@outlook.com or (978) 979-0814.

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Thursday a.m.: Rick French/Becky Anderson

Just a bit of trivia. When did shuffleboard begin and where? It was founded in St. Petersburg, Florida in 1924 by the St. Petersburg Club, which is still around today.

Friday, June 14 through Tuesday, June 25 the National Senior Games will be played in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Our club will be represented by Paul Hodges, Darryl Kenyon and John Mataya. Here’s wishing them much success and fun.



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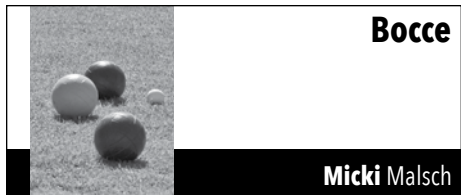


Pickleball is a great sport for “55-plus” adults. When you pick up a paddle, you’ll improve your cardiovascular health, boost your mood, and have so much fun that you’ll get hooked on exercise. The Pickleball Club welcomes new players, and we will continue to offer opportunities for beginner, intermediate, and advanced players to develop their skills and enjoy the sport throughout the year. Organized learning opportunities and play times are posted on the bulletin board at the courts, and you may make inquiries about the club by contacting Ron Harden (ronharden504@gmail.com), Steve Sch-

lesselman (steveschlesselman5@gmail.com), or Erik Cambier (cambieremr@gmail.com). On Thursday, May 2 and Friday, May 3, at 8 a.m., we’ll have our Spring Tournament for club members. A-level and C-level players will play on Thursday. B-level players and the women’s group will play on Friday. Advanced registration is required for tournament play. You may contact Steve Schlesselman, tournament chair, for more information. At 1 p.m., on Friday, May 3, we’ll celebrate the end of the tournament with our spring picklenik. This event will be held in The Lodge at Candler Hills ballroom. A \$5 picnic style lunch will feature chicken strips from Lee’s Famous Recipe Chicken, coleslaw, potato salad, biscuits, cookies and brownies. Reservations were required in April to attend this event.



Photo by Darryl Kenyon
On Saturday, March 23, we enjoyed interclub play with Stone Creek.



This is how we roll! Open bocce is played on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. With the addition of the new courts, no one has been turned away from playing. Please arrive a

few minutes early so that a count can be taken and the numbers of players per court can be decided upon. Evening bocce is now played on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. This is a league open play timeslot. If you plan to play, arrive a few minutes early for sign-up. Open bocce is a good opportunity to practice or learn the game. Anyone who shows up can play. Teams are determined by the luck of the draw. This is

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

The league times for play will remain the same. We have eight teams that play on Tuesdays at 9 a.m., six teams on Tuesdays at 11 a.m., and six teams on Thursdays at 10 a.m. If you are interested in playing on a team, or being a substitute, please contact President Terry Connolly.

A directory is in the storage unit, which contains an alphabetical list of all members. Please make sure you have entered your name and contact information. You may sign up on the list at the beginning of the directory if you would be interested in being a substitute for team play.

The league Best of Bocce was held on Tuesday, April 30. There

were eight teams. The results will be published in the June issue of the World News

The open Best of Bocce will be held on Thursday, May 2, at 9 a.m. The first eight teams to sign up will compete. Teams will be determined by the luck of the draw. Winning teams will compete by process of elimination.

The banquet will be held on Saturday, May 4, in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E-H, from 4 to 7 p.m. Catering will be provided by Lee’s Famous Recipe Chicken. Volunteers are needed for set-up and cleanup. If anyone is interested, please contact Terry Connolly. If you have not yet signed up, please contact Terry Connolly as soon as possible so a proper count can be taken for ordering the food.

Effective October 2019, dues will be \$12 and will be pro-rated for anyone joining at different times throughout the year.

All are welcome to watch and learn or play. For further information, please contact Terry Connolly, president, Bocce Club at (352) 300-3043. Until we roll again ...

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The Bunco Babes Social Group plays bunco in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite C, on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Registration is at 6:45 p.m.; games begin at 7 p.m. The next scheduled game is Tuesday, May 28. (As of this writing, the location remains as stated above; however, we were informed that renovations will soon be taking place and we will be relocated. Please call Barbara at (352) 895-7860 to confirm location prior to attending.)

You asked for it! You got it! We will continue to play in June, July and August.

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. Cash prizes are awarded for the holder of the last player who yelled “bunco,” the most number of “buncos,” the most number of “mini buncos,” the most number of wins, and the most number of losses. 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 a small snack for sharing if you wish.

Come join in the fun and make new friends! For more information, please call Barbara Gallico at (352) 895-7860. See you there!

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New Equipment for Woodworking Club

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

The Woodworking Club with its shop in the Hobby Building has an amazing safety record. The club recently purchased a new table saw, which has an unbelievable safety record.

The new SawStop table saw was recently installed in the club's woodworking shop. To help avoid injury, this saw stops the blade and drops the blade below the saw table in just 7/1000 of a second.

Club president, Dave Keitz, added that other conductive materials like metals or very wet wood can also cause the brake to activate. The saw stops the bladed rotation by jamming a block of aluminum into the saw blade destroying the block and blade but it prevents the operator from injury.

"The club had accumulated enough money from dues and the board made the decision to purchase the saw. Although the SawStop cost more than other table saws, the potential of avoiding a

very serious injury justified the expense," Dave stated. All modern table saws purchased have to prevent kickbacks. The club has one other vintage table saw and they plan to replace that saw with a new SawStop in the near future.

David stated that everyone needs to receive a formal orientation to operate this equipment, pointing to a sign on the table saw that states the same message. Dave pointed out that all the tools within the woodworking shop are purchased by the club. On Top of the World takes care of the building.

The Woodworking Club presently has approximately 199 members. Each member pays annual dues to support the club, which are utilized in the maintenance of equipment to the purchasing of additional or replacement tools to administration costs.

If any resident would like additional information or would like to join the club, please call David Keitz at (804) 304-8683.

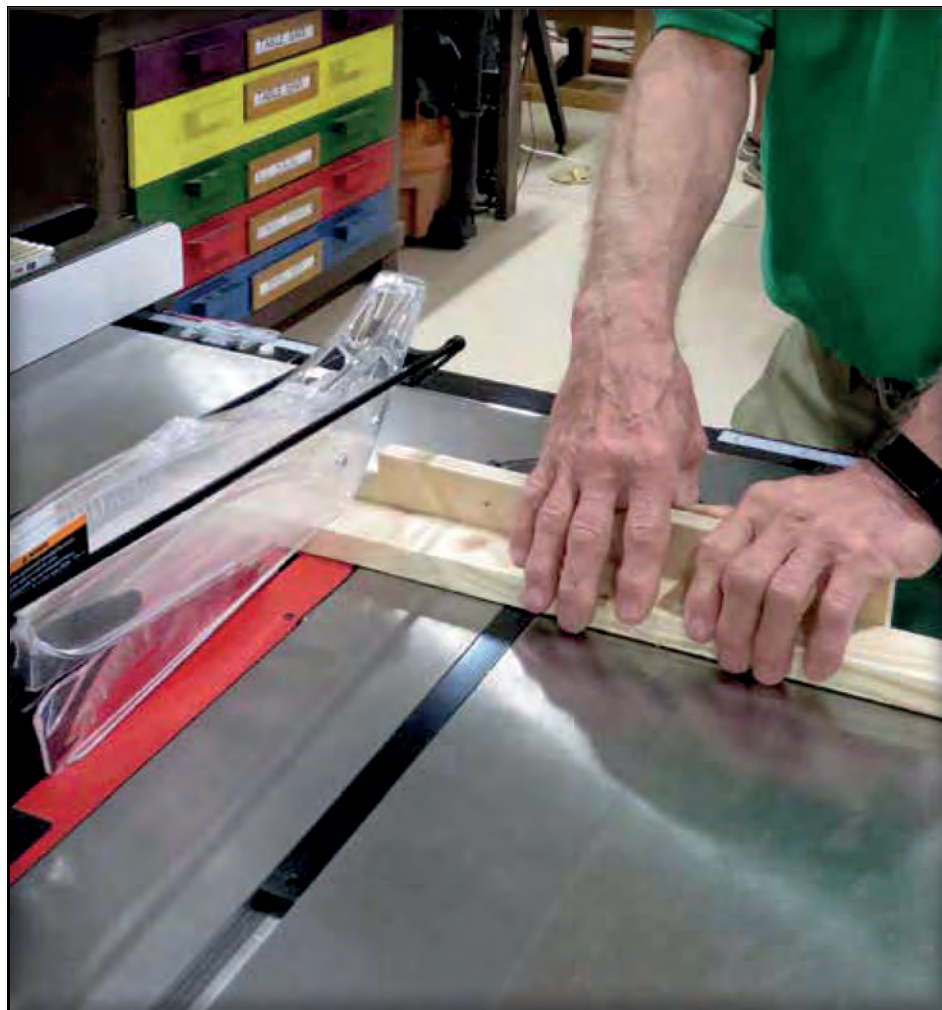


Photo by Bob Woods

Woodworking Club's new table saw.

Season Ends with Standing Ovations

By Leslie Miller

"This is the best show we have seen here!" "I had no idea we had so much talent in the community!" and "I can't wait for next year's show!" After standing ovations for both the Saturday, April 6 and Sunday, April 7 shows in the Recreation Center Ballroom, the adulations for the Theatre Group's "42nd and Broadway" just kept coming.

Our director, Harry Boyajian, as

well as the members of the cast and crew, appreciate the outpouring of support given to the Theatre Group by the community. Our two sold-out shows have generated enough money from our net proceeds to contribute twice as much as last year to our scholarship fund that gives assistance to deserving College of Central Florida students in the arts!

The audience loved the variety of solos, duets, and group numbers from the stirring "On Broadway" that Ben Simmons sang to start the program, to the tearful "Bring Him Home" delivered by George Bausewein for the powerful finale. Additional performers (in order of appearance) were Annette Ware, Brady Reeves, Harry Boyajian, Audrey Strong, Leslie and Mark Miller, Donna Boyajian, Donna Smalley, Fely Hypke, Randee Gore, Dean Worrell, Jean Baumgardner, Laura Zavadsky, Marion Brenon, Sally Wilson, Mike Mignano, Ron Broman, Emery Bjerkmann, Susan Johannes, and Richard Rosen, with Chris Puk-

stas as Emcee and Richard Rosen, Nancy Carp, and David Whitmore providing narration.

One of the benefits of putting together a show such as this is the camaraderie and sense of family that is developed among the people onstage, the crew backstage and those who support from offstage. It truly is a team effort, because the people in front of the crowd could not be seen without the skill of the lighting crew led by Nancy Carp and assisted by Dean Kaump, and would not be heard without the expertise of the sound crew directed by Harry Boyajian; from the putting on and taking off of the microphones by Larry Reyes and Marilyn Bettinger, to the million sound checks and adjustment of levels for each individual performer by John Ware.

The stage crew moved set pieces on and off the stage, coordinating each move with the performers (all without running into each other!), largely thanks to Gary Rodoff, Jim Wilson, Dennis Brenon, Lennie Rodoff and Mary Mignano. Each costume piece had to be located and tried out in ensemble with all the costumes on the stage at a given time under the fashion-sharp scrutiny of Marion and Dennis Brenon, and the cast generously shared with each other to create the outfits right for each person, with many thanks going to Donna Smalley. Kudos also to our friend Diane Knox for all the cowgirl hats!

Theatre is teamwork, and this show's team was amazing. And now, on to planning for next year!

If you would like information about the Theatre Group, please contact our president, Harry Boyajian, at (239) 336-4804 or crooner1142@outlook.com.



Photo by Diane Knox

"Hard Candy Christmas" girls Audrey Strong, Laura Zavadsky, Donna Boyajian, Donna Smalley, Sally Wilson, Marion Brenon, Jean Baumgardner.

It's a Wrap!

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

It was the final storytelling event of the season, and as usual, the tellers did not disappoint.

On Wednesday afternoon, April 10, Cypress Hall welcomed the final five tellers of the spring storytelling series. Stories ranged from adventures while traveling to Japan with the rock band, KISS to getting fired in the middle of a restaurant by a faux French maitre d'. And if you missed Claire Chandler's story, "The Constipated Dragon," well, there's always next season.

The storytelling series started last September at Master the Possibilities. Every month thereafter, on a Wednesday afternoon at Cypress Hall, guests were entertained with four or five stories told by "tellers" from all around Ocala. Over the months, more than 35 stories were told, some funny, some poignant

and many that were just good adventures - all made for good listening.

Jerry Snyder, host of the storytelling series, said, "It was a good season of storytelling, and this September, we look forward to bringing back another series. We will also, once again, be hosting the Heart of Florida Tall Tale Festival at Cypress Hall in November. Come December, the Holiday Extravaganza will again be held in the Master the Possibilities Living Room. Both of these events are great fun and shouldn't be missed."

If you are interested in sharing a story and you're pretty sure it is not a rant, not a rage and can probably be classified, PG-13, Jerry Snyder would like to hear from you. You can give him a call at (352) 509-7642.



Photo by Ray Cech

Jerry Snyder wrapping up another season of storytelling at Master the Possibilities.



Concert Chorus

David Wesenberg

The Concert Chorus has elected new officers: president, Mary Ann Majni, treasurer, Adam Schuler; and member at large, Sherrye Troy. These new officers and our vice president, Karen Reddinger and secretary, Leslie Miller will be guiding the chorus this coming year.

Their first challenges will be finding a new director and a new pianist. If you have an interest in working with the chorus as a director or pianist, please contact Mary Ann Majni.

We encourage anyone who loves to sing to join us. As an example of members who love to sing, let me introduce you to Ron Broman, a member of the tenor section.

Ron has been a member of the chorus since 2011. He started singing in the church children's choir at the age of five and has been singing ever since.

He was encouraged to sing in the school choir as a sixth grader. School was so important to Ron that he became an elementary school teacher, and then an elementary school principal in Broward County. There he belonged to the Broward County Singing Principals Chorus of 35 members who sang at



Photo by David Wesenberg

Ron Broman

the School Principals' Conference in Anaheim, California where they got more applause than the professional mentalist performing in the same venue.

When he moved to On Top of the World in 1999, Ron joined the barbershop group the Sun Chorus and performed with them from 2000 to 2012. He then joined the Concert Chorus and has been singing with us for nine years. He just performed Davy Crockett in the Spring Disney Show and two weeks later sang "Oh What a Beautiful Morning" with the Theatre Group.

If you love to sing as Ron does, come and join us this fall for our Christmas program. Contact Mary Ann Majni at (954) 557-8176 or flmam68@aol.com.



Karaoke Friends

Kathy & Charlie Petrosky

We are enjoying the Arbor Activity Center Music Room. The sounds are great. We are still a cozy group.

We have had new singers join us. They make comments after their first experience. The big thing is that they feel the people are all so welcoming. They are comfortable joining with any group at a table. They appreciate the attention they get while singing. They all say, "I will be back."

We want to continue to introduce you to our singers. John Schnur has been with us for a while. Here is what he wants to share with you. "After I retired from work, we sold our house and moved to our condo in Ocean City, Maryland full time. I joined the Elks Club which had dancing and karaoke. This is where it all started. I never sang karaoke before. My first performance was no problem since all my golf buddies were there for support. As soon as I started to sing, they all stood up and walked outside. They came back in when I was finished. It was a fun way to get started. I also joined the American Legion and the



Photo by Steve Warren

John Schnur

VFW. All those clubs had karaoke. We moved to On Top of the World after spending 20 years in Ocean City. To my great surprise there is karaoke here."

What we seem to find is that singing is a hobby people enjoy. It can be a happy time. It is good for your physical and emotional well-being.

Come join us in the Arbor Activity Center Music Room. Singing starts at 5:30 p.m. We end at 8:30 p.m. You are welcome to join us any time between those hours. We will be meeting May 6 and May 20 this month. Maybe you can come.



Antiques & Collectibles Club

Susan Johannes

The end of our season is drawing near, as our final meeting before the summer break will be on Wednesday, May 22, at 10 a.m. at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite B. This should be fun for all of us, as we are planning an Antiques & Collectibles Club show, sale and trade event. Many of our members are avid collectors and will be bringing in items they wish to display, sell or possibly barter. The members of the club may do the display and sales, but residents are welcome to visit and perhaps pick up something special. The event will run from 10 to 11:30 a.m. A final pizza party will be held for members only at that time.

Reflecting over the past nine

months, I realize how fortunate I am to have met so many wonderful people with similar interests. I have learned so much from all of you and hope that you have had a similar experience.

The board and I will be meeting over the summer to plan our 2019-2020 agenda, as we will resume our meetings on the fourth Wednesday in September. We already have some wonderful programs in the works, as well as ideas for future excursions. I will continue writing this column over the summer and perhaps reveal some of our plans.

Once again, please join us for our final meeting of the season on May 22 at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite B, at 10 a.m. Not a member? Then just stop by and have a look. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Questions or concerns? Contact me, Susan Johannes, club president, at victoran@brighthouse.com or (570) 862-8785.



Original Karaoke

Sindy & Richie O'Brien

The snowbirds might be leaving for the summer, but we are still seeing a lot of new faces joining us for some karaoke fun. Welcome, Cindy, to our karaoke family; you did a great job. We meet on the second Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the Arbor Activity Center Event Room and the fourth Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the Candler Hills Community Center, so come join the fun. All residents are welcome. For more information, call Sindy at (352) 362-4810.



Photo by Sindy O'Brien

Cindy singing "I Dreamed a Dream."

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Model Railroaders

Paul Lewandowski

This month, we celebrate the sesquicentennial of transcontinental railroading in America. On May 10, 1869, the Central Pacific and Union Pacific Railroads met at a place remembered as Promontory Point in Utah. When the final spike was driven, President Lincoln's dream of linking the two coasts was realized. The ceremony was highlighted by the driving of the "golden spike" into the last tie to join the rails.

The term "golden spike" has been debated over the years. Was it really a gold spike? If so, it would

have been too soft to drive into a wooden tie (some have suggested that the hole was pre-drilled into the tie so the spike just needed to be nudged into place.) Even so, a gold spike would have been too soft to hold the steel rails in place when a train rolled over the point.

Was the spike gold-plated? It could have been, although the author speculates that the parties involved would not have left it in place due to its value. The author is of the belief that the term "golden spike" simply referred to the last spike driven to complete the project. A gold railroad spike commissioned for the ceremony is currently housed as a permanent exhibit in the Stanford University Art Museum in Palo Alto, California (Leland Stanford was the president of the Central Pacific Railroad.) It

had been privately ordered by a relative of Leland Stanford, so it was returned after the ceremony. It was donated to the university in 1892.

Today, one can see the historical location of the driving of the spike and joining of the rails at the Golden Spike Museum (U.S. National Park Service) in Promontory Summit, Utah. Promontory Point (35 miles to the south) was incorrectly referred to in the news clippings of the day, and the name has stuck since then. One can see a re-enactment of the Golden Spike Ceremony daily from May through mid-October. Unfortunately, since the site has no passenger cars, one can only view the re-enactment, not ride the trains. The engines are replicas, made in 1979. The originals were scrapped in 1903 and 1906.

The above information about

the museum was gleaned from the Golden Spike Museum website (nps.gov/gosp/index.htm).

On that day in 1869, transcontinental travel shortened from three months to seven days. Today, the trip is measured in hours by plane.

Lest one think that 150 years is ancient history, the author's paternal grandfather was born in 1864, five years before the joining of the rails. It is amazing to think how civilization and technology have changed in the intervening time.

We welcome visitors and new members. Our club schedules running sessions every Tuesday and Friday (except holidays) from 2:30 to 4 p.m. at the HO layout on the first floor of the Recreation Center.

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



Artistic Crafts & Gifts

Chris Mank

Every Tuesday, the Artistic Crafts & Gifts group has a craft show at the Recreation Center Ballroom from 9 a.m. to noon. Our website, ArtisticCrafts.org will give you a great idea of all the quality and workmanship built into these items for sale by such talented artists, sewers and craftsmen.

There are only a few weeks left to shop until our group goes on summer break after the Tuesday, May 21 show. We will be back in the fall. Don't miss our wide variety of jewelry, home and fashion accessories, scarves, greeting cards, woodworking, baskets, wreaths, and hand painted items. Among other members you'll find quilts, knitted baby fashions, pocketbooks, wall art, pet portraits and personalized embroidery items made to order.

This month, we feature the background of talented artist Petra Scholl. Since early childhood, Petra has always displayed a natural talent in doodling, sketching and painting, expressing her creativity using various mediums, especially colored pencils and graphite.

In 2008, as a means of communicating with her mom who had difficulty hearing during telephone conversations, Petra began creat-

ing handmade notecards utilizing some of her designs developed over the years. Instead of using just plain yellow-lined paper to write notes, she decided to make communicating with her mom a little more interesting, by creating pretty notecards as her form of stationery.

With encouragement from family and friends, Petra has expanded her hobby of designing and creating notecards, along with coordinated gift bags, now sharing her work for others to enjoy as well.

While living in Virginia, Petra met Ron when he was stationed at the Washington Navy Yard. After getting married, they lived in Arlington, then on to Pennsylvania. In 1990, they relocated to sunny Florida and spent the next 22 years in the Panhandle before coming to Ocala in 2012.

We are also highlighting another skilled artist Vera Mangold, who

from childhood in South Texas, had a gift and love for drawing and painting. After raising her children and retiring from banking, she began her study of art.

Vera is self-taught using art method books written by contemporary artists, including studying biographies and works of the masters. Her favorite subjects are boats, people and animals integrated into Florida landscapes, painted en plain air (outside, on location).

Her favorite painting medium is watercolor. Vera also does papier-

mâché sculpting and digital art using an ap called "Art Flow." She and her husband moved to Ocala from Stuart, Florida in 2016.

If you have never come to our weekly Tuesday event, we welcome you to stop by and shop for gifts or a treat for yourself - something unique is sure to catch your eye. If you have your own artistic endeavor you wish to sell, please come and chat with us about it. Check out our website, ArtisticCrafts.org too, where there are new things to buy each week!



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Rubber Stamp Greeting Cards

Linda Lohr

Our presenter in April was Cathy Lewandowski. The first card was a birthday card. The second card had a woven edge, which was quite different from what we usually see. Utilizing a map and a globe, the card was very appropriate for a male. The third card made use of the honeycomb punch for a nice birthday card. All the cards could be tweaked for different occasions. We thank Cathy for her ideas as well as providing all the embossing folders, inks, and punches that were needed for the projects. Anyone can be a presenter – and the cards do not have to be fancy or complicated. Our group is based on

friendship, socializing, and helping each other. Our group is open to all crafters – beginners or those more experienced. One or two people do a presentation each month. The group usually meets the first or third Thursday of the month, at the discretion of the demonstrator. To find out which Thursday we will meet, in any given month, contact Kathy. There are basic supplies that are needed, such as a trimmer, glue, scissors, and card stock. Everyone in the group shares their supplies and everyone brings new ideas to the table. You are only limited by your imagination! If you feel this might be a class you would enjoy, or if you have any questions, please contact Kathy Hoefer at (352) 237-6439 or kathyh508@yahoo.com. We look forward to introducing new people to our fun craft. Until then, keep on stampin'!



Photo by Lennie Rodoff

The New Pretenders doing what they do ... entertain!



The New Pretenders

Nancy Grabowski

It's May and who can believe it? The New Pretenders are rolling along, making great strides in developing a program for the February 2020 show. We will be performing in the Recreation Center Ballroom on Feb. 7, 8, and 9, 2020. Tickets will go on sale Jan. 6, 2020, from 8 to 10 a.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom. I will keep reminding you of those dates so you don't forget. Last month, we announced the retirement of two of our perform-

ers: Connie Filip and AJ Smallwood. This month, we add Jan Zelenka to that list and note that Bruce Herget is taking a leave of absence. We wish them all a good time with their new endeavors. We are adding some new members to our troupe, too. The newest recruits are Mary Ann Berardi, Gail Cucione, Philene Frazar, Linda Meyer, Anne Manke, Phyllis Pastore, Bob Schmitt, and Jennie Stauffer. Returning from a leave of absence are Joe Furfaro, the band director, and Janet Juhlin who is putting her talents to work in the band. There is no limit to the boundless energy these folks bring to our stage. It's way too early to tip our insider information for the new show. You can be assured that we will have an eclectic mix of music, outstanding costuming, and comedy that will make you laugh until your sides ache! Of course, just wait until you see the new set design being created by Rita Miller; it is fabulous! The committees that are developing these areas of the program have put more than just time into the preparation, they bring creativity to a whole new level! It's always possible that an unexpected opening will occur within our group and we like to be prepared for those times. Anyone who is interested in becoming a member of The New Pretenders is encouraged to call Nancy Grabowski at (352) 873-4315 or talk to a current member.



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Car Group

Bill Bender

The car group enjoyed several events in March and April, which included a cruise to Inverness for their monthly Car on the Square, which is normally termed the "Doo Wop" night, but on March 15 it was for St. Patrick's Day. We joined about 100 others parked on their square for a most enjoyable evening and a diverse collection of cars. A sampling of our cars gathered at Circle Square Commons on Saturday, April 6 to compliment the local new car dealers that were displaying their latest offerings. We assembled our rides again at Circle Square Commons on Saturday, April 20 to join in the festivities of the Spring Band Jam. As you can see, our activity level is certainly ramping up as we get more and more of the old car beauties out of their garages. We hope we can add to the public's enjoyment of the events we attend. Our quest to formalize a car club continues. We have a list of 70 people who have shown an interest in such an endeavor. You don't have to own a special interest car to participate; just your interest qualifies you. If you have not identified yourself to us already, just send an email to George Hill at ghilljr.500@gmail.com. If you have already done so, no need to do it again, as we have you on our list. Keep a keen eye open on Facebook and your email accounts, as our plans for May are still being formulated.

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Art Group

Elizabeth Wales

This month’s featured artist is by no means a newcomer. Freda Klump arrived at On Top of the World several years ago from Nashville, Tennessee, along with her husband, Terry. Originally from Louisville, Kentucky, the Klumps have followed their career paths into 11 states, and twice as many homes. Freda has been an owner and manager of multiple businesses, all the while raising their two children.

Her interest in art spans many years, and she is prolific in almost any medium: oils, watercolor, acrylic, pastels and also china painting and pottery making. Her work fascinates people, and she is often commissioned to paint a portrait, pet, or homestead. Over the years, Freda has enrolled in many noted artists’ workshops to improve her abilities.

Freda’s art teaching career began some 50 years ago working with children in the Catholic school system in Louisville, Kentucky. Her natural abilities, and willingness to help others have been an incredible influence to all in the Art Group. Her benevolent and generous spirit

is evidenced in her penchant for giving away her beautiful creations to family and friends.

Recently, she took the helm of the Art Group, becoming its coordinator, from our long-time leader, Anne Merrick. This is no easy task, as we have lunches to schedule, parties to plan, and new schedules or upcoming events to post. The recent renovations taking place in the Hobby Building, where we usually meet, have necessitated our moving to the Arbor Activity Center through most of May. We usually gather three times a week to practice, converse, and encourage one another.



Photo by Elizabeth Wales
Freda Klump of the Art Group.



ShutterBugs Photography

Connie Filip

You’ll find a variety of photo editing software products on the market. Some are free with basic editing tools like cropping, red eye removal and filters. Download for free based on your system: Microsoft Photos or Photos for iOS. And there are other free options, such as PhotoScape or Pixlr.

Or, there’s more advanced editing tools by masking layers to adjust hue, tone and brightness, or removing items from your photo, restoring old photos, combining images or turning your image into an Impressionist painting. Many of these can be installed on your computer for under \$100, or you can choose to pay a monthly subscription fee. Adobe’s Photoshop Elements or Lightroom are two of the most popular.

For those who prefer to take photos with a cell phone, start with the editing features that came with your phone. Don’t overlook the many apps that you can download to enhance your images.

With all these available tools, you’ll find yourself feeling like an artist as you re-create your images on your computer or phone.

For inspiration, stop by Master the Possibilities this month. You’ll see some of Dennis Phillips’ artistic creations. He’s used digital imaging software to create pictures based on a photograph or even created

with his computer.

Space Station began with a photo of a water drain and Dennis added a digital touch. In Toy Soldiers, he created a digital painting based on a photograph.

Other work by Dennis may be viewed at flickr.com/photos/dr-dapper.

On Tuesday, May 7, our field trip will be to the Imagine Museum in St. Petersburg, Florida. This museum in known for its displays of specialty glass art. See more at imaginemuseum.com.

On Tuesday, May 21, we’ll have a class led by ShutterBug Harry Boyajian on “Using Your Flash for Artistic Results.”

For up-to-date schedule information, visit otowspc.com.

Consider “stopping by” on Facebook! Our members post their favorite shots on Shutterbugs PSH (Photo Scavenger Hunt). Anyone

can log on and see them. And if you’re a ShutterBug member, just go to the site and get permission to play.

We’re showing a new National Geographic travel instructional video series – “The Art of Travel Photography.” Stop in and learn along with us!

Our monthly club schedule:

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

Want to learn more about digital? Stop by the ShutterBugs’ Tuesday meeting. We start at 3 p.m. For more information contact Gary Uhley, our club president, at (352) 854-8536 or guhley@cfl.rr.com.



Photo by Dennis Phillips
Toy Soldiers.



Happy Hookers

Jan Spielvogel

Happy Hookers hopes that everyone had a blessed and happy Easter. Hope the “bunny” brought you lots of treats!

Many of you are aware that the Hobby Building is undergoing renovations. Through Friday, May 24, Happy Hookers is meeting on Mondays in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites G and H. Donations should also be brought to the suites

during this period of time. We anticipate being back in the Hobby Building on Monday, May 27. We will keep you posted if any of the dates change. Please note that our time of meeting remains the same, which is 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Our group is open to all residents. There are no dues or agenda and no penalties for missing a meeting, arriving late or leaving early. Life can and does interfere at times, and we would hate for that to hold you back. What we do have is a large group of ladies busy with crocheting, knitting, needlepointing, card crafting, embroidering and handcrafting of all kinds. This is a very talented group that’s nev-

er too busy to help someone with a difficult pattern or stitch. We welcome newcomers with open arms. Attendees should bring whatever they happen to be working on.

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

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View from
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Linda Barilli

May is National Foster Care Month. It began with President Ronald Reagan in 1988. “Orphan Train” by Christina Baker Klein is the story of two orphaned girls who meet in Spruce Harbor, Maine. Vivien is 91, an immigrant from Ireland, and Molly is a high school student. As they get to know each other, they share their experiences and find that they have a lot in common. Vivien enriches Molly with her strength and understanding. Molly introduces Vivien to the

internet, where Vivien can connect with long lost relatives. Christina Baker Klein is a fantastic storyteller. She has done extensive research on every detail in her book. She also interviewed many survivors of the orphan train and their descendants. This book can be found in hardcover fiction labeled FIC KLI. Next is Michael Oher’s book “I Beat the Odds.” As you know, the movie “The Blind Side” was about Michael’s success as a football player. But Michael did not start life as a superstar. He lived in poverty, scrounging for food and clothing, and helping his siblings survive. Here, Michael tells his side of the story. His mother was unable to care for

her family, so Michael was sometimes placed in foster care. He resented this and often ran away, going back to his old neighborhood. In hindsight, Michael realized that the “system” was doing the best it could to help and support him. Now he devotes a large portion of his time to children in need of his mentoring and understanding. Michael lists the agencies he has found that are truly devoted to doing good and helping children who find themselves in unfortunate circumstances. This book can be found in the hardcover biography section labeled B Oher, Michael. “A Land Remembered” by Patrick D. Smith tells the amazing tale of Florida Crackers. It takes us through generations of the McIvey

family from 1863 thru 1968. Florida cowboys captured cattle in the shrub using whips and dogs. They also cracked their whips to signal danger to the other cowboys. They truly lived off the land. They did not have an easy life. Patrick D. Smith weaves his tale from Paynes Prairie to Kissimmee to Miami. We get to see the terrain and a lifestyle very different from today, although the changes took place over a relatively short period of time. If you are not a native of Florida, I recommend reading this book to get a background of this beautiful state that we live in. This book can be found in hardcover fiction labeled FIC SMI.



Sunshine
Quilters

Lisa Augustine

The Sunshine Quilters have been very busy. We donated 14 quilts this month to the Alpha Center for Women and Marion County Senior Services. We also learned how to make baby blankets and do alternative binding. Both classes were taught by talented club members. The club has written new bylaws and elected new officers so we are looking forward to an exciting year learning, sewing and occasional road trips! While the Hobby Building is under construction we are meeting in a new location at the Arbor Activity Center Event Room every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. through May. Then we will be back in our room at the Hobby Building. If you are interested in seeing what members are working on, or learning how to quilt, come visit us.



Poetry

Rudy Dagnello

Men of Rugby
Of Mt. Olympus memory,
These feisty men of rugby
Hardy, not to be denied,
Men of men exemplified,

Naked without armor,
Flesh, blood and bone,
Stirred to meet the challenge,
Fifteen, sixteen, seventeen stone,

Dropkick then a rush to meet,
Opponents eager to compete,
Arms and legs assailing,
Strength and heart prevailing,

Exhorted to move apace,
Unwilling to give ground,
Ferretting out each open space,
Spurring the journey on,

Broken rule triggers a scrum,
Eight crouch, bind, and set as one,
Aggrieved team puts the ball in play,
Steadfast tend to have their way,

Breathing labored and fast,
Exhausted no time to lapse,
Sweating bodies holding fast,
On the threshold of collapse,

Grappling to overpower,
A test of shear willpower,
Brutish power running free,
One of fifteen a majority,

Kicks and catches,
Tackles and holds,
Scrum and throw-ins,
Rucks and mauls,

A try over the line for five,
Follows with a kick for two,
Penalties score three, if true,
As three points for dropkicks do,

Cauliflower ears and busted shins,
Broken noses and punctured skin,

Bruises, tears, welts and sprains,
Blackened eyes and pulsing veins,

Battered, heated and fatigued,
Still primed and eager to proceed,
To the quest each team must seek,
A try, a kick, the foe to beat,

Near to gods are these,
Classic heroes of history,
Stout and not to be appeased,
These feisty men of rugby,

The challenge accepted was brought,
To the field of battle and fought,
Each player chose to give his all,
And rugby has answered their call



Sewing Bees

Linda Lohr

With the renovations to the Hobby Building essentially closing the Bees down for almost two months, some of us are working from home. For the duration, donations will not be able to be left at the Hobby Building Craft Room. Please call one of the numbers below if you have a donation. We'd like to thank the anonymous donor who left three very large bags of material. We can't thank you personally, but we do appreciate the material and will put it all to good use. The Hobby Building will be closed through Friday, May 24. Several of us were able to bring home projects to be sewn. 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. You may find our club is just what you have been looking for to round out your week. Please contact Louise Green at (352) 629-1195, or Rita Miller at (352) 237-6660 for more information. As always, the children and we thank you for all your support.

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Furniture: Green cloth swivel rocker chair with ottoman, \$60. (315) 744-0790 or (315) 744-0791.

Furniture: Roll top desk, 35" w 45" h, maple color, 2 drawers over, 2 under roll top and 4 compartments inside roll top, \$75. (813) 838-1204.

Furniture: Vintage enamel blue and white top kitchen table with dark wood base, 42" x 32" with attached extendable 21" leaf, \$100. Light oak double press back dining chairs (4), \$150. (321) 693-8593.

Golf Cart: 1991 Club Car with new batteries, windshield, curtains, rear view mirror, good tires. (352) 207-4020.

Golf Cart: 2010 Club Car Phantom Series with side and rear curtains, lights, horn, new tires and batteries. Heavy-duty floor

mat, removable cooler and golf package. 48-volt system, with charger. (850) 716-3596.

Golf Cart: 2012 Polaris Gem with many upgrades. (352) 854-4343.

Golf Cart: E-Z-Go with 4 seats. Includes new tires, batteries & charger. (352) 509-7526.

Golf Equipment: 2018 BagBoy Revolver golf bag, red & black, \$175. Callaway RazrFit driver, adjustable, tool and instruction booklet. Original head cover, \$75. (352) 414-5666.

Misc. Item: Two-lamp 40" shop light for garage, 40 watt, \$10. (352) 237-6664 or lahre@cfl.rr.com.

Misc. Item: Queen AeroBed air mattress, \$50. (315) 744-0790 or (315) 744-0791.

Misc. Items: 6' aluminum ladder, \$30. King bedspreads, \$20-30 each. Ceramic heater, \$25. Proctor Silex iron, \$20. (352) 854-7417.

Misc. Items: Jazzy Select Elite power chair with oxygen attachment. Transport chair, \$100. Walker with padded seat, hand brakes and basket, \$75. (352) 390-3136.

Outdoor Furniture: Tile top table, 64" x 40" with 4 chairs and 2 swivel chairs, \$100/obo. (239) 850-5999.

Tag Sales

Friday, May 3 & Saturday, May 4: 9091 SW 94th Court (Providence), 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Saturday, May 3: 9250 SW 91st Circle (Williamsburg), 8 a.m. to noon.

Friday, May 10 & Saturday, May 11: 8782-E SW 93rd Place (Friendship Colony), 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 18: 7751 SW 88th Street Road (Indigo East), 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Friday, May 24: 8680-D SW 94th Lane (Friendship Village), 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Friday, May 24 & Saturday, May 25: 8650-A SW 92nd Place (Friendship Colony), 8 a.m. to noon.

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or spacecadet3010@gmail.com (resident).

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Transportation: Doctor appointments, shopping, errands. Call Anna (resident) at (352) 615-0174 (cell) or (352) 873-4151 (home), leave message.

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