

Community News

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The Highs and the Lows

COVID-19 has been a consistent presence in our conversations these last eight months. It has been the focus of the management staff trying to figure out the do's and don'ts of providing good community management. Everything from managing the employment environment, to managing community amenities and everything in between. It's fair to say, the learning curve follows the COVID-19 curve: lots of ups and a few downs.

Much of the decision making follows the infection curve for the zip codes of 34481 and 34476. For the past two months, the number of infections and hospitalizations was increasing at an alarming rate. Beginning in late August, the rate broadly declined, even considering a few small blips in case increases. We know this is not perfect science, but it is the only science we have right now.

That said, an attempt is again being made to expand more public activities for the communities. In mid-September, the Farmers Market started up again and Candler Hills Golf Course reopened to the public. Social distancing and masking remain the order of the day.

Circle Square Cultural Center opened again as well with limited shows proceeding at 50% of capacity with opening every third row and maintaining six foot personal spacing, required face masks and hand sanitizer.

I recently received a letter of concern from one of the pattern dancers that face shields was an acceptable alternative to face masks. The gold standard in protection is both face masks and face shields worn together. The reality is that some people have difficulty with face masks restricting their breathing. In such a situation, a face shield may be a weak, second best alternative. While not perfect, it remains acceptable practice.

Why You Need Homeowner's Insurance

As I'm writing this column, we have 75 more days of hurricane season ahead of us. I'm looking forward to winding down a nail-biting storm season and ease into the cooler months. Now is a good time to take stock of financial matters and risk factors in general.

The easiest way to mitigate a large area of risk is through insurance, in this instance I'm referring to adequate homeowner's insurance. For On Top of the World (Central) owners, adequate insurance includes personal property and on the portion of the home not insured by the Association's master policy. Generally, property coverage policies are written on the interior components of the home and on your personal property. Your Association's coverage ends at the interior finish on your walls. In other words, everything from the paint in is yours. The tile, carpet, cabinetry, appliances, plumbing above the finished floor, air conditioning, solar panels and other components are also all the responsibility of the individual owner to insure. It is the owner's obligation to maintain or replace these components, and their liability when they don't. Proper insurance coverage will help save you many out-of-pocket dollars if or when the unexpected happens.

While the Association takes the lead in the recovery and reconstruction process, a failure of any owner to carry insurance on their contents will inevitably leave a significant gap in the final completion and ability to reoccupy the home. Besides the complete loss or destruction of personal items, like clothing, furniture, and personal

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Photo by Ray Cech

The weekly Thursday Circle Square Commons Farmers Market has reopened.

Fresh, Delicious and Local

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

It's time to get out of the house and enjoy all the goodness of our very own Farmers Market at Circle Square Commons every Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The vendors display some of the freshest vegetables, fruits, and seafood. It is one of the best shopping experiences in Central Florida — and here's an added "attraction." You can walk - bike - golf cart - roller skate or drive there. Now, that's convenient!

Daniel's Produce is a good reason to get up and get out on Thursday mornings. But wait — there's more!

Maybe you'd like to add some fresh from the hive wild honey to your pantry, or some Happy Crackers Baking Co. dog treats? You can season-up your meals from Joy Garlic. If you've recently moved into your new home or feel it's time to add some style to your current

abode, a visit to Signs by Farris could just be the answer. His signs are on display or can be custom designed just for you.

Jenny's Forever Flowers are lovingly made, and her arrangements are beautiful. Just a few feet away from Jenny's is another beautiful display - Darlenska's Custom-Designed Jewelry. And, if you're in the mood for a new hat, a visit to Misty's Collection is a must. Hats, men's or women's, fancy or otherwise, from \$1 to \$15.

The S.P.C.A. of Marion County is a vendor as well as Brick City Bicycles - have you noticed that bike riding is the hot new exercise trend? Another very special treat is at Italian Hills. Their cheeses are imported from Sardinia and, in a word, are delicious. Stop by and have a sample - most likely you will end up taking some home.

Facility Manager Gary Pierre says, "I see people here that come to the Farmers Market not just to shop, but also to get out, enjoy the atmosphere, and chat with friends. The market is a terrific convenience for our residents."

Last but not least, Mr. B's Big Scoop Ice Cream and Sid's Coffee Shop & Deli are terrifically convenient - and tasty! While strolling and shopping, take a break and treat yourself to something refreshing. It could be a coffee, an ice cream or maybe a hot dog or sandwich — it's a great way to top off your morning. The Farmers Market is open to the public.

Please note that vendors are spaced according to guidelines and crowds will be monitored to adhere to the spacing of 50 persons gathering. Please wear a face mask and bring your own hand sanitizer.

For a list of weekly vendors, please visit circlesquarecommons-farmersmarket.com/market-vendors/. For the latest information, please follow Circle Square Commons on Facebook (@csctown-square).

Golf Carts Aren't Just for Golf

By BJ Leckbee
World News Writer

Residents now have the ability to use a golf cart to get to the Shoppes of Ocala on State Road 200 where the Walmart Neighborhood Market is located by using a path that was built specifically for that purpose. The path is 12 feet wide, which allows for two golf carts coming from opposing directions to pass by each other.

The path begins near the SW 90th Street gate and also provides access to Walgreens, as that is where it ends. It is 2,100 feet one way, so a roundtrip is a bit short of one mile.

Navigating the path involves travelling a straight line parallel to SW 80th Avenue, but the entrance requires crossing both SW 80th Avenue and SW 90th Street. Signs have been posted on each corner of this intersection alerting through traffic to be aware of golf carts crossing the intersection. With safety in mind, the exit near Walgreens was aligned with the entrance to the Walgreens parking lot, where cross-traffic would be alert for movement into or out of the parking lot.

Safety was a primary concern in planning this path, according to Director of Land Development Robert Stepp. Marion County's codes dictated some of the requirements for these paths and getting the county comfortable with the intermingling of traffic required multiple meetings and submission of several plans.

There is even more to come! Plans are in place to extend the multi-modal path on the west side of SW 80th Avenue as far as Shalom Park and beyond. Construction has already begun on a water line in this direction. "The goal is connectivity," Stepp stated, "and

the intent is for major roadways to have multi-modal paths as we continue property development. And we want to be sure we do it right."

The technical term for the paths described here is multi-modal, which Wiktionary defines as "having or employing multiple modes." It's the term that best describes the existing paths in our community that can be used by pedestrians and bicycles as well as golf carts. Many residents use them every day. And now they are becoming available outside the gates.



Photo courtesy of On Top of the World Communities, LLC
Laurie Gottson utilizing the newest multi-modal path to the Walmart Neighborhood Market.

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GOLDEN OLDIES HUMOR

By Stan Goldstein

A good scare can teach more than good advice.

Is It Legal?

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SCAM ALERT: In an earlier column this year, I discussed income tax filing as being April 15, which it was at the time I wrote that column. Of course, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) changed the date to July 15. So, for us, what that means is that the IRS will probably be calling and demanding some sort of payment because you messed up and didn't file your return or because you "shorted" the government by several bucks. Everyone reading this column already knows that the IRS is not going to call you – never has, never will (unless, I suppose, if it's a return from a call you made). So, if you get that call, you all know to hang up. Well, yes, you know. But there may be friends or relatives who do not know or who might be fooled by some new way the scammer uses to intimidate the person to whom they've called. So, please, spread the word. The IRS does not call you to demand money. Thus, no matter how legitimate a caller may sound, it's a scam. On your computer, visit <https://www.irs.gov>. Then in the "search" function, type in "scams." It's very helpful. Please note that "https://" with an "s" is critical in the web address.

Q. I understand that a holographic will is one that I write in my own handwriting. It would seem to me that folks could save a lot of money by just writing out their wills and wouldn't need an attorney.

A. Yeah. Well. You are correct that a holographic will is one written in your own handwriting. The thing is they are not valid in Florida. Period. What about if you wrote one in another state? Again, a holographic will is not valid in Florida.

And while I am on the subject, what about those handwritten changes someone makes to his or her already signed and thus valid will? You know, the will you signed some time ago and now you've changed your mind, so you just want to make some handwritten changes to it. That is not valid in Florida either. More than likely, if you make handwritten changes on your previously validly executed will, when you pass, and your will is filed in court, those changes will be ignored, the same as if you never made them. And for that matter, depending, on what specific handwritten statements were made, it might invalidate the entire will.

What about an oral will; one you just speak? Florida Statute 732.502 is clear that a will must be in writing. Okay. So, can you make a completely handwritten will that is valid in Florida? Sure. All you have to do is make sure it fully complies with that statute. The way you do

that is you must sign it at the end, have it signed in the presence of at least two witnesses both of whom say they saw you sign it and you said it was your will.

And while I am discussing witnesses, it is very wise not to have one of the witnesses also be a beneficiary of that will. Actually, beneficiaries for a will should not even be in the room when the will is being signed. Does it need to be notarized? No but if it is not notarized then it is not "self-proving" and that means that when the testator passes, the witnesses will need to be located and sign an affidavit to the effect that they saw you sign the will.

Q. How much money can I give away without having to pay any gift tax?

A. I assume what you mean is how much can you give away to folks without having to file a gift tax return. If so, in year 2020, it is \$15,000 per person. If, however, you were discussing how much you can give away without having to payout money to the IRS, as a gift tax, then that is a much different number. In 2020, it's \$11.58 million per person. If you need much more income and estate tax information, you need to speak with an attorney who handles estate and gift tax matters.

Q. My 58-year-old son has never been married. Recently, while walking in his neighborhood he met a woman who has been married three times and has four children. She invited my son to her home for a glass of wine and as he told me, to "Interview me about my work, why I never married, what my family was like and would I like to have dinner with her some time." I don't know

for sure how long this has been going on, but my son now wants to marry her. I am asking you about this because I suspect there are legal issues here.

A. "Legal issues here" ... hmmm. I don't think masks are required inside someone's residence. Nor is social distancing required inside someone's home, should either of those be your concern.

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Candler Hills Golf Course is one of the three golf courses at On Top of the World.

Andrew Jorgensen Honored with the Wreath of Grass Award

Florida Turfgrass Association (FTGA) member and past president, Andrew Jorgensen, CGCS, has been honored with the Florida Turfgrass Association's highest award, the Wreath of Grass.

The coveted Wreath of Grass award pays tribute to individuals who have shown outstanding service to FTGA and to the turfgrass industry.

Dr. Ian Rodriguez, president of FTGA, said, "I have seen Andy go far above and beyond the call of duty for the association and industry over the past several years and can't think of a more deserving recipient of the Wreath of Grass. Few people have such a good feel for the pulse of the industry, and I'm glad that we can honor him for his service."

Andrew is the immediate past president of FTGA and has served six years on the board. Currently, he is the vice president of the Florida GCSA, director on the Seven Rivers GCSA board and involved locally with Leadership Ocala/Marion through the Ocala/Marion County Chamber and Economic Partnership.

"I am honored to be chosen as the recipient of the Wreath of Grass. My career in this industry over the previous 20 years has been nothing but spectacular, simply due to the wonderful people I have worked with along the way. This industry is like no other, and I am very appreciative of this honor," says Andrew.

The Florida turfgrass industry has a \$5 billion economic impact in the state and provides about 84,000 jobs. FTGA, founded in 1952, advocates for and promotes the turfgrass industry with research, continuing education, and networking opportunities for turfgrass professionals. For more information, visit www.ftga.org.

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Should Every Registered Voter Be Allowed to Vote?

By Glenn Burhans

Allowing qualified voters to vote seems like a simple premise.

Unfortunately, that is not how we conduct elections in Florida. For those who wish to vote for their next State House or Senate member or for Governor or Cabinet members, as stunning as it sounds, the truth is that most voters are excluded from voting in the taxpayer-funded elections that most often determine the winner.

All Voters Vote is a proposed constitutional amendment that holds to the simple premise that every qualified registered voter in Florida should be allowed to cast a ballot in all public elections. For too long, too many voters – and to be clear, we are talking about those who are already registered to vote – have been legally prohibited from voting for the person who will represent them in Tallahassee.

How can this be?

Florida is one of only nine states in America that has a restrictive process where candidates for office are elected by a tiny sliver of the electorate in closed partisan primaries. And as though to rub salt in the wounds of those excluded voters, their tax dollars are used to

hold these closed elections.

The All Voters Vote initiative, Amendment 3, will eliminate Florida’s closed partisan primary system and will end chronic gridlock and hyper-partisanship by forcing politicians to answer to every voter they represent and not just that tiny sliver from either the extreme left or the extreme right.

Consider this: today more than 3.8 million Florida voters have been effectively disenfranchised by this system because they choose to belong to neither of the major political parties. By selecting, for example, “No Party Affiliation” (NPA) those registered voters are legally forbidden from voting in the primary elections that almost always determine who will represent them in Tallahassee. This is patently unfair and should be reason enough to vote for the All Voters Vote initiative. But – and this is vital – they aren’t the only ones who can truthfully exclaim, “No taxation without representation!” In nearly every state legislative district, those who choose to belong to a major political party are also excluded if they happen to live in a district where they are not a member of the dominant party.

Why should the right to vote be reserved only for those who belong to a political party? And why should those voters belonging to a party also be excluded from having a say in the outcome just because they are not in the majority party in their district?

Our system makes no sense and denying registered voters the right to cast a meaningful ballot has had profoundly negative effects on our democracy.

The All Voters Vote amendment simply says that in taxpayer funded public elections, all voters are allowed to vote. Candidates appear on a common ballot and the top-two vote getters appear on the General Election ballot where voters, once again, get the chance to choose the person who will represent them in our state’s capitol.

The top two system is nothing new – it is already in place in Florida for over 400 municipalities and counties, and for judicial and special district races. In fact,

more people are already elected in Florida using a top-two vote getter system than for our legislative races. It is common and well-accepted by voters. More importantly, it is a proven success because those candidates cannot hide in partisan siloes and must answer to every voter they represent. As a result, they are not only more responsive to their voters, they are able to put principle before party and put the interest of everyone above the narrow partisan interests of the extreme fringes of either party.

That is why we ask voters to learn as much as they can about the All Voters Vote initiative and vote “yes” on Amendment 3 to ensure that they, and every other voter, will not be excluded from taxpayer funded elections. To learn more, please visit www.AllVotersVote.org.

Glenn Burhans is the chair of the All Voters Vote Committee and can be reached by email at Glenn@AllVotersVote.org.

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effects, the owner would also be responsible for replacement of all flooring, cabinetry, appliances, air conditioning components, plumbing fixtures, and any owner-added structural additions. Needless to say, this can become very expensive, very quickly. In the case of negligence by an owner, the Association will also attempt to recover the insurance deductible cost. Being penny-wise and pound-foolish by “saving” the nominal cost of insurance, is really no savings at all!

Within the On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association, the HO6 rider covers the insured owner for a portion of the deductible the Association maintains on its policies. Currently, your association maintains a deductible of \$10,000 per occurrence for property damage from any peril such as fire, lightning, vandalism, etc., and other than wind and named storms. Wind and named storms have a separate and much higher deductible. Speak with your insurance agent to make

sure you have coverage in place and that it is adequate.

For Weybourne Landing, Candler Hills and Indigo East, it is each individual owner’s responsibility to purchase insurance for the structure, contents and liability. These associations do not carry coverage on the individual homes. Mitigation of financial risk is each owner’s obligation under each of the Associations’ respective Declarations.

Construction Activity

A new pavilion and seating area along with pool bathrooms are underway by the Recreation Center pool. We are optimistic that residents will soon be able to return to social gatherings and entertainment activities at this new pavilion. Expect to see outside entertainment, fun activities and great music. The Pub will remain in its current location.

The new pickleball courts should start soon after the heavy construction work for the pavilion is complete.

The new maintenance facility at the end of SW 94th Street is well underway. This will house part of the golf and parkway crews to create better efficiencies and utilization of time due to proximity to the work.



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We are now officially into the fall season, with the holidays quickly approaching. Last year at this time, we were providing information on the many activities coming up with fall festivals and the like. This year we are reminding everyone to keep your distancing protocols and face masks or shields in place, wherever you may go. We are definitely trending in the right direction!

Resident Services

- Resident Services is open with the following restrictions:
- Closed from noon to 12:30 p.m. daily for sanitizing.
 - Lobby is limited to six residents at a time.
 - Social distancing of six feet and face masks are required.
 - Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Residents needing Resident Services at Friendship Commons may continue to contact the office by phone, (352) 236-OTOW (6869), or email at otowservice@otowfl.com in lieu of visiting. We are experiencing higher than normal volumes and appreciate your patience. Be assured, your call or email will be returned as soon as possible.

Danger for Golf Carts and Cars in Construction Zones

Please avoid all construction areas with your golf carts and vehicles. There is sizable earth-moving equipment working in these areas, and they cannot see or hear you when they are working. We have had a few very close calls and do not want to see our residents injured.

Multi-Modal Paths

Multi-modal paths are multi-purpose lanes for the safety and use of our residents by keeping pedestrian, golf cart and bicycle traffic off of the streets. We encourage all users to be considerate of others and remind all that the rules of the road apply. We are noticing an increased number of golf carts on the streets where multi-modal paths are located. When a golf cart path is available, please utilize the path designated.

Return of Seasonal Residents

As many of our seasonal residents are able to come back to Florida, we ask that you please notify Resident Services in Friendship Commons if any of your contact information has changed or if we need to update your records. You may also find the form online at otowinfo.com (click on Community Info and scroll down to Forms). Just print it, fill in the information and drop it by Resident Services, or scan it and email it to otowservice@otowfl.com. You may also mail it to the address listed on the form.

In Case of Emergency

Over the years we have had situations that required the emergency

contact number(s) for a resident. Often times we run into the problem of having incorrect or outdated information, or no information at all. We ask that everyone keep their emergency contact list up-to-date. This includes providing cellular numbers for yourself and/or your spouse. We recently had a situation where we ended up calling the next of kin, who lived up north, because there was no cell phone number on file during a situation where one spouse was taken to the hospital and we could not reach the other.

Resident Services, located in Friendship Commons, has forms available for residents to fill out so that we have all of your current information in case of an emergency. You may also find the form at otowinfo.com. Just print it, fill in the information and drop it by Resident Services. We recommend you also keep an up-to-date list in your wallet or purse. In the event that an accident occurs, and you have not provided the necessary information, your loved one, close relative or friend may not be the one notified of your accident as emergency personnel will work through their means to find a family contact - and it may not be your favorite relative.

Animals

I have received a few calls recently asking me to remind everyone who walks their dog that, as a courtesy, when using an expandable leash, please keep your dog(s) along the edge of the roadway and off of your neighbors' lawns. In order to avoid your dog(s) going potty in someone else's yard, you may want to dally a little longer in your own before starting your walk.

Yard Debris

Fall is such a beautiful time of year, the weather is gorgeous,



Improper dumping of household items at the SW 90th Street disposal area.

grass growth is slowing; however, we begin dealing with falling leaves. Please place yard debris on curbs the morning of or not earlier than the night before pick-up, and please place away from storm drains. We ask that no household garbage or animal feces be placed in with the yard debris. Please follow the time schedule for placing the yard debris on the curb so that the community is much neater, and debris is not blown throughout the neighborhood.

We would like to clarify that Candler Hills residents have curbside lawn debris, trash and recycle pick-up. Trimming debris off schedule, may be taken to the SW 90th Street disposal area.

SW 90th Street Disposal Area


Improper dumping of household items at the SW 90th Street location is not allowed at any time. The dumping of discarded items at this site has increased the cost of removal at this area. Not only is this an eyesore for the community by not waiting for the dumpster to

return or for room to dump, this adds additional costs to the Association that could have been avoided.

Rule of the Month

There seems to be some confusion regarding the rules for occupancy at On Top of the World Communities, LLC. All parties must have prior written approval from the Association before they can occupy a home here at On Top of the World.

The Fourth Amendment to the Third Amended and Restated Rules and Regulations of the On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association states, "7. Leasing and Sales of Residential Units. As a condition precedent to consideration for approval, each prospective occupant, lessee and purchaser must inform the Association in writing whether the Residential Unit will be occupied by at least one person who is 55 years of age or older and each proposed occupant, lessee and new owner shall appear for an interview with a designated representative of the Association."

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Lifelong Learning

Michelle Shideler
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It is hard to believe we are in the month of October, which means we are officially in the fall season. The weather is starting to get a little cooler. Some leaves in Florida really do start to change colors. Many people begin to reflect on the year and prepare for the holiday season.

At Master the Possibilities, we want to help participants with opportunities for reflection, growth and well-being this month. In October alone, there are more than 220 class choices that range from various types of art to music and literature, from health and wellness tips to computers and history. Many of these selections have multiple learning choices, where participants may plan to attend in person or choose to learn from home.

For those who like to decorate for the upcoming Halloween holiday, one of our instructors, Teri Stillwaugh, is offering a few art courses with a cute twist. In the "Mixed Media Adventures: Halloween Witch Essentials" course, participants will be able to create the perfect "witch essentials" lotion, potion and spell books by transforming ordinary bottles and books into spooky textured potion, lotion and "spell" books and containers. There is no previous art experience needed. Teri is offering this event from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3. Cost is \$37 for members and \$42 for non-members.

The special presentation for this month is "The Measure of a Man" by Dr. Joe Ponds Wednesday, Oct. 7, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Based on his book entitled "The 600 m.o.l. Black Helicopter Pilots in Vietnam," Dr. Ponds will speak about the black helicopter pilots who experienced combat duty in Vietnam. Some of the pilots made the ultimate sacrifice of giving their lives. His lecture will include the story of the uncommon fortitude, perseverance, and triumph of black men who were often compelled to fight battles against enemies overseas, and then racial discrimination at home. Cost for this event is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members.

Travel back in time with Jerry Colen from 3 to 4 p.m. Tuesdays, Oct. 27 and Nov. 17 to hear stories of the "Gun Men and Gun Women of the American Wild West." Jerry will take participants back to the days of infamous people like Wyatt Earp, Doc Holliday and Belle Starr. Learn all about these and other individuals who blazed the gunfighting trail for the history books. Jerry may even sing a bit at the end of the second class. Cost to attend is \$2 for members and \$7 for non-members.

Master the Possibilities is continuing to follow specific classroom policies and procedures to ensure a safe and healthy learning environment for everyone. This includes reduced class sizes, a requirement to wear a mask or face shield to class, as well as completing a COVID-19 questionnaire before entering the classroom.

Visit masterthepossibilities.org for a complete list of scheduled courses the remainder of this term. As a gentle reminder, all courses require registration, even the free ones. For registration assistance, feel free to contact our main office 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at (352) 861-9751.



Author Dr. Joe Ponds is teaching "The Measure of a Man" Wednesday, Oct. 7.



Witch essential art samples by instructor, Teri Stillwaugh.

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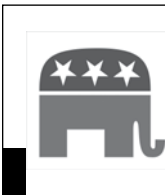
Erwin Fluss

The Community Patrol is still functioning with restrictions. We do still patrol, perhaps some would feel more comfortable to agree to patrol in their own cars, remembering, we are still part of the Marion County Sheriff's Office.

We compliment On Top of the World; in their attempt to keep everyone safe.

We also urge everyone to follow the guidelines given to us by the medical community - social distance, masks, etc.

Stay safe, follow traffic rules, and watch out for each other. For information about the Community Patrol, contact Paul Altman at (860) 460-7632 or shelvesc@aol.com.



Republican Club

Lizabeth Woodard

The Republican Club participated in another flag-waving event Saturday, Aug. 22. The event was sponsored by the Stone Creek Republicans. Approximately 175 to 200 people participated at the Friendship Shopping Center, garnering support from passing cars honking horns. Each of these events brings more and more enthusiastic people from area 55-plus communities.

More and more people have called to inquire about the club and the upcoming 2020 election. Their names have been added to our mailing list and when we are able to meet again, they will be formally welcomed into the club.

The Republican Party of Florida's Trump Victory Center located just past the Ocala International Airport has offered their facility as a meeting place for the Republican Club. An email message will be sent to members announcing an October meeting.

For more information regarding the Republican Club, please leave a message at (518) 534-0201. Your call will be answered as soon as possible.



Democratic Club

Dan Lack

The members of our club will receive an email around 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, (when we normally would meet in person) with a link to our video message on our YouTube.com channel.

If you would like to join the Democratic Club, please use the contact information at the end of this column and provide your name, address, phone number and email address. If you are an Indigo East resident, please email a copy of your current Gateway of Services pass. There are no dues and you will receive useful information.

We continue to support the Ocala Ritz Veterans Village so that we can show our appreciation to these men and women who sacrificed so much for us. The Ritz is in need of disinfectant and wipes, masks, anti-bacterial soap, hand sanitizer, shoes, paper towels, toilet paper, feminine hygiene products, dish detergent, laundry detergent, toiletries, canned food and dry food. Club members will receive "where and when" information via email.

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!



Citizens Emergency Response Team

Joe Moia

We had our first CERT meeting in September at our usual time and place (the second Tuesday of the month in the Hobby Building, at 9 a.m.).

This first meeting was mostly procedural. We introduced new members and passed out some emergency placards. We are now allowed to aid with and administer an EpiPen® so we had a short discussion and demonstration as well. I'm sorry we ran out of time and didn't get to the elections as planned.

In a future meeting, Education Coordinator Beverly Case is going to instruct us in the proper use of a tourniquet, now that we're allowed to use them.

Finally, we went over some of the new practices and procedures outlined in the new green CERT manual. Of course, we plan on following the guidelines on how many people we can seat safely, and we always have a few extra masks on hand for those who forget them.

For membership information, contact Joe Moia at joemoia@att.net. For MERT, please contact Sue Gribbins at sue.grib@yahoo.com.

Remember all residents are eligible to join CERT. It is a service organization. Those who live in Indigo East do not need a Gateway of Services pass.

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Candler Connection

Debra Keirn

2020 - the year of change. The Candler Connection has nothing to report. All social activities are postponed.

For those of you who are new to Candler Hills, let me list some of the yearly activities planned by Candler Connection (which have all been cancelled, of course).

- Spring dinner dance.
- Two ice cream socials (June and August)
- Monthly potluck dinners on the last Tuesday.
- A golf cart rally and scavenger hunt (October).
- Annual picnic (October).
- Holiday party (December).

All of the above activities are great ways to meet your neighbors and to get to know them a little bit better. Unfortunately, we do not have this opportunity in 2020.

If you are interested in greeting new neighbors and helping with the very important Candler Hills Ambassador program, contact Amy Waller at abwarnp97@aol.com. Several neighborhoods within Candler Hills still need ambassadors.

The 2020 speaker series has also been cancelled. The speaker series committee has some ideas for future presentations, but they cannot schedule anything until further notice of The Lodge at Candler Hills opening for larger crowds.

New residents of Candler Hills can log onto candlerconnection.org and fill out the form to receive "The Happenings" by email in order to learn about events and activities. Currently 1,253 residents of Candler Hills receive this email.

The Candler Connection Facebook group has grown to more than 892 members. This Facebook group is a good source of information for Candler Hills residents.

Richard Steinfeldt has a "new resident" presentation on Facebook to welcome new residents of Candler Hills. You can access this presentation at steinfeldt.com/newsresonline.pdf.

The Candler Connection board meetings have been cancelled until further notice. Currently the board is setting up a time to review and vote on a change to the by-laws to extend the terms of the present officers through the end of 2021. The annual Candler Connection meeting and voting in of officers has been cancelled for January 2021.

I miss all of our activities and hopefully 2021 will be the year whenever we can resume our fun times. Hope to see you all around the neighborhood. Please stay healthy and safe.

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Indigo East Social Committee

Janice Liberton

Currently all Indigo East Social Committee events are on hold. Please continue to check the Indigo East Facebook page and/or email should there be any changes to the status of the events.

I'm not quite sure what was going on with my former Yahoo email, but my email account had been going crazy. I was getting more than 500 emails daily and almost all were advertisements. Under the subscription settings, I noticed several hundred uninvited advertisers had taken over my email. Painstakingly, I managed to delete them all, only for them to slowly return and take charge of my account once again.

Jake, the guy in khakis, worked the hardest and advertised in 116 separate accounts under my email account. Suddenly the jingle for Jake's employer, you know the one, "Like a good neighbor," etc., kept floating around my brain and remained there for days. I Googled the jingle and interestingly discovered it was written and performed by Barry Manilow. Congratulations Mr. Manilow, it is certainly a catchy jingle.

Finally, the jingle drove me to Google the definition of a good neighbor, after all, we are not only Indigo East neighbors, we are actually neighbors with all of On Top of the World residents. I know there were and are many etiquette books that deal with the subject, but I was raised by my parents who not only lectured us on how to be a good neighbor, they also taught my sister and I by example. It was the same way I raised my son.

These good neighbor tips popped up throughout the internet in one form or another. They are as follows:

- Be friendly, welcome new neighbors. Always say hello, wave and/or smile when passing a neighbor.
- Share information and your experiences when asked for recommendations for a doctor, dentist, etc.
- Keep your lawn mowed, non-essential stuff off the front lawn, garbage in garbage cans, especially on trash night.
- Be a responsible pet owner. When walking your pet, pick up after your pet and dispose of pet dung properly. This also includes picking up after your pet on your own property. Control your pet.
- Let your neighbors know they are welcomed and appreciated. Include them in conversations, invite them to your home, or to lunch/dinner, etc. Lend a helping hand when needed.
- Don't gossip about your neighbor. What was told to you in confidence, should remain in confidence. What you overheard is for your

ears only.

- Abide by community rules. Don't complain about them. The rules were written to keep every homeowner equal.
- Neighborhood social media must remain solely for pertinent community information and, if allowed, clean and kind community fun. It is not a personal platform.

Enjoy the sites and fragrances of fall and have a great October. As usual, I'll see you around the neighborhood.

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Indigo East

Nora Domínguez
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October is here and should bring much-needed relief from hot, humid days of summer. During these challenging times, please don't let your guard down; this is no time for complacency. Now more than ever, our highest priority is the safety of our residents and employees.

For the time being, the pools at the Indigo East Fitness and Community Centers will remain open.

Indigo East Fitness Center and Indigo East Community Center are open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Sunday, with the exception of the Indigo East Community Center pool which is open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Activities and events are still on hold until further notice.

Please note that the use of a protective face mask inside the facilities and social distancing of at least six feet are still mandatory. It is recommended that masks be worn in the pool areas as well. Again, for

the safety of our residents and employees, guests are not permitted inside the facilities or pools.

Take advantage of the fitness center and Fitness On Demand (FOD). Strength training provides many benefits for your whole body, including health, better balance, stronger bones and improved mental well-being.

Be advised some garden plots are available to Indigo East residents. If you are interested in a garden plot, please come to the Indigo East Fitness Center office and one will be assigned on a first-come first-serve basis.

A friendly reminder that all dogs are required to be on a leash or other restraint while outside unless inside the dog park.

Be aware some residents are placing garbage out the night before pickup in plastic bags and animals are scattering the garbage around the neighborhoods. Please put garbage out in plastic bags the same morning as pickup or place the garbage in an appropriate sealed container if put out the night before.

Thank you to everyone for your patience and cooperation. It is a pleasure to work for your community; we are here for you.

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While our social gatherings and the pace of our normal activities have slowed during the past few months, Williamsburg has been fortunate to have added many new neighbors to our little neighborhood. We extend a warm welcome to each of you and look forward to greeting you as we are out and about.

We all are anxious to return to our planned social activities; however, we also know that is not possible now. Our October social and the December holiday party will

not take place as scheduled. We are hopeful that in 2021 our in-person socials will return.

As I mentioned in last month's column, an alternative type of gathering is planned for November which is halfway between our two previously planned gatherings. Put Thursday, Nov. 12, at 3 p.m. on your calendar. Get ready for Zoom time! We hope all residents, new and long term, will join us for a casual gathering of neighbors. More information will be shared in this column and through the community email in the coming weeks.

If you have not had your information added to the email contact list, or if your previous entry needs to be updated, please call Ginny Nardone at (352) 304-8619 or Cathy Higginbotham at (352) 509-4266.



Avalon has a social and potluck four times a year where residents could share a dish in a group of conference rooms with their neighbors. At one time, more than 120 people attended our get-togethers. It was fun to meet new people, see neighbors and get to know new neighbors.

Over the course of the last few months, we have experienced a new way of living; larger style meetings are not safe anymore. So, at this point I suggest we go back to the time of neighbors in neighborhoods. I love waving to people. It always makes me smile to have someone wave to me. Avalon is

such a friendly neighborhood.

I wish I had taken a picture of several neighbors visiting "safely" this spring. A couple was sitting at the end of their driveway in lawn chairs talking to their neighbors across the street sitting in their lawn chairs. As I looked around neighbors had created "safe" ways to keep in touch.

My husband's recumbent bicycle's battery died several blocks from home recently. He called me and I brought the tow rope. Before I got there several people had stopped and offered to help him. They all had masks on and together we hooked up the bike behind my van. One neighbor followed us home with her flashing lights on. Neighborly kindness at work here in our neighborhood!

A friend of mine asked for suggestions of how we could help celebrate her mom's birthday. We wanted to surprise her. A friend had heard of golf cart drive-by celebrations. A friend had put the word out to several neighborhoods, so we started planning. I love a challenge! With my Cricut machine I was able to cut out large letters, make posters, signs, a posterboard sized birthday card to sign with pictures of her mom through the years. Balloons were cheerfully hung around the yard. We placed a throne-like chair for her mom about 10 feet from the street. She was able to wave to her friends and neighbors. Over 72 people signed the big card from the safety of their car or golf cart. At noon, we looked down the street and saw a big line of carts and cars parked sit quietly about a block away. Then they started to move slowly up the street, distancing themselves apart. It worked great. Each cart or car could pause, sign the card, shout birthday greetings, without leaving their cart or car. They brought cards, posters, flowers, and small gifts. She was thrilled!

Sometimes I wonder whether we will ever get back to the kind of gatherings we had just a year ago. Maybe we can find ways to be safe and creative at the same time. Some clubs have barbecues outside.

Please contact Sherry Whitmer-Hall at skwhitmer@yahoo.com with any suggestions for safe ways to social distance and still keep in touch and meet new neighbors. Please be safe.

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Fall is now upon us and this marks the transition from summer to winter, when the duration of daylight becomes noticeably shorter and the temperature cools considerably. Day length decreases and night length increases as the season progresses until the winter solstice.

Many of our facilities are open with capacity limitations posted for each. All sports amenities are now open, but as a safety protocol, residents will need to provide their own equipment in order to utilize the facility. If you are planning on using a facility, please remember to book the facility through the Recreation Center office prior to use. Residents are responsible for their own personal safety and for compliance with the safety protocols for each location. Keeping our residents and employees safe will remain our focus.

Line Dance Classes

Many considerations have been made for your comfort and safety as line dance classes resume. Due to mandatory class size restrictions, the largest classes have been split into two sessions. All Monday classes will be 50 minutes long to accommodate a total of five classes and allow for entry and exit. Improver class will be held on Thursdays for now. These changes will be adjusted as restrictions are lifted. Each class will start at a slow pace as we regain our physical and emotional energies and recover from six months of “stay at home” time.

Classes are held in the Recreation Center Ballroom. Masks are required, and temperature checks will occur before each class. Please sign up well in advance of your dance class, as no passes will be issued on Mondays prior to class or after Sept. 14. Maggie will be handling all registrations and your cooperation is greatly appreciated. (Please remember gathering is not allowed in the Recreation Center lobby.) All classes are progressive September 2020 through June



2021.

Mondays

- Absolute Beginner (noon to 12:50 p.m. and 1 to 1:50 p.m.): For new dancers and those who want to review last year's class. Basic steps and patterns described, practiced and used in easy dances.
- Beginner Level 2 (2:10 to 3 p.m.): Prior dance experience needed. Higher level beginner plus dances taught. New patterns taught as needed.
- Beginner Level 1 (3:15 to 4:05 p.m. and 4:20 to 5:10 p.m.): Dancers know basic steps and patterns learned in Absolute Beginner and are ready to move on to more. Easy dances with additional step patterns taught.

Thursdays

- Improver (10:30 to 11:30 a.m.): Dance experience required for this class. Current, popular dances are taught that include easy intermediate dances.

Community Bus

The community bus is running by appointment only with limited seating of four persons per day. The bus runs Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays of each week for a morning run only. The current destinations are Aldi, Publix and Super Walmart. You can make res-

ervations by calling the Recreation Center office at (352) 387-7533 and please note limited space on the bus so you will need to call to see what dates are available.

Community Pavilions

Please keep in mind that to guarantee your use of the pavilions at the Veterans Park, Recreation Center, The Lodge at Candler Hills and Indigo East require prior booking. Guests are not permitted at any amenity or facility at this time. Please monitor otowinfo.com for more updated information.

Craft Show

The weekly Tuesday craft show, hosted by Artistic Crafts & Gifts, is back starting Tuesday, Oct. 6, in the Recreation Center Ballroom, from 9 a.m. to noon. If you are looking for a special gift for someone this would be a great opportunity to check out what the crafters have made.

Shredding Event

Shred all your important documents Thursday, Oct. 15, in the Recreation Center parking lot, from 10 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$5 per one-cubic foot (normal storage size box or computer paper box).

Community Information

Please remember that masks and social distancing are required inside all facilities at On Top of the World. Guests are not permitted at any facility or pools at this time and this would include when dining at The Pub.

At this time, all New Year's Eve celebrations at On Top of the World facilities, Holiday Golf Cart Parade, annual Craft Fair and all Recreation Center events have been cancelled unless noted in this column.

Think of yourself and others by abiding by all safety protocols.

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

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Community Gardens

By Susan Yenne
World News Writer

Theresa Poznansk and Keith Hamilton were harvesting cow peas on a recent Saturday morning for their first attempt at making baked beans. They also have a freezer stocked with eggplant “un-rollatinis” and a refrigerator with seven pounds of carrots of all colors.

In their first summer at the Avalon garden, they’ve had great luck with onions, scallions, many types of peppers, kale, basil, parsley, zucchini, cucumbers, tomatoes, lettuce, catnip – and much more. Two new things they successfully tried: French radishes, which have a white top and red bottom, and asparagus

beans, which looked like two and a half-foot green pencils.

Many gardeners cut back in the summer because of the heat and humidity. For instance, Linda Taylor culled back her Avalon garden to just eggplant and peppers – and, of course, some flowers. “I’ve had eggplant coming out of my ears,” she said. “Good thing I like eggplant Parmesan ... and fresh flowers all of the time.”

Marigolds are a natural repellent for the bad insects, the ones that eat tomato plants, she said. The other abundant flowers such as zinnias and sunflowers help polli-

nate the vegetable plants.

A survey of the four community gardens in late July showed sparse plantings, mostly peppers, eggplants and flowers, with a scattering of brussel sprouts, corn, beans and tomatoes.

“I can hardly wait for fall,” said Linda Trickey, who has had a plot at the 99th Street Garden for six or seven years. In September, she said she’ll plant “everything I like to eat” – broccoli, cauliflower, carrots and cabbage.

Jean and Jerry Meyers, who waited three years to get plots in Victory, are looking forward to growing heirloom tomatoes again this fall. They had bumper crops of “the most delicious tomatoes” in the late spring and early summer.

At the end of July, there was a six-month waiting list for a plot,

said Theresa Fields, program manager for the recreation department, which oversees the free gardens in Avalon, Indigo East and Victory. The 99th Street Garden is managed by a club, which charges \$5 a year. Unless a plot is untended or mismanaged, a gardener can keep it indefinitely – but not pass it to someone else. At this time, no other public gardens are planned beyond the current 191 plots, Fields said.

On Top of the World supports the gardens with wheelbarrows, wagons, easy access to water, mowing between plots and a debris pile that is cleared regularly. Gardeners bring their own tools, plants, seeds, additional soils and fertilizers.

Fred Thompson customized his 99th Street plot with pavers down the middle and a canopied area on one end. This summer, he’s worked on flowers

Besides canopies to protect plants from too much sun, many gardeners have added trellises for tall plants, wire cages to help keep tomato plants from sagging to the ground, and short fences to keep out critters.

Hamilton said they’ve seen rats and armadillos but they spread blood meal and haven’t had any problems.



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An aerial view of Victory Garden at the Veterans Park.

COMMUNITY GARDENS

Avalon Garden

Beside the Avalon post office, at SW 91st Place and SW 101st Court
42 plots: 10 by 20 feet

Indigo East

At the head of the walking trail, off SW 79th Terrace
40 plots: 5 by 10 feet

Victory Garden

On the edge of Veterans Park
58 plots: 5 by 10 feet and 10 by 20 feet

99th Street

Under the water tower on SW 99th Street
51 plots: 10 by 20 feet

A Season for Change

By Christina Shearer

The unremarkable yet memorable summer of 2020 has come to an end. Fall is here, and we could not be more ready for change and excited for Sholom Park’s upcoming event calendar. If you are tired of staying at home, Sholom Park has something entertaining and fun for everyone.

The monthly educational series, titled L.E.A.F. [Learn · Explore · Appreciate · Focus] is an interactive adult learning experience with local field experts. The series begins in October and continues through May.

The Park After Dark series is back by popular demand. Last year, Sholom Park collaborated with Master the Possibilities to bring an engaging after-hours event to the park complete with live entertainment. All four events were sold out within the first few weeks. This event will resume Thursday, Nov. 19, with musical guest Miranda Madison for a “Fall Jazz Night.” But it doesn’t end there. From Christmas carolers to a romantic string duo with a campfire sing-along in between, Park After Dark is a music lovers delight. A \$15 per person registration fee is required.

Sholom Park has added a new Jr. L.E.A.F. series for homeschoolers and virtual learners ages eight to 12 years old. Join your children or grandchildren and attend an educational monthly walk-n-talk with park manager and horticulture expert, Brian DeVane. Learn all about Sholom Park’s flowers, plants, and trees along with our native insects, birds, and bees.

This year, we had to cancel not one but two of our much-anticipated Fun at the Park events. Let’s Get Buggy 3 was scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 18, but our current social restrictions do not allow for large event gatherings. So, we put our heads together and came up with a smaller version Let’s Get Buggy 2.5 packed full of the same interactive, and educational fun. It is scheduled

for Saturday, Nov. 14.

Finally, a new and exciting after-hours series for the whole family – Sholom Park Sunset Cinemas will debut Friday, Oct. 30. Load up your chairs, blankets, and family and join us for a monthly family-friendly movie experience on the lawn. Pack up your snacks or make it dinner and a movie with one of our local food trucks. Tickets are \$10 per vehicle (maximum of eight passengers per vehicle).

To help regulate attendance and allow for proper social distancing, all fall events require advanced registration and/or ticket purchase. You can visit our website or social media outlets for more event details and information along with links for tickets and registration.

Visit sholompark.org and follow us on Facebook and Instagram for up-to-date information.



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Sholom Park has something for everyone.



Photo by Eric Broman

Where in the world is this tree?

Where In the World Grows This Tree?

By Ron Broman

During these times, it’s been difficult in making our choice for where in the world grows this tree? This column will turn that around and give credit for making the choice easier.

As my son was visiting, I realized that my yard has a tree that we hadn’t yet featured. In fact, there are three of them in On Top of the World (clue #1).

So, as our son drove us to the trees, he took photos from his smartphone, both close up and full on. Thankful for his help!

This tree species can reach up to 70 feet with a two-foot diameter trunk. The crown is rounded and composed of short branches, which, in turn, are made up of slender, reddish-brown twigs with thin, corky lateral wings (clue #2).

In the wild, she is found in dry

woods or well-drained soil from Lake County northward. She is essentially free of diseases and her habit of growth is such that she could be utilized much more extensively than at present.

Her golden colored fall foliage is also a positive feature.

So where are these trees growing in On Top of the World? Look closely for a couple more clues. When you’ve decided where they are growing and perhaps determined their species and/or common name, give us a call at (352) 861-4560.

That’s also the number to call if and when you would like to join with members of our Native Plant Group, as we maintain the Longleaf Pine Trail, the arboretum, and the SW 94th Street circle. Growing native is natural!



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The Wat Phra Singh in Chiang Mai, Thailand.



Chiang Mai, founded in 1296 in the mountains of northwest Thailand, is a city of 127,000 people living in a verdant valley on the banks of the Ping River. It is a place of misty mountains and colorful hill tribes, where a traveler can explore exciting vistas, visit scores of ancient temples, shop until you drop, and eat wonderful food. In Chiang Mai the past and present merge together seamlessly with modern buildings standing side by side with centuries-old temples.

Chiang Mai has a fascinating Old City area that still retains vestiges of walls and moats from its long history as a cultural and religious center. Some of the oldest and most

famous of the more than 300 temples in the area are located in the Old City. One of the most famous Buddhist temples (called wats in Thailand) is the Wat Phra Singh, which was built in 1345. It houses Phra Chao Thong Tip, a very large copper and gold cast of the seated Buddha. There are 700 monks living in this temple.

The most popular attraction in Chiang Mai is the Doi Suthep. It is a mountain, 5,500 feet high, that offers fantastic views of the city and surrounding area. It is considered to be one of the most historically and spiritually significant places in Thailand. While there, you can also visit another temple built in the 13th century, Wat Phra That Doi Suthep. This temple is home to a large white elephant shrine as well as a replica of the Emerald Buddha.

Other sights that might interest you includes two different tribal villages, and several national parks.

You can combine both of these adventures by visiting the Doi Pui Tribal Village and National Park. The mountain, Doi Pui, is 5,528 feet high, and famous for its many waterfalls. Only three miles from there, is the Hmong Tribal Village, where you can see and experience how tribal villagers live.

The most popular park is the Doi Inthanon National Park. It boasts the highest peak in Thailand - 8,415 feet. In addition to the great views, this park also is famous for being the home of 362 different bird species.

We all have seen the tiny cocktail umbrellas you sometimes get with a mixed drink. Have you ever wondered where they were made? You probably assumed China, but chances are they were made in Bor Sang, Thailand, about five miles from Chiang Mai. The craftsmen in Bor Sang specialize in making colorful paper umbrellas of all sizes

and have been doing so for at least 100 years. They all are made from sa paper, a paper produced from the bark of the mulberry tree, and sometimes containing flowers.

The best time to go to Chiang Mai depends a bit on what you want to do. The best weather is between October and April, but that makes it the peak tourist season. Loving flowers as I do, I think going there to coincide with the Chiang Mai Flower Festival would be outstanding. This three-day festival is held during the first weekend in February, when the local temperate and tropical flowers are in full bloom. Personally, I would avoid the Songkran festival held in mid-April. Among other things, they have a city-wide water fight during this period. You can be just walking along minding your own business when someone dumps a bucket of water on you. Frankly, that's not my idea of fun.

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Lions Club

Gail Morris

We are Zooming! Our meetings are being held virtually and in person. Anyone interested in attending a meeting on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, come to the Hobby Building Event Room. We social distance and wear face masks.

We were pleased to have our club increase in numbers with the addition of Jewel Hafer and Lora Rossi. We are looking forward to installing all of our new members as soon as possible. The visitation restrictions for our community will mean a virtual installation.

Our focus in our local commu-

nity is to assist where needed to help others be successful; and the Walmart on Silver Springs Boulevard has assisted our club with a \$1,000 grant to help in the effort.

Our discussions at our recent meeting focused on the need of the Dunnellon Elementary school. The children who attend this school are in great need. The backpack program, which provides children identified by the school in the greatest need, provides them with an evening meal by sending home a backpack with food supplies at the end of the day and then return the next day. This program has been sidelined, because of the disinfecting issues. Lora, who is a teacher at the school, recommended the club donate to Interfaith Emergency Services as they support Dunnellon Elementary and already have a system in place for assistance. The

members present voted to donate and additional \$500 to Interfaith Emergency Services for these efforts.

Lions International assists during natural disasters (wildfires, hurricanes, etc.) and our club sends a quarterly donation to that fund but in times of specific need donations can be made to Lions International to aid their relief efforts for those families and individuals affected by a disaster. If you would like to specifically donate to the west coast wildfire relief effort, please make your check payable to Lions International, with a note in the memo area CA/OR fire relief and we will gather the donations and send them to Lions International. If you have any questions, please call either Gail Morris at (352) 317-4067 or Estelle Michelson at (352) 861-7358.

John "Moses" will be taking our donations to the Ocala Ritz Veterans Village - socks and toiletries for men and women. Anyone interested in donating can contact Estelle Michelson at (352) 861-7358 as this is an on-going project for our club.

Board member, John "Moses," reported on the eyeglass collection from a variety of recycling locations for those in need. There is a recycling box at Resident Services. This is a monthly pick-up at a variety of local locations.

If you know of someone who is struggling financially and is in need of an eye exam or glasses, please contact the Lions Club. We have an application form for such services.

If you would like to join us in our efforts, please contact Estelle Michelson, membership chair, at (352) 861-7358.



Photo by Nancy Wilkins

Toastmasters open house Zoom meeting.



I am delighted to report that our open house Zoom meeting Wednesday, Sept. 9 was a success.

The meeting started with a challenging thought of the day from Rob Vlacancich about his brother and friendship, followed by the pledge of allegiance. That was followed by a joke from our newest member Irina Koroetishevski. Then Toastmaster Patricia Wagner introduced our two speeches especially prepared for our open house.

Our guest speaker, Juanita Benedict, spoke on innovative planning with her speech "The First Step." Member David Wesenberg spoke on mentoring with his speech "The Missing Mentor." Our table topics master, Leona Vlacancich, provided three thought provoking topics requiring a two-minute answer.

The evaluation portion of the meeting was led by Pam Winter who also evaluated our guest speaker Juanita Benedict. Nancy Wilkins evaluated David Wesenberg's speech. The timer, Janet Voyles, reported that both speeches were within the required five to seven minutes. The grammarian Rosemary Walter noted that the word of the day, friendship, was used by three of our members during the program.

During the business portion of the meeting Janet Voyles reported that we had nine early registrations for the fall/winter period entitling us to a ribbon marking the success for our new club banner.

We had four guests and two new members. Toastmasters welcomes all who want to improve their communication and leadership skills, or who just want to trade experiences with others. Our meetings are currently held over Zoom. For more information contact David Wesenberg at (217) 280-4454 or dpw@mastersoftwareinc.com.

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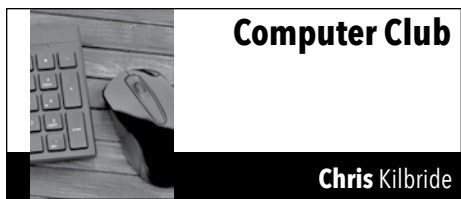
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Computer Club

Chris Kilbride

Every Saturday at 9 a.m. the Computer Club meets for an hour through our online meetings to answer both PC and Apple related questions regarding software and hardware. Our otowpcclub.org website will give lots of great information about our group.

This month we feature Paul Kan-napel, who moved here with his wife Marvel in 2008 and has been a club member for many years. This story happened on a dark summer night far from home. Paul was on his normal graveyard night shift for communications at a small U.S. Army base in Vietnam. His normal radio contact was suddenly receiving interference. Paul heard someone giving a weather report. After a period of back and forth transmissions, it was discovered he was talking to a South Korean station U.S. Army unit. This was an unusual phenomenon for an atmospheric condition to allow the normal short-range radio signal to bounce off the earth's ionosphere. Months later Paul received a letter from home with a local newspaper clipping about this two-thousand-mile radio story noticed in the Army's Stars and Stripes in 1968.

Before retirement, Paul was a mechanical engineer working in Colorado where he met his wife, taking him also to California, Indiana, and Florida. His work involved engineering design and construction as well as environmental and facilities management. Projects included airports, commercial, hospitals, labs, libraries, offices, power plants, restaurants, schools, telecommunications and utilities.

Paul was first introduced to computers in a college computer science class using the old Fortran programming language, with key punch cards and an IBM 360 computer. He continued to use computers at work including AutoCAD and Microsoft Office, and also for personal use throughout the years. Paul says he appreciates our club's regular Zoom meetings with discussions and presentations, including learning from other club members about current electronics and related On Top of the World issues. He also enjoys swimming, walking and occasionally golf.

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

Each Thursday from 9 to 10 a.m., we offer free online help sessions. Members may discuss their PC or Apple computer, smartphone or device issues for one-on-one instruction.

Recent monthly presentations were about iPhone tips, Storyworth writing your own life's story book, making a Shutterfly photo book, Google Drive and apps, Apple watch, digital estate planning, identity theft, and passwords.

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We keep the meeting fun, offering good advice and solutions to help to our members. Hope to see you on Saturday!

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Genealogy Society

Peter Parisi

On Monday, Aug. 17, Donna M. Moughty, a professional genealogist, gave a very informative educational presentation on "Online Sources for Irish Research" via Zoom.

Donna stated that it is a myth that all records on our Irish ancestors are lost. Though most of the census records from 1822 to 1891 were destroyed, the complete censuses for 1901 and 1911 are available. When researching our Irish ancestors, it is important to search any source available that covers the time and place where our ancestor lived.

When doing your research, ask, "Where did they live? What was their family name?" Most of our ancestors until the late 1800s were illiterate, so there will be spelling differences among people of the same family because the name was recorded the way the civil registrar or the parish priest heard it. Use maps for the location of the family name, as to county, civil parish and townland in which they lived. Also check adjoining counties and civil parishes using johngrenham.com/browse.

Civil registration for births, marriages and deaths for Catholic and Protestants started in 1864 and are available on all major genealogy websites.

A major substitute for missing census records is Griffith's Valuation at askaboutireland.ie/griffith-valuation/. This is a tax list, so the person listed is the occupier of the land. After the original valuation was completed, it was redone every five to 15 years. The land valuation from 1860 to 1929 in Northern Ireland can be found at apps.pro-ni.gov.uk/Val12B/SearchResults.aspx. The land valuation up to 1980 for the Republic of Ireland is available only at the Valuation Office, Irish Life Centre, Lower Abbey Street, Dublin 1. It is not online.

If you cannot find a record on your ancestor using civil records, check church records. Note, that if Catholic, the boundaries of the religious parish are not necessarily the same as that of the civil parishes. Also, they may have registered a baptism, marriage or death in an adjoining parish if that one was closer to where they live.



Travel Toppers

Anne Parker

The board of Travel Toppers has decided for the safety of our residents to cancel all remaining 2020 trips. Please visit traveltopperstours.com for updated information regarding 2021 trips.

The rescheduled trip to Mango's Tropical Café and Dinner Show in Orlando has been set for Saturday, Jan. 23, 2021. Dinner includes appetizers, salad, choice of three entrees, dessert, and coffee or soda. Alcoholic beverages are available for purchase. The bus will depart

All of the following meetings take place at 10 a.m. We will continue to conduct our meetings using Zoom. Members will be notified by email from our club president, Ron Niebo, on how to access the meeting.

On Monday, Oct. 12, we will hold the annual business meeting with the purpose of electing officers, approving the budget and setting the annual dues for the new year. These officers will be installed at the end of the meeting and will serve until Oct. 11, 2021.

On Monday, Oct. 19, Peggy Jude, a professional genealogist, will give an educational presentation, "DNA: Using the Tools - Understanding Thru-Lines, Clustering and Theory of Relativity" and how these tools help in moving your DNA research forward.

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at approximately 3:30 p.m. and return around 10:30 p.m. The price, contact information, and other pertinent details will be available on our website later in the year.

The rescheduled Father's Day 2020 trip to Sanford to enjoy a three-hour cruise down the St. Johns River on the Barbara Lee will occur on June 20, 2021. A delicious meal will be prepared fresh onboard and served at your table. Meal selections, price, contact information, and other pertinent data will be posted in a future column.

Remember these trips are open only to residents and their guests.

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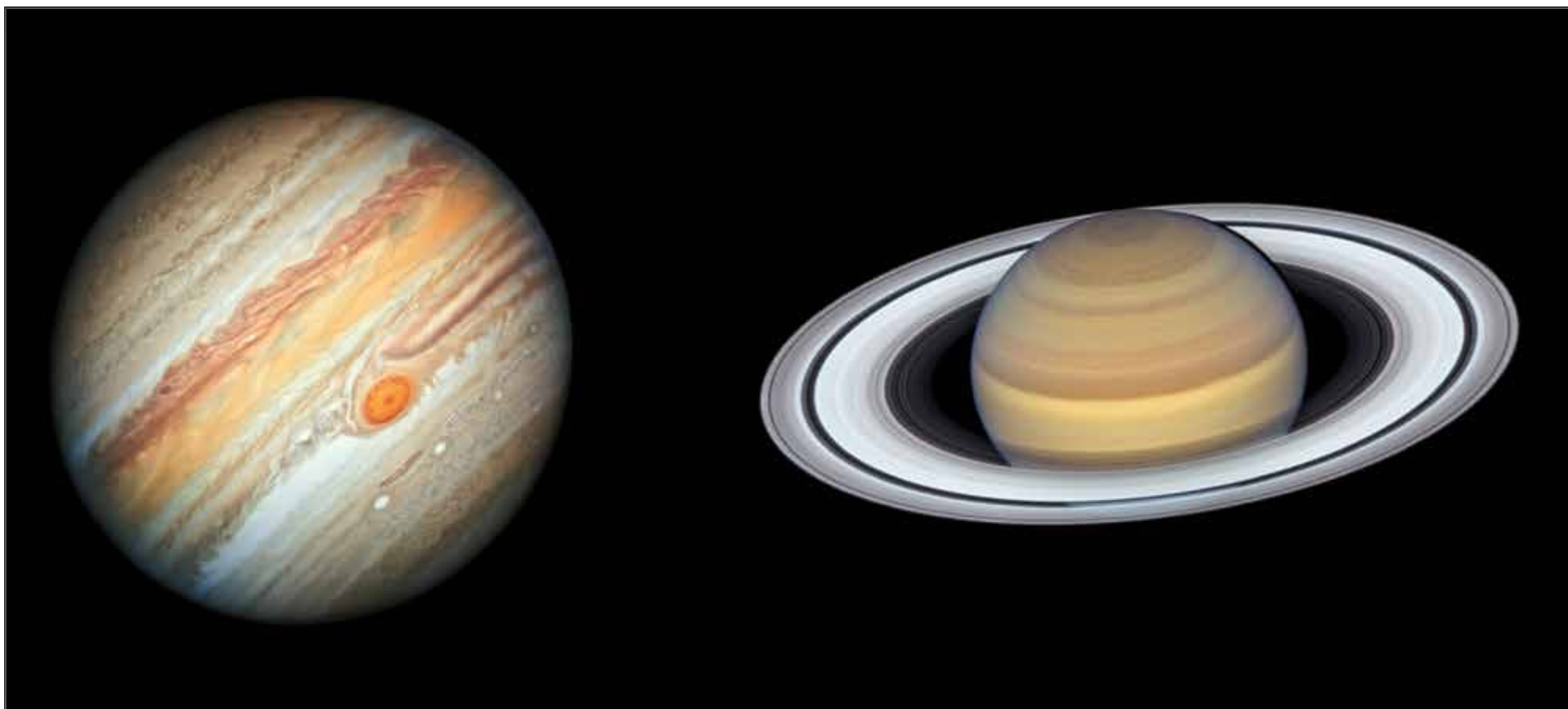


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On Top of the World NEWS

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Full 2020 schedule on page 2.



The Moonstruck Astronomy Club held its monthly Zoom meeting Thursday, Sept. 10. Club President Jim Di Paolo discussed the upcoming conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn Monday, Dec. 21. This "conjunction" means that Jupiter

and Saturn will appear to be very close together in the night sky, closer than they have appeared for 400 years! But we don't have to wait until December! The two planets already appear very close together, shining brighter in the southern sky than all the stars near them in the constellation of Sagittarius. However, they are actually separated by millions of miles.

Because Saturn is further from the Sun than Jupiter, it takes 30 years for the ringed planet to com-

plete one orbit around the Sun, while it takes Jupiter only 12 years to complete its orbit. Thus every 20 years, Jupiter "catches up" to Saturn and "laps" it in their respective orbits, passing in front of Saturn when viewed from Earth. The conjunction is the moment when the two planets appear to be exactly aligned as seen from Earth. However, this doesn't mean that Jupiter will actually eclipse (obscure) Saturn. The orbits of the planets are not all exactly in the same plane, so although Jupiter and Saturn will be "lined up" when viewed from Earth, both planets will still be in view.

In addition to Di Paolo's presentation, club Vice President Larry Isenberg gave members "five ways to enjoy astronomy during these restricted times," and club Secretary John Bridges reviewed the September night sky for other interesting objects to view. Di Paolo stated that evening star observations for club members will take place at the R/C flying field in October, if skies permit.

As always, observing sessions will be announced to members via email in the afternoon of any day that weather conditions allow for an open sky and 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. Until further notice, participants must wear face masks and maintain social distancing throughout the time they are at the observing session. Other instructions and precautions will be provided in emails announcing each session.

Excitement about astronomy continues to build with the re-establishment of evening observing sessions and a wealth of topics to discuss about the planets, stars, and the cosmos. Regular club meetings are the second Thursday of every month from 1:30 to 3 p.m. For now, they will remain online.

Any resident can join the Moonstruck Astronomy Club, and new members are welcome! Yearly club dues are only \$15 per year, which includes a subscription to the quarterly Reflector Magazine. For information or club registration, please contact President Jim Di Paolo at moonastroclub@gmail.com.

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1. When you arrive at the pavilion, you will park your car or golf cart near the street. The area next to the pavilion will be reserved for folding chairs and tables which you will bring to sit at – socially distanced, of course. Side tables or card tables that are easy to carry are recommended.
2. This year, the pavilion is restricted to food preparation only and to the servers.

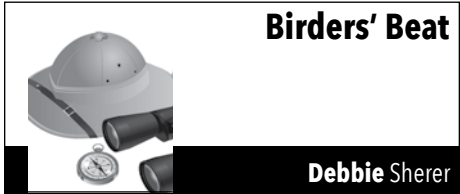
3. You will stand in line six feet apart to get your meal wearing face masks. A gloved server will hand you a plate with a Coney Island hot dog topped with chili and onions, baked beans, coleslaw, potato salad and a bagged cookie. Plastic silverware, napkins, mustard and ketchup will be handed to you.
4. Cans of cold Vernors ginger ale and water will be available. Please bring any other beverage or beer you wish to drink.
5. Please bring your own hand sanitizer.

If you purchased tickets for \$5 each last spring, those will still be honored. Tickets are still available. Please call Nancy Meininger at (352) 342-9757 or text (352) 554-0757 and tell us if you are coming. We must have a headcount, so we don't run out of food!



Photo by Erik Sherer

Swallowtail kite.



The Birding Group has decided, after thoughtful deliberation, to suspend the birding trips scheduled for October and November. Safety precautions for them would likely make logistics for birding trips in 2020 more complicated and result in less than satisfying birding experiences. In December, we plan to take an additional look at when to resume monthly birding trips in 2021.

Also, we have asked Marion County Audubon for permission

to reschedule the 2020 Southwest Marion County Christmas Bird Count (SWMC CBC) to early January 2021. Marion County Audubon has tentatively agreed that the Birding Group can conduct the SWMC CBC Jan. 4, 2021. The Marion County board will meet next week via Zoom and decide whether to give final approval to our request.

The December 2020 Birders' Beat will contain the approved date in 2021 for our 2020 SWMC CBC. If you are a birder and would like to participate in the SWMC CBC, please contact Melanie Vittitow at (352) 873-8690 or melvitt@cfl.rr.com. Please read the December Birders' Beat column with further clarification of our plans for the SWMC CBC and monthly birding trips in 2021.



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Cindy Corey and Coach Lendrum look on as Mike Corey grills Coney dogs.

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Active Singles

Jane Parker

Active Singles Club (ASC) was created for single residents. We are single, not alone! The ASC board plans to reopen activities when On Top of the World itself is fully reopened. Members enjoy many activities including: membership meetings, anniversary pool party, barbecue, Interfaith Emergency Services breakfast, golf cart decorating and parade, and New Year's Eve party.

For October, we are spotlighting Fran Martin. Originally from Springfield, Pennsylvania, Fran has lived here for three and a half years. He lived in Ocean City, New Jersey for most of his working life. Fran was an electrician who worked on large construction projects including casinos in Atlantic City. After early retirement, he moved to Florida

and lived in Treasure Island for 14 years before his relocating here.

Fran's lifelong commitment to helping those in need began when he was about four years old watching his mom distributing sandwiches she made and apples to veterans returning from World War II. He used his time when laid off from construction jobs to support local food distribution efforts. He volunteered in Treasure Island for 11 years and continues his commitment in Ocala.

Fran loves living here and enjoys how well the property is maintained. The friendly residents remind him of growing up in Springfield, Pennsylvania. He is excited about On Top of the World's future and is impressed with management's plans for additional amenities. Fran says he is in the best part of life with his friends, family, and health. He mentioned that living here is just the icing on the cake.

Fran joined ASC right after the organization was implemented. He enjoys many of the activities sup-

ported by ASC. Wallyball, Friday night dances where ASC members fill a couple of tables, the golf cart parade, and the New Year's Eve party are some of his favorite activities. Fran and others have made the Interfaith Emergency Services (IES) a focus for ASC. There are several missions within IES including: Food 4 Kids, thrift store, Center for Life (providing free medical, dental, and mental health services based on need), emergency services (providing ID cards, glasses, clothing, and hygiene products), food pantry, and the shelter program (year-round 30 emergency beds for women, children and families). IES puts back in the community 96 cents of every dollar donated.

Fran is one of the interesting people you will meet at ASC. If you want to find out more information, please consider attending the first meeting held after restrictions are lifted. Information requests are also accepted at activesinglesotw@gmail.com.



What's Cookin'

Nancy Grabowski

While I'm at home, I have been doing more cooking and baking than ever. I've searched for some long-forgotten favorites and others with versatility. I am excited to share two possibilities with you!

Lemon Ricotta Pancakes

3/4 cup flour
2 tablespoons sugar
1 tablespoon baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 cup ricotta
2 eggs
2/3 cup milk
1 lemon, zested and juiced
2 tablespoons butter

Mix the dry ingredients and add the ricotta, eggs, milk and lemon zest and juice. Stir gently to combine. Melt the butter in a frying pan, add a scant quarter cup of batter to form pancakes. When edges begin to bubble, flip and finish frying.

These lovely pancakes make a great breakfast/brunch, dinner or dessert. They can be served plain or with a topping bounded only by your tastes and creativity.

Sesame Noodles

1/4 cup soy sauce
1/4 cup canola oil
3 tablespoons sesame oil
2 tablespoons sugar
2 tablespoons rice wine vinegar
1/4 teaspoon hot chili oil
4 cloves minced garlic
1 package thin noodles or spaghetti
4 sliced, green onions
Sesame seeds

Cook noodles according to package directions. While they are cooking, stir together the soy sauce, canola oil, sesame oil, sugar, vinegar, chili oil and garlic in a large bowl. Drain cooked noodles, toss with sauce, top with sliced green onions and sesame seeds.

This simple side dish can be altered to suit your taste buds – any flavorless oil can be subbed for the canola oil; any mild vinegar can be subbed for the rice wine vinegar; any hot sauce can be subbed for the hot chili oil (the amount of heat is a matter of taste, too). For another twist, add sautéed mushrooms to the mix.

Enjoy this side for its easy preparation and because it tastes so good!



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So many kittens to choose from.




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A star was born Oct. 8, 2017 – well, sort of. It was on that date the Lone Star shined especially bright as some folks came together to form the Texas Connection Social Club. The purpose of our club is to have a good time and make friends with other residents who have ties to Texas.

At this gathering, we established that meetings will be on the second Sunday of each month from September through May and that dues would be \$10 per person per year. Striving to give our members a big bang for their buck, I've tried to facilitate some fun Texas-themed activities whenever possible. Here is a recap of our last two October events to give you some perspective.

The German legacy in Texas started in 1830 and as late as 1990 Texans who claimed pure or partial German ancestry accounted for 17.5% of the Texas population. We celebrated this legacy in October 2018 with a Texas themed Oktoberfest complete with real German food prepared by our members. Dennis Pope created a colorful directional sign post showing the distances to Texas towns and their counterparts in Germany. Lynn Pluto painted some awesome photo booth cardboard cut-outs for our "Kodak moments." It was a beautiful night, and everyone enjoyed the good food, fun and fellowship.

Another legacy was celebrated in October 2019. Many of the early defenders, founders and settlers of Texas came from Appalachian states. During the 1880s, "GTT" painted on the doors and fences of abandoned mountain homes let everyone know that they had "Gone to Texas." We celebrated this legacy with a wonderful musical celebration provided by the Dulcimer Group. Rich Furlong and his talented musicians donned their blue jeans, hats and boots and treated us to a special playlist of Texas and country songs. They even provided lyric sheets so we could sing along. Though guitars are usually associated with Texas music the sweet sounds of the dulcimers definitely



Photo by Kathy Cornell

Henry Ince and Clara Ward at Texas Connection Oktoberfest.

ruled that night.

Because of current circumstances, we won't have an October meeting to reminisce. But as soon as it is feasible to get together, we'll certainly put something together.

Our connections to Texas are de-

fined by: being born and/or raised there; living there for work, college or military service; spending time there for vacation, competitions, or for professional reasons; or having family living there. Spouses or partners who haven't been to Texas

are considered honorary Texans by association. If you would like more information about the club and to get on the email list for meeting notifications, please contact Kathy Cornell at (352) 300-3729, (352) 562-2801 or kcornell54@cfl.rr.com.



Photo by Nancy Meininger

Jewish Club members enjoy casual brunch together.



Patience is a virtue somewhat difficult to cultivate in times like these. We know what we'd like to say, but hesitate to keep you safe.

The Jewish Club wants members and all interested newcomers to know we are still active and looking forward to resuming an energetic meeting schedule. However, for the sake of your well-being, we are waiting to see what develops this fall. As the season progresses, we will hopefully get the go ahead to announce our future plans with confidence. In the meantime, stay safe.

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Fitness Solutions During Challenging Times

By Cammy Dennis

Social distancing, masks and health concerns have presented some challenges for keeping up with regular exercise; especially in the fitness centers and participating in fitness classes. We know how important regular physical activity is to maintain strength and endurance, reduce fall risk, and help manage stress; that is why your On Top of the World fitness team is working hard to provide options for you during these times.

Our fitness centers are open, and we have resumed some fitness classes. Please see the accompanying fitness class schedule in this copy of the World News for a complete listing of all the available classes. Resident IDs and masks are required in the fitness centers and to participate in the classes (water aerobics classes do not require masks).

Virtual fitness opportunities are plentiful! You can visit The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa's website at RanchOcala.com for a comprehensive selection of cardio, strength and stretch workout videos. These workout videos are currently available to all residents at your convenience!

You can also grab a friend or

your spouse and head to the Arbor Fitness Center or Indigo Fitness Center to use the F.O.D. (Fitness On Demand) workout videos. We recently repositioned some of the fitness equipment to accommodate more residents using F.O.D. at the Arbor Fitness Center. The group fitness room can now accommodate eight residents at a time to participate in F.O.D. workouts!

Additionally, if you want to participate in a live fitness class from the comfort and security of your own home, you can log onto the Ranch Fitness Center & Spa's Facebook page every Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday's live-streamed classes are cardio, and Thursdays are strength. Join our trainers as they lead the workout in real-time!

We are still offering free balance assessments, posture assessments and orientations for the Recreation Center and Arbor Fitness Center. All you need to do is call and schedule a meeting with one of our trainers for a personal appointment. Recreation Center orientations and balance assessments: (352) 854-8707 ext. 7531; or Arbor Fitness Center orientations and posture assessments: (352) 854-8707 ext. 7539.



Photo by Cammy Dennis

Jim and Susan Swift working out to a Fitness On Demand video.

If you are still uncomfortable with exercising indoors, consider using the outdoor fitness equipment at the Power Park, the Indigo East Power Park and the Candler Hills fitness trail. I am delighted to see so many folks outside walking, running and pedaling. Outdoor exercise is a great option for both physical, environmental, and emotional wellness!

Staying active is vital to overall health and wellbeing. Although we are obliged to contend with some challenges, we should not let that prevent us from keeping fit. We are here to help! If you have any questions regarding the exercise options listed here, please give me a call. I would be delighted to assist: (352) 854-8707 ext. 7532.

Stick to the Rules

By Tom Sheridan

In softball, just as in life, there are rules. In softball, at least there are umpires.

Meet Softball Club league's new chief umpire - Brian McNally. McNally, a veteran player here, began his new role with the start of the fall season in mid-September.

A native of Minnesota, McNally and his wife Baerbel, moved to Ocala in 2011. Softball wasn't far behind.

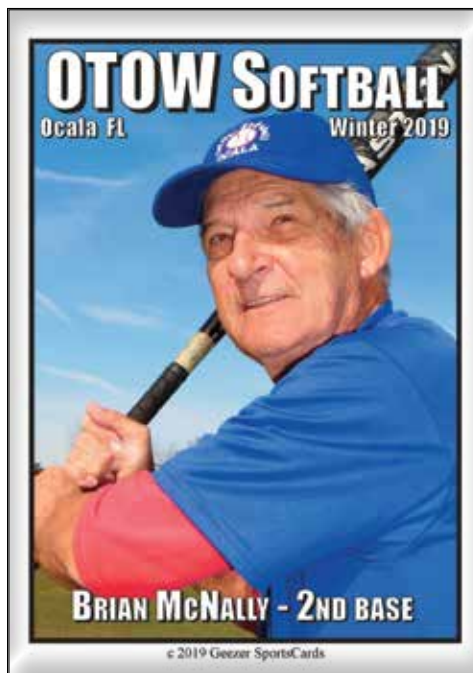
"I started playing the week after I moved in." He said the first thing he did was ask a couple of new neighbors about the game. Just days later, he was playing in the community's intramural softball league. And he's been part of the league ever since, usually fielding a solid second base or other positions - and now as an umpire.

Involvement in the sport was hardly new for McNally. He said he played as a child, in high school and even afterward. During his career as a computer science instructor, and in marketing and program

management in St. Paul, Minnesota, he played on the company's teams.

McNally halted his nine-year softball career earlier this year. He said, "My skills went out the window." But baseball and then softball had long been part of his life, he said, and he decided, "I think I'm going to retire but I still want to be around (the sport)."

Jimmy Hoff, the league's long-time and venerable umpire, also wanted to retire this past spring. So, Softball Club chair Jeff Thomas and McNally



Graphic by Tom Sheridan

Brian McNally's softball trading card

agreed he would take on the role.

About those rules. After his long contact with the sport, McNally surely knows those rules. He's played senior softball and understands the local adaptations. "I call them fairly for both sides. Keep the game moving," he said. "Make yourself as unobtrusive as possible but keep the rules."

Softball at On Top of the World is competitive but friendly, but being an umpire means trying to keep everyone happy. True, said McNally, "There are always a couple of guys who will see the rules a little differently." But that's rare. Besides, he said, we all "realize that we're here to have fun. As long as everybody's hap-

py, that the goal. That's the way it should be.

The league plays three seasons a year - fall, winter and spring/summer. The league fielded five teams when the fall season kicked off with a week of exhibition games Sept. 14. League play began the following week. The winter season will follow in early January and the spring/summer games begin in May. Games are played Monday and Wednesday mornings. A general practice for players and a skills assessment for new players are held Thursday mornings.

Spectators are welcome although visitors and players are expected to observe social-distancing rules.

A membership drive for new players is currently underway. An increased awareness of softball at On Top of the World as well as burgeoning home construction has resulted in several new players joining the league recently. All skill levels are welcome, even if you haven't played since childhood. Men interested in playing competitive softball at On Top of the World can get additional information by contacting tomsheridan.fl@gmail.com.

FBI and R/C Cars

By Gene Mangold

FBI special agent, Tom Murphy, has completed an investigation of On Top of the World and the R/C Car Club. The results were no criminals found, just a wonderful peaceful community where Tom and his wife Sue bought a lovely home in Avalon in August 2019.

The investigation of the R/C Car Club was a little more daunting as he had no prior experience with radio control or model cars. Tom was impressed with the comradeship of the club and the exciting aspect of racing cars. So following the standard FBI protocol of getting



Photo by Gene Mangold

Tom Murphy of the R/C Car Club.

the facts, he interviewed a number of the club members as to what car to purchase and what battery and battery charger to purchase. Tom, being very thorough, continued his fieldwork and went to three different hobby shops gathering additional facts and recommendations.

Tom was originally from Omaha, Nebraska, where he received a law degree and eventually moved up to head the FBI for Jacksonville region before retiring. His impressive career had not prepared him for all of the mechanical details involved in building and racing an R/C car. Finally, after all the facts were reviewed, it was love at first sight for a beautiful metallic purple stock Ford GT that made his decision. A hobby shop in Gainesville helped him with the car, battery, and charger, but the case was still not closed.

Tom returned to the track and asked members for help. When all of his concerns were answered, he put the car on the track for the first time. These experiences are not uncommon for all who are just getting started in this hobby. You can get a quick start by charging the battery and moving the controller trigger and wheel to make the run,


but there is much more. Car racing can be challenging because it includes mechanical and electronic skills of maintaining ready to run cars and later building kit cars. There are also the strategies of racing and setting up the car to be competitive. These are the reasons to join a friendly ready to help club like the R/C Car Club.

Tom started off racing with two others in the novice class consisting of only a large oval for three minutes, with his times being called out after each lap. Once Tom gets proficient with the oval, then he can choose to race in the stock class with all identical cars but with different bodies. With the new smooth asphalt track, the car of choice is on-road vehicles, which Tom has chosen.

Official points racing has not yet begun because of safety guidelines and planned repairs to the track facilities. Sign-in starts at 7:30 a.m., and races start at 8 a.m. on Tuesdays and Saturdays at the R/C flying field and car track.

Novice (Oval)

16.470-Paul Altman; 15.657-Michael Day. Rage
27.559-Tom Seitz; 22.050-Paul Beyer.



Ladies Shuffleboard

Lois Nix

Our fifth season of Ladies Shuffleboard began Wednesday, Sept. 2. Wednesday play is at 9 and 11 a.m.; Monday play is at 6:30 p.m.

On Monday, Aug. 31, we had pre-registration with 47 women who signed up. Due to current safety guidelines, we can only have 20 women shuffle at one time. Wednesday at 9 a.m. is the most popular time to play; so, we have to let the first 20 women to arrive shuffle. So, come join us at any of the above listed times.

If you are not sure if you will like the game, come down and try it, we are sure you will have a good time. As the catch-phrase says, "Try it! You'll like it!" We are a club; our seasonal dues are \$10. We are fortunate to have a sponsor who has supported us for four years and will be with us again this year. We have club shirts that say, OTOW Ladies Shuffleboard Club. All new members for this season will get shirts; in the past, he provided us a luncheon, and at that time he presented all new members with their shirts. Due to social distancing rules, we are trying to work out some details. Hopefully, we can have our tournament in March.

We welcome all women residents; Indigo East residents must have a Gateway of Services pass. The new shuffleboard courts are in the Veterans Park. Welcome back to the ladies who will be starting their fifth year with us. Hope to see you all on the courts. Happy shuffling.



Shuffleboard

Walter Lamp

The shuffleboard season got off on time, during the first fall week of September. Attendance was good, helped by the fact that some snowbirds returned and got right back into the swing of competition. Judging by their performance, they must have been practicing at their summer retreat. We had both our regular play and the skill game of Ten Pin.

The game, Ten Pin, gets its name from the fact that a bowling pin is placed on the back line, in the middle, of the small triangular 10-point box, which is in the front of the larger triangular box encompassing all the scoring boxes. The object is to reach a score of 75 first. You must get those points hopefully without knocking down the bowling pin. If you do knock it down, it's a ten-point deduction. When you reach 65 or more, you must place the final shot in the ten-point box, without knocking the pin down.

Introduction to shuffleboard will be offered on the second Saturday of the month at the new courts at 11 a.m. If you are interested in learning to play the game, we invite you to come down to these courts. We will go over the rules, scoring, safety and the basics of shooting the discs. Open-toed footwear is not permitted.

As other clubs do, we have to abide by safety rules as defined by On Top of the World. But we still have spots open, if you are interested in playing. The courts at Veterans Park have a number of activities going on, so why not come on down and just watch shuffleboard and the rest of them?



Photo by Susan Yenne

Hit your ball out-of-bounds into someone's yard? This homeowner along hole three of The Tortoise & The Hare has found a nice way to return them: Lose one, take one. Thank you!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthday, wedding or anniversary announcements may be emailed to otownews@otowfl.com by the 12th of the month.



EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

Events and activities that take place behind the gates of On Top of the World are for residents only and Gateway of Services passholders.

'Bunco for Babies' Fundraiser

By Michelle Malsch

The fifth annual Bunco for Babies fundraiser which was to be held Saturday, Sept. 26, has been postponed until Saturday, March 27, 2021. The location has been changed to the Arbor Conference Center. The time will remain the same as posted on your tickets. Please hold onto your tickets as they will be honored at that time.

Bunco is a fun game where no skill is required - if you can roll three dice you can play the game. There are four players per table. Four games of six sets will be played. Following the first two games, a brief intermission will be held, and players will switch partners at their table at that time.

Tickets are \$25 and include lunch, cash prizes for the bunco game categories, and numerous door prizes. A 50/50 raffle will be held as well. Doors open at 10 a.m.

All tickets have been sold at this time; however, I have started a waiting list as tickets do sometimes become available at the last minute.

For further information, please call Michelle Malsch (Micki) at 352-615-2790. All proceeds benefit the March of Dimes March for Babies.



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Small group play has taken up the slack for suspended league play. Groups usually have regular games they play, but you may want to consider adopting one or more of the following MGA games for your own group.

- Team Stableford: Points are awarded for each player's net score on each hole using the following point system: double bogey or higher-zero points; bogey-one point; par-two points; birdie-three points; eagle-four points;

- double-eagle-five points.
- Three Best Balls: Team score for each hole is the sum of the three best scores.
- Two Best Balls: The team score for each hole is the sum of the two best net scores.
- Shamble: All players hit a drive. Select one drive, and all players play out the hole from that spot. Record all scores, including one shot for the drive. The team score is the net total.
- Quota Points: This uses a Stableford point system for individual or team play, which reflects a player's performance relative to their handicap. Before the game, a player's or team's "quota" is established by subtracting their handicap from 36.

- A team's quota is the sum of the allocations of its members. The competition is then conducted using the Stableford scoring system.
- 1, 2, 3 Best Ball: One best net on part fives, two best nets on par fours, and three best nets on par threes.
- Scramble: A team plays for one score per hole, as each team member hits every shot - picking the best shot each time - until the ball is holed out.
- Modified Scramble: The player whose shot is chosen cannot hit the next shot. This procedure continues until the ball is on the green. Once on the green, all players will putt until the ball is holed.
- Two Drives Each Player:

- Same as a scramble, but each player's drive must be used on at least two holes.
 - Two Second Shots Each Player: Same as a scramble, with the exception that each player's second shot must be used on at least two holes.
 - White, Yellow, Orange: On each hole, everyone will hit from the color tee designated.
- If league play resumes in October, these will be the events.
- Oct. 7: Chicken Day Scramble (Links)
 - Oct. 14: Cup Challenge Day 1 (The Tortoise & The Hare)
 - Oct. 15: Cup Challenge Day 2 (Links)
 - Oct. 21: Any 4 Clubs (Links)
 - Oct. 28: Individual Low Net (The Tortoise & The Hare)



The Candler Hills LGA-18 league is again postponed. Playing different games with the ladies is always a fun challenge and we look forward to getting back to that as soon as possible. It is hopeful the league will return in the near future.

Many ladies are continuing to play golf. We are starting to have cooler weather which allows for better concentration and a more comfortable playing experience. Staying focused on a normal basis is difficult so the lovely cooler weather will be a welcome change.

The board will be presenting to the members a proposal to change membership to a calendar year (Jan. 1 to Dec. 31). There are many advantages to doing this. Some examples are being aligned with On Top of the World LGA-18 league

and Golf Genius. The board is still working on the implementation of this change so there are more details to follow.

Sara Nunn has assumed the responsibility of treasurer on the board. We appreciate her stepping in to take the position she previously held. Thank you, Sara.

The conditions on the course have been good. The recent aeration of Candler Hills should make the fairways more enjoyable to play. The heavy rains have made certain holes a little challenging but over-

all, the course is in great shape. As we are in the peak of hurricane season, let's hope the golf course will not have any negative effects from impending storms. Don't forget to be weather wise and keep one eye on the sky.

Candler Hills LGA-18 is open to any lady in On Top of the World. If you wish to join, please contact our president, Shelly Karsnitz, at karsnitz1@gmail.com.

Finally, stay safe, be careful out there and believe, achieve and enjoy golf.



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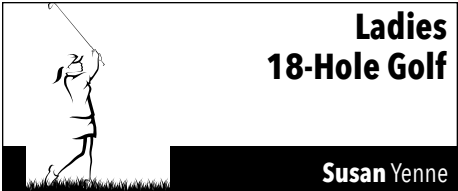
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To make golf enjoyable for everyone, we need to work together to keep the proper pace of play. Here are ways you can help:

- Be at the ball, ready to hit, when it is your turn. That means you should note the distance, yardage, wind, obstructions before reaching your ball.
- Think about club selection

before reaching your ball and always take two or more clubs with you to your shot location.

- Start moving to the next shot immediately after hitting. Be courteous to your playing partners.
- Park your golf cart on the cart path at the back side of each hole so that you may exit the hole and quickly proceed to the next tee box.
- Study the line of the putt while others are preparing to putt. Putt continuously until the ball is holed unless you might step in the line of an-

other player's ball.

- Mark your scores on the scorecard at the next tee box.
- Keep pace with the group in front of you. If your group is falling behind, invite others to play through.
- Assist your playing partners with raking bunkers, fixing divots, and repairing ball marks.
- Limit search for lost ball.
- Consider other options for an unplayable lie, besides returning to the spot of the previous stroke. (Rule 28)


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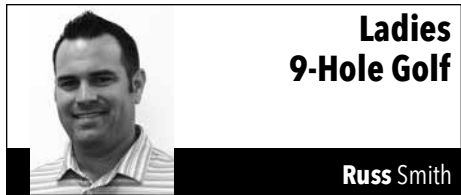


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Ladies
9-Hole Golf

Russ Smith

As we continue to move forward under challenging circumstances all events and league play will remain postponed until further notice. We will continue to monitor recommendations from the experts and act accordingly. I hope that we will be back to running exciting and competitive events in the near future. We appreciate everyone's patience through this transition.

For the last couple of months, we have occupied your down time with a variety of topics. This month's column will focus on some new equipment by Cleveland Golf and that is the RTX Zipcore wedge. For a lot of players when in thick rough, the club tends to get stuck or their contact point is higher up on the face of the club which results the ball not going as far as you want it to. This new wedge brings piece of mind to those troubling miss hits with their new Zipcore technology, basically Cleveland has put a bar higher up on the face of the club which will give you more distance and consistency on that miss hit even in thick rough. They have also added more grooves to the face to help give the player more spin around the greens.

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To help ensure that you get the right wedge for your game we offer demos in all three wedge grinds so you can take them out on the course and try them for yourself.

We will be running special discounts on certain products during the month of October so stop by the Golf Shop to see what is on sale.

I hope you found this information useful and do not forget to follow us on Facebook and YouTube.com at On Top of the World Golf Club for more updates and specials. I hope to be back to more news regarding the LGA-9 soon but until then please be safe and I hope to see you all back on the course soon.



Golf

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With fall officially upon us we would like to welcome back all the snowbirds. This is the time of year when the community is booming with excitement. I hope that we can get back to our regular tournament schedule soon but at this time, we have still postponed all leagues and events until further notice.

I would like all golfers to familiarize yourselves with the World Handicap System. It is important to understand all the proper policies and procedures of maintaining a proper handicap through the World Handicap System. On Top of the World currently has a handicap committee, which consists of 15 community golfers. The purpose of the handicap committee is:

1. Establish a handicap committee.
2. Ensure the club meets the definition of a Golf Club.
3. Know the rules of handicapping.

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10. Perform annual handicap reviews.

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World Accolades

CANDLER HILLS: Sandy Ford, hole-in-one #5. Andy Bulloch, eagle #7 two days in a row. Jon Hill shot his age 72. Greg Chaump, hole-in-one #13.

THE LINKS: Bill Wiechmann, hole-in-one #14. Richard Doyle, eagle #3. Jim Lefaver, hole-in-one #5.

THE TORTOISE & THE HARE: Al Wassmer, shot his age 72. Ralph Solvold shot 5 strokes under his age. Dwight Weirich, eagle #7. Mike Wathen, hole-in-one #8.

Congratulations to all for these fine accomplishments.

Golf Tip of the Month

You have three holes to go and you realize that you have a chance of shooting your best round ever. Then the pressure sets in and you miss your best round by one stroke. If this has happened to you then you're not concentrating on the present task at hand, the golf shot in front of you. Mentally you must stay in the present and concentrate on one shot at a time. Hopefully next time I can congratulate you on the best round of your life.



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World News Writer Ray Cech discussing why he keeps hitting his golf ball into the turtle's pond. Ray apologized and said it was an accident.

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Bunco Babes Social Group

Micki Malsch

The Bunco Babes Social Group is postponed until further notice. Please refer to the World News for updated information when the group can meet again.

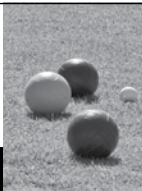
The Bunco for Babies fundraiser luncheon for the March of Dimes has been postponed until Saturday, March 27, 2021. Please hold onto your tickets. The location has been changed to the Arbor Conference Center; the time remains the same as printed on your tickets.

The Bunco Babes Social Group plays bunco in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studio IV, which is the last room facing the building on the right, on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Registration is at 6:45 p.m.; games begin at 7 p.m. Check the World News for the next scheduled game.

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. All ties result in a roll off with the highest roll declared the winner. 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 yourself if you wish - we will no longer be sharing snacks.

It's a great way to have fun and make new friends! For more information, please call Micki Malsch at (352) 615-2790. Stay safe and healthy until we meet again!



Bocce

Micki Malsch

This is how we roll! Due to the current social distancing rules and regulations, there will be no league play at this time. Open bocce is played on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. Please arrive a few minutes early so that a count can be taken and the numbers of players per court can be decided upon. Due to social distancing rules now in effect, courts are limited to four players per court. All six courts are being utilized.

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, 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.

When the new season begins Tuesday, Oct. 6, dues will be reduced to \$5 per player to cover the cost of liability insurance. This entitles you to play as many times as you want when league or open are played. Any league representative can give you the form to fill out and collect your dues. Open players are required to pay dues.

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.

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Cornhole Club

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OPEN PLAY: The Cornhole Club is in its third year of existence and as our club continues to grow, the players continue to improve their playing skills as well. Many of our members who were among the first to join have steadily improved their game through regular play in our open play format. This format allows members to play several times a week with a multitude of different players of varying degrees of ability. Sometimes they are the “teacher” of a new player and sometimes they are the “student” of a more experienced player. Everybody is always learning how to be a better player while having fun and meeting new neighbors. Nobody started out being great at anything so don't be afraid to come and have a good time and see if cornhole is that thing you could be great at! We play every Monday and Thursday at 6 p.m. and Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

Speaking of how regular play can improve your game, we have a new name to add to our hall of fame list that's posted on our bulletin board. Vince Stevens is the latest person to get on a hot streak during open play. He had a string of seven three-pointers in a row while playing in late August. Congrats to Vince on this fantastic accomplishment!

You can do it too but you need to be a club member, so contact Jim Russell at jimrussell44@outlook.com or (352) 861-6355 to get started.

LEAGUE PLAY: The spring men's league was a bit anticlimactic as the Undertakers (Bob Helf and Bill Ballweg) dominated the play from start to finish and concluded the season with a near perfect record of 26 to one. The Dirt Bags (Dwight Weirich and Rick Dikeman) finished second. As we prepare for the fall season, the Undertakers are preparing to compete for their fifth consecutive men's cornhole championship. If you are a cornhole player and think you have what it takes to beat the dreaded Undertakers, sign up now for the fall season that started in early September. Contact Sandy Martin at adsmarti@yahoo.com.



Photo by Dwight Weirich

Four-time cornhole champions – Undertakers (Bill Ballweg and Bob Helf).

The leagues started again in September for our fall season where we can expect to see the Undertakers fight for their fifth consecutive championship. The mixed league will feature the defending champion No-Names as well as The Teachers and Cornhuskers along with some very improved other teams for a battle to the end for the championship. We hope to see a repeat of the exciting spring season where three teams tied for first place at the end of play.

Hats off to all of the players who battled every week no matter what the weather conditions. They played in torrid heat, windstorms, and soggy wet conditions. The best part of this season's play was the verbal battles and comments between players and teams which added to the camaraderie and fun. Our men's league includes the top players in cornhole play who are always fun to play against, or just to watch the matches.

Western Stars Bowling

Susan Knorr

Are you ready bowlers? The Western Stars Bowling League is ready to strike up the fun and spare no one!

Our new season of league play began in September and we are still looking for new members! We welcome all bowlers looking for some fun and opportunities to meet new friends. Regardless of your bowling experience, even if you haven't bowled in 30 years (you would not believe how often I hear that), anyone can join our league! We use a handicap scoring system, so it balances out.

This year promises to be filled with plenty of exciting competition between old and new teams alike. There are a lot of teams looking to

shake things up a bit and change their members.

Pete Sanford was elected as president; Fred Knorr was re-elected as vice president; and Susan Knorr was re-elected as secretary/treasurer, at the league meeting. If you are looking to join as a member, please do not hesitate to notify us. If you are looking to meet new friends while enjoying a couple hours of bowling exercise each week, then don't miss out on this exciting opportunity.

Please contact Susan Knorr at (352) 304-8025 to sign up or get information. Practice begins at 2:45 p.m. and we start bowling at 3 p.m. The coming year promises to bring more excitement and fun. Bowling is at the AMF Galaxy Lanes, 1818 SW 17th Street, Ocala. League play takes place weekly on Thursdays.

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Pickleball

Tom West

In writing this column I am occasionally approached by members with questions or comments and I welcome all. It's not easy to come up with ideas for a monthly column when not much is going on.

This month I am writing about something that never occurred to me but recently came up in conversation. As a fairly new player, I am personally looking to always improve my game. I listen to everyone's advice, decide if I think it has merit, and try to incorporate it into my game if possible. The pos-

sible part can be tricky. Everyone has strengths and weaknesses in their game. Some weaknesses can be due to physicality. There are some things this old body won't do anymore. There are some things this brain just cannot focus on anymore as well. For me, retreating on the court is very tough. For someone else this could be easy. You see what I am saying?

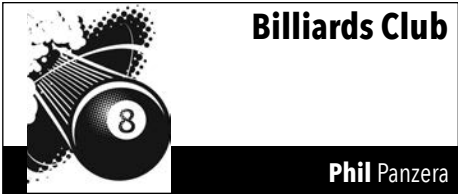
What never occurred to me was that some people don't want advice. I don't give much advice out there because I don't really feel I'm qualified to give it. A member shared with me that he isn't out there to become an Olympic athlete, he just wants to play and have fun. This person told me that he personally dislikes it when in the middle of a game someone starts criticizing his

playing. I said that everyone is competitive to some degree and since they want to win, it is only natural for folks to offer suggestions that they think will help their team attain victory.

My friend told me there is a problem with that logic. What if the person telling you what you ought to be doing isn't playing any better than you are? Wow. I never thought of that. This made me ponder what other pickleball social faux pas I, or my fellow players, may have committed. An idea quickly formed for this month's column, so all players nearby were quickly polled and asked to share what they dislike when on the courts. Pet peeves here we go. All personnel who were nice enough to share did so under condition of anonymity so don't

ask me who said what. My lips are sealed.

Prominent was coaching. I never realized how much people dislike this. Another was making a comment when your partner hits a bad shot. How about making good natured fun about someone's pickleball attire? Once again, that was one I would never have thought of. I've never done it, now I never will. Talking too much while playing. I know I am guilty of that one. Sorry. I'll try to stop. Trash talking. Really? Can't we have a little fun out there? Long strategy conferences in the middle of a game or stopping to talk to passerby. The pickleball police are in force now. Call a timeout, I guess. Here is mine - laugh once in a while; it beats working.



Billiards Club

Phil Panzera

The current restrictions are vitally important for the safety of all in the room, and we'd like to thank most everyone for conscientiously following these directives. There are just a few people though who are leaving without cleaning their table, and this can be dangerous for those that follow.

Please take the time to follow the posted rules, and clean not only the rails, but the rack, the balls, the bridges and the chairs you and other players sat in. It's not the same as failing to turn off the table light;

these rules are a vital safety measure.

The wipes provided in the room are disinfecting wipes and are safe for the tables.

There is one restriction that I have generally seen not being followed, and that is that play is limited to no more than 90 minutes. Most people prefer playing on the eight larger tables, of which only four are now available. Room hours have also been curtailed, further limiting playing time. I have seen people come in and wait for some time when all four tables are fully occupied, even though some of the players have been there for three hours or more.

I know this is a traditional thing - players waiting for a table to open - something we have unconscious-

ly done all our lives. These are not traditional times though, and we'd request that people be more conscious of this sensible and fair rule. If people come in and have to wait, and your group has been there the longest, please do the right thing and offer them your table.

At the time of this writing, face shields that extend below the chin, cover half the ears and have no gap between the headband and shield are allowed for use in the room for those having difficulty with face masks restricting their breathing. Emerging research indicates that wearing a face shield may not protect you, or others. You may wish to do some of your own research; when I did, I stopped wearing my face shield that day.

People continually ask me when

the men's league might start up again. I know from the league director that the plan is to prudently wait until it is safe to so. Time will tell, but I don't expect the league to resume until September of next year, at the earliest.

Billiards History: The tables in our room are covered by cloth manufactured by Iwan Simonis SA, a Belgian company. The town of Verviers is in a valley of the Vesdre River. The water there was of such high quality, thanks to its low lime content, that it was particularly suitable for washing wool.

It was in this valley that the Simonis factory was set up in 1680 by Guillaume Henri Simon Simonis, a middle-class merchant known as "le Mercier," or the haberdasher.



R/C Flyers

John Workman

We have made it into fall now. Temperatures are cooling down and rains should be diminishing, giving us milder, though shorter, days at the flying field. The new grass seed on the parallel runway has gotten the needed rain to begin growth and we are actually mowing

it to promote further spreading. Fertilizer is the next step and may already have happened as our field marshal, Tom Disanti, and his volunteers are on the job. Many thanks to them and the mowing crews who keep our pits and perimeter areas neat and tidy.

We are continuing to keep track of the ongoing health alert and maintaining the prescribed social distancing as well as wearing our masks. We know how hot they have been, but our health is all-important. Hopefully things will improve as the year winds down. Everyone has been cooperating so far and we don't want to let our guard down. We haven't been able to have our

usual events and activities this year, but we are hopeful that next year will see relief from the restrictions and we can again host crowds of residents for special occasions. Until then, visitors are welcome to come out individually to watch and talk with our members. Just bring your masks.

Wayne Nelson, our safety officer, reports no safety incidents even though we have seen a number of nice models bite the dust. Reasons cover the usual list of pilot errors, mechanical mischances, and unknown causes. I know from personal experience that searching for a downed model outside of the white fence is not a simple task.

The grass is high, and the pieces tend to hide from you.

Our membership is currently at 168 persons, and we have had two recent solos (Ed Walsh and Brad Youngberg). The list of trainees is growing with Don Gaffin, Chris Nastally, Doug Coleman, Steve Bilcich, and Ray Ihlenburg making steady progress. Some of them may have soloed by the time this report is published. Thanks to chief instructor, Bob "Robo" Wroblewski, and his staff for contributing their time and efforts in running this important program.

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9:00 AM	Chair Yoga* Maureen		Chair Yoga* Haley		Chair Yoga* Renu
10:00 AM			Move To Improve* Larry		
11:00 AM	Strength & Stretch* Tucker		Zumba® Gold* Kitti		Strength & Stretch* Tucker
*Face masks are mandatory					
Recreation Center Fitness Center Hours: Monday-Friday 6:30 AM - 7 PM; Saturday 7 AM - 7 PM; Sunday 9 AM - 5 PM					
Arbor Fitness Center Pool					
TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
6:00 AM	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming
7:00 AM	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
8:00 - 9:00 AM	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk
9:00 - 10:00 AM	Deep Water Fitness Class***	Shallow Water Fitness Class***	Deep Water Fitness Class***	Shallow Water Fitness Class***	Deep Water Fitness Class***
10:00 - 11:00 AM	Open	Shallow Water Fitness Class**	10:30 AM - 12:30 PM Closed for Cleaning	Shallow Water Fitness Class**	Open
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming		Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Aqua Aerobics Club	Open	Aqua Aerobics Club	Open	Aqua Aerobics Club
1:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Open	Water Volleyball 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM	Open	Water Volleyball 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM	Open
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Tennis

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Hopefully, by the time you read this column, we will be enjoying some cool, comfortable weather. Please, continue to follow all safety guidelines so that you may continue to enjoy this great sport!

As you know, tennis can help maintain and improve your health in many ways, as long as you stay away from injuries and come to the courts whenever you have the time and desire to play. It is a good thing.

As I mentioned in my previous column, one of the four major tournaments of the year, the US Open took place in New York with prize money of about \$3 million for the winners. The ladies’ winner was Naomi Osaka from Japan, and the men’s winner was Dominic Thiem from Austria. Although Federer, and Nadal did not participate and Djokovic was disqualified, the level of play was definitely outstanding, especially both finals. The next major tournament to take place in Paris is the French Open, starting the last week in September on clay courts.

Tennis Tip of the Month

The U.S. Racquet Stringers Association (USRSA) has been conducting blind tests of select tennis strings since 1992. In 28 years of

playtesting, they’ve published reviews of more than 200 strings. When you consider that the USRSA string selector tool includes lab test data for about 1,100 strings currently available on the market and includes specifications for well over 2,000 strings, the 200 strings published may not seem a large number, but these represent the cream of the crop. They were selected by their manufacturers as the strings they were most excited about.

When the manufacturers ask the USRSA to playtest a new string, they send 50 unmarked samples of the string in unmarked packaging which are distributed to the playtesters, who then string their frames according to manufacturers’ instructions and play with the string for five to six weeks before completing a comprehensive questionnaire, which includes ratings in

nine different playing categories. The results then are tabulated and published. They look at the strings that have scored the highest in overall average as well as in each of the nine categories.

The USRSA lists the strings in the top 50 spots. They also provide the top 20 strings in each of the nine playing categories to determine the overall ranking: playability, durability, power, control, touch/feel, comfort, spin potential, holding tension, and resistance to movement. The overall average rankings chart also lists the gauge of the string tested and the month and the year the original playtest was published.

If you’d like to read the rest of the story for any of the strings tested you can look through back issues of RSI, Tennis Industry, Racquet Tech and The Stringers Assistant. So, if you are interested in any

one particular string you want to use in your racquet, you can look at the reviews for that string to know about its performance.

See you on the courts!



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Sidekicks Western Dance

Paula Shira

Sidekicks official new dance season will be starting soon. We have been testing our style of dancing in the Recreation Center Ballroom, complete with masks and marked flooring to keep our social distancing. We have had our kinks to work out and our ballroom dancers sometimes need earplugs so we can make the music loud enough for the Zoom people, and occasionally our Zoomers need to dance to the music in their head because the ballroom music fades out; but we are all dancing together and still having a great time. We have been using a reservation system to determine the number of dancers in the Ballroom for each dance night. Thank you to Polly Cazeault for managing the reservation system for us all the way from Rhode Island and to Phil and Lucy Fay who are still in Iowa for being our Zoom testers willing to connect to quick Zoom meetings to try different ways of projecting audio.

We are looking forward to a new season of familiar dances, re-learning dances we have not done in a while, and even trying out some new dances. We will continue to use a hybrid system with some couples in the Ballroom and some continuing to attend via Zoom. We want all our dancers to feel comfortable

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and safe dancing this year.

We will continue to dance the second and fourth Tuesday of the month for now. So far during the summer of Zoom-only dancing we have managed to teach two brand new dances, "Purple Daze" and "Look What God Gave Us"; plus we re-taught "Seven Nights" which some Sidekicks had learned in the past but was new to quite a few of our Zoom dancers. All our Zoom dancers did great, so we will bring those dances to the Ballroom floor as our first teaches of the new season for the dancers who have been waiting to join us in the ballroom.

Your coordinators are planning to use some of the off Tuesday nights to review dances we have not done in quite a while to help us decide which dances we should bring to the entire club. Some dances work well in the ballroom but do not lend themselves to Zoom because they may travel a little too much for the average space our Zoomers have available. We will also use that time to try out some new dances we plan to teach this year, so we have plenty of dancers on the floor in every class who know the new dances in advance and can assist from the floor while we teach from the stage and via Zoom.

The Sidekicks circle is never complete without each and every one of you, and there is always room for more. Please visit patternandancers.wixsite.com/sidekicks or email us at otoworldsidekicks@gmail.com.

Remember dancing is not only fun ... it is good for you. Dance every chance you get, and dance as if no one is watching.



New Dancin' On the Top

Arlo Janssen

The New Dancin' On the Top officers wish you the best for the colorful fall season around On Top of the World. Please stay safe and well for the remaining months in 2020. We want you to enjoy dancing when it returns in full force to our great community. Please watch for any changes to our New Dancin' On the Top calendar. Currently, we have no dance plans for the fall months of October and November.

Our annual New Year's Eve dance scheduled for the Recreation Center Ballroom Thursday, Dec. 31, has been cancelled. We hope you will stay safe and sound to welcome in the new year 2021.

A great big "thank you" to all those club members who have volunteered to help with our dances



Ballet Club

Eugenie Martin

As we move into autumn, the Ballet Club is continuing classes four times a week. We all wear masks and keep the ballet barres six feet away from each other. Some clubs that have reopened have been given permission to wear facial shields instead of masks, as long as they meet certain parameters, and we

in past and future dances. Our club provides dancing for everyone - ballroom, waltz, meringue, line, free style, slow, pattern dancing, etc.

Keep checking for published dance flyers that you will see on the bulletin board later this fall and winter with these exciting themes along with ticket sale dates for each of our dances. Resident IDs will be required at the time of ticket purchase and for entry into the Recreation Center Ballroom on our dance nights.

The New Dancin' On the Top officers are working on future dates for 2021. For club membership, ticket information, what the club is about, or if you want to help with our dances, please contact Jack or Jean Hester (919) 291-8542, (919) 669-6919 or hestermulch@aol.com; or Donna Cottrell at (410) 591-7899. The New Dancin' On the Top Club is open to all residents. So, keep on dancing for the rest of 2020 and on into the new year 2021.

are looking into that option.

It is wonderful to have two ballet teachers other than myself. It gives us variety in our classes and gives me stimulation to try new routines. Class members are all very pleasant and help in whatever ways they can. From time to time, some of our members do some traveling, and we miss them when that happens.

All of our classes are held in the Arbor Conference Center Ballet Room. Below is the schedule of our classes:

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

Luckily, we do have room for one or two new dancers to join our class right now. So, if you are interested, I want you to know that you do not need ballet clothes to start. All you need are exercise clothes and socks and a bottle of water. And of course, a mask. If you already have ballet clothes, just wear them. Once we reach class, we put on our ballet shoes, which we try not to wear outside. Most of us also wear ballet skirts, and I usually bring an extra one to class. So, if you are interested, please call me at (352) 854-8589. Happy dancing!



Fit Tips

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How Much Do You Sit?

Sitting too much can undermine your health. Your body adapts to what you do most often, therefore if you sit in a chair all day, you will essentially become better adapted to sitting in a chair. The trouble is that makes you less adept at standing, walking, and functional movements such as bending, reaching, pushing and pulling.

Where do you fall on the sitting spectrum? Experts have classified low levels of sitting time as under three hours a day, moderate levels of sitting time as three to eight hours, and high levels of sitting as more than eight hours each day.

FIT TIP #1: Stand up! It is important to get the body upright and lengthen the hip and trunk muscles. Try standing at your desk instead of sitting and stand up during commercials when watching TV.

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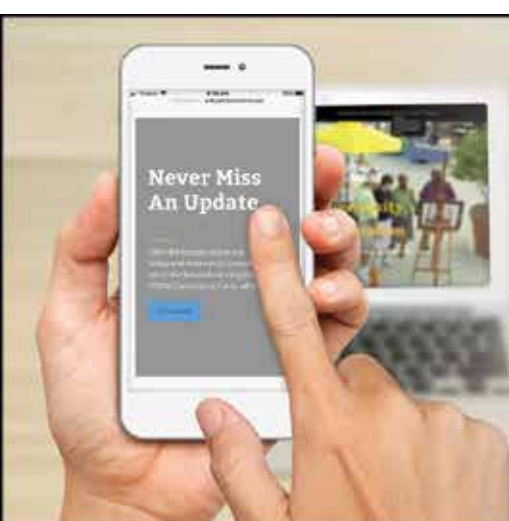
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Archery Club

Leslie McCormick

Our past columns have highlighted off-site shooting, either to discuss our many trips to Newberry before our range was open or to congratulate our members who had participated in various events such as the Sunshine State Games. Well, now it is exciting to be able to report on activities at our range!

The first club shooting event was held Saturday, Sept. 5, with 22 members participating. Depending on an archer's level of experience, each individual was able to shoot a full round of 10 targets set at 15 to 60 yards or a half-round of five targets set at 10 to 30 yards and completing two ends at each target so that everyone shot 10 times. Black targets with a white bullseye were used, scoring three arrows, 5/4/3 points. The winners in each group were:

Full Round

123—Mark D'Addario 2X; 121—Charlie Dove 3X; 116—Bill Millican.

Half Round

Championship Flight: 130—Thomas Caliendo 7X; 123—Patty Hoppe 2X; 118—Tom Ledford.

First Flight: 94—Gerald Benedict; 86—Peter Tomaselli 4X; 78—Tom Roach 1X.

Second Flight: 66—Beverly Bergmann 2X; 61—Pat Perry; 57—Scott Dombach.

For many of our members, this was their first time in any type of competition. The full results are posted at the range. We are looking forward to the next club shoot on Halloween!

The ladies finished the first annual Martha Millican Ladies Spyder Challenge with eligible spyder shots ending Friday, Sept. 11, and a shoot-off and awards ceremony Saturday, Sept. 12. As of the date this column was submitted, 10 ladies had posted 18 successful spyders and Judy Sullivan had six and Bev Bergmann had four! There must have been some good air Thursday, Aug. 27, because four ladies got spyders that day. The final results

will be shared in our column next month. Most of these ladies just started archery. Great shooting!

On Thursday, Sept. 24, Jerry Hoppe gave a presentation on plans for forming leagues in the fall. We look forward to these new club events as the weather changes and we can enjoy the range for more hours during the day.

As far as club business, our third club newsletter was sent to our members Wednesday, Sept. 2, and included updates from the board. The updated bylaws that were approved by management and the board were sent Monday, Sept. 7, to membership for approval with the results pending as of the date this column was submitted. Electronic communications have been working well, in lieu of monthly club meetings which cannot be held at this time.

We continue to welcome new members to the club. If you are interested in the sport of target archery, contact Leslie for membership information, llmccorm74@aol.com, or come out to the range and see what we are all about.



Call of the Wild

Roger Bonifield

Well, it has been a long, hot and wet summer. That, along with the other major situation we are currently experiencing, has really all but eliminated most club activities. Unlike a number of clubs that are able to use facilities here like the archery range, R/C flying field or car track, pickleball courts and much more, we have had little opportunity to get together and have any club functions. No, I don't need any cheese to go with my wine because we are still a great group of sports men and women, and we will get things rolling again soon. After all, we are On Top of the World's premier hunting and fishing club. Okay, we are it, but despite everything, our membership is still growing.

Our members-only website helps members stay in contact with each other, and find other members to put together hunting or fishing trips. One of the things that never closed are the boat ramps, allowing us to get out and get a line wet. Now with the cooler weather, the fish are finally turning on. So, if you are new here or been around awhile, and would like to see what we are all about, please feel free to contact me directly. We are currently looking for more people who have some great ideas and would like to get involved in helping Call of the Wild Sports Club move forward. Thank you for your help, understanding and patience. If you have any questions, please call Roger Bonifield at (352) 300-3601.

LEASH LAW

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Co-Ed Recreational Softball

Sherry Winn

Saturday, Oct. 3, will be the start of our newest revision of the Co-Ed Recreational Softball Club season. We have made several unsuccessful attempts to get this off the ground with enough people to participate in a game format on Tuesdays. Consequently, we agreed to change to Saturday mornings so residents who work or have other weekday commitments can take advantage of this sport in a fun, community atmosphere.

There will be no fee to participate, as no formal teams will be assigned. You are, however, encouraged to provide your own glove, and possibly bat if you can,

but there will be some available to share.

We will be focusing on safety, sanitization and social distancing. These safety guidelines are also posted on the home team dug-out at the softball field. Once restrictions are eased, residents will be able to share this activity with visiting friends and relatives.

We will not have specific coaches, however experienced players and coaches will generously share their expertise to help us improve our rusty skills. Senior softball has less restrictive rules to compensate for player safety, and as a recreational group we relax them even more according to personal skill levels. One question many seniors ask is concerning inability to run, so to answer that, as long as you can play a position, designated runners can be utilized when you bat. Remember, none of us are 30

anymore, so we will continue to warm up and do a few drills initially each day to build your confidence as well as get an idea of the skill levels so we can balance the teams.

I so look forward to reacquainting with previous participants and making many new friends to share this sport. Come out to revive your youth, participate in a team atmosphere, or share an activity with your spouse/partner. Ancillary helpers are always welcome to umpire, coach, score or assist with management as your skills and interests dictate.

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AGENDA:
1:00 PM - Program and speaker introduction: Margaret Spontak
1:05 PM - Film introduction: Matt Keene, filmmaker
1:10 PM - Film viewing: Lost Springs (40 minutes)
1:50 PM - Panelists/storytellers:
• The Amazing Strippers & Crusher Crawler: Erika Ritter, Ocklawaha River Guide
• The Silver River Story: Bob Knight, Florida Springs Institute
• Manatee Heaven and the Wildlife Corridor: Elizabeth Neville, Defenders of Wildlife
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Enjoying the Arts in the Great Outdoors

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

With so many of the everyday options closed off to us these days, there's one activity that is fun, interesting, and takes place in the great outdoors - walking and exploring the Ocala art scene.

There are wall-sized murals, sculpted pieces in various mediums, and, of course, the interesting Ocala Historic District.

The many outdoor works of art invite us to stroll from one piece of art to another. And as you walk about enjoying the murals, you also will come across some hidden surprises. Local artist Diane Cahal's "Small Spaces-Big Places" are three-dimensional works of art that you will find hidden here and there, under a bush or plant. They are fun pieces to uncover.

It's best to start the mural tour on SW 1st Avenue and Broadway just around the corner from Brick City Center for the Arts. There you will find a wildlife mural by Ernesto. What makes this living mural so unique - and a great place to start your tour, is that it has live plants accenting the forested portions of the painting. Remember that most of the murals you will see are on the sides of brick buildings - for example, the mural in the courtyard of Brick City Center for the Arts. This beautiful mural by local artist, Justin Alsedek, is also on a brick surface.

There are 11 murals in all - everyone a masterpiece. Stop and meditate if you'd like, take a photo, take a selfie, but most of all, take your time and enjoy the moment.

The City of Ocala Cultural Arts office has created the "Art in Public Places" program. As part of the program, Tuscawilla Park has been designated as the site for more than 10 sculptured pieces. The beauty and serenity of the park lends to the enjoyment of viewing these beautiful pieces of art. They are scattered throughout the park

and can be found off the designated walkways.

Two of this writer's favorites are "The Three Muses" by Hannah Jubran, and "Wings of the Phoenix" by Jenny Hager.

But, as we have often heard, art is in the eyes of the beholder. So, stroll the park and select your very own favorite.

The park itself is also a great place to bring a blanket, toss it on a grassy knoll, lay back, breathe in some fresh air and imagine the ani-

mals you see in the clouds floating by.

Walking the Ocala Historic District is another great way to get outside and enjoy the day. On this tour, you will not only have the opportunity to learn about the early, developing days of our city, but the streets themselves are a photographer's delight.

As you stroll along SE 5th Street to admire for example, The Edwards House, a Queen Anne Revival and Romanesque influenced structure, you will also be struck by the beauty of the canopy trees dripping with moss that shelter the sidewalks and roadway.

With the development of phosphate mining, and the success of orange groves and tourism in the late 1800s, and of course with Ted-

dy Roosevelt's whistle stop speech in 1898, Ocala was "on the map." Investors and developers built homes that were generous in size, designed with European architecture in mind, and situated on large plots of land. Most of these structures are well preserved and welcome us to walk by and enjoy their unique designs.

There are several sources that will help direct you to Ocala's outdoor art. Visit Ocala.occell.com and click "Select a Tour". For the Historic District you can also Google Ocala Historic District, and Tuscawilla Historic District. To learn more about the Ocala art scene, visit ocalafl.org/government/city-departments-j-z/recreation-parks/cultural-arts.



Photo by Ray Cech

Downtown Ocala mural by local artist Justin Alsedek.

At Home But Not Idle

By Jan Spielvogel

Since March I have written that Happy Hookers continues to meet separately, and our group continues to work privately on their projects. In the time that we have been apart, we have not been idle - in fact, we have been quite busy! Here are some things that our group has been doing.

- Finished a baby blanket and what is known as a "mile-a-minute" blanket using scrap yarn.
- Crocheted some really fun sun hats.
- Made tube and tube slipper

socks and an open front cardigan vest. It was crocheted in two pieces and then sewn up the back seam and side seams to arm openings.

- Knitted up a storm along with counted cross stitch.
- Crocheted octopuses and made a sweater for a very busy little boy.
- Created Christmas decorations for this year.
- Made potholders (tried to use up crochet thread). Somehow, no matter how much is made, the craft closet is still

full of supplies!

Made baby blankets, created some items using plastic canvas stitching (which is a new skill), continued to work on Christmas projects, and created a shawl from cake yarn (quite interesting to work with).

Our Happy Hookers group is open to all residents. We meet year-round on Mondays, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Hobby Building Art Room. There are no dues or agenda or penalties for missing a meeting, arriving late or leaving early. Life can and does interfere at times, and we would hate for that to hold you back. What we do have is a large group of ladies busy crocheting, knitting, needlepointing, card craft-

ing, embroidering and handcrafting of all kinds. This is a very talented group that's never too busy to help someone with a difficult pattern or stitch. We welcome newcomers with open arms. Attendees should bring whatever they happen to be working on.

If you have any questions about our club, you may call Naomi Ber- man at (352) 873-4328.

If you have yarn, pattern books, knitting needles, crochet hooks or other crafting tools that you no longer have a use for, donations are always appreciated. Please bring them on Mondays during our meeting time or contact Ellyn Weir at (352) 509-4355 to arrange for pickup.



Photos by Jan Spielvogel

Fun sun hat (left) and lots of other knitted creations (right).



Oh heck. Things are moving so fast in the construction of the new train room I was going to write something else when member Larry Luke provided a great update that I should share with the world. Here is the essence with a couple of side notes from me.

The biggest change in our new train room is the addition of Jim's G-scale layout (larger than Lionel) occupying the center of the room. Jim Lynam, our president, has been building the G-scale layout in his garage for the last year or two and two weeks ago moved it (in sections) into the room and is currently finishing up electrical and scenery setup.

Lee Robertshaw designed and built the under layout support system. It should be operational soon. The plan is to have a low to the ground O-scale layout constructed under the raised G-scale sometime in the future but for now we still have our hands full with the large HO project underway.

Al Lohr and Paul Lewandowski continue to work on the Franklin city trolley line, and Paul continues to put his 3-D printer to use manufacturing assorted bits and pieces of detailed scenery stuff. Joe Limanowski is leading the way designing and installing scenery, roads, and building clusters with the help of Bernie Bossert and Bill Rostiser.

Larry has laid the track for the wall #2 and corner #1/2 industrial zones and the scenery guys then quickly turned them into industrial parks. The coal mine over in corner #2/3 is next, as yesterday I installed the roadbed cork for the three hopper lines that will feed into the covered loading shed for the coal mine.

Jim suggested using a three-way turnout to turn the mine siding into three lines and we have done just that. The special-ordered three-way turnout has been delivered and will be installed along with all the mine siding lines on our next work day.

He has also continued to add to the HO layout electrical system and trouble shoot any problems as they may occur, and has installed all the DCC components from the old console into a new slide out drawer built by Lee ... a very slick and compact installation.

Overall there continues to be great progress made. Fridays are open run days from 1 p.m. on. Thanks to all who are working on this large project.

Speaking of Friday run days, we are now at the point when residents can come view this fantastic work in progress in the Hobby Building. You will be impressed.

The next Model Railroaders meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 7, at 9 a.m. in the Hobby Building Event Room. The Model Railroaders Club is always welcoming new members. Email the president, Jim Lynam at lynamj1946@gmail.com or me at gfmucci@yahoo.com with any questions.



Photo by Gerald Mucci

A portion of the G-scale layout.

CURBSIDE LANDSCAPE DEBRIS PICK-UP SCHEDULE

Monday* Americana Village Friendship Park (SW 97th St to 94th St) Friendship Village	Wednesday (cont'd) Indigo East Larkhill Sanctuary Stone Bridge
Tuesday* Friendship Colony (SW 93rd La to 90th Pl)	Thursday Avalon Providence Williamsburg
Wednesday Alendel Candler Hills Friendship Colony (SW 90th St, 82nd Terr, 83rd Ave, 83rd Ct, 83rd Terr, 90th Ct, 89th Terr, 89th Ct Rd)	Friday Crescent Ridge/Green Renaissance Park Windsor

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Photo contest underway! ShutterBugs have entered their photos in our annual contest entitled, "A Few of My Favorite Things." We have three independent judges reviewing our submissions for composition, impact, originality/creativity and technical quality.

Please check back here next month. We'll explain how to look online at all our photo entries and find out our judges' decisions. Just like in the past, we plan to ask you to vote for your favorite to receive the people's choice award.

Camera Mode: Sport

Here's another opportunity to move your camera dial off "auto" mode.

We've been talking about the icon-labeled scene modes on your camera dial. Even some smartphones have them. Use them to improve the quality of your shot. They can also be used by more advanced photographers with limited time to adjust their camera.

For sport mode, most cameras will display a running man shaped icon for you to select.

This mode was created to freeze any movement. You can try it for any scene with fast action. It automatically chooses continuous focusing, a large aperture and of course, a fast shutter speed.

A word of caution, since a fast shutter speed is needed to create a sharp image, keep in mind that if available light is low, your photo may tend to be grainy.

ShutterBugs' month-long October exhibit at Master the Possibilities will be another great opportunity to travel again, this time to Hawaii!

Jason Green is exhibiting his favorite shots from his 2018 visit to Hawaii. Birders know Jason will be showing some of his great bird "captures." And he promises some great Hawaiian landscape photos like the one here.

Keep in mind that there's lots to see on our recently updated club website at otowspc.com. You can view our members' galleries along with a few selected shots each month by a selected member. You can also view our past photography contest winners or find updated





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View from the Library

Linda Barilli

Are you ready to chill? Then spend some time with Miki and Julie Collins in “Riding the Wild Side of Denali, Alaska Adventures with Horses and Huskies.” The twins ventured hundreds of miles through the tangled flatlands of the Tanana River, the Kuskokwim, the Koyukuk and the Yukon. Along the way they discovered Icelandic horses. Miki proudly brings one home on a 45-mile journey through the Alaska range over ice, bogs, streams and a tundra covered with shrubs, dwarf blueberries, mosses and lichen, and with Denali towering over 20,000 feet to the south. If you love adventure and daring feats, you will find this book in non-fiction labeled 639COL.

For those of you who remember Broadway Joe Namath, sit back, relax and enjoy “All the Way, My Life in Four Quarters.” Joe brings us back to the challenging days of the 1969 Super Bowl when the Jets beat the Colts. As you recall, this young man from Pennsylvania began his career playing football at the University of Alabama for the famous coach Bear Bryant. Joe’s book can be found in biographies labeled B Namath, Joe.

“The Corpse Bridge” by Stephen Booth is packed with historical references of Northern England including burial traditions, witch-

craft, castles in ruins and folk tales. As it turns out, there were coffin roads that folks traveled to cross the Corpse Bridge to bury their dead. The setting is the Peak District from Derbyshire and Staffordshire to Edendale.

Some mysterious deaths take place which are investigated by Detective Sergeant Ben Cooper and his reluctant colleague Diane Fry. This spooky story is a real page turner and can be found in hardcover fiction.

Sarah Dunant’s “The Birth of Venus” brings us into the heart and soul of Alessandra Cecchi. This is a mesmerizing story that takes place in decadent Florence during the Renaissance era.

From the pulpit, Girolamo Savonarola’s hateful message preached the power of Satan, denouncing art and culture. He considered women vane and frail, to be guided by their husbands. They were to stay behind closed doors, be silent and obedient. His reign of terror brought melancholy and lack of hope to the people. He was the undisputed leader of the city, using strappado to enforce his power.

At the age of 15, Alessandra’s only options were to go into a convent or marry an older man. The prose is written in the first person and captures her personality, thoughts and actions precisely.

The author presents such an extended study of Renaissance art that she brings Florence to life on the pages of her book, which can be found in hardcover fiction.



Artistic Crafts & Gifts

Chris Kilbride

Great news! The Artistic Crafts & Gifts weekly craft show at the Recreation Center Ballroom starts again Tuesday, Oct. 6, from 9 a.m. to noon and will continue each Tuesday until next May. Our website ArtisticCrafts.org will give you a glimpse of the wide variety of quality products available for purchase.

We are ready for holiday sales and to also promote our virtual craft show! Any resident who wishes to sell their handmade craft items is welcome to be featured on our website. Some vendors will be available on Tuesday with a table display, while others will have five photos showing you their vast array of products for sale and a phone or email for buyers to connect on their own time frame. It’s a win-win for everyone!

All Tuesday or virtual craft show vendors will have in front of their name either a T for table or V for virtual sales, so you will know how to get in touch with them. Many of the local craft show venues have

been cancelled this year, but we are offering an opportunity to be seen and sell your products during the peak holiday season and throughout the year.

Another reason for going virtual is that lots of buyers who previously missed the opportunity to come on Tuesdays due to scheduling conflicts, now can appreciate our local talent and purchase from them anytime.

Our in-person and virtual categories range from apparel, arts, gifts, greeting cards, jewelry, hats, kitchen items, masks, mixed media, paintings, pottery, purses, quilts and toys. You’ll be thrilled to see all the creative products from our highly talented residents!

When coming into the Recreation Center Ballroom, masks are required as well as social distancing. Vendors will have hand sanitizer available at their tables, if needed. Only residents may shop at our Tuesday craft show. Virtual sales can be made anytime to anyone by just contacting the vendor, picking it up locally, or having it shipped to any location.

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



Theatre Group

Richard Rosen

The Theatre Group will be setting up a refund table for all who purchased tickets for the scheduled April performance of “Snippets.” This table will be set up in the Arbor Activity Center Event Room Tuesdays, Oct. 6, 13 and 20, from 9 a.m. to noon. Be sure to bring your tickets in order to get your refund. Social distancing and face masks will be required. Hopefully we can have a new production in the works as soon as conditions permit.

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Sunshine Quilters

Lyn Timm

So, what do you do if you are a quilter and are staying close to home for months? You sew! And our members have.

In September, we donated eight more quilts to Marion Senior Services. We all have used our time very well and have experimented with new techniques and patterns. Our members haven’t just been quilting – they continue to make masks and donate them. Some are making masks to match new outfits they are making, some are working on holiday table runners, placemats, purses, baby quilts and clothes. I’m sure you won’t be surprised to know that most of us have finished making our Christmas gifts for 2020. I think one or two have even started on 2021 gifts!

Quilters always know how to enjoy time at home! Over the next month we are going to have a few lessons on making microwave bowls, pillowcases and quilt-as-you-go projects. We always love to have new people join us even if you have never quilted before but want to start. We meet on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Hobby Building Art Room. If you’d like to learn more, call Lisa Augustine at (610) 304-1273.

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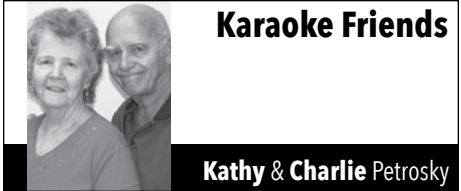
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With no karaoke happening, it is hard to think of what to tell you. I am thinking in October we have Halloween. I want to give you some ideas on how you could celebrate a karaoke Halloween at home.

Halloween is a holiday with a long history and can have different meanings for different people. The name Halloween is a shorter version of All Hallows' Eve or the night before All Saints Day. It can be thought of as a celebration of the night before All Saints Day. It is widely believed that many traditions originated from ancient Celtic Harvest Feasts. We associate trick or treating, costumes, jack-o-lanterns and bobbing for apples with this day.

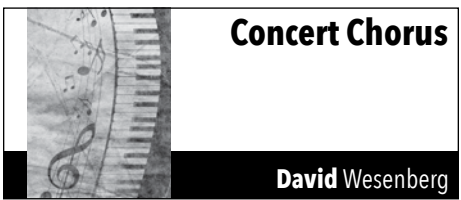
Why not make some ghoulishly good cookies for the day? If you are not bobbing for apples how about fixing an apple snack? I read that a great album to play for getting ready to party is "Superstition" by Stevie Wonder. You can dance around the kitchen as you are preparing the snacks.

Later on, why not sing some karaoke Halloween songs? Here are some suggestions:

- "Thriller" by Michael Jackson
- "Ghostbusters" by Ray Parker Jr.
- "Monster Mash" by Bobby "Boris" Pickett
- "(Don't Fear) The Reaper" by Blue Öyster Cult
- "Highway to Hell" by AC/DC
- "This is Halloween" by The Citizens of Halloween

To find these songs on YouTube.com, just type "Halloween karaoke" or "Halloween songs" in the search box. I was amazed how many are there. There is a cute video called "The Nightmare Before Christmas - This is Halloween."

If you get tired of singing, just dance. Search YouTube.com for



Concert Chorus activities are still suspended. However, for those of us who love to sing, or love to listen, I encountered an article that sings the benefits of singing. I thought this might be interesting to all. The benefits are:

- It strengthens the immune system;
- Is a workout for heart and lungs;
- It improves your posture;
- It helps you sleep;
- It is a natural anti-depressant;
- It lowers stress levels;
- It improves mental alertness;
- It can widen your circle of friends;
- It boosts your confidence;
- It broadens communication skills;
- It increases your appreciation of music.

I can add a benefit of my own. Singing is a lot of fun; especially with others! As soon as the suspension is over, join us and find out for yourself. Contact May Ann Majni at (954) 557-8176 or flmam68@aol.com for more information.



Photo by Steve Warren

A "Thriller" dancer.

Halloween dance songs. The "Monster Shuffle" is cute. They tell you how to do it. It is for children, but we all are children at heart.

We need to wait for it to be safe to return to karaoke. Singing does project more air than talking. But we can still have fun while we wait.

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As I ride my tricycle around all the new and old neighborhoods in the mornings I see all the diverse landscaping and architecture surrounded by open vistas or shaded by huge trees and I marvel at this world we live in. I think of art and see it in everything I look at. This prompted me to look up definitions of what art is and there appear to be as many as there are people doing the defining.

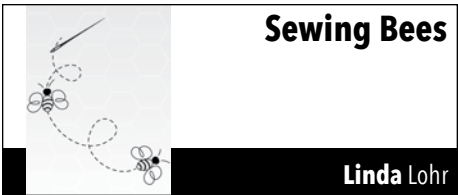
One such definition said: Art can be defined as a diverse range of human activities in creating visual, auditory or performing artifacts, expressing the author's imaginative, conceptual ideas or technical skills intended to be primarily for their beauty and emotional power. Another said Art is the expression of ideas and emotions through a physical medium like painting, sculpture, film, dance, writing, photography, theater, music and voice. These definitions are constantly changing and evolving to include different types of activity and the question "what is art" has been discussed for thousands of years and the more we talk about it the more we understand its complexity.

One of the most important aspects of your creativity is the emotion associated with what you are creating and what you expect the person viewing or listening to that creation will experience. This is entirely subjective. If you have ever had the opportunity to observe people in a gallery you will notice that each person will be different. Some will find the piece delightful, bizarre or disturbing; others may feel rage, sorrow, sadness or joy. It all depends on your life experience to that point.

Art in all its forms is one of the most important aspects of our lives, embracing and including from birth to death. Its impact is felt everywhere in our learning abilities. The connection between your hands, eyes and brain is important to a child as well as an adult to promote good learning practice. Drawing makes you think as does language and playing music.

So for those of us who are drawing, painting, sculpting, sewing and crafting, pay close attention to the affect your activity has on you. Have fun, go beyond your boundaries, experiment and immerse yourself in your creativity and if you can listen to music while you are doing this it will be an added bonus.

As you go about your daily routine observe nature around you and appreciate how artistic this world we live in can be. Embrace it.



Well, the hive is buzzin' again! We are so happy to be meeting in person and seeing our friends again! Everyone has a mask, one person to a table, but it is working well. Several people are still working at home to add to our inventory. Slowly, our agencies are opening up and we are able to make the donations.

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



Photo by Linda Lohr

Candy quilt for donation.

for to round out your week. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Nardone at (352) 300-3063. Above all, stay safe and healthy!



I am hoping we will be back together soon. Our club has so many members and we are not allowed to meet in the Event Room as yet. Until then, we are all working on cards at home for our own use. Some of us participated in a card swap which was a lot of fun. So much talent in our group!

Let's hope we can soon meet in person! Until then ... 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 meets the first and third Thursdays of the month at 1 p.m. in the Hobby Building Event Room. For information on any class or for general information, contact Kathy at the number/email below. There are basic supplies that are needed, such as a trimmer, glue, scissors, and card stock. Everyone in the group shares their supplies and everyone

brings new ideas to the table. You are only limited by your imagination!

If you feel this might be a class you would enjoy, or if you have any questions, please contact 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'!



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Dawn Winblad's swap card.



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Painting "At On Top of the World" by Anne Merrick.

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The band: Janet Juhlin, Rita Miller, Philene Frazar, Joe Furfaro, Nancy Kibler, Doug Ensley, Tom Miller. Foreground: George Bausewein, Darlene Clark.



With the continued uncertainties, no definite structure has been given to a revised schedule for The New Pretenders. We will keep you posted with any updates.

We truly are a talented bunch with so many facets, it made me wonder: "How well do you know us?" Here are some short clues and biographical tidbits to assist you. See if you can guess!

1. This Charleston charmer was a property manager who also ran a small boutique cafe called "A Spot of Tea"! Talented with a needle and thread, the ski slopes are another home away from home.
2. A hard-working teacher with a penchant for detail, she worked as a junior mail clerk while in high school. The

- post office was located in the family home; the post-mistress was the mother of our performer who often visits the summer "White House" in Georgia and the sunflowers in Kansas.
3. With a spirited joy, this character has worn many hats: Woodstock participant, bar tender, Vietnam naval veteran, bar owner, and a party person. Our super trouper is always the first to volunteer whenever help is needed.
 4. Next is a member who earned a college degree with a singing prowess like no other. He stylizes Frank Sinatra, Harry Connick, Junior, and Michael Bublé within the creative repertoire that is the hallmark of this hard-working transplant from New England.
 5. It's so easy to describe another Pretender, merely think cook, baker, hair colorist and stylist. Throw in a definite sense of fashion, some dance steps, a wig or
- two, and you've identified one more.
6. Picture this: a never-ending smile, pictures, high energy, pictures, toes, and more pictures. This New Pretender is ready to travel in a sports car, golf cart or bus any time!
 7. One of the quietest Pretenders (and yes, we do have a few), worked in the cruise ship industry. Caring and empathetic by nature, a mainstay at church, a pet sitter, this featured person has an electrifying smile.
 8. One of the most highly organized people you will encounter, our bug and snake expert has lectured at Master the Possibilities for years. Attention to detail and striving for perfection drive this former teacher to reach for the stars.
 9. Luckily for us, this English rose ventured across the pond and landed in our midst. Her boundless energy pushes her in Zumba®; her

- curiosity helped her find water aerobics and us.
10. Honed by many years of employment in Public Broadcast Television, boundless energy catapults this super trouper on to whatever stage he chooses. An endless smile and twinkling eyes make another Pretender identifiable to our audiences.
 11. A long-time store manager was also the business manager of the Miss New Bern beauty pageant! An ever-ready smile and southern charm make him popular throughout the community.
 12. Surrounded by sound equipment, a former lead singer in a Maryland rock and roll band is a jewel hidden in our midst.
- Congratulations if you guessed:
1. Fran Allen; 2. Rita Miller; 3. Bob Schmitt; 4. George Bausewein; 5. Joie Kurtz; 6. Nancy Jennings-Fair; 7. Nancy Kibler; 8. Tom Miller; 9. Jennie Stauffer; 10. Bruce Herget; 11. Joe Wood; 12. Nancy Carp.

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On the night we met, fate meant us for each other.
We sang, danced and married, only to discover
That deep inside her heart, her first love could be found.
The old memories of love and laugh, did constantly resound.
It was of her children's father, divorced because of pride.
Their interests were so far apart, now did not seem so wide.
Distraught he left without a trace, to only God knew where.
Knowing I must find him out, my heart in deep despair.
Would his love be true as hers? This question haunted me.
A lock that held our hearts so fast, my hunt must find the key.
When the search had ended, I found his heart was true.
And so instead of husband, I was "best man" for two.



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A faraway galaxy – Coney Island.

A Lost World

By Alvin S. Ross

In a faraway galaxy called Brooklyn there lies a beach so pristine that no one dare walk there. It is surrounded by an island called, Coney and offers a body of water so vast it has been named the Atlantic.
To reach this magical place one must take a mechanized vehicle that runs on tracks and bearing the number seven. Upon arrival, you proceed to a wonder of nature called a board to walk on. This truly magnificent board stretches for miles and offers so many shops of wonder that one must tread carefully for fear of losing the gold that clings to your inner pocket.
The aromas that fill the air warn of foods so delicate that they must be placed inside a rare form of bread called a bun. This bun contains a cylindrical piece of meat called a frankfurter named for a lord in another galaxy. As you follow the aromas you come upon a purveyor of a plethora of foods made famous by a man named Nathan. The food lines are so long that you first must partake of an amber liquid called beer. This so-called beer is served in a giant cup that is so cold that it almost freezes your hand. With beer in tow you move from frankfurter to hamburger, to pork to chow mein and when you thought you had enough, a potato cut with crinkles and small wedges then served in a cone shaped vessel brings you to the end of the line. So, you thought.
In a steaming vat of boiled water there's a yellow form of vegetable called, corn on the cob and to eat this delicacy does require the use of two hands as does a bright red melon made of water. As in every feast there is always a special form of iced dessert. On this particular island it is called custard. With colors of white, brown and green to tempt your palette.
Many moons ago I lived in this galaxy and for more years than I can remember I did partake of the glories of this illustrious corner. My memories of this food emporium made famous by a man named Nathan will always remain in my dreams and in my stomach.

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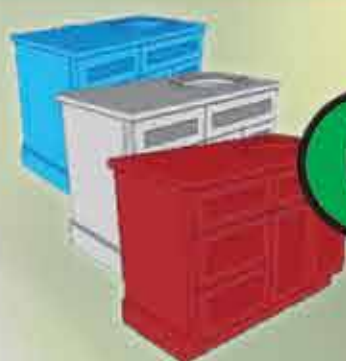
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