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Community News

Kenneth D. Colen

December begins a cycle of annual meetings for the various neighborhood owner associations. This is the schedule and location for the respective meetings:

- Master Association Annual Meeting & Budget Adoption: Tuesday, Dec. 6, in Live Oak Hall at 10 a.m.
- Weybourne Landing Annual Meeting & Budget Adoption: Wednesday, Dec. 7, in Circle Square Cultural Center at 10 a.m.
- Indigo East Annual Meeting & Budget Adoption: Tuesday, Dec. 13, in Circle Square Cultural Center at 10 a.m.
- Candler Hills Annual Meeting & Budget Adoption: Tuesday, Dec. 13, in Circle Square Cultural Center at 2 p.m.
- On Top of the World (Central) Owners Annual Meeting: Wednesday, Dec. 14, in Circle Square Cultural Center at 10 a.m.

Matters of general interest to your community, an update on recreation and meeting facilities, how the board of directors functions through the setting of policies and through the review of the projected budget for the coming year, and any legislative changes affecting your community will be among the topics discussed at each annual meeting. There will be a question-and-answer period following the main body of each meeting.

Construction Updates

As this beautiful, somewhat wet summer slips into a very dry fall, the ramp-up for the season is moving into full gear. From the property management perspective, any rain-delayed work in the community is caught up and getting lawns and landscaping ready for what little winter we enjoy around here is the current chore.

TownePlace Suites by Marriott has reached substantial completion. Very soon your family and friends will have an excellent new lodging option just outside the gates.

development in the first phase of Balfour will commence shortly, which will add to the offering of Estate Series homes in Candler Hills.

Longleaf Ridge continues to be a popular choice for new residents. As such, we continue to add additional phases and landscaping to this beautiful neighborhood. Additionally, plans for the next amenity center, located in the Longleaf Ridge area, are coming along. Check this column for future updates.

Construction of phase two at Weybourne Landing is well into the core of earth moving. As we move into the cooler, dryer months, it is common for dust within the work areas to become more prevalent. We are sensitive to the disruption site development can sometimes cause to residents living near areas under construction. As we enter this weather pattern, we increase the amount of dust control measures as needed to keep disturbances to a minimum. We endeavor to get these areas excavated, graded, and stabilized quickly in an effort to reduce erosion from wind.

Thanks to supply disruptions (the air conditioning contractor defaulted on his contract); The Landing experienced a three-week delay. We should be able to make up some of that time and hopefully residents will be able begin enjoying the clubhouse by the end of the year. The ballroom partitions, however, are back-ordered until March 2023.

Home sales across all communities are moving along at a very good pace. Move-in ready homes continue to be very popular. Demand remains strong, despite the many challenges we are facing in this over-heated and confused economy. It is ald now that small relationships the strong the strong transfer of my. It is old news that supply chains are in disarray. Insulation has been

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Veterans Day

By Phil Panzera World News Writer

As I sit here writing a preview for the Veterans Day Ceremonies on Friday, Nov. 11, I am wondering why anyone should come to an event for an often-short period of their life perhaps four decades ago. I could just give you the details but let me share why I think you should

Military service meant many different things to many different people. Some of us were drafted and couldn't wait to get out. Some of us were insecure young men and women, desperate to prove their mettle, both to themselves and others. Some were looking for excitement, some joined for patriotic duty, and some might even have joined to avoid the shotgun wedding.

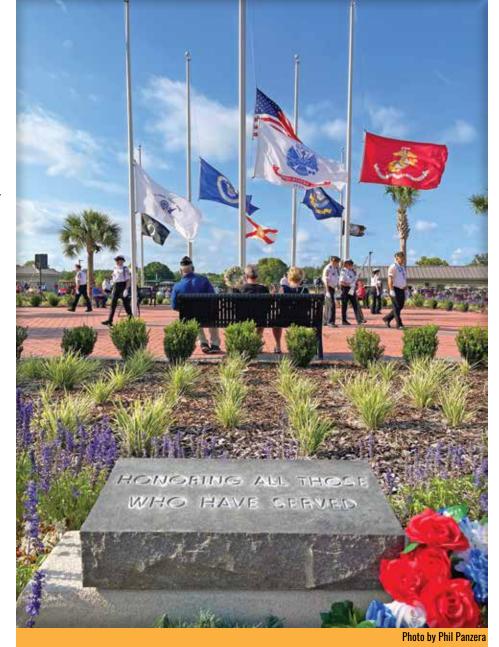
I can't speak for others, but I will share why I served, what the service meant to me, and why I joined the Veterans Club and go to these remembrance events.

I enlisted during the Vietnam War. Like many in college, I didn't have a handle on what I was doing with my life. My country was at war, and I wanted to serve. That "call" was powerful and overrode the "graduate and make money" routine. I think those who haven't served don't understand this "gift" we give our country: our future, and – for too many – our lives.
I gave my service, but the military

gave me far more back. I learned how to shoot missiles at aircraft, destroy a tank, blow up a bridge, climb a vertical cliff, and jump out of airplanes.

I learned discipline, and teamwork. I learned about selfless sacrifice, and loyalty to my brothers and sisters. I learned what it meant to lead others, and in so doing, I had to learn myself first, and scrape away the interfering flaws in my unseasoned personality.

The military transformed me in profound ways. I went in as a self-



Flag lowering at the Veterans Park in 2021.

centered individual and learned that the "unit" was infinitely more. I found purpose, and the importance of "mission," beyond that of my life.

I didn't know I could stay up for four days on a patrol, or successfully command a 250-person unit in my mid-20s. For some of us, the words "duty, honor, country" became a seamless part of who we are. This code, and the unrelenting work ethic we took for normal, paved the way for success in civilian life for many.

So, why join the Veterans Club,

or go to these ceremonies? I say, "Pay it back." Reflect on what the military gave you. The Veterans Club is involved in many charitable activities, helping veterans, school children, and more. Join us in helping others and gathering to remember and honor those who pledged their life to serve.

Veterans Day events on Friday, Nov. 11, for residents:

- 8 a.m.: Flag lowering at the
- Veterans Park. 11 a.m.: Main ceremony at
- the Recreation Center.

· Toilet paper

Razors

Diapers

Cloth bags Used plastic bags

Toothpaste

Toothbrushes

Feminine products

The mission of the U.S. Marine

Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Pro-

gram is to collect new, unwrapped

Annual Food & Toys **for Tots Drive**

By Vanessa Andujar

This holiday season, On Top of the World Communities is not only partnering with the local notfor-profit organization, Interfaith Emergency Services (IES) but also the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program.

On Top of the World is IES's designated "Bring the Harvest All Year Long" food drive champion for the month of November and December. Residents and employees have always been very generous in donating large amounts of nonperishable food items and various sundries during the annual food drive. A donation of 13,013 pounds of food was given in 2021. With this in mind, we are asking again this year for any help you can lend. This year we have set up a goal to collect 15,000 pounds of food.

As you can see by the following message, the need has never been greater:

"When families in Marion County face challenging times, On Top of the World Communities always steps up. Interfaith is so grateful for the partnership we have with this incredible community. This year, as the cost of groceries is affecting everyone, please remember that there are those who are already struggling to get by and food insecurity for them results in hunger like many of us have never experienced. If you can spare even just one or two cans of food, it will make a difference. Thank you for your kindness to those in need in our community.'

Karla Grimsley **Executive Director** Interfaith Emergency Services

Food Items

- Canned vegetables
- Jelly
- Rice
- Oatmeal
- Spaghetti sauce Macaroni & cheese
- Canned meats (tuna, chick-
- Pet food

Hygiene Items

The following staple food and hygiene items are needed:

- Canned beans
- Peanut butter
- Boxed dry pasta

- Cereal
- Canned fruit
- Canned soups
- en)

- Soap
- Shampoo Deodorant

toys each year, and distribute those toys as Christmas gifts to less fortunate children in the local area. This year, there are two days to

"Drive by & Drop off" food and hygiene items for İES - Monday, Nov. 14 and Thursday, Dec. 8. The "Drive by & Drop off" will take place at the Recreation Center.

The 2022 food and Toys for Tots drive will take place from Monday, Nov. 14 through Monday, Dec. 12. Your donation of any of the abovelisted items would be of great help. Please place your item(s) in one of the collection boxes listed below.

Let us all join in making this effort a success and reflecting the caring community On Top of the World is especially for those in need!

Community Food/Hygiene Drop Off Locations

- **Arbor Fitness Center** New Home Sales Center Candler Hills Community Center &
- Golf Shop Circle Square Cultural Center Colen Built Development
- Accounting Indigo East Community Center Indigo East Fitness Center
- Master the Possibilities
- On Top of the World Real Estate of Marion, LLC Resident Services
 - Recreation Center (upstairs and downstairs)
- The Lodge at Candler Hills The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa

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Is It Legal?





SCAM ALERT #1: The United States Marshal's office warns of a scam where the scammer calls and speaks to its victims or leaves a detailed and stern-voiced warning that you or a relative has an outstanding U.S. warrant out for them and the only way to avoid it is to pay a fine by electronic transfer, debit card, iTunes card, or some other way that once paid is untraceable. The U.S. Marshal's office does not call you to collect fines. If you get such a call, hang up the phone or if it's a message, don't return it. And anyway, the moment you hear "iTunes" card hang up!

SCAM ALERT #2: AARP is warning about phone calls impersonating charities. For example, you get a call from someone claiming to be from a fund that supports police officers. We all want to support the police. However, many of these calls are from PAC (political action committees). Why are PACs doing this? They have far less statewide and federal reporting requirements than actual charitable entities. What should you do? Best thing to do is just hang up. If you want to donate to or for a police department, Google what you are looking for before you donate.

Q This isn't a legal question, but I hope you answer it in your column. I've gone to some of your lectures on various legal and history matters. It seems as if you present an awful lot of legal and historical information and I wonder, "How did you get it?'

A. I didn't just "get it." I research the topics for my lectures. The folks who attend my lectures are not a general audience. They are engaged citizens filled with the experiences of the gives and takes, the good and not-so-good, that life offers. It is my sincere honor to be a presenter.

For my legal series, I first select a topic that I hope will interest folks who may be there. For example, homestead and probate avoidance are well-attended. Since I know that, I must be prepared. To do that, I do not rely on my memory nor upon any prior knowledge of the subject. The law changes from time to time because the legislature might amend a statute, or a court might issue an opinion that could affect much of what had been existing case law. This is particularly true, should the Florida Supreme Court issue an opinion affecting homestead, probate, or real estate ust stay current and that means I must check and re-check oner.com or visit colenwagoner.com. what I know, to stay current.

For my Civil War series, I have visited all the major Civil War battlefields and many of the lesserknown ones. I have an extensive Civil War library consisting of books, diaries, personal memoirs, letters, scholarly magazines, and regimental histories. I've attended a multitude of Civil War symposia with speakers whose expertise on the topic is mind-boggling. I have lectured on this topic for over 45

For a recent lecture on the U.S. Constitution, I read and studied the Constitution, the Federalist Papers, our Bill of Rights, and the Fourteenth Amendment. Í also discussed "present-day" issues: the electoral college, abortion, privacy rights, and religion, but in the context of what the Constitution, Bill of Rights and Fourteenth Amendment say; and how those issues have been interpreted by the courts. I tried my very best to keep my personal views out of the lecture. I believe I was correct on any fact I presented. I love when folks disagree with me. Prove me wrong, with facts. I'll listen. As for opinions: You have yours. I have mine. Drinks on me! Nuff said.

Q. Do I need to have title insurance when I buy a home from the developer who's been around for many years?

A. Full and fair disclosure: I own an interest in a title insurance company. Also, my law firm issues title insurance for real property transactions that realtors have referred to us. Yes, I believe that everyone should have title insurance no matter from whom the property is purchased. When someone pays some hundreds of thousand dollars to purchase a property, it doesn't seem logical to me to avoid getting title insurance whether the buyer has to pay for it or not. If you obtain mortgage financing, your lender wants a form of title insurance called mortgagee title insurance. Perhaps that lender is telling you something about title insurance.

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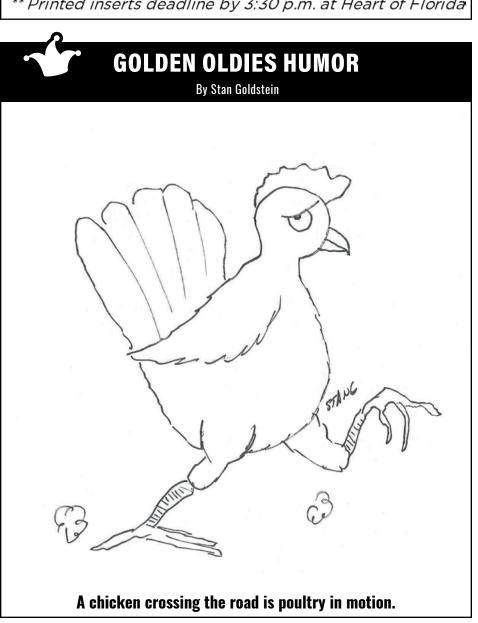
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March	02/14/22	02/24/22	03/03/22
April	03/14/22	03/24/22	03/31/22
May	04/12/22	04/21/22	04/28/22
June	05/12/22	05/26/22	06/02/22
July	06/13/22	06/23/22	06/30/22
August	07/12/22	07/21/22	07/28/22
September	08/12/22	08/25/22	09/01/22
October	October 09/12/22		09/29/22
November	November 10/12/22		10/27/22
December	December 11/11/22		12/01/22
January '23	12/12/22	12/22/22	12/29/22

- * Deadline at noon
- ** Printed inserts deadline by 3:30 p.m. at Heart of Florida



Lifelong Learning

Michelle Shideler 352-387-7571

Excitement is in the air at Master the Possibilities. Not because we are looking forward to that famous turkey or holiday dinner on Thanksgiving Day, but because this month our team will be hosting the 2023 Curriculum Kick-Off at Circle Square Cultural Center. This event is free and open to the public.

Everyone is welcome to attend Wednesday, Nov. 16, from 1 to 3 p.m. for this very popular event. We will have more than 50 faculty members attending in an expo-style layout to meet potential students and share information about their upcoming courses and events. Many instructors will have classroom projects on display and can share with prospects materials or skillsets needed for participation.

Those who attend the event will have the chance to receive the January through June 2023 catalog early, pre-register for classes, and may even win a free class. Individuals who bring a smartphone or tablet with them may even self-register for classes while visiting various tables and speaking with instructors.

Getting excited yet? If not, I will give a small clue as to what participants may expect in our curriculum next term – our learning theme is Learning in Our Own Back Yard! I invite you to stop by and experience for yourself what all the excitement is about.

Although we are promoting classes for next term already, Master the Possibilities has a plethora of learning opportunities this month that participants may choose to take advantage of while waiting for the new catalog to be released.

Our visiting speakers this month are William and Sue Wills, who will be portraying Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 2, in Live Oak Hall. In this presentation, the Wills will focus on the more private side of the lives of President and First Lady Roosevelt, and how their triumphs and tragedies helped shape their public lives. Cost to attend is \$11 for members and \$16 for nonmembers.

Astronomer and author of "100 Things to See in the Night Sky," Dean Regas will be hosting a class remotely from Cincinnati, Ohio on "Winter Skies" in Live Oak Hall. In this presentation, Regas will share with participants tips and tricks on identifying stars, constellations, planets, and more about the winter night sky. This presentation is great for beginners or those who have an interest in the night sky. Cost is \$8 for members and \$13 for non-members

That is not all that's going on this month at our Education Center. We have more than 150 courses taking place before and after the Thanksgiving holiday. Wanting to give the gift of education this holiday season? Master the Possibilities has gift certificates available. Stop by or call 352-861-9751 to learn more. To register for any of our courses and events 24/7, visit masterthepossibilities.org.

Community Patrol

Erwin Fluss

The Community Patrol continues to be the "eyes and ears" for safety in our community. We are a group of volunteers for the benefit of all our residents. Our goal, among others, is to remind residents to obey speed limits and stop signs. Speed limits are posted 30 miles per hour on streets without houses fronting the road, and 25 miles per hour on streets with houses. There have been instances where the Marion County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) has

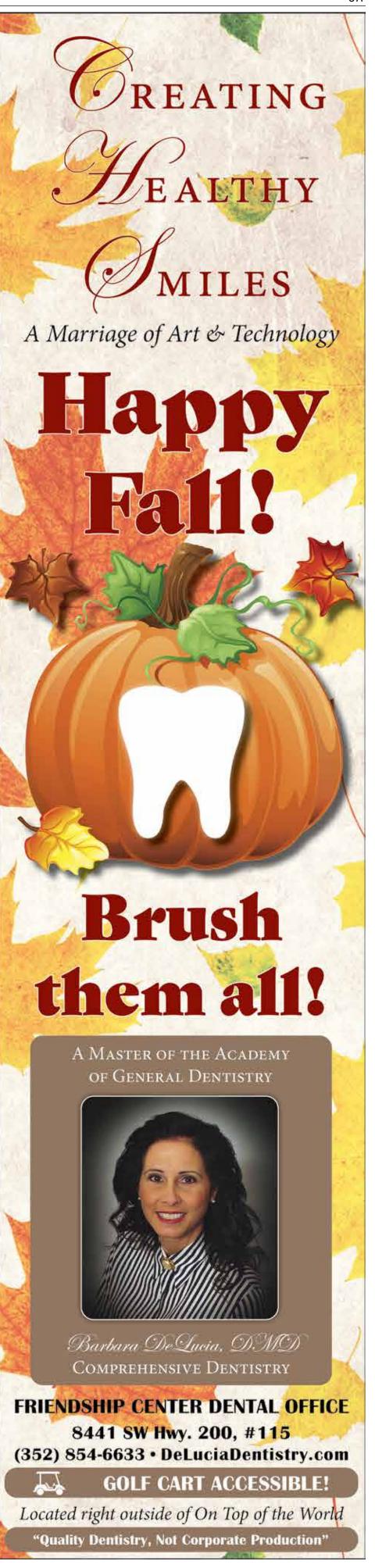
Speeding will only save a few seconds of time, so please slow down.

Lieutenant Robbins told the Community Patrol that there have been numerous unwarranted 911 calls made including false alarms. Please only call 911, when necessary, since it takes crews away from their other vital duties.

Being the eyes and ears paid off lately one Sunday morning when we discovered a sizable water leak, unreported, from an underground source flowing into the street. This was reported to the On Top of the World emergency number 352-236-

We are volunteers and invite you to join us. For further information, contact Paul Altman at 860-460-7632 or shelvesc@aol.com.





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hard to lock-in, despite being produced domestically. High end appliances are in a backlog situation. Some of that delay is due to chip shortages and the other part is labor shortages.

Out and About

Hopefully you have had time to take your bike, golf cart or changed up your walking pattern to use the multi-modal path along SW 80th Avenue to Sholom Park. The fall weather is particularly nice and that is a great way to enjoy it. Please remember that golf carts may not be operated in Sholom Park.

A Generous Community

First, thanks to all who donated food and other items for the Hurricane Ian relief drive held in October. All donated items were transported by Marion County Sheriff's Office to the hardest hit areas of Florida's southwest coast for distribution to people in need.

Once again, the On Top of the

World family of communities is ramping up its legendary generosity as the annual food and toy drive for Interfaith Emergency Services and Toys for Tots is kicking off on Monday, Nov. 14. For many years, residents and employees have donated enough non-perishable food items to the pantry to fill a 34-foot box truck completely full, and then some! I'm hoping we can beat the giving of prior years.

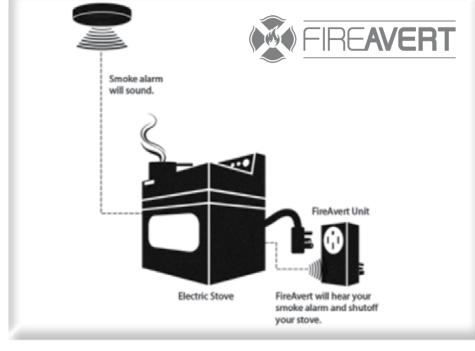
Many projects that benefit the Marion County community have been initiated and supported by residents. There are also closer to home examples of kindness: the residents who prepare meals for a sick neighbor, or help the recently widowed, are examples of the everyday caring mindset of so many residents. Your generosity doesn't stop there.

I'd be remiss if I didn't mention some of the community resident organizations that so generously engage in making the Marion County community better:

DEMOCRATIC CLUB: Ocala Ritz Veterans Village.

FUN WITH GOLF CARTS: Interfaith Emergency Services and Marion County Sheriff's Office.

LIONS CLUB: Arnette House, Oc-



ala Ritz Veterans Village, AdventHealth emergency room, Florida Center for the Blind, Southeastern Guide Dogs, Lions Club International, North Florida Lions Hearing Aid Bank, North Florida Lions Eye Bank, and Interfaith Emergency Services.

REPUBLICAN CLUB: Operation Shoebox and Vets Helping Vets.

SEWING BEES: Alpha Center for Women, Arnette House, Inc., Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Center, Head Start Program, Marion County Public Schools Homeless & Needy Children Program, Kids Central, Kimberly's Center for Child Protection, Marion County Children's Alliance, and Reddick-Collier Elementary School.

SUNSHINE QUILTERS: Alpha Center for Women and Marion Senior Services.

SWANS: Book donations as well volunteering their time at Ina A. Colen Academy.

THE NEW PRETENDERS: Domestic Violence/Abuse Center, Hospice of Marion County, Ocala Ritz Veterans Village, and Food-4-Kids Backpack Program.

VETERANS CLUB: Interfaith Emergency Services, Operation Shoebox, Vets Helping Vets, Stuff the Bus, Marion County Sheriff's Office, Project HOPE, Ocala Ritz Veterans Village, VFW Veterans Village, VFW 4781 Honor Guard, American Legion Post 354, Marion County Humane Society, SPCA of Marion County, Ocala Blue Star Mothers and Dunnellon Elementary School.

WOMEN OF THE WORLD: Operation Shoebox, Arnette House, Domestic Violence/Abuse Center, Helping Hands, Public Education Foundation, SPCA of Marion County, Stuff the Bus, and Hospice of Marion County.

Keeping the Holidays Safe

Entertaining friends and family around the holidays may be one of the high points of the season. We at Colen Built Development and On Top of the World Communities wish everyone a wonderful season and want you to enjoy a safe time. It is worth remembering certain basic tips for both fire prevention and how to deal with a sudden fire:

-Never throw water on a grease fire. Smother it with baking soda, salt, or a tight-fitting lid. If you don't have a lid, you can quickly wet a hand towel, wring it out and carefully lay it over the grease fire.

Stay in your kitchen while

- stay in your kitchen while cooking, otherwise turn the stove off if you must leave, even for a "minute".
- · Keep any material that can catch on fire away from your stovetop.

Do have a residential fire extinguisher rated for grease/oil within reach in your kitchen. This type of fire suppression device is always the preferred method for fire control. Having more than one fire extinguisher is recommended. Have a backup in case the first fire extinguisher fails.

Do install a smoke detector in your kitchen if you do not already have one. Change the battery every six months.

Have an escape plan and never go back inside a burning home. Practice your home fire drill.

Do install a FireAvert device. This ingenious life saving device shuts off the power to your stove whenever the smoke detector alarms. When the threat is resolved, turning off the circuit breaker to the stove and then turning it back on again resets the device. The device is available for purchase online (see image).

LED "candles" provide a great alternative, but if you do insist on the real deal, please "candle with care":

- · Keep them at least 12 inches away from anything that can burn.
- · Blow out candles when you go to bed or leave the room.
- Avoid use of candles in bedrooms where you may fall asleep.

Smoking safety:

· If you smoke, smoke out-doors only.

If you smoke indoors, stay alert, especially if drowsy or taking prescription medica-

Never smoke in bed.

Home heating and electrical safety:

- Only plug one heat producing appliance (coffee maker, toaster, space heater) into a receptacle outlet at time. Never plug a space heater into a power strip! Never!
- Remember to turn portable space heaters off before bedtime or leaving a room.
- Keep anything flammable at least three feet away from heating equipment.
- · Never use an oven to heat your home.
- Make sure that the electrical outlet that you are using is a "GFCI" (ground fault circuit interrupter) if you are using an electrical appliance near a sink or water (i.e. handheld hair dryer).
- · Check electrical cords to make sure they are in good working condition, are not across doorways or under carnets
- carpets.

 Check electrical cords to make sure that they have a ground
- · Use light bulbs that match the recommended wattage on lamps and fixtures.

Final Thoughts

Set aside a minute to pause for a moment, take a step back and consider all the positive events and blessings that have happened and continue to be happening in our lives. Taking stock and being grateful for all we do have, even in the worst of times, is a very positive thing to do. It can change your entire outlook. Breathe, smile!

From the entire management staff and me, we wish everyone a very happy Thanksgiving.



Resident Services 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday

Resident Services is closed daily for 30 minutes between noon and 1 p.m.



Happy Thanksgiving from our family to yours!

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Around the World

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The holiday season is upon us with much welcomed cooler weather. This month starts the season of thanks and giving, "Thanksgiving." We will celebrate Thanksgiving Thursday, Nov. 24, by sharing food, and spending quality time with our families and friends. We also remember that especially at this time of year, the needs of others are brought more to mind. That is the "giving" part of Thanksgiving. This is one of my favorite holidays. I love to cook all day just to see the food devoured in one hour. I wish you all a happy Thanksgiving.

Veterans Day

The Veterans Club will hold its annual Veterans Day Ceremony Friday, Nov. 11, starting with the flag lowering at 8 a.m. in the Veterans Park, followed by the program at 11 a.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom, culminating with a Veterans Day Classic Softball Tournament with the winner receiving a trophy presented by Mr. Kenneth D. Colen.

Daylight Saving Time

Don't forget to set your clocks – Sunday, Nov. 6 – back one hour at 2 a.m. local time, which becomes 1 a.m. local time. Many people also use this as a reminder to check and replace the batteries in their smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) detectors. You should consider replacing both smoke and CO detectors after 10 years of use. If you have any natural gas appliances in the home, you should have a CO detector in the common areas of your home.

Please think twice about getting on a ladder! If you do choose to get on a ladder, never do it without someone else present! If you have difficulty or need assistance with changing the batteries in your smoke detectors, you may set an appointment with Marion County Fire Rescue personnel to replace the batteries by calling 352-291-8000. You must furnish the replacement batteries or replacement detector. They will also install new smoke detectors. However, you must furnish the smoke/CO detector. If the smoke detectors are hard-wired, and are 10 years and older, they require an adapter kit which you must supply. Battery operated smoke detectors may not be installed over a hardwired detector. It must be placed in a different area. Our thanks to Marion County Fire Rescue for offering such a valuable service.

Resident Services

Resident Services may be reached at 352-236-OTOW (6869) or otowservice@otowfl.com, or in person by visiting Suite 500, in Friendship Commons, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Resident Services is closed daily a half hour between noon and 1 p.m. The time begins when the last resident assisted before closing vacates the building as soon after noon as possible.

Resident Services holiday hours:
Wednesday, Nov. 23: 8 a.m. to

- noon.
- Thursday, Nov. 24: Closed.
 Friday Nov. 25: 8 a m. to
- Friday, Ñov. 25: 8 a.m. to noon.Friday, Dec. 23: 8 a.m. to
- Monday, Dec. 26: Closed.
- Friday, Dec. 30: 8 a.m. to
- noon.

· Monday, Jan. 2: Closed. You may wish to complete your maintenance request online versus stopping by the office. Visit OTOW-Info.com > Maintenance Request and enter your request. Be sure to scroll down to enter the service you are requesting and click submit.

Community Cleanup Day

The Resident Services office (Friendship Commons, Suite 500) will be closed for Community Cleanup Day Wednesday, Nov. 16.

Our goal is to assist residents who have installed items or made changes to the exterior of their home without an approved modification request, voluntarily bring their home into compliance with the current Community Rules and Standards. This means that if you have installed items (planters, lawn ornaments, flag poles, landscape items, etc.) and haven't received prior approval from the Architectural Review Board (ARB), you will either need to remove the items or apply for a modification to have them approved. Employees will be throughout the community Wednesday, Nov. 16, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Friendship Village (94th Street – 99th Street Road) and Americana Village (98th Street Road – 97th Lane Road).

Please email otowservice@otow-fl.com with a subject line of "Community Cleanup Day," if you wish the team to prearrange a visit to your home.

After Hours Non-Medical Emergencies

On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association members, please notify Resident Services first before contacting an outside contractor for repairs such as roots in water lines, sewer backups, sprinklers damaged by mowers, etc.

If it is after normal business hours and you experience some manner of non-medical emergency, such as a backed-up commode, we ask that you please call 352-236-OTOW (6869) for assistance. Even though Resident Services is closed, the number is answered 24 hours a day and you will be able to speak with an after-hours representative, who, based on the reason for the call, will provide direction or dispatch an after-hours person.

Watering Restrictions

Watering restrictions change with daylight saving time effective Sunday, Nov. 6. Per the Southwest Florida Water Management District, you are only permitted to irrigate your landscaping once per week as of Nov. 6.

The reason for this is your landscaping becomes dormant during the fall and winter months requiring less water which in turn can help save you water and money. You will find the community watering schedule at OTOWInfo.com > Resources > Watering Restrictions.

Holiday Lighting

Holiday decorations and lighting are what makes the holiday season special. Holiday lighting and decorations are permitted if the lights and decorations do not constitute a nuisance. Colored bulbs in low-voltage light fixtures and building-mounted fixtures are not allowed. Rope and tube lighting are only allowed during the holiday season. Lights and decorations may be added no earlier than the second weekend in November and must be removed by Jan. 16, 2023.

Travel Safely

Use caution while traveling throughout the community. Public safety officers have been stationed periodically at the intersection of SW 79th Street Road and SW 80th Avenue. Citations are being given to those turning left from SW 79th Street Road onto SW 80th Avenue. There is (and has been) a sign on SW 79th Street Road indicating no left turn. Please adhere and use the traffic light at SW 80th Street and SW 80th Avenue when turning left (northbound) onto SW 80th Avenue.

Additionally, we recommend that pedestrians and bicycle riders use reflective vests and flashing lights to warn oncoming traffic. All golf carts using the roads before and after daylight hours are required to be equipped with headlights, brake lights, turn signals, and a windshield as stated in the Florida Statutes: Title XXIII, Chapter 316.212, Article 5.

New Fitness Program

Excitement is building for Punch Out PD (Parkinson's disease), On Top of the World's new, boxingstyle fitness class designed to com-

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bat the challenges of Parkinson's disease. Punch Out PD will launch on Wednesday, Dec. 7, at noon at the Arbor Fitness Center. Read more details in the Fitness Happenings column.

Hurricane lan

On Wednesday, Sept. 28, Hurricane Ian struck Florida with 150 mph winds that tied it for the fifthstrongest hurricane to ever hit the U.S. Ian slammed into Southwest Florida, with a trajectory towards Central Florida, leaving a path of destruction that will take months and even years from which to rebound and re-build. We are thankful that Marion County was spared major damage.

0 & A of the Month

Our focus this month is fire safety. Did you know that the City of Ocala has one of the oldest fire departments in the State of Florida? It was created in 1885 in response to the "great fire" that destroyed five square blocks downtown in 1883. During the holiday season fire hazards increase. The following information and more can be found on the National Fire Protection Association website: nfpa.org/Public-Education.

Q: What are the top fire causes,

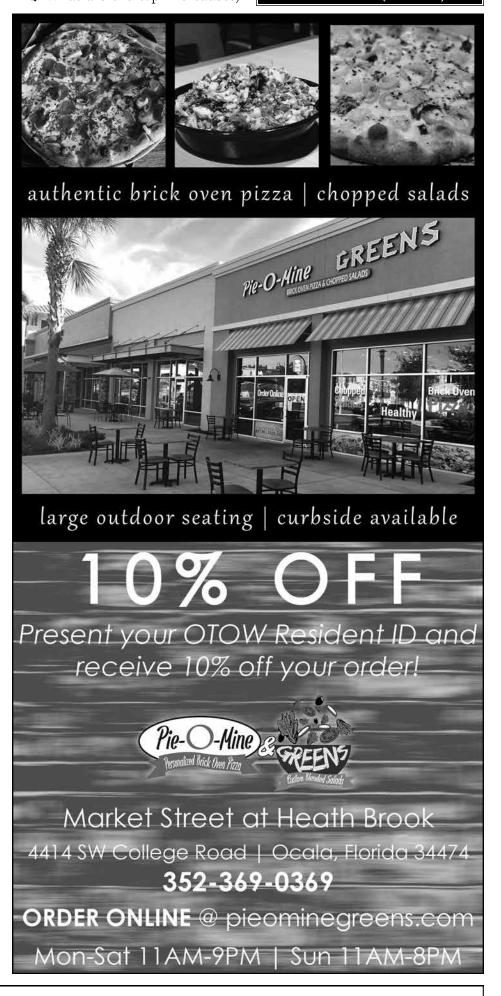
especially during the holiday season?

- **A:** Cooking (grilling), heating, electrical, smoking, candles, and wild-land fires
- **Q:** Who are the specific groups at risk?
- **A:** People with disabilities and older adults
- **Q:** What advice would you give to a 55-plus community to make this a safe season?

A: Make a home fire escape plan: Your ability to get out of home during a fire depends on advance warning from smoke alarms and advance planning. Smoke alarms are key. Working smoke alarms give you early warning so that you can get outside quickly. Immediately evacuate a burning building and call 911 from outside using a cell phone or call from a neighbor's house; never re-enter the building. Then, proceed to a predetermined location outside the home.

My thanks to the Marion County Public Relations and Fire Rescue departments for their input.

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World Traveler

Bill Shampine



On our recent tour of the Dalmatian Coast, Margitta Claterbos and I were gobsmacked with the beauty of the Plitvice Lakes National Park. The park was established in 1949 and became a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1979.

Located near the border to Bosnia and Herzegovina in central Croatia, the park is a stunningly beautiful sequence of turquoise lakes, rushing rapids, small waterfalls, and emerald hills. It covers 115 square miles of heavily forested mountainous land up to 2,100 feet in altitude and features 16 gorgeous lakes and dozens of waterfalls.

All of the water features form one interconnected hydrologic system. The lakes are terraced and flow from one to the next over natural dams that have developed over millennia. With a fall of 256 feet, Veliki Slap (Grand Fall) is the most impressive waterfall in the park.

The lakes are renowned for their distinctive colors, ranging from azure to green, gray, blue or turquoise. The color changes constantly depending on the quantity of minerals or algae in the water and the angle of the sun. They were a beautiful blue-green color while we were there.



At 256 feet, Veliki Slap is the highest waterfall in Croatia's Plitvice Lakes National Park.

A very nice feature of the park is the wooden walkway that has been built along the shores of the lakes. Park managers have created eight walking routes in the park that range in length from 2.17 to 11.3 miles. These walkways are about four feet wide, about two feet above the water, and have very few handrails, so you need to be a bit careful when in crowds of tourists.

The best time to visit the park is from spring to September when there is plenty of sunshine, lush vegetation, and the color of the lake water is constantly changing throughout the day. However, on the downside, the park gets more than one million visitors per year, and a whole bunch of them are there in July and August.

When the park became extremely popular in the early 2000s, the number of tourists became so voluminous and uncontrolled that it began to have a deleterious impact on the park itself. UNESCO then threatened to withdraw their sanction as a World Heritage site unless something was done to protect the park. The government took the threat as real, and immediately

implemented steps to better protect the park, one of which was to limit the daily attendance.

Today, there is a limit of no more than 10,000 visitors per day. That was a great move, but 10,000 people hiking on a four-foot-wide wooden walkway at the same time still makes for a crowded adventure.

Even with the crowds, however, a visit to this park was one of the highlights of our trip. The scenery is amazing; so photogenic! I took 2,500 pictures on our trip, and the ones I took in this park are some of the best. If you ever visit Croatia, you really should try to go there.





A quiz for you:

Do you have a fire extinguisher in your home? It's good to have one that handles grease fires near the kitchen and another for non-grease

Do you know how to use the extinguisher? It's important that you hold only the immovable part of the handle as you pull off the pin. Why not Google "how to use a fire extinguisher" before you need to

Is your extinguisher still functional? Read the pressure gauge.

Is it still in the green zone? Ten to 12 years is considered the normal lifetime of an undamaged extinguisher. And once an extinguisher has been discharged, it must be recharged or replaced.

Do you know that the spray from a standard home fire extinguisher lasts only 10 to 25 seconds? After that, you are urged to leave the house and call the fire department.

The Community Emergency Response Team is always training to respond if ever an emergency, such as weather, threatens our community. To inquire about volunteering to join the Community Emergency Response Team, please contact Debra Snyder at 412-443-2930. You are always welcome to attend one of our monthly meetings, held the second Tuesday of each month.



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The busy holiday season is quickly approaching. Autumn skies and pumpkin pies are immediately followed by long nights and Christmas lights. Shorter days are here so Sholom Park will be changing its hours of operation to close at 5 p.m. beginning Tuesday, Nov. 1. Although the gates may close earlier, there are several after-hours events planned throughout November and December that allow you to experience Sholom Park after dark.

The Sunset Cinema movie series begins on Friday, Nov. 9, featuring "Knives Out," an all-star American mystery movie with a unique blend of comedy. If you like Agatha Christie's murder mysteries, you'll love this suspenseful whodunit film.

It's a "Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood," on Friday, Dec. 11, starring Tom Hanks, is a biographical drama about the beloved TV personality Mister Rogers. An inspiring film about kindness, friendship, and forgiveness is the perfect feel-good movie for the holiday season.

Invite some friends, load up your chairs, and pack some snacks for a movie night under the stars. You may also purchase snacks and din-

ner from the participating food truck. McFoodland serves simple classics like burgers, wings, wraps, and more. Visit our website for more information and to register for your \$12 parking pass.

The next stop in the Park After Dark world tour entertainment and concert series is Jamaica on Thursday, Nov. 17. Experience the vibrant musical culture of the Caribbean with The Craig Thompson Project, a native of Kingston, Jamaica. Impact Island Café will serve a taste of the islands with Caribbean entrees and tropical fruit smoothies.

On Thursday, Dec. 15, ignite your holiday spirit with the sounds of the season featuring Don Soledad Music as we virtually celebrate the holidays from Spain. Chef Pablo

from Paella Anywhere will prepare authentic paella dishes made with the finest spices imported from Spain and the freshest ingredients. Registration is only \$15 per person. Food and beverage sold separately.

Sholom Park continues its quest to bring a unique musical and cultural experience to the Park After Dark concert series with live entertainment and food representing countries from around the globe. Stay tuned on our website and social media for information on the intriguing and diverse lineup of musical entertainment featuring stops in India, Scotland, and Japan. The entertainment details will all be released, and registration will open on Wednesday, Nov. 16. For more information about upcoming events, visit www.sholompark.org.

SPCA of Marion County

Melanie Vittitow



For those people not familiar with us, let me explain who we are. The SPCA of Marion County is a group of volunteers who are committed to helping the pets in need in Marion County. We get no support from the national ASPCA, so we rely solely on donations and fundraisers, such as our coffee and doughnut sales at the Club Fair and Rags to Riches. Did you see us there? Our doughnuts are so popular that we often sell out early.

So how can you help?
One of our major functions is aiding with vet care for low-income people of Marion County. For this project we are constantly in need of funds. Donations can be mailed to us at 11100 SW 93rd Court Road, Ste

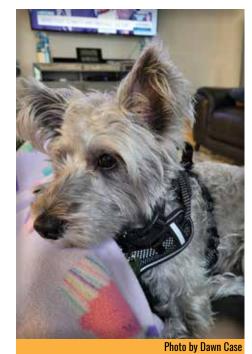
10-115, Ocala, Florida 34481. We are always in need of dog and cat food for the Marion Senior Services Pet Meals on Wheels program. We supply bags of food and a few treats for those seniors who can't afford to feed their animals. We need dry food for both dogs and cats. For safety's sake, we only use brands made in America. You can drop off your donation on the porch of Evelyn Holiday at 8880-C SW 94th Street in Friendship Colony, or at our table at the Thursday Farmers Market at Circle Square Commons.

Currently, we only have a few fosters, so we are always looking for people to open their home temporarily to a dog or cat who has lost their home. Call us at 352-362-0985 for details.

One of our current foster dogs is Pepper. He is a young schnoodle. He gets along well with the dogs in his foster home, but he barks constantly (and loudly) at any strangers (people or animal). To give him a chance at a successful adoption, we are having to send him to a training facility for a few weeks. This is not cheap, and we will not recover these funds since we have very low-cost adoption fees. So, we are asking for your help. Any donation you can contribute will not only aid him, but all the other pets that we help.

Since we work out of our homes, we have a monthly meeting to discuss business and activities. The meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 1 p.m. (Nov. 17, this month). We meet in the Fellowship Hall of the Friendship Baptist Church, 9510 SW 105th Street (just past Pine Run)

You can also check out our Facebook page (Marion County FL SPCA) or our web page [SPCAofMarion-County.Weebly.com] or call us at 352-362-0985 if you have any questions. And remember: "Pets are not our whole lives, but they make our lives whole."



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November brings cooler temperatures and a lot to be thankful for. It is the start of the holidays, so let's start celebrating with family and friends.

Trivia*

Do you love fun facts? If so, come laugh and win money prizes at trivia Monday, Nov. 14, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Indigo East Community Center. The cost is \$3 per resident and \$5 per guest.

Feast Day*

Sign up for Feast Day and make one of your favorite sides or desserts to share with your friends and neighbors Tuesday, Nov. 15, from 5 to 7 p.m. We will provide the turkey, ham, and gravy. Live music will be





Craig & Mary Ehle 65th Anniversary

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provided by Joe Beddia. The cost is \$13 per resident and \$16 per guest. Karaoke

You can sing softly or belt out a song at karaoke Thursday, Nov. 17, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Indigo East Community Center. This is a free event for residents and \$5 per guest. We have some new singers in the neighborhood. One of them is also a very good songwriter. Join us to support them.

Social Night

Paul De Ritter will provide the entertainment at Social Night Wednesday, Nov. 23, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Indigo East Community Center. Light hors-d'oeuvres will be provided (while supplies last). This is a free event for residents and \$5 per guest.

Music Trivia*

You are invited to share in the

fun at music trivia Monday, Nov. 28, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Indigo East Community Center. The cost is \$3 per resident and \$5 per guest.

Happy Hour

Dance, laugh, socialize, and drink while we entertain you with live music at Happy Hour every Friday at the Indigo East Fitness Center veranda and pool deck. You can bring your own chair, beverage, and snack. This is a free event for residents and \$5 per guest.

The upcoming entertainment is as follows:

- Nov. 4: Rock Solid
- Nov. 11: The BadKitty Band
- Nov. 18: Solid Gold Nov. 25: Nathan Leslie

New Year's Eve Celebration*

Celebrate the end of another year and the beginning of 2023 with family and friends. The New Year's Eve Celebration at the Indigo East Community Center will take place Saturday, Dec. 31, from 8:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Light appetizers, champagne toast, party favors and live entertainment with The BadKitty Band.

Community News

Cornhole is now available Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, at 8 a.m. at the Indigo East Power Park. If you have not tried this game, we hope you will! It's so much fun!

Holiday Hours

Please note that Indigo East Fitness Center will be open Wednesday, Nov. 23, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and closed Thanksgiving Day.

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

The Lodge at **Candler Hills**

Nilva Torres 352-387-9508



Let's welcome the month of November with thankful hearts. It's time to gather with friends and family. Come and enjoy all the festivities that we have this month.

Harvest Chef's Demo*

Fresh Plates Creative Catering presents a Harvest Chef Demo Wednesday, Nov. 2, from 3 to 5 p.m. Learn how to prepare a fall harvest meal for your guests just in time for the holidays. The cost is \$16 per resident and \$18 per guest. The menu will consist of a fall salad, stuffed pork loin, butternut squash, sautéed green beans, and pumpkin rolls.

Happy Hour

Happy Hour takes place every Friday from 5 to 8 p.m. Bring your own beverages and let's have some fun! The entertainment lineup is as follows:

Nov. 4: Debbie Owen Nov. 11: Cross Fire

- Nov. 18: Mike Webb
- · Nov. 25: Automatic

Social Night

George Durham and Company will provide two hours of easy listening music Tuesday Nov. 8, from 5 to 7 p.m. Social Night is a great way to socialize with friends and neighbors. Bring your beverage of choice and enjoy light hors-d'oeuvres (while supplies last). This event is free for residents and will take place in the ballroom.

Friendsgiving*

Celebrate Friendsgiving Wednesday Nov. 16, from 5 to 7 p.m. Enjoy time with friends and family and be grateful for our blessings. Bring your favorite dish to share and Fresh Plates Creative Catering will provide turkey, ham, and gravy. Live music will be provided by Prestine Allen as you dine. The cost is \$15 per resident and \$18 per guest accompanied by a resident. You may bring your own beverage of choice.

Lobby Lounge Music

Bring your beverage of choice and enjoy light music by Paul De Ritter Monday, Nov. 28, from 5 to 7 p.m. This is free for Candler Hills residents and \$5 per guest.

Tinsel & Tinis Party*

Join us for a Tinsel & Tinis Cocktail Party Wednesday, Dec. 21, from 5 to 7 p.m. Soft sounds of the holidays will be provided by Prestine Allen. You'll receive two drink tickets to choose from three flavored martinis: eggnog, peppermint, or gingerbread. Holiday inspired hors d'oeuvres of cookies, cranberry cream cheese puff, and cheesecake bites will be provided. The cost is \$13 per resident and \$15 per guest accompanied by a resident.

New Year's Eve Celebration*

Ring in the New Year at The Lodge at Candler Hills Saturday, Dec. 31 from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Proper evening dress is required. Cash bar will be provided (no outside alcohol permitted).

The evening will consist of a light appetizer shareable platter for each table, dessert will be parfait shooters, coffee, tea, and a champagne toast in a souvenir flute. Entertainment will be by Groove 41, and seating is limited to eight per table. Tickets are \$45 per resident and \$55 per guest accompanied by a resident. A maximum of eight tickets per resident may be purchased.

Holiday Hours

Please note that The Lodge at Candler Hills will be open Wednesday, Nov. 23, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and closed Thanksgiving Day. The pool will remain open but unmonitored.

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

HANDICAP EQUIPMENT

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The holiday season has arrived, and this means festive decorations, shopping trips and the wonderful aroma of hearty food pouring from the ovens. If you are traveling during the holidays, please be safe. In addition, daylight saving time ends on Sunday, Nov. 6 at 2 a.m., don't forget to set your clocks back one

Line Dance Classes*

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

The following classes will be taught in the Recreation Center Ballroom every Monday. The cost is \$10 per four-week class per month or \$30 for a three-month pass. Your monthly pass includes practice sessions on Wednesdays. December line dance class tickets go on sale Monday, Nov. 21.

Choose your class according to your ability. If you have any questions, please email Darlene Miller at darmiller222@gmail.com.

ABSOLUTE BEGINNER (noon to 1 p.m.): This is an introduction to line dance class and progresses into Beginner Level I. Basic line dance steps and simple step patterns are used in dances.

IMPROVER PLUS (1:15 to 2:15 p.m.): Dance experience is required. More intricate step combinations and rhythms are used in dances. Current popular dances are included. Improver Plus is slightly easier than intermediate.

BEGINNER LEVEL II (2:30 to 3:30 p.m.): Dancers will build on their basic line dance knowledge through easier dances with different rhythms. New step combinations and dance patterns will be taught as needed. Some prior dance experience is required.

BEGINNER LEVEL I (3:45 to 4:45 p.m.): A complete season in Absolute Beginner is required with familiarity of basic line dance steps. Dancers have acquired some experience. Easy dances with some different step patterns are introduced.

NEWCOMERS (5 to 6 p.m.): This is an introduction to line dance class and progresses into Absolute Beginner. Basic line dance steps and simple step patterns are used in dances.

Ballroom Dance Lessons*

Butch Phillips is a devoted and qualified ballroom dance instructor. We encourage anyone interested in partnership dancing to participate. Singles are also welcome as we rotate partners among all willing students.

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

Classes include step description for leader and follower, including correct characteristic of dance with an emphasis on lead and follow skills and lots of practice to music. On the last day of class each month, we encourage you to bring video recording equipment to record what was taught that month.

The classes are as follows: November - Cha-Cha; and December – Waltz.

Tap Dance Classes*

Have some fun with tap instructor Penny Berton. No experience necessary. She will start with the basics, and you will find yourself progressing quickly. Join the class, bring tap shoes (or hard-sole shoes), and awaken your love for tap. There are currently two classes available on Tuesdays in the Recreation Center Ballroom: Intermediate (2:15 p.m.) and Advanced (1 p.m.). Classes are \$20 per person for a four-week class (monthly).

Beginner Broadway Dance Classes*

Do you love musicals? "Chicago," "A Chorus Line," and "Grease' are just a few of the fun and exhilarating musical routines you will learn. All choreography will be inspired and styled after those foot-stomping favorites. This is a seven-week session (November and December) with no experience needed. The cost is \$42 per person. Classes are held in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios I-IV every Friday, at 1:30 p.m.

Veterans Day

The Veterans Club will hold their annual Veterans Day Ceremony to honor our current, past, and future men and women of the U.S. Armed Forces Friday, Nov. 11, at 8 a.m. at the Veterans Park for a flag lowering ceremony and at 11 a.m. at the Recreation Center Ballroom for a veterans program. Blue Star Mothers will also be collecting monetary donations for Wreaths Across America.

Veteran residents and Softball Club members will be participating in the Veterans Day Classic Softball Championship Friday, Nov. 11, from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the softball field. Spectators are welcome. Mr. Colen will be presenting the championship trophy to the winning team.

Photography Exhibit & Reception

ShutterBugs Photography Club is hosting a digital photography exhibit at the Recreation Center Ballroom from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. daily through Saturday, Nov. 26. The photography at this event ranges from beginner to advanced and includes the winning photos from their annual photo contest. In honor of their work, a reception will take place Tuesday, Nov. 8, where you can meet the photographers displaying their work at the exhibit. The reception will be in the Recreation Center Ballroom from 3 to 5 p.m. Light refreshments will be served with a cash bar available. Visit the Recreation Center office to register for the reception.

Holiday Golf Cart Parade & Holiday Celebration

We are gearing up for yet another successful and festive Holiday Golf Cart Parade Saturday, Dec. 3. Clubs and residents with golf carts, unique cars, motorcycles, bicycles and more are encouraged to participate and help make this year's parade the biggest and best our community has ever seen!

Prizes will be awarded for the most creative, funniest, most festive, most original, and best in show (club sponsored) decorated golf carts. An inscribed trophy will be awarded to the club for best in show and will be displayed at Resident Services. Last year's 2021 best in show was awarded to the Active Singles Club.

The parade will showcase decorated golf carts, marching cadets, classic/antique cars, recumbent trikes, R/C cars, a horse carriage with the 2021 prom king and queen, Marion County Sheriff's Office and Marion County Fire Rescue as well as Santa himself.

The parade will start at the Recreation Center parking lot at 2 p.m. and will circulate throughout the community and end at The Town Square at Čircle Square Commons.

Golf cart judging and awards will take place at The Town Square from 4 to 4:30 p.m. The Holiday Celebration will follow at The Town Square through 9 p.m.

To participate in the parade, please register your club or individual golf cart at the Recreation Center office by Wednesday, Nov. 30. For more information, call 352-854-8707 ext. 7533 or 7498.

Tinsel & Tinis Party*

Join us for a Tinsel & Tinis Cocktail Party Thursday, Dec. 22, in the Recreation Center Ballroom at 5 p.m. Soft sounds of the holidays will be provided by Prestine Allen. You'll receive two drinks tickets for two flavored martinis. The martinis will pair with the holiday desserts of cookies, cranberry cream cheese puffs, and cheesecake bites. The cost is \$13 per resident and \$15 per

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guest attending with resident. **Victory Casino Cruise***

On Wednesdays, Dec. 28, and Jan. 25, join us for an afternoon of fun with 600 slot machines, bingo, and a sportsbook, 27 live table games, an à la carte, and live entertainment. Face masks and a government issued photo ID are required.

No smoking is allowed. The cost is \$54 per person and includes bus transportation, food voucher, port boarding fee, priority check in, \$20 in qualifying slot play, entertainment, and free drinks while gaming.

Partner Dance Night

Do you like to couple dance? Come join us Thursday, Dec. 29, in the Recreation Center Ballroom at 5 p.m. This night is for ballroom and partner dancers to enjoy a night of dancing among those who know the dancing etiquette for these beautiful dance moves. This event is free and resident IDs will be required for entry. All guests must be accompanied by a resident with an ID. Please note dancing etiquette is required for this night and line dancing or single dancing will not be permitted.

New Year's Eve Celebration*

The New Year's Eve celebration will take place in the Recreation Center Ballroom Saturday, Dec. 31, 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Proper evening attire is required. Cash bar will be provided (no outside alcohol permitted).

The evening will consist of light appetizer shareable platters for each table. Dessert will be parfait shooters with coffee, tea, champagne toast in a souvenir flute and entertainment by 007 Band. Seating is limited to eight per table. Tickets (max of eight per person) are \$45 per resident and \$55 per guest, accompanied by a resident.

Trivia*

Tropic Trivia has exploded in popularity and takes place the first Thursday of every month in the Recreation Center Ballroom. To give everyone an opportunity to participate in future trivia nights, we will be selling only two months at a time. The cost is \$5 per resident and \$7 per guest. The next sign-up date is Monday, Nov. 21, for January/February 2023 trivia.

Don't miss out on your team's opportunity to participate. A cash bar will be provided, and you are welcome to bring snacks for your table. Please note that coolers, cups, or beverages of any kind are not permitted. A water station will be provided at no cost.

Cell phones are not permitted. Anyone found with a cell phone or using any type of electronic equipment including watches at their table during trivia will automatically disqualify the entire team (no exceptions).

Pool Pavilion Happy Hour

Happy Hour at the Recreation Center pool pavilion is from 1 to 4 p.m. every Friday. Should inclement weather be predicted the outdoor entertainment will be cancelled.

The entertainment lineup is as





follows:

- Nov. 4: Take 2
- Nov. 11: Palomino Blonde
- Nov. 18: Kurtis Mae

Nov. 25: David Beaty Please note that no outside bev-

erages of any kind will be permitted at the Recreation Center veranda, pool, nor pool pavilion.

Happy Hour

Join us for Happy Hour every Friday from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom. Get your cowboy boots and hats out and come join us for a foot stomping good time as we enjoy a "Hoe Down" Happy Hour Friday, Nov. 11.

The entertainment lineup is as follows:

- Nov. 4: Solid Gold Nov. 11: "Hoe Down" with
- Tim Hargis
- Nov. 18: Groove 41

Nov. 25: No Happy Hour Resident IDs will be required for entry into Happy Hour. Anyone not producing a resident ID will be considered a guest and guest fees are \$5 per person. Children under the age of 15 will not be permitted to Happy Hour. Please note that no outside beverages of any kind will be allowed into Happy Hour.

Community Pavilions

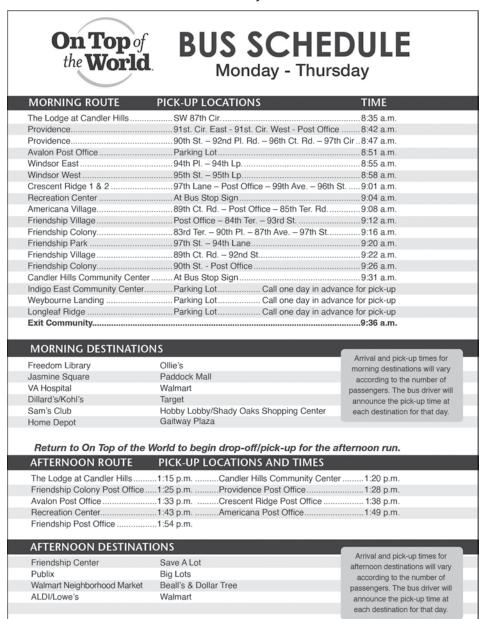
Please keep in mind that to guarantee your use of the following pavilions: Veterans Park, Recreation Center pool, softball, Weybourne Landing, The Lodge at Candler Hills, or Indigo East, you will need to complete a Room Request Form. Booking of the pavilions and the forms can be obtained by contacting the facility offices.

Stav in the Know

Additional event/trip details are available at OTOWInfo.com > Activity Info > Virtual Bulletin Board (or scan the QR code above), the Recreation & Wellness Connections catalog, or pick up a printed flyer at the Recreation Center. Please also refer to the monthly event calendar (home delivered with every issue of the World News).

Happy Thanksgiving!

*To register, call 352-854-8707 x7533 or x7498. Payment is required at time of registration. No refunds will be issued 14 days or fewer prior to any event or trip. Events and activities that take place behind the gates of On Top of the World are for residents only. Resident IDs must be presented at all times and when purchasing tickets. Guests must be accompanied by a resident.



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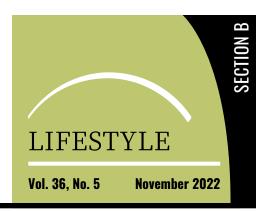
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Lions Club Donates Bears & Blankets

By Gail Morris

ect chair, gathered bears and blan- kets and about 60 bears and other kets donated by our residents at stuffed animals to Marion County Sid's Coffee Shop & Deli and Can- Sheriff's Office right at the front dler Hills Restaurant. She, along with Lions Charlie Hassett and Es-

Lion Barbara Scales, service proj-telle Michelson presented 18 blangate of On Top of the World. Lt. Robbins accepted the bears and

blankets as part of the National Faith and Blue Weekend. This national event which began in 2020 is an effort to bring us together as one people in support of our law enforcement officers.

FMGI, Inc. started our month out just right! This corporation do-nated \$2,500 to our club. FMGI, Inc. remodeled our Walmart Neighborhood Market and they wanted to provide aide through a service organization; and our club was the lucky recipient. Our members

knew immediately where to send those funds. Hurricane Ian victims will receive gift cards totaling \$2,300 to help with the recovery. The assistance will be split evenly throughout Cape Coral, Fort Myers, Fort Myers Beach, North Fort Myers and Sanibel Captiva Island clubs. The balance of the check will be added to the club's charities fund for future community needs.

Our service project that has become an annual event is preparing Thanksgiving baskets for distribution to the most in need students and their families at Dunnellon Elementary School, and to our veterans. As we are preparing baskets for Thanksgiving we are also asking if you or someone you know in our community will be alone at Thanksgiving and would like to receive a prepared Thanksgiving meal, please contact our club. Our funds are limited but we will provide 20 meals to those who contact us for this need. Estelle Michelson will be the point of contact and she can be reached at 352-861-7358. Lion Barbara, service project

chair, isn't letting any time go by before she has started our club on a collection project. We are collecting the aluminum pull tabs for the Gainesville Ronald McDonald House. This will be an ongoing service project that will benefit children with cancer, providing a safe place for them and their family member to stay while they undergo

Our meetings are the second and fourth Tuesday of each month in the Arbor Conference Center Event Room at 5 p.m. If you would like further information, you can contact Estelle Michelson, our membership chair, at 352-861-7358.



Lions Club members present Marion County Sheriff's Office with donations of bears and blankets.

Texas Connection Social Club Welcomes Dulcimer Group

By Kathy Cornell

our entertainment for the October meeting. We were treated to a there is a 50/50 drawing. The money playlist of Texas and country music is used for expenses such as paper they learned especially for us. Lyrics were supplied for singing along. They even dressed the part, showing up in their blue jeans, cowboy hats and boots. These are great musicians and wonderful folks. A special thanks to Pat Gift for planning the evening and to the Dulcimer Group for performing for us.

Family Feud – Texas style will be our November meeting activity. Each table will be a "family" team tasked with coming up with the most popular answer to a question

from a "survey of 100 Texans."
We'll gather on Sunday, Nov. 13, in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Suites I-II at 6 p.m. Feel free to start moseying in any time after 5:30 p.m. This is a "bring a snack to share" type get together, so please contribute an appetizer, dessert or other goody for the group and bring a beverage for yourself. Alcohol is now permitted.

We'll be collecting dues of \$10

The Dulcimer Group provided per person for returning members products, game supplies, prizes, compensation for outside entertainers and club-provided food for special occasions.
Sunday, Dec. 11, will be our an-

nual Christmas party. We'll have our usual white elephant gift exchange and holiday-themed games.

If you have a connection to Texas by having spent time there even if it was just for vacation, military training, competitions, professional meetings, etc., please consider joining us. If you have family there, we welcome you too. Those of us who were born and raised there or were there for work, college or military service will be happy to share our Texas experiences, culture, and customs. We live up to our motto that Texas is the Friendship State.

For more information about our meeting or about the club, contact Kathy Cornell at 352-300-3729, 352-562-2801 or kcornell54@cfl.rr.com.



Dulcimer Group entertains Texas Connection Social Club.

LadyBirds Lunch

By Linda Lohr

On Tuesday, Oct. 11, several of the R/C LadyBirds met at The Front Porch in Dunnellon, Florida for lunch. We had a great time and plan to go there again in the future.

Our next meeting is Friday, Nov. 11, at 10 a.m. in the Hobby Building Event Room. Plan to join us!

Keep an eye out for emails regarding luncheons and other func-

tions as we gather. Our club is open to all wives and significant others of the R/C Flyers. We meet the second Friday of each month, September through May, at 10 a.m. in the Hobby Building Event Room. Bring your choice of beverage, and join us! Our dues are \$10 per year. We are working on setting up adventures and guests for the coming year!



R/C LadyBirds enjoying lunch in October.



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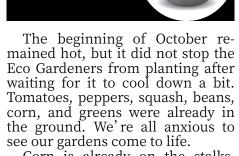
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Eco Gardeners





Corn is already on the stalks, beans are a foot high, my favorite salad blend will be ready to pick soon and by the time you read this the season will be well under way

producing delicious organic food. The pollinator garden is full of beautiful flowers and herbs. Many more gardeners are propagating milkweed as well as bee and but-terfly attracting plants serving a second benefit of beautiful color. These bees and butterflies will

pollinate many garden plants that failed previously to bear fruit for want of pollination.

The recently placed bird bath has brought in birds as well as the pol-

Our sharing garden is being prepared for use as a place to plant surplus plants to share with other gardeners. The sharing of seeds and plants and communicating of our gardeners' successes and problems benefit everyone as a community.

We will be requesting Master Gardeners to give advice in beneficial information regarding pest control, propagation irrigation and various other garden related subjects. It is our goal to encourage cooperative learning and sharing of ideas about growing your own food in an environmentally friendly and natural fashion.

So many of our gardeners have expressed their gratitude for becoming members of the club. The garden has a team spirit. If you are interested in joining us, please email gardenC58@gmail.com or come to our monthly meeting. Meetings are at 1 p.m. on the third Monday of the month in the Hobby Center Event Room

A recent club member testimonial: "About a year ago I became aware of On Top of the World. As I drove through the neighborhoods with my real estate agent, I noticed that there were lovely community gardens that were teaming with life. My curiosity was piqued. The desire to grow my own vegetables had been growing for quite some time and seeing the gardens helped me decide that this would be my new home. Upon moving to On Top of the World, I found my way to the Eco Gardeners Club (formerly the 99th St Garden Club) and I have been happily gardening since then. I'm inexperienced but I am learning every day. Everyone is helpful and the club provides as much or as little coaching as you desire. There are members who are Master Gardeners, beginners, and every



Bees and butterflies love our flower garden.

step in between. I am very thankful for the people I have met. There is something very special about eating a vegetable that you have nurtured. Yum.'

The Jewish Club

Gail Levine

The Jewish Club is a cultural, educational, and social club that meets on the third Sunday

of the month at 12:30 p.m. Meetings are held at both the Arbor Conference Center and The Lodge at Candler Hills. Membership is open to all residents and those with a Gateway of Services pass. The annual dues are \$18 per person, and it is not necessary to be Jewish to join.

In September, our welcome back bagel and lox meeting was a smashing success. We had a wonderful turnout of 100 members, and everyone enjoyed the delicious lox and bagels with all the fixings and rugelach from Brooklyn, New York, cake, fresh coffee, and tea. Participation in this event was free to paid up members.

We had a wonderful response by our members in contributing nonperishable food items and cash for İnterfaith Emergency Services.

Our community is growing rapidly and so is the club. This fall, we had many new people join the Jewish Club. Our membership is now



Photo by Arlene Carlton Rugalach from Brooklyn, New York.

170 and our future looks great!

At our Sunday, Nov. 20 meeting, we look forward to a presentation by Ocala Fire Rescue. They will address the services they provide and safety resources along with a question-and-answer session. This should be an informative meeting. The meeting will be held at the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios I-IV. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

If you would like to join the club and/or learn more about the club, contact First Vice President Gail Levine at 954-881-4010 or gl4010@

Scandinavian American Club

David Wesenberg



Swedish dishes to eat. One important portion of the program was reminiscing about life in Sweden and immigrating to the United States. We heard many family tales and observations.

There were also displays of Swedish artifacts and a slide show of a visit to Sweden. What great fun.

The Scandinavian American Club is a great place to enjoy fun, fellowship, and unusually good Scandinavian food. Join us. We love to share the fun.

We meet on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios III-IV. Every meeting is an opportunity to learn more about our Scandinavian heritage, share a meal, and enjoy fellowship. Contact Linda Pinney at luckypinney@ gmail.com or 831-431-0525 about

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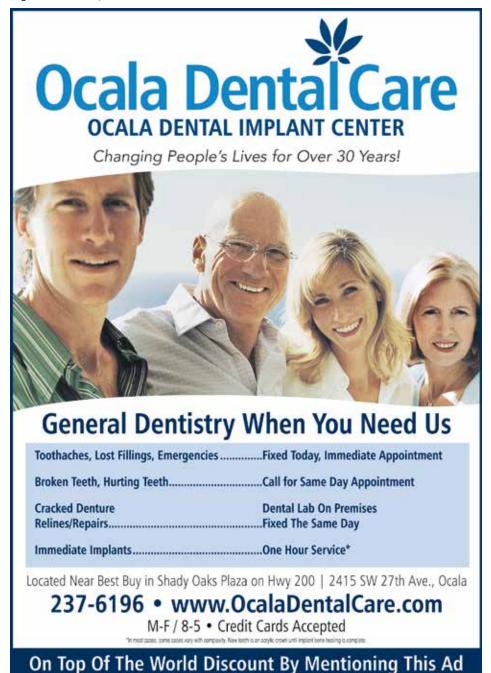
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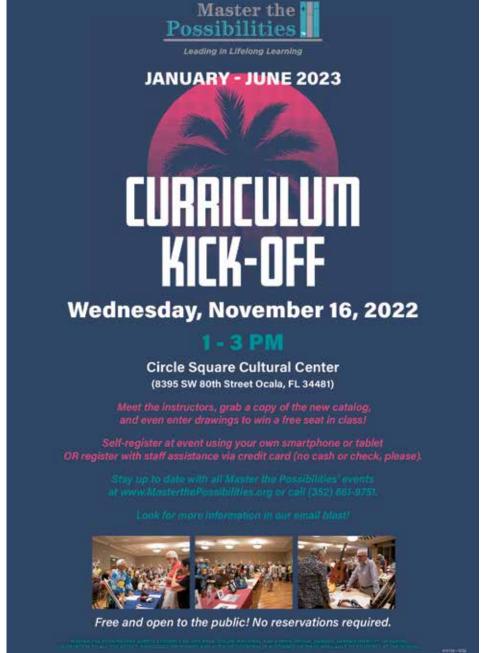
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Tech Tips





Electricity & Your Electronics

With proper diligence during Florida's summer storm season, including our yearly June 1 through Nov. 30 hurricane season, you can save your devices from damage due to lightning and power surges caused by damage to electrical in-

It's important to understand a few things about power surges. First, not all surge protectors live up to their name; some are little more than glorified extension cords. Second, a surge will follow any wire into a home, phone and cable lines included, which threatens fax lines and answering machines, televisions, satellite systems, computers, and modems. Third, delicate electronic circuitry is preliferated electronic circuitry is proliferated throughout our homes, leaving common household appliances as vulnerable as computers to the effects of surges.

A whole-home surge protector is hard-wired to your electrical system which will provide power surge protection for your entire home. The best whole home surge protection systems can stop electri-cal spikes or surges of 40,000 amps and more by blocking, or ground-

ing, your electrical system so your appliances and electronics aren't damaged. Proper grounding is key to successful surge protection; without proper grounding, a whole home surge protector will not work

Most people see lightning danger as a bolt of electricity coming from the sky and causing damage by a direct strike to a person or object. Direct strikes only accounts for three to five percent of all lightningrelated occurrences, so most times, they are not a factor to electrical related issues that affect electronics. Rather, indirect strikes that affect ground current or are nearby an object are more problematic to electronics. Ground current and step potential, which is essentially how far away the object is from the actual place the lightning strikes, allows the current to pass from the strike point, through the ground,

and into that person or object. Typically, a lightning strike must be less than a mile from a home to cause serious damage but considering a 200,000-amp jolt has enough volts to fry circuit boards, crash hard drives and ruin home entertainment systems from that distance, it's important to have proper whole home surge protectors in place before you need them.

If a whole home system is not for you, there are three basic categories or surge protectors that may safeguard your equipment: a multioutlet power strip; or a multitasking surge station which handles phone and cable jacks as well as power cords; or a UPS (uninterruptible power supply), which thoroughly cleanses electric power of random fluctuations and provides a shortterm battery backup in case power dips or goes out entirely.

Best case scenario is to utilize a combination of whole home surge

Computer Club





Every Saturday, at 9 a.m. the Computer Club meets for an hour via Zoom. We discuss PC and Apple issues regarding software and hard-ware. Our otowpcclub.org website will give lots of great information about our group.

This month we are discussing how to focus on your email security since malware uses email to creep into your computer or unwittingly sends you to a malicious website. If that happens, you are at risk for identity theft of personal and financial information, and other data

Strong passwords are key, but even more important is to have a different password for each website. Start with a combination of over eight upper- and lower-case letters, symbols, and numbers. It can also be random words strung together. Review all your old passwords and start changing them now

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to something more secure. Store your passwords using a password manager, or find a secure solution, but just not sticky notes posted on your computer.

What is your mother's maiden name? These types of website security questions don't need you to tell the truth, the answer could be anything you want, just remember to write it down and include your answer in your stored password in-

Public Wi-Fi found in restaurants, motels, airports, etc. are easy to break into with hardly any security. Wait to get home on your secure network to do email or computing of a private matter.

Phishing emails need to be recognized before you open them, so that you don't click on any underlined hyperlink or email attachment that would take you to a malicious website. Otherwise, they might ask you for sensitive information or trigger ransomware. Banks, IRS, Social Security, or businesses would never send an email to scare you, only the bad guys do. Don't open it, just hit delete. Review information published by the Federal Trade Commission at https://consumer.ftc. gov/scams information.

Although it might sound fun and seemingly sent by a friend you know, chain letters are usually scams containing viruses and often malware. Don't forward, just hit delete. Unfortunately, people often just forward the whole email showing hundreds of emails listed below, that are quite delicious for the spammers. When you send any legitimate email to a group of people, always place everyone's email into the BCC or Blind Carbon Copy section of the email header, so that no one can see all the emails. one can see all the emails — this lets

you respect everyone's privacy.
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., members enjoy in-person help sessions in the Hobby Building or online one-on-one instruction, discussing their PC or Apple computer, smartphone, or tablet issues. Members may list on our website any computer-related hardware for sale or to give away.

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Women of the World

Colleen Rocafort



The Women of the World is a social and charitable organization. Our mission is to entertain, inform, educate, and inspire our members through our monthly meetings and contribute to the local community by providing much needed goods to those in need in Marion County.

We kicked off October by participating in the Rags to Riches sale. Lois Nix coordinated our activities. Lois and her volunteers collected all the donated items, priced, sorted, packed them, and participated on the day of the sale. The outpouring of donations from our members was very generous!

In the end, we had eight tables overflowing with donations for sale. Thank you to those who donated! It was a highly successful event and monies made will be used for our charities throughout the club year. Left over items after the event were donated to Helping Hands.

At our Thursday, Oct. 20 meeting, the featured speaker was D.J. Ryan from Hospice of Marion County on the topic of "Senior Moment or Something More Serious?" It was a riveting presentation to help erase the stigma and misunderstanding about dementia by encouraging conversations about the disease and advancing education that leads to compassionate care.

The featured charity for the month was Dunnellon Elementary School. The school is committed to providing a safe, stimulating, and challenging learning environment that meets the needs of all students. The members provided reward items for their reading program.

We also raffled off (three) holiday centerpieces (Thanksgiving, Hannukah, and Christmas) prepared by Kristen Lindell, a licensed Florist.

We will not be meeting in November. Our next club meeting will be on Thursday, Dec. 15.

Entertainment will be provided by the Concert Chorus. Our featured charity is Believe in Santa "Claus for a Cause." Santa Claus is all about peace, joy, giving, and caring for other people. The true meaning of Christmas is not about what gifts you are going to be receiving. It is all about the gift of giving. The Believe in Santa Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with an incredibly special mission. Providing visits any time of year from Santa Claus when a

child or family needs him, through special requests from other individuals, charitable organizations, public safety agencies, or the media, bringing love, hope and joy to children in need.

Mark your calendar for March 22, 2023, for annual Fashion Show and Luncheon. Dillard's will be providing the fashions. Our members will have first opportunity to purchase tickets and then we will open sales to all resident ladies. If anyone desires information about tickets, please call Betty Thayer.

Our monthly meetings are scheduled for the third Thursday of the month at the Recreation Center Ballroom starting at noon. The club is open to all resident women including Indigo East with a Gateway of Services pass. If you are interested in joining us, please give Betty Thayer, club president, a call at 352-361-1313.

Genealogical Society

Ron Niebo



First, congratulations to the officers elected at the Genealogical Society's annual meeting Monday, Oct. 10. The 2022-2023 officers are: President Paul Belter, Secretary Mary Pat Luvison, and Treasurer Beth Vaudo. Also, congratulations to the appointed committee chairs: membership – Wilma Kelley, education - Sid Levine, and publicity – Deb Baker. The club also thanked outgoing treasurer - Dave McCarthy and the publicity chair – Peter Parisi for their active support.

At the annual meeting, members also approved by-law revisions. The most significant one changes the regular monthly meetings to one. For January through November, meetings will now be on the third Monday of each month. In December, a holiday celebration luncheon will be on the second Monday.

What a great speaker we had on Monday, Oct. 17! We all know that managing (and remembering) our meeting/appointment dates/times can be troublesome. As genealogists, we also know that organizing life and historical events associated with multiple ancestors can be very troublesome. Guest genealogist Annette Lyttle, proprietor of Heritage Detective, LLC, demonstrated how to create effective genealogi-

cal timelines to solve this problem. Timelines help to organize your research and documents. They are a visual aid for listing your ancestor's vital information. Including historical events on a timeline, can help us understand how local and world events shaped our ancestors' actions. Members found Annette's detailed techniques and supportive references to be helpful.

Members may contact the education chair to obtain a syllabus for this presentation.

Do you trust GPS, or do you travel by the map? At our Monday, Nov. 21 meeting, Ed Mitukiewicz, genealogist, mathematician, computer scientist, and amateur cartographer will explore how to use historical maps in our genealogical research. Ed has a weakness for old maps. He will share several interesting and illustrative scenarios utilizing historical maps in genealogy. Members and their guests are welcome to attend the presentation online or may view it on the large screen.

Interested? The Genealogical Society holds friendly meetings focused on assisting genealogical investigations. Meetings are both inperson and via Zoom on the third Monday every month in the Hobby Building Event Room from 10 a.m. to noon. During these meetings, there are open discussions, special interest group sessions, and a designated timeslot reserved for a guest genealogist to review a specific area of interest.

All residents can join. New mem-

bers are welcome – beginners as well as experienced genealogists. Yearly dues are \$20 for an individual and \$35 for a couple. For membership information contact Membership Chair Wilma Kelley at wkelleymt@outlook.com.

Finally, remember our September quest speaker, author, and genealogist Lynn Palermo? She dem-

onstrated techniques on how to create informative and shareable genealogical stories. Well, using Lynn's techniques, member Kelly Smith-Lawless did just that. Congratulations Kelly!

Enjoy the crisp fall weather and have a happy Thanksgiving! Eat, drink, and be thankful ... there is much to be thankful for.

Pennsylvania Club

Lacinda Hobbs



The story of the first Thanksgiving is well known, but did you know that Pennsylvania was home to the first Thanksgiving in the United States once we became a country?

The Continental Congress fled to York from Philadelphia just before the British Army captured Philadelphia in September 1777. They met out of the York courthouse until June 1778.

The victory at the Battle of Saratoga in New York in late October was considered a major victory. Because of this victory, Samuel Adams and Richard Henry Lee lobbied for a National Day of Thanksgiving. Adams drafted the declaration and on Nov. 1, 1777, the Continental Congress declared Dec. 18, 1777, as the first official day of Thanksgiving in the United States.

On Dec. 18, 1777, the Continental Congress canceled their morn-

ing sessions so that delegates would have time to give thanks. George Washington and his army observed the day in Gulph Mills, Pennsylvania. The next day they marched to Valley Forge for their winter encampment.

Later, as president of the United States, George Washington would issue a proclamation designating Nov. 26, 1789, as a nationwide celebration of public thanksgiving. It would not be until October 1863, when President Abraham Lincoln designated the last Thursday in November as a national holiday.

The Pennsylvania Club met Wednesday, Oct. 12, and enjoyed an Oktoberfest-themed meal of German and Pennsylvania Dutch foods provided by the members. A guest speaker from the World Equestrian Center spoke to us about upcoming events and volunteer opportunities.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, Nov. 9, at 5 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios III-IV. Please join us for our Thanksgiving-themed meeting.

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Moonstruck Astronomy Club

Jim Shuman



The Moonstruck Astronomy Club held its monthly meeting Thursday, Oct. 13, in the Hobby Building Event Room. Club Vice President John Bridges welcomed new members and announced the next NASA webinar for club members Thursday, Oct. 20.

Dr. Ivona Cetinic (NASA Goddard Space Flight Center) will discuss the Plankton, Aerosol, Cloud, ocean Ecosystem (PACE) mission. The PACE mission studies the ocean and its role supporting life on Earth, providing ocean color, sea surface temperature and sea surface salinity data and images to improve our knowledge of the relationships among the oceans and their impact on everyday life on Earth. Bridges also discussed the club's evening observing session Thursday, Sept. 22, which was noteworthy for two

- 1. It occurred on the Autumn Equinox.
- Jupiter was "in opposition" from the Sun at that time, making the planet as bright as it had been seen for hundreds of years.

It was a great evening for an observing session!

Barb Cobb then covered the minutes from the last club meeting, and Claudia McEvers provided the club's current financial standing, including the club's earnings from its recent 50/50 drawing. The program then included three video presentations. Ed Ting discussed "Seven Common Mistakes by Amateur Astronomers." A video by Alien Tech covered "A Review of Three Exploration Apps," and Wylie Overstreet and Alex Gorosh presented To Scale – The Solar System."

Bridges then gave his monthly guide to the October skies, featuring positions of the moon and planets, appearances of the International Space Station, and deep sky objects of interest.

Before the meeting ended, Kathy

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McDonald conducted another 50/50 drawing to help the club raise more money for guest speakers and outings. Bridges concluded the meeting by reminding club members to watch for emails announcing more observation sessions and telescope operation clinics in the coming weeks and months.

Observation sessions could be held on any evening that weather conditions allow for an open sky, and club members are willing to set up their telescopes to share observations. Members are welcome to arrive and stay as long as they wish throughout the evenings. All sessions are held at the R/C flying field.

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



Russell Martin and John Bridges prepare for the sky watch in September.

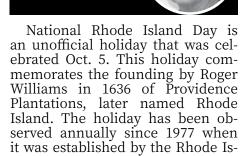
vices pass to participate in the club meetings. For information or club registration, please contact Moonstruck Astronomy Club President

residents require a Gateway of Ser- Larry Isenberg at moonastroclub@ gmail.com.

More information is always available at moonstruckastronomyclub.

Rhode Island Group

Judy Parisi



land General Assembly. Roger Williams, a clergyman, was an advocate for religious minorities, religious toleration, and the separation of church and state. He also was also vocal in his disapproval of colonizers taking land from the Native Americans. When

the Puritans settled in Massachusetts Bay Colony they did so for purported freedom of religion. However, that freedom was only for those who practiced the Puritans'

Clashes over religion resulted

in the banishment of Roger Williams who then settled in Rhode Island and continued to advocate for freedom to practice the religion of one's choice. He disagreed with government penalizing citizens for their theological beliefs, and it is believed he influenced the framers of the First Amendment.

Rhode Island, or "Little Rhody' is a unique state due to its founding but also of what it has to offer. It is the smallest of the 50 states, yet it has over 400 miles of coastline, with an abundance of beautiful beaches, and interesting historical places to

Having a National Rhode Island Day is certainly a wonderful opportunity to celebrate – by enjoying Rhode Island's wonderful cuisine – perhaps making up a chicken parmesan, or clam chowder, having a sausage and pepper sandwich, calamari, johnnycakes or other special-ties. Or you could celebrate by reading a book by a famed Rhode Island author such as H.P. Lovecraft or perhaps wearing jewelry that was manufactured in the state.

Perhaps not widely known, the

state had been known as the Costume Jewelry Capital of the World back in the 1940s and 1950s. The industry was said to have started with a small jewelry shop in 1794 in Providence by Seril Dodge and his nephew Nehemiah who later developed the early process for rolled plated gold. By the 1850s there were 57 jewelry manufacturers concentrated around Providence. Decades later it was home to 200 manufacturing firms, and in the 1940s it produced 80% of America's jewelry. Names that might be familiar to you include Speidel, Coro, Monet, Trifari, Bulova, Gorham, Anson, and American Ring that had either production, design or distribution

facilities in or near Providence. It was a \$1.5 billion industry that shipped one million pounds of costume jewelry weekly. Many firms contributed to the manufacture of the final products through the production of findings, pin-stems, catches, hubs and dies, performing plating and more. The industry unfortunately began a decline in the mid-20th century due to lower cost imports and a change in fashion.

The Rhode Island Group meets periodically for lunch to reminisce and share stories about the state. If you are not on the email list, please send your contact information to judith.parisi@gmail.com and we will add you to the list. We welcome all those who lived, worked or served in Rhode Island and their family.



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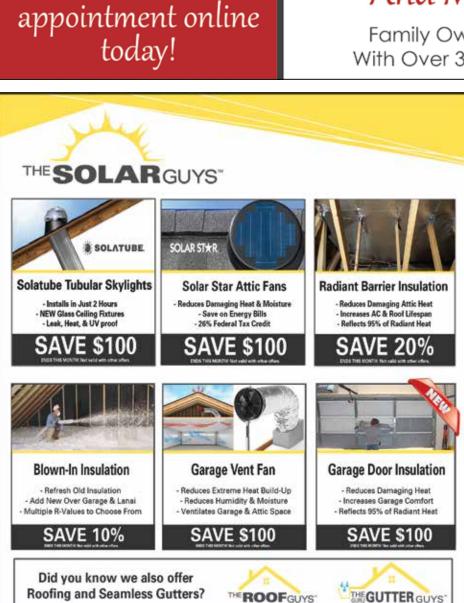
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Birders' Beat

Linda Monaco



The members of The Birding Group will travel to the Withlacoochee Bay Trail near Inglis, Florida, on Thursday, Nov. 17. The trailhead parking lot is located on the east side of U.S. Route 19. The trail runs parallel to the Florida Barge Canal and terminates at the Gulf of Mexico. This flat, paved trail is part of the Marjorie Harris Carr Cross Florida Greenway and is a favorite

destination for people interested in fishing, road biking, walking, and birding. There are several covered observation decks along the trail that provide excellent oppor-tunities for bird viewing. The trail passes through salt marsh and maritime hammock habitats. Some of the birds that have been observed along this trail include egrets, herons, cormorants, anhinga, osprey, and bald eagles. A description of the trail and directions to it can be found on the AllTrails app. It's a 45-minute drive from On Top of the

Have you ever heard a lovely bird song and wished you could identify the source? Well, there's an app

for that! BirdNET is free in the app store. This user-friendly app lets you identify birds by their song as you hear them. When you open the app, it starts recording the sounds around you. After the song is recorded, you press pause and use your finger to highlight the song on your screen. Then hit analyze for a prediction of the bird you are hearing. It works best with as little background noise as possible. The app was created by an interdisciplinary team at Cornell University, and it can identify over 3,000 bird species. It's available on Android and iOS.

If you would like to join the group for this trip to the Withlacoochee Bay Trail on Thursday, Nov. 17, please contact Margitta Claterbos at mclaterbos@gmail.com. We will meet in the parking lot of Friendship Center just outside the SW 99th Street gate of On Top of the World. We will carpool and park remaining vehicles near Bank OZK but not in front of the bank. Before we leave the parking area at 7:30 a.m., printed driving directions will be distributed for both the Withlacoochee Bay Trail and the restaurant chosen for our lunch. We hope you can join us on this birding adventure.



Snowy egret.



Members Debi Hoover, Hugh Hoover, and David Cranmer at the Club Fair.

Tall Tale **Travelers**

David Cranmer



The Tall Tale Travelers RV Club is open to all residents interested in the recreation vehicle lifestyle. Whether you drive a motor home or a tow a camper - or you'd like to know more about RVing – please join us, we always welcome new members. Membership is free. Our next regular meeting will be Wednesday, Nov. 16, from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Hobby Building Event

In September, 20 members enjoyed our rally in Savannah, Georgia. Our thanks to Ron and Linda Imus for hosting the event. We toured the city; visited Tybee Island; had a potluck supper and sing along, as well as enjoyed the re-sort's amenities.

Club members are now in the planning stages for our 2023 trips. Our trips are usually held at RV resorts that are less than a fourhour drive from Ocaia. On these trips, there are fun-filled activities at the resort as well as opportunities to enjoy local attractions. Throughout the year we also enjoy informal camping trips to area campgrounds usually around special events like festivals and fairs.

For more information, contact club president, David Cranmer, at talltaletravelers@gmail.com or visit us on Facebook (Tall Tale Travel-

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Southern Club

Melanie Vittitow



The Southern Club is off to a great year. We had 10 new members at our September meeting and six more in October. I truly hope we continue growing and making new friends.

As you may have noticed from previous columns, a big part of our meeting is eating! Last month was no exception. We had some delicious barbecue from Patty, several different potato dishes, some great salads, and vegetables and plenty of desserts! I'm sure this month will be just as flavorful. We Southerners are known for our cooking (and eating!).

The Dancing Jewels gave us a preview of their new routine to the favorite Halloween dance "Thriller." Each was wearing a different ghoulish costume that added to the ambience. I believe they will be performing that dance for the residents at Bridgewater Park. Thank you, ladies for coming to entertain

This month will be totally different. Evelyn Kelly will be talking to us about "Southern Speak." Evelyn, a long-time resident of Ocala,

is an accomplished speaker and writer. She has over 20 books printed, mostly about health. She gives classes at the College of Central Florida and Master the Possibilities. In fact, she's on the schedule for a class in the spring. Evelyn is also well-traveled and gives talks as if she is right there, making you feel the same. For our group, she is going to go into some of the typical southern words and expressions and how they came to be. It should be fascinating.

We meet on the first Tuesday of the month at the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios I-III. Our gettogether starts with dinner at 5:30 p.m., so come about 5 p.m. to have time to figure out where you will be sitting, get your drinks, and socialize. Besides a dish to share, we ask you to bring your plates and utensils. We furnish coffee, tea (sweet and unsweet), and lemonade.

I want to make it clear that even though we are the Southern Club, you don't have to be from the south to join us. Now that you are living here, we consider you an honorary southerner. Please bring your resident ID when you pay your dues, which are \$10 per club year.

which are \$10 per club year.

We'd love for y'all to join us next
Tuesday, so mark your calendar
now for 5 p.m. on Nov 1. If you have
any questions, call me at 352-615-

SWANS





The Single Women's Active Networking System (SWANS) was established for single women in 2006. It does not matter what the circumstances are that created a single woman, our organization will embrace you as you make your way through the maze that is living single. Our motto has always been "SWANS are never alone." We actively support each other during times of need and enjoy life through our many social events.

Networking is an important part of being a SWAN. This gives you the opportunity to get out and meet other women in similar circumstances. Most of us have made lifelong friends in this way!

We have many monthly events that will give you the chance to meet and socialize with other women.

We continue to meet on Saturdays at the Arbor Conference Center Large Card Room to play samba. Please arrive by 9:45 a.m. and bring six decks of shuffled cards. We start playing at 10 a.m. We will continue with this activity through 2023 as

the room has been reserved already. In October, we thank Bonnie Herrick, Sylvia Myers, Renee Turner, and CJ Daane for being hostesses. All outings were well attended and enjoyed by all. If you have never signed up to host, you should give it a try! If you would like to volunteer to host, just give Lois a call.

Our appetizer-, lunch-, and dinner-in groups have started to meet. Lunch-in is a new activity for us that we have decided to try out for the next six months. These groups are the place where many of us have met and made lifelong friends. We all tend to find women with similar interests in the groups which carry over to outside the activities themselves. This networking is the foundation for the SWANS. Active networking in these groups continues to bring women together and keep us looking out for each other.

Thanks to Kathy Kloos and Sandy Welch for another very successful barbeque. We had over 50 women in attendance at the Veterans Park pavilion in October. As usual, the food and camaraderie were outstanding!

Our Daytona Beach trip was cut short, but we still had a great time! There is another trip scheduled for November and again in May 2023.

The Christmas party is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 17, in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios III-IV beginning at 11:30 a.m. See you all there!

Our group's sole purpose is to make sure the single women are never alone in this journey. If you are interested in joining us, give Lois a call. Remember, SWANS are never alone nor forgotten!

Active Singles Club

Jane Parker



Active Singles Club was created for single residents. We are single, not alone! Active Singles Club is the perfect place to meet new people who may become friends.

Congratulations and a warm welcome to the 2023 Active Singles Club board: Co-Presidents Steve Skonecke, Charlie Zappala, and George Schmidtz; members at large Robert Fruehwald, Linda Wall, and Allison Perderson; Vice President Nicole Eddy; Secretary Erika Winkler; and Treasurer Sandy Diagram of the company of the compan

The club is grateful for the new board's time commitment and look forward to working with them. The 2023 membership renewals and new member applications are being taken at the November and January membership meetings, not in December.

Members may sign up for events at www.otowactivesinglesclub.com Listed below are the annual events and activities scheduled:

Holiday Party: Tickets for the Wednesday, Dec. 14, party at 6 p.m. at the Indigo East Community Center are required. The party will include a buffet dinner and dancing. Tickets will be \$15 with a \$10 refund provided only when the ticket is presented the night of the event. Tickets are on sale Wednesday, Nov. 9, at the Indigo East Community Center from 10 a.m. to noon; Friday, Nov. 11, Recreation Center from 10 a.m. to noon; and Wednesday, Nov. 16, at the club meeting.

Holiday Golf Cart Parade: This fun event on Saturday, Dec. 3, features decorated golf carts that are judged at the end of the parade. In past years, 20-plus members participated in their decorated carts. Please consider joining your fellow members in celebrating the holiday season. Club members are needed to assist in decorating members' golf carts and participating in the parade.

Several activities are held on weekly, monthly, or on an intermittent basis. Listed below are the events and activities scheduled:

Wallyball is held weekly at 9 a.m. at the Recreation Center. This activity requires a Gateway of Services pass for Indigo East residents.

Nine-hole golf scramble dates and time will be scheduled and announced.

Game night is held monthly on the second Tuesday, at 6 p.m. at the Candler Hills Community Center.

Breakfast club is monthly on the second Tuesday, at 8:30 a.m. at a location to be announced.

Bocce ball is weekly on Wednesday, from 6 to 8 p.m. except for when our meetings take place. This activity requires a Gateway of Services pass for Indigo East residents.

Bowling dates and times will be scheduled and announced.

Lunch or dinner out is held monthly with upcoming locations to be announced.

Walks and hikes are held on an intermittent basis and upcoming activities to be announced.

The next Active Singles Club meeting, along with happy hour following, is Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 6 p.m. at the Candler Hills Community Center.

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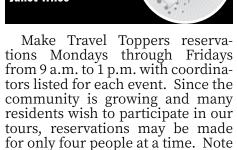
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On Saturday, Feb. 4, 2023, we will go to the Suncoast Broadway Dinner Theater to see "The Buddy Holly Story," the musical depicting the story of his life, rise to fame, and career. The price of \$88 per person includes the show, meal with dessert, transportation, and tips for the driver and meal. Beginning Friday, Nov. 4, you can make reservations

by calling Sharon Stetson at 207-838-3776.

We will go to the Tampa Bay Downs Racetrack Saturdays, March 18 and 25, 2023. Tampa Bay Downs, the only thoroughbred racetrack on the west coast of Florida, is known as one of America's oldest and most well-maintained tracks. first opened its doors in 1926 under the name of Tampa Downs and has since had a long and colorful history. The price of \$61 per person includes the bus, tip for the driver, and a buffet lunch. Mark your calendar for Jan. 9, 2023, to make your reservation with Gail Ambrose at 954-614-0898. You will need to specify either March 18 or 25 when making your reservation.

On Saturday, April 29, 2023, we will have the Mount Dora, Florida shopping and boat tour. Mount Dora has a variety of unique shops and lunch venues. Enjoy a two-hour narrated eco-tour of Lake Dora and the Dora Canal. The \$63 per person cost covers bus transportation, driver tip, and the boat tour. Beginning Feb. 27, 2023, contact Linda Hein at 352-861-9880 for

reservations. All tickets are non-refundable unless we have a wait list. Lunch and shopping are on your own.

For Mother's Day, May 14, 2023, we will go to the Suncoast Broadway Dinner Theater to see "Escape to Margaritaville." Reservations begin Feb 6, 2023. Contact Lisa Adams at 407-325-9863. The price of \$88 per person includes the show, meal with dessert, transportation, and tips for the driver and meal.

On Father's Day, June 18, 2023, a trip is scheduled aboard the Barbara Lee on the St. Johns River. The cost of \$90 per person includes lunch, transportation, and tips for the driver and meal. Allan Rickards will begin taking reservations on March 6, 2023. Additional details will appear in a future column.

Trips are open only to residents and Indigo East residents with a Gateway of Services pass. Any nonresidents who participate in trips must be a guest of a resident club member.

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If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Meininger at 352-554-0757.



Old Mission Inn stands on the grounds of the original Dougherty home.

Michigan Club

Nancy Meininger

In 1842 when Presbyterian missionary, Peter Dougherty, cleared a forested lot at the very top of Old Mission Peninsula to build his log home, he had no idea how valuable this point on the 45th Parallel would become.

For Dougherty, it was a chance to provide education to the Native American Indian tribes who inhabited the area. He first built his house, then the New Grove Mission Church and school.

Today, nearly 200 years later, historians have preserved the 800 square foot home and tiny chapel for today's generations to view. But all around it have grown residences of two or three stories, some 15,000 to 20,000 square feet in size and 150 feet wide or more. The million-dollar views across the bay out to Lake Michigan are part of the reason. The other is the peace and tranquility of this 18-mile-long peninsula that divides Grand Traverse Bay into East Bay and West Bay quadrants.

As settlers joined Dougherty,

they farmed the area with corn and potato crops, but in the 1960s and 1970s bohemians moved in and planted cherry, peach and apple orchards along both coasts of the peninsula.

Following the cherry crops whose production is the strongest in the nation, came grapes which were soon followed by wineries and tasting rooms bringing tourists to this quiet agricultural community.

Most recently a new crop is being harvested up alongside the established orchards. It is hops – now in high demand by the Traverse City craft breweries, of which there are many.

Visiting Old Mission Peninsula leaves one with a sense of coming home to quiet, new beginnings. Still heavily forested, the area shelters one from the frenzy of the commercial city centers. It's the kind of place one can meditate on memories past without being interrupted by the pressing issues of today.

Peter Dougherty had no idea he was building the first frame home south of Mackinaw Island and north of Grand Rapids, opening the door to this piece of Michigan history.

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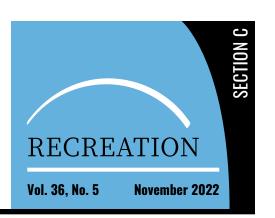






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Veterans Classic Softball Tournament

By Ernie Sersen

their life to something bigger than themselves." - Joseph Campbell.

As we approach Veterans Day, we all need to remember what it is to our veterans and thanks them that brought us to this place in time for doing their part and continuing where we still enjoy many freedoms these proud legacies.

"A hero is someone who gives that the rest of the world envies. Veterans embody the spirit of a nation forged from courage and shaped by service. This column pays tribute

We are hosting our inaugural Veterans Classic Softball Tournament to thank our veterans and provide a day of fun, fellowship, and camaraderie. We invite the community to come out and have fun with us from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 11, where we will raise the colors and celebrate our veterans.

We will also have a home-run derby from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and a food truck from So Yummy capped off by a closing ceremony featuring On Top of the World President Kenneth D. Colen. The home-run

derby is open to the public. If you are an experienced softball player and want to participate, a sign-up sheet will be available at 8 a.m. at the softball field. More information is available at otowsoftball.org.

Together, we will enjoy a nice day of competition as the various branches of our military battle for bragging rights and the name of their service branch on our champion's plaque. I want to personally thank Rick Munsell and Pete Feliciano, who, together with myself, are serving our community and our veterans behind the scenes in planning out this inaugural tourna-

In other softball news, Barry Cuoco of the American League Buffaloes pitched a near-perfect game Monday, Oct. 3, giving up just one hit to the opposing team. When asked for a comment, Barry said, 'My defense deserves all the credit." Everyone who plays this game knows that slow-pitch softball is a hitters game, so this is a truly remarkable accomplishment and a genuine team effort.

If you want to play or manage, visit otowsoftball.org or our bulletin board at the softball field. If you are not ready for club-level softball, check out the less-formal co-ed recreational softball that plays on Saturdays, at 9 a.m., or join us for batting practice on Sundays, at 9 a.m.

As our former columnist Tom Sheridan said, "Softball is the greatest sport. Step onto the field, and you're 11 years old again." That is one of the reasons we still play and why so many are attracted to this sport.



Veterans Classic Softball Tournament committee members Ernie Sersen, Pete Feliciano, and Rick Munsell showcase the very first tournament of its kind in our community

Welcome to the R/C **Car Track**

By Becky Queen

Free advice is easy to come by at the R/C car track. The incredible sensory experience a visitor feels on race day can generate a host of emotions and questions. This column highlights responses from newer members who were asked what advice they'd give to others contemplating membership.

Anonymous: The numerous activities at On Top of the World most likely played a part in you choosing our community. Now is the time to step out of your comfort zone and try something completely different.

Jim Printer: People are willing to help newbies or those returning to the sport. This can include their perspectives on driving techniques and car set-up. These tips can help make the learning curve fun.

Jill Bingle: When deciding to get into R/C racing, talk to people at the track and get different opinions about types of vehicles prior to making your investment.

Tom Murphy: Come out and watch the races. Speak to experienced drivers. They will provide insights about vehicles and equipment. Take your time so you don't fall in love with a particular car and then find out it's the wrong type to buy. You want a purchase that is easy to care for and maintain.

John Schoenherr: Once you begin to ask others for advice you will find that you need to develop a strong filter. Select the information that is important to you and your situation.

Tony Chicote: Drive safely and patiently behind other drivers during practice and races. Be ready to capitalize on the mistakes of others.

Mike Main: I've had an awesome experience as a newcomer to the R/C Car Club. I'm at the early stage of skill development and no one has discouraged me. Many people have given me tips on driving and fixing my car. I've met friendly people and highly recommend that others join in the fun. I've been told that I will be collecting a certificate, suitable for framing, very soon.

Sheree Johnson: I enjoy R/C racing for the adrenaline and anticipation rush. And, because I am learning how to perform my own maintenance with help, assistance and suggestions from our club's numerous seasoned drivers. I look forward to race days.

Keep these recommendations in mind as you remember the ulterior motive of the club is simply to have fun.

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McKinlev. Touring-Ron Novice-Harry Kaulfersch. Two-wheel buggy-Neil Sorensen. Four-wheel buggy-Bob Herbst. Pan car-Tony Chicote. Truggy–Tom Seitz. Two-wheel truck– Ron Kaulfersch. Four-wheel truck-Jim Ellis. Tie at Traxxas-Larry Ericksmoen and Hank Henne.

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Novice-Sheree Johnson. Touring-Bob Herbst. Two-wheel buggy_Larry Fryer. Four-wheel buggy-Bob Herbst. Pan car-Dominic Papa. Truggy-Tom Seitz. Two-wheel truck-Bob Herbst. Four-wheel truck- Bob Melzer. Traxxas-Dave Johnson.

For information, call Fred Penichet at 914-588-7293.

Overheard at the track: "Your ʻpinion about the size of my pinion gear is greatly appreciated.



Learn to Play Cornhole

By Vince Stevens

With the arrival of slightly cooler weather and the beginning of the snowbird southern migration, our open play activities have begun their return to normal levels. Activity has been boosted by the influx of many new residents who are exploring the never-ending supply of clubs and activities available to residents. As of October, we were nearing a return to normal, and getting ready to begin new rounds of open and league play.

League play began the season with mixed starting Oct. 6, and ladies Oct. 11. There has been little interest in a men's league or a oneon-one league this year.

Congratulations to Cornhole Club members Barb and Ron Daughtry, Vickie Foster, and Bruce Combs who all brought home awards from the Florida Senior Games in Tampa.

INTRODUCTION TO CORNHOLE: Everyone has heard about cornhole, and most have watched others enjoying this fun activity. Residents have every opportunity to join in the fun. Throwing a one-pound bag 27 feet sounds easy but is a challenging game that requires skill and persistence.

If you are interested in learning the basics of cornhole, the Cornhole Club will offer a free one-hour fundamentals class at the cornhole courts at the Veterans Park Monday, Nov. 14, at 11 a.m. We will cover scoring, how to hold and toss the beanbag, and many more fundamentals of the sport.

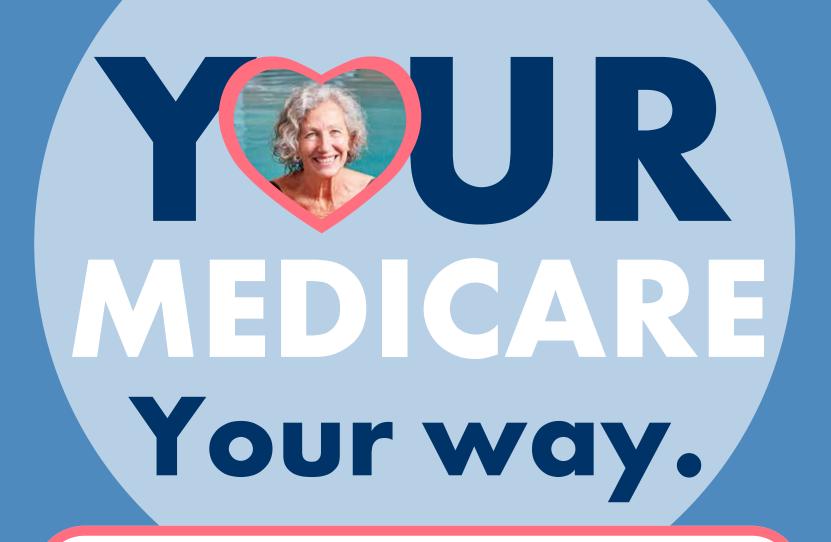
To provide attendees with individual attention, class size is limited, and registration is required. To register for the class, please email name and contact information to otowcornhole@yahoo.com. Join us and learn how to be a cornhole pro!

OPEN PLAY: Member participation in open play has nearly returned to "full house" levels. Monday sessions have been particularly active with all club capabilities rou-tinely utilized. To accommodate the return of cooler weather and the departure of daylight-saving time, effective Sunday, Nov. 6, the schedule is Mondays and Wednesdays, at 4 p.m., and Fridays, at 10 a.m. Should participation at our open play sessions continue to exceed our equipment capabilities, additional dates/times may be added. Cornhole Club members will be notified of any further changes.

LEAGUE PLAY: Both leagues have generated impressive interest with 11 two-person teams participating in mixed league play, and about 10 two person teams, divided into two divisions, competing in our ladies league. Mixed league competitive matches are held each Thursday, at 3:30 p.m. and ladies matches are held each Tuesday, at 4 p.m. Spectators are welcome to watch an afternoon of exciting competitions, and maybe develop an interest in this popular activity.



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Top Pickleball Club

Bill Bender



This is the last of my series featuring quotes from club volunteers when asked why they spend their precious time serving the club. Those quoted here and in the past two months by no means is a complete list of volunteers. It takes the participation of literally dozens of members to orchestrate all the functions of our 550-plus member

Rod Lewis: "I am the fall/winter chair of the special events committee. I, like many volunteers, do it for several reasons but primarily to make On Top of the World a better and more interesting place to enrich life with friends and neighbors. I enjoy working with others and contributing some creative ideas for our special events as well as listening to fellow members with theirs. While it requires a little administrative work and organization, the product makes it well worth the effort. Blending social and competitive sport activities makes our community a diverse and fun place to

live and enjoy life."

Andy Woods: "I volunteered for the board of directors because there were vacancies that I felt needed to be filled for it to operate properly. I served as vice president for nine months and during that time I thought the board and the club made great progress togeth-

er. When that term ended, the position of president became vacant, so I volunteered to fill it because I wanted to continue to help move the club forward and expand on the

progress we made. "It's all about helping people find the same enjoyment in pickleball that I found and providing means for everyone to share this

great game together."
Shirley Rutledge: "The Top Pickleball Club needed someone to be in charge of ordering shirts, so I volunteered. Why? I love pickleball and when everyone is wearing their shirts, it shows club spirit. Picklers have a lot of moxie and spirit for sure. It also gives me a chance to meet players who I never get to play

I think it's obvious to see from these and previous quotes that involvement in our club provides many rewards. The sport is known to be very social, and our participants exemplify this to an extraordinary level. Speaking for myself, it is great to be able to play the game with others who enjoy it, but also rewarding to be part of our pickleball family with whom I cross paths all around our community.

If you are at all interested, come out and see us play Monday through Saturday, 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. Then, if you would like, there is a free orientation class (conducted by our volunteers) held every Monday at 10:30 a.m. There is no sign-up required, just show up with your tennis shoes (also called "sneakers") and your water for hydration, and we will provide the rest.



Phil Panzera



We didn't have any tournaments or happenings last month, but we do have a very special event coming up. If you've just received your paper, our club's first Halloween costume party is Saturday, Oct. 29. There's a lot of buzz in the room about it, and many of us are looking forward to seeing what wild, crazy, scary, frisky, or creative costumes our members will come up with.

In addition to giving away six restaurant gift cards, we'll also have a drawing for a gorgeous \$1,000 cue, with exotic hardwood, turquoise inlays, a leather wrap, and a hightech shaft. Even if you have a few raffle tickets already, consider doubling down and getting some more at the event.

If you're reading this because you're considering joining our club, or you're a member or spouse but don't come very often, let me provide some encouragement. Many think of billiards as a pretty sedentary form of play, but there are actually quite a few health benefits to be gained.

Pool burns more calories than you might think, and all that walking tones up your muscles, improves stretching and improves your balance. Unlike a several mile walk, you shouldn't get tired, as you have plenty of sitting time inbetween shots.

On the mental side, pool has a positive effect. The game builds focus, and critical thinking skills. You're constantly making decisions and engaging your brain in thoughtful ways.

On the social side, you'll meet new people, make new friends, and get to spend time with your companions. I have pool friends from decades ago who still contact me, and stay in touch.

Aside from all these benefits, pool is just a lot of fun! Do not worry in the least about any skill you may or may not have. Most of the people in our room play at a basic level, and many are just starting out. You'll fit right in; I promise.

Billiards was in fact Mozart's main form of relaxation. In the late 1600s, Louis IV installed an elaborate billiard room in his palace at Versailles, and played in the light of 26 chandeliers and 16 floor candelabras.

Royalty seems to have enjoyed the game. In 1838, the legendary Queen Victoria installed a billiard table in Windsor Castle. Napoleon was an enthusiastic player as well.

U.S. presidents enjoyed billiards as well. George Washington played with visiting French General Lafayette, and Thomas Jefferson tried to install a table in the dome of his house in Monticello.

In 1828, John Quincy Adams installed a table in the presidential quarters, which led to congressional criticism of his "gambling furniture" (some things never change).

What better recommendation could you have than the words of Abraham Lincoln. He called the game "health-inspiring" and "scientific," lending "recreation to an otherwise fatigued mind."



Some of the Top Pickleball Club directors.

Holiday Fest

By Linda Meyer

Get your holidays off to a great start! The annual Holiday Fest will be held in the Recreation Center Ballroom Wednesday, Dec. 14. We start at 6 p.m. with homemade cookies provided by our generous residents. This goes along with hot chocolate and coffee. This is a free event for residents!

It's going to be a fun filled evening! So, come and enjoy an evening of entertainment with your friends while munching homemade cookies, and drinking hot chocolate and

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

If you would like to contribute cookies, please deliver them to the Recreation Center Ballroom from 3 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14.

For more information about the Holiday Fest, contact Linda Meyer at 973-809-3338 or linda_a_meyer@ vahoo.com.

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Ladies 18-Hole Golf Association

Marte Dobosh

Golfers learn to look on the bright side when we're on the course. Maybe every shot isn't perfect, but we make it to the green, and we forge ahead to the next tee shot!

The 18-holers are out in force now that fall weather is here. We welcome our friends who have returned from cooler summer climes! The fall Member/Member was a great event, and the October League Championship results will be posted in the next column. November brings our Veterans Day Tournament (Nov. 8) as well as our annual luncheon/meeting.

If you have news of interest regarding our league (hole-in-ones, eagles, etc.), please feel free to submit to mgdobosh@yahoo.com. Word of mouth doesn't always travel far enough!

For up-to-date information visit ladiesgolfotow.com.

Low Gross/Low Net (Individual) Sept. 6/The Tortoise & The Hare Gross

Flight 1: 83–Sandy Snyder. 88–Lisa Free. Flight 2: 93-Vickie Noltensmeyer. 97-Katie

Flight 3: 94-Linda Blewitt. 99-Virginia Mad-

Flight 4: 97–Karen Schroeckenthaler. 108–Liz Lang.

Net

Flight 1: 75-Bev Ovrebo. 83-Diane Boston. Flight 2: 77-Page Falconer. 81-Marcela

Flight 3: 78-Nancy Zielinski. 79-Susan Mar-

Flight 4: 77-Liz Pruss. 87-Elena Sumpter. Member/Member-Scotch Twosome

Sept. 20/The Links Flight 1: Tie at 69–Chris Giza, Maria Fournier and Gail Lagrange, Debby Wilson. 71-Mary Jeannotte, Joyce Jones.

Flight 2: 68–Mary Ann Livingston, Nancy Zielinski. 72-Peggy Weichmann, Vickie Noltensmeyer. Tie at 74-Connie Norris, Virginia Combs and Diane Boston, Jill Strey.

Flight 3: 71-Joann Dellapenna, Terry Wilks. 72-Lilly Gee, Debbie Zile. 75-Katie Schriewer, Liz Pruss.

Flight 4: 75-Margaret Hudacik, Donna Brunell. 77-Vickie Foster, Gloria Cullins, 82-Mary

Ruffner, Lynn Barber. **Best Nine Net (Individual)**

Sept. 27/ The Tortoise & The Hare Flight 1: 31–Lori Pizzini. 36–Lisa Free. 37–Gail Lagrange. Tie at 38–Diane Boston, Linda Tay-

Flight 2: Tie at 37–Debby Wilson, Vickie Noltensmeyer. Tie at 38: Page Falconer, Bobbie Wiener, Marcela Nunez, Mary Ruffner. Flight 3: 33-Linda Blewitt. Tie at 37: Virginia

Madura, Susan Martin. 38-Jill Strey. Flight 4: 31-Liz Pruss. 39-Linda Ryan. Tie at 40: Sandy Chase, Liz Lang, Ronda Richley, Karen Schroeckenthaler.

Blind Mice-2 Best Ball (Team) Oct. 4/The Tortoise & The Hare

101-Diane Boston, Page Falconer, Mary Dawson, Vickie Foster. 105–Joann Dellapenna, Lisa Free. Jean Hsu. Cynthia Gersten. 107-Judi Mc-Guinness, Lori Pizzini, Virginia Madura, Jean Czachor. 108-Mary Ann Livingston, Linda Blewitt, Liz Pruss, Lilly Gee. 109-Linda Taylor, Marcela Nunez, Karen Schroeckenthaler, Ronda Richley. Tie at 110-Maria Fournier, Vickie Noltensmeyer, Eileen Gustavus, Elena Sumpter and Donna Brunell, Sandy Snyder, Virginia Combs, Jan Christ and Chris Giza, Katie Schriewer, Iro Lisinski, Liz Lang.

RETRACTABLE AWNINGS

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Candler Hills Ladies 18-Hole

Beth Wolinsky



The membership meeting for the league will be Thursday, Nov. 10, after golf. It will take place in the Candler Hills Community Center. Election of officers will be on the agenda as well as any pertinent league matters. Lunch will be served, and we hope all members can attend.

The President's Cup Championship is a two day, all net event. Thursday, Oct. 27 is the first day and Thursday, Nov. 3 is the last day. This is a great group event for the league as well as the Member/Member event Thursday, Dec. 15.

We have all seen birds try to take our golf balls after landing, especially crows. Here is an interesting fact. While India was being colonized and golf was introduced there, a course was built and soon inhabited by monkeys. These creatures would pick up the golf balls and drop them elsewhere. A rule had to be established to play the ball where the monkey dropped it. Thank goodness we only have to deal with crows.

Our league 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.

Finally, stay hydrated, believe, achieve, and enjoy golf.

Summer Survivor 6-6-6 (Team)

Sept.15

Flight 1: 68-MJ Strelec, Lisa Free. Tie at 69-Gail Lagrange, Connie Norris. Sandy Snyder, Mary Ann Livingston. 70–Beverly Ovrebo, Bonnie Bunce. Tie at 71–Judie Anderson, Kathleen Goodwin. Maria Fournier, Michele Otto. Flight 2: 71-Linda Taylor, Lynn Barber. 74-Sue Fierce, Jonell Washburn. Tie at 75-Virginia Combs, Vickie Foster, Janette Sheil, Jean Czachor. Beth Wolinsky, Peggy Shanfelt. Tie at 80-Carol Clark, Rosann Ross. Paula Lilly, Kate Beaty.

Random Nine (Individual) Sept. 22

Flight 1: Tie at 37-Sara Nunn, Christine Giza. 38-Kathleen Goodwin.

Flight 2: 33-Joann Dellapenna. 37-Joyce

Flight 3: 41-Jean Hsu. 42-Virginia Madura.43-Jonell Washburn.

Flight 4: 39–Beth Wolinsky. Tie at 40–Janette Sheil, Kate Beaty.

T.O.E.S. (Individual) Oct. 6

Flight 1: 54-Lori Pizzini. Tie at 55-Christine Giza, Michele Otto.

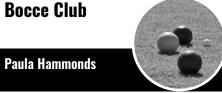
Flight 2: 48-Page Falconer. 52-Judi McGuinness. 53–Joyce Jones.

Flight 3: 50-Jean Hsu. 52-MJ Strelec. Tie at 54–Virginia Madura, Angelita Jingco.

Flight 4: 50-Janette Sheil. 51-Janelle Gluckman. 52-Jane Hall.

Flight 5: Tie at 54-Lynn Barber, Sue Fierce. 55-Cynthia Gersten.

Bocce Club



Ready ... aim ... roll ... win! Bocce ball is rolling along. We are having such good weather, so please come out and join the fun. Open bocce ball is one of the hottest games in town. As of late, all six courts are being utilized and are at full capacity. Open bocce is played on Mondays and Wednesdays, at 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Please arrive a few minutes early so that a count can be taken and numbers of players per court can be decided upon. Teams are decided by the luck of

the draw. Anyone who shows up can play, however as a new player, once you have played on three occasions you will be expected to join the league or open play, pay dues, and sign a "Release and Hold Harmless" consent form. Annual dues are \$12 and entitle you to play as many times as you want through league or open play.

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which contains an alphabetical list of all members. Please make sure you have entered your name and

contact information.

What a great start to the season. All returning teams are up and running and ready to roll. League play began on Tuesday, Oct. 4, and will be played until April 20, 2023. We are always looking for members to substitute or join the league. We encourage you to stop by and see how the game is played and what fun we have. So please call and express your interest in playing. It's a lot of fun and you get to make new friends. If you are interested in playing on a team, please contact Terry Connolly at 352-895-

If you haven't signed a consent form or paid your dues of \$12, please make sure you see your team captain or league representative. Everyone who plays, even those who play open bocce, are required to sign a consent form, and pay dues.

The best of bocce playoffs will be the week of April 23, 2023. League best of bocce will be on April 25, 2023. Open best of bocce will be on April 26, 2023. The bocce banquet will be May 6, 2023, in the Recreation Center Ballroom.

For further information, please call Terry Connolly at 352-895-3866. Until we roll again ...

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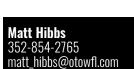
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Golf



The fall season is officially upon us, and the holiday season is right around the corner. This time of year is meant to be spent with family and friends. Thanksgiving is just weeks away so remember to be thankful for what this wonderful world has given you. I am thankful for my family and friends. How about you?

We will be holding our eighth annual Member/Member golf event Friday, Nov. 11 and Saturday, Nov. 12, at The Links and Candler Hills Golf Course. The format will be four-ball stroke play with 85% of your handicap being used. Regis-

tration fee is \$55 per player, which includes a luncheon on Saturday following play. Please contact either Golf Shop for more details.

Golf course etiquette is an important element in the game of golf. Many books have been written regarding golf course etiquette. These are the unspoken rules that show respect to your fellow golfers. Here is a short list of the most common

Avoid Slow Play – Be ready to hit when it is your turn.

Golf Course Maintenance - Be sure to fill all divots with sand and repair all ball

Walking in Golfer's Line -Never walk in a golfer's line

before they putt. Lost Ball – If you suspect your ball is lost, hit a provisional or second ball.

Talking on your Cell Phone -Be courteous to other players

and keep cell use to a minimum.

Playing Music Too Loud -Please be aware of your surroundings and turn down the

Any range baskets, range balls and rakes need to be returned to their respective Golf Shops. These are property of On Top of the World and a vital part of our operation. Please look through your carts and garage and return any range supplies.

World Accolades

CANDLER HILLS: Larry Smallwood, eagle #6 and shot 67 two strokes under his age. Steve Gersten, eagle #7. Congratulations!

Golf Tip of the Month

How many of you swing out of your shoes, fall backwards, and watch the ball sail to the right and out of bounds? If this sounds like your golf swing, then balance is the key to improvement.

Here are a few tips to maintain proper balance throughout your

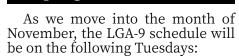
1. Widen your stance. By widening your stance, you are giving yourself a bigger base which helps you return the clubface to a square position at impact.

Do not over swing. If your tendency is to try to swing as hard as you can each time, then more than likely you will lose your balance. A good balanced swing looks graceful and effortless.

Maintain a good finish. Try to hold your finish after every swing. I like to teach my students to hold the finish long enough for someone to snap a picture. Ensuring you hold your finish longer will improve your balance and ball striking.

Ladies 9-Hole Golf

Candon Ehler 352-854-8430



Nov. 1: Team Quota Points (The Links) is the same format as the Stableford scoring system. Each golfer plays their normal round of golf, but instead of the standard scoring, each player will have a certain number of points with Stableford scoring rules to achieve their "quota." You will see a number on your

card associated with your name that indicates your points you need to get with-

out your handicap. Nov. 8: Individual Odd Holes (The Tortoise & The Hare) is where every golfer plays their normal round of golf, but we only use the scores from the odd holes as your score for the round.

Nov. 15: Individual Low Net (The Links) is where every golfer plays their normal round of golf with all ladies flighted according to their

current handicap index. Nov. 22: Team Two Best Ball (The Tortoise & The Hare) is where the golfer plays their normal round of golf with the team score being two

best ball of the foursome.

Nov. 29: Team Scramble (The Links) is where every player tees off, then the team of four picks the best drive and each player hits their second shot from that location. The process is then repeated until the ball is holed out. Each player will also get one mulligan (second chance) to use anywhere on the golf course.

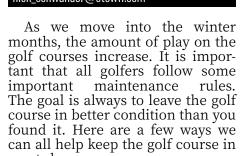
Guess what? It seems to be getting a little cooler around here! That also means we will now start seeing the courses get quite a bit busier, both in the mornings as well as the afternoons. It should also help with the grass getting a little thinner in the rough so that it will be easier

to hit out of and hopefully not lose as many golf balls as we're used to when we hit it in there. The grass thinning out a bit also puts a little more stress on it when we drive our carts through it, so it's imperative that we follow guidelines that are set by the courses so we can help the maintenance staff as well. Any time you get a lot of cart traffic through thin areas of grass, it will eventually die and make bare spots, and that's not what any golf course wants to have on it. I love this time of year especially because it's my two favorite holidays in back-toback months.

Happy Thanksgiving and hope everyone stays safe during the holi-

Candler Hills Ladies 9-Hole Golf

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great shape. **REPAIRING PITCH MARKS:** Work your divot tool in a circle around the edges of the ball mark, gently pulling the turf toward the center until the crater is closed.

FILLING DIVOTS: Fill the divot with sand or sand/seed mixture until it is level with the surrounding turf, then tamp the filling down gently with your foot to smooth it out.

RAKING BUNKERS: If you've made deep footprints, start by smoothing them over with the back of the rake. Then flip the rake around and, using long sweeping motions, finish smoothing the sand as you backtrack out of the bunker, covering your steps as you go.

REPLACING FLAGSTICKS: What too many golfers do is leave the flagstick leaning, which can damage the edges of the hole. What you should do is return the base of the

pole securely into the hole at the bottom of the cup.

RETRIEVING BALLS FROM THE CUP: What many golfers do is force their hand into the cup while the flag-stick is still in it, damaging the edge of the cup. Or dig the ball out with their putter blade, which has the same effect. What you should do if the flagstick is still in, remove it, then reach down and pull the ball out – with your hand.

Looking to participate in a weekly golf league? The Candler Hills LGA-9 league is always looking for new participants. If you would like more information regarding league play, please contact the Candler Hills Golf Shop at 352-861-9712.



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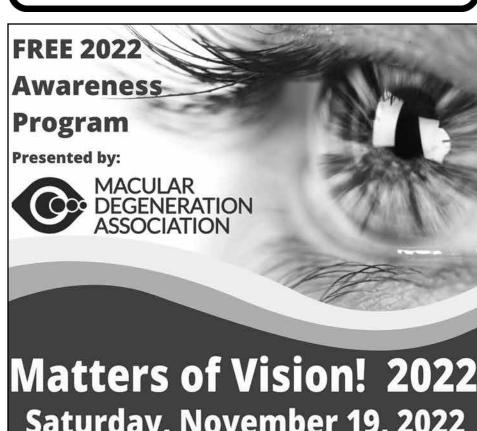
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Dr. Athena Drewes with Libertalia.

What a Knockout exercising

A Love of Horses

By Dave DeAngelis World News Writer

Child Psychologist Dr. Athena Drewes and her husband, Keith, moved from New York to On Top of the World in 2018 as recommended by her brother and relatives who live in the area. But it was the extensive course offering at Master the Possibilities that sold them. Learning about horses captured her attention and away she went. Two years ago, Athena and Keith purchased a three percent share in a two-year-old racehorse named Libertalia. This was many post times ago from her first activity with horses in a therapeutic riding program in New York, a program in which she still participates in our area. Keith, a retired chiropractor, is an avid golfer and gardener when he's not watching racing on television with Athena. Having raced at Gulfstream, Libertalia is presently stabled in Pennsylvania and "hitting stride." Athena has written 13 books on "field of play therapy," has embraced stained glass art as a hobby and writes the World News Table Tennis Club column.

Resident George Schmitz is a 50% owner with his daughter and son-in-law of What a Knockout, a four-year-old cutie pie that runs at Tampa and Gulfstream. In fact, she was awarded the "Prettiest Filly in the Paddock" at her most recent Gulfstream race. Their other horse, Strastosphera is currently in foal. As George gave me a tour around Clas-

sic Mile Park here in Ocala where Knockout and Strastosphera are boarded, he explained the time and monetary commitment required by horse owners not only to training, but also feed, boarding, vet bills and the unexpected. Investing in a racehorse is a gamble, but one that can become very profitable given knowledge and dedication. George and his team have proven that, because of their experience and dedication, long shots can hit big. They once bought a horse inexpensively, trained it for four months and he won his first race by 13 lengths. They sold that horse for a price that was seven times their purchase price of ... ain't tellin'.

Dr. Lynn Harshbarger (a.k.a. "Dr. Lynn"), originally from Michigan, grew up on a standard-bred horse racing farm where her grandfather scolded her for sneaking rides without permission. Ah, not a deterrent for her as she was determined to pursue her relation-ship with horses. So, off she went to Western Michigan University to study ... medical technology. Why? Her high school counselor told her that she could never be a veterinarian because ... grab your chairs and grit your teeth ... she wasn't strong enough, and there were very few female veterinarians at that time. Don't yell at me, I'm just writing the story! Anyway, she completed

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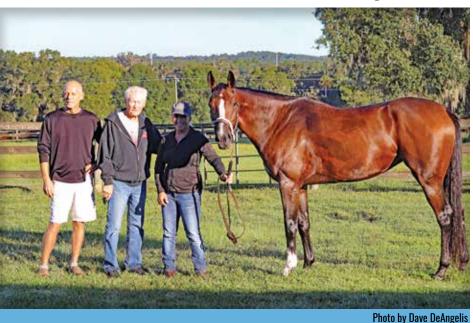




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A Love of Horses

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she didn't want to be a "human doctor." Her desire since childhood to be a veterinarian came to fruition at age 37 when she earned her DVM degree from Michigan State University.

Lynn established a successful "mobile vet unit" in Michigan, and began participating in fox hunting, hunter/jumper, endurance racing and dressage. But it was time to, as her husband Jerry suggested, leave the cold weather and head to Florida. The amenities offered by On Top of the World sold them, with Jerry gravitating toward the R/C Flyers Club, and Lynn at home in horse country. Lynn shows her dressage horse, Pyro and provides veterinary services in the Marion County area.

Marti Aman, of South Windsor, Connecticut loved horses since childhood, started riding as a teenager and later rode at Ithaca College in New York. Her specialty is dressage, a class that has been her primary discipline in the equestrian world and has been competing "on and off" over the years with her horse, Susie. "Two living beings trying to do something together – horse and rider" is how she describes the rewards of her passion. Marti teaches riding and still takes lessons herself with a Spanish dressage trainer. "It's all about the learning." She certainly learned the value of wearing an air vest, one that immediately inflates when a rider is headed toward an un-

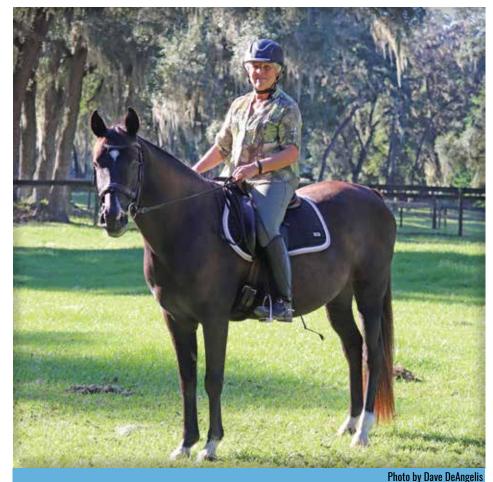
medtech school and decided that planned trip to terra firma. Because of the vest, she escaped injury after meeting the ground.

Marti's husband, Bill, followed a different path of exercise by playing rugby ... for 50 years! He started playing at Cornell University and doesn't ride horses but perhaps could tackle one, I'm thinking. They moved to On Top of the World from Connecticut in 2017 after some of Marti's associates - farrier, veterinarian and breeder began moving to Florida "one by one" to be in Ocala's horse world.

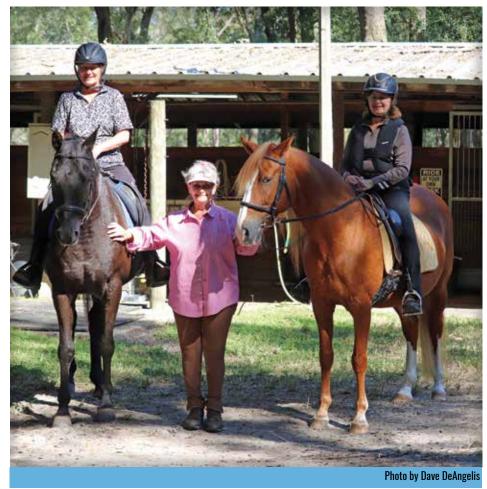
Having purchased her Polish Arabian horse when he was four years old, Pat Peterson has been riding Jamar, now 19, ever since. Of course, she loved horses as a child and owned her first horse at 28 years old and participated in 25mile endurance riding events in Escanaba, Michigan. She and her husband, Bill, retired to On Top of the World in 2020 with Ocala being recommended by relatives living in "horse country." Pat met Marti (from the above paragraph) at Pam Lynn Paloose Ranch where their horses are boarded, and while they are riding, their husbands are playing golf together. No longer participating in endurance events, today Pat enjoys leisurely trail riding.

I did it. Completed this story with not one mention of Mister Ed.

If you are a horseowner or interested in equestrian activities, please email pr@colenbuilt.net. We would love to hear from you!



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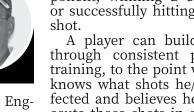
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Tennis





The Laver Cup was held in England, a team competition between Team Europe vs. Team World. There were some outstanding matches worth watching, and for the first time Team World defeated Team Europe thanks to some incredibly good performances by singles and doubles players who competed at the highest level of the sport.

Here at home, it is time to have some fun with a mixed doubles tournament followed by a cookout to end the season. Sign-up sheets will be available on round robin

The POP tennis committee is busy organizing a social gathering for players to have fun on and off the courts.

Mental Components

In my opinion, tennis can be broken down into thirds: physical fitness, technical ability, and mental components. These mental components are confidence, self-esteem, independence, discipline, temperament, concentration, goal setting, sportsmanship, and competitive

Confidence is a player's strong

task, whether it is beating an opponent, winning a critical point, or successfully hitting a particular

A player can build confidence through consistent practice and training, to the point where he/she knows what shots he/she has perfected and believes he/she can execute those shots in a match with little or no errors. Players can develop confidence in various areas of the game, including specific shots, physical fitness, movement, or tactics, to name a few. Confidence in one's tennis means a player has hit enough balls during practice and mastered the stroke well enough that he/she knows what he/she can do, he/she owns the stroke and truly believes he/she owns it.

If a player misses a shot and says, "I cannot believe I missed it" and brushes it off then he/she has a confident mindset. It's believing in yourself and having something to back it up with. A low level of confidence will often work against a player during a match and hurt his/ her chances of winning. If the confidence is not there, he/she will play tentatively on shots.

The more confidence a player has, the more the mental subcomponent can work to his/her advantage. A high level of confidence allows a player to strike the ball better and more freely because in his/her mind, he/she feels that he/she cannot miss. And even if a player is not playing well, confidence can help

energy to change his/her fortunes and win.

However, being overconfident can be a downfall. Being too confident after gaining a significant lead,

he/she could lose focus. This causes carelessness in shots or strategies, blowing his/her lead and allowing the opponent back in the game. See you on the courts!

Archery Club

Barbara Scales



On Wednesday, Oct. 19, Archery Club members, Brenda Foster and Shizuka Campagna, demonstrated kyūdō with their kyūdōka, an expert in kyūdō. Ron Jones is a third dan (black belt) certified under the All Japan Kyūdō Federation/International Kyūdō Federation (ZNKR/ IKYF). Mr. Jones operated a kyudojo in Pensacola, Florida. He ranks sec-

ond in the art of kyūdō in Florida.

Kyūdō means "the way of the bow." It is a method of archery developed by the ancient Japanese samurai. Paintings from 10,000 B.C.E. depict longbow hunters on horseback. To avoid injuring the horse, 2/3 of the bow is above the arrow knock point. Japanese longbows were made from bamboo, which grows narrow at the top while sturdy at the base. Bamboo's upper flexibility assists the yumi (bow) in maximizing yardage covered by the ya (arrow.)

Equipment for kyūdō is different from western archery. For instance, a yumi is 83 to 96 inches long, and weighs 2.5 to 3.5 pounds. It takes two to 40 pounds of draw to send a 33- to 43-inch ya 163 to 216 yards. The knocking point of a yumi is 1/3 the distance from the base of the bow. The kyūdō practitioner uses the ear as an anchor point or draws beyond the head.

A western bow averages 68 inches and weighs 1.8 to 6 pounds. It takes eight to 70 pounds draw to send the average 22-inch arrow 200 yards or less. The western knock point is midline and the archer anchors at the cheek, the chin, or the nose.

In kyūdō, the archer sits, or stands, or is on a horse, and is wearing a double gloved right hand to shoot. In western archery one may use either hand, a glove, finger tabs, bow grips, balancers, or bow sites.

Kyūdo's purpose is self-development, not score. Meditation, proper technique, body form and mind control are the focus. According to Brenda Foster, club member and practitioner of kyūdō, "In the time

that a western archer releases five arrows, I may release two." This does not dismay her efforts. She says, "My mind is concentrating on my body, form, arrow, and target. My thoughts are about me, not the world around me. I am intent upon the self, and my development, not the score.

The Archery Club greatly appreciates Ron Jones, Shizuka Campagna and Brenda Foster for doing the kyūdō demonstration for over two dozen spectators.

On Saturday, Dec. 17, there will be a holiday party for members and guests. The club will soon post dates for ticket sales at the range.

We are confident that everyone who joins the Archery Club will find a place to develop their skills in a way that best suits them. If you are interested in watching upcoming events or learning more about the Archery Club, please visit otowarchery.com or email archeryclubotow@gmail.com.

Fit Tips



Play to Win

Pickleball, tennis, racquetball, table tennis and badminton are all popular sports here at On Top of the World. Whether you are a seasoned competitor or new to a racquet sport, there are many things you can do to improve your game. Play to win the game, or to win at improving your health! Both are great outcomes. Here are some tips for improving skills needed for racquet sports.

FIT TIP #1: Pump up the power resistance training will boost your ability to add power and speed to your serves and swings. Aim to strength train at least two times per week.

FIT TIP #2: Act fast - speed and agility training are critical for racquet sport performance. Agility training will enable quicker reaction to start, stop, turn, and get to that ball or shuttlecock quickly!

FIT TIP #3: Join the "Power Play" class at the Arbor Fitness Center Friday, Nov. 4, at 11 a.m. This special class will highlight exercises that support all racquet sports.





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Fitness Happenings

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Punch Out Parkinson's!

"Punch Out PD" (Parkinson's disease) is a boxing style fitness class designed to combat the challenges of Parkinson's disease. The science is very clear; exercise is vital for helping to stave off PD symptoms. The Parkinson's Foundation states, "Exercise is an important part of healthy living for everyone, however, for people with Parkinson's disease (PD) exercise is not only healthy, but a vital component to maintaining balance, mobility and daily living activities, along with a potential neuroprotective effect.'

Our team of "Punch Out PD" coaches are certified personal trainers, and they are fired up to help you fight back!

Exercise for Parkinson's disease has two important benefits:

1. For the body, staying strong, maintaining function, and reducing fall risk.

For the brain, supporting brain health and warding off age and disease-related changes. The neuroprotective benefits of exercise stem from a heightened efficiency of the brain cells to utilize dopamine more efficiently. Dopamine is a neurotransmitter, which facilitates brain cells to connect and communicate with each other.

We will launch our first Punch Out PD on Wednesday, Dec. 7, at noon in the Arbor Fitness Center. This class will have a very specific exercise prescription, dedicated to managing the symptoms and challenges associated with PD. The exercises in this class bring in higher levels of intensity including a variety of boxing skills and drills. The exercises support strength, power, balance, and cognitive function.

Don't sit back ... come out swinging and Punch Out Parkinson's disease! This class welcomes those with PD and their care partners. Punch Out PD will be offered on a weekly basis at both the Arbor Fitness Center and The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa from January 2023! For more information, please call 352-854-8707 ext. 7532.

On Top of the World **NOVEMBER 2022 FITNESS**

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Balance Body LORI	Chair Yoga KATHY	Balanced Body	Chair Yoga KATHY	Balanced Body INGRID
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Zumba* Gold JOSIE		Zumba* Gold		Dance Aerobics
	Fitness Orientation*		Balance Assessment*	
			Tai Chi ART	
Blended Yoga JOE		Chair Yoga TRISH	Qi Gong ART	
	Intro Hatha Yoga		Yoga sandra	
	Dance Aerobics DENSE B. S.O.S. JOHN Balance Body LORI Get Fit While You Sit KITTI Zumba* Gold JOSIE Blended Yoga	Dance Aerobics DENISE B. S.O.S. JOHN Balance Body LORI Get Fit While You Sit KITTI Zumba* Gold JOSSE Biended Yoga JOE Intro Hatha Yoga Strength & Stretch DENISE B. CHAIR YOGA KATHY Brain Power CAMMY & SUE Fitness Orientation*	Dance Aerobics DENSE B. DENSE	Dance Aerobics Denist B. D

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ARBOR FITNESS CENTER CLASSES

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:00 am	Yoga SANDRA	Pilates Fusion	Yoga JOE	Pilates Fusion BRENDA	Yoga MELANIE
10:00 am	STRONG MAUREEN	Yoga sandra	STRONG GIB	Yoga MAUREEN	STRONG JOHN
11:00 am	Yoga MAUREEN		Yoga TRISH		
1:00 pm				Fitness Orientation*	

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ARBOR FITNESS CENTER INDOOR POOL

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
6:00 am	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming
7:00 am	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim
8:00 - 9:00 am	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk
9:00 - 10:00 am	Deep Water Fitness Class**	Shallow Water Fitness Class**	Deep Water Fitness Class**	Shallow Water Fitness Class**	Deep Water Fitness Class**
10:00 - 11:00 am	Open Swim	Shallow Water Fitness Class**	Open Swim	Shallow Water Fitness Class**	Open Swim
11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming
12:30 pm	Aqua Aerobics Club	Shallow Water Fitness Class**	Aqua Aerobics Club	Shallow Water Fitness Class**	Aqua Aerobics Club
1:30 pm	Open Swim	Water Volleyball Club	Water Volleyball Club 1:30 - 3:30 pm	Water Volleyball Club 1:30 - 3:30 pm	Open Swim
2:30 pm	Deep Water Fitness Class**	1:30 - 3:30 pm			
3:30 - 5:00 pm	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim	Open Swim
5:00 - 6:00 pm	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming
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Since autumn comes to Florida a little later than the rest of the east coast, we celebrated an Oktoberfeast (yes, feast) at our last meeting. Our potlucks are always delicious, but the ladies outdid themselves this time! We had fun winning door prizes with seven games of bingo! It was such a hit; we may make that a regular part!

Please join us for our next meeting Saturday, Nov. 26! We always meet on the fourth Saturday of the month at 11:30 a.m. in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios I-II. No reservations are needed, just come, and bring a friend! Hope to see you there!





















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Shuffleboard



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Shuffleboard

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Well, September was a fun month, so here are the results.

September Men/Women

Monday a.m.: Robert Shapiro/Vicki Lentz. 31-Walt Lamp. 30-Vicki Lentz.

Tuesday p.m.: Phil Mercurio. Tie: Barbara Daughtry, Lynn Nelson & Dottie Migliaccio.

Thursday a.m.: Robert Sapira/Annette Hodges. The 30 Club always calls for spe-

Our season started, for the most

part, with good weather and with

over 60 women joining us. All

women of On Top of the World are

welcome to join us, women from

Indigo East need to have a Gateway

There are many ways to play shuffleboard. The ladies like to

play with skill and technique which

they have realized is more fun and

harder than just knocking out. We

continue to meet on Mondays, at

cial mention. In one round, if a shooter puts all four discs in any combination in the three scoring boxes that adds up to 30 or more points, he/she makes the club. With any shots hitting all three boxes and avoiding being knocked out by an opponent: it's a rare and special

To help you get more acquainted with the sport, we have an introductory class on the second Saturday of the month. The next one is Saturday, Nov. 12, at 11 a.m. We will go over the rules, scoring, safety, and basics for shooting the disc. Opentoed shoes are not permitted. Paul Hodges is the instructor. Remember, we play at the Veterans Park.

Please note the times that are reserved for club use. If there is an empty court at the time of club play, you are welcome to use that empty court. The shuffleboard courts are

7–Gina, Dee, Darlene, Lois N., Barbara R., & Sandy. 6–Sally, Katha, Marsha, & Kathleen. 5–Barb C., Cindy, Jeanine, Elaine, Carol N., &

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5:30 p.m. and Wednesdays, at 9 and 11 a.m. There are 10 courts to play on. The club equipment is locked up in a shed, but there is equipment for non-club members to use on the

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side of the shed.

September

letin board at the courts. Happy shuffling. Be safe.

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Tuesdays in the Arbor Con-

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ference Center Event Room with weigh-in at 9:15 a.m.; meeting from 10 to 11 a.m. with Gail Hopper (gailbhopper@yahoo.com).

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Fitness Director Cammy Dennis spoke at the Tuesday meeting about food tracking, making small changes, and other helpful items. The Monday group was invited to join the group.

Both groups had a great September with losses. Keep up the hard work everyone.

The two groups are planning a holiday party with some fun and fellowship sponsored by the Tuesday group. The date has changed to January 22, 2023. Be sure to mark your calendar.

Losing weight with TOPS can be fun with friends that you meet at meetings and help motivate you.

Table Tennis





The weather is becoming more fall-like as we experience chilly mornings and cooler days with less humidity. Snowbirds are returning to enjoy the beautiful weather here. It is a wonderful time of year with Thanksgiving reminding us to be thankful for all that we have, including our club, our members, and the great opportunity to play in a well-equipped designated table tennis room. Come and check us out and play some games!

Interesting table tennis factoids: Did you know that the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF, rule 2.13.1) has the first service decided normally by a coin toss? But it is also common for one player (or the umpire/scorer) to hide the ball in one or the other hand, usually hidden under the table, allowing the other player to guess which hand the ball is in. The correct or incorrect guess gives the "winner" the option to choose to serve, receive, or to choose which side of the table to use.

A common but non-sanctioned method is for the players to play the ball back and forth three times and then play out the point. This is commonly referred to as "serve to play", "rally to serve", "play for serve", or "volley for serve". But our club chooses the method of having the player in the top left position to always be the server for the

initial service of a game.

What is a let? A let is a rally where the result is not scored, and is called in the following circumstances:

The ball touches the net during the serve, provided the serve is otherwise correct, or the ball is obstructed by the player on the receiving side. Obstruction means a player touches the ball when it is above or traveling towards the playing surface, and the ball has not yet touched the player's court.

When the player on the receiving side is not ready and the service is delivered.

Player's failure to make a service or to return it is due to a disturbance outside the control of the player (e.g., a stray ball from another table or some other unforeseen interruption).

Play is interrupted by the umpire or assistant umpire.

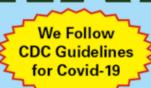
A let is also called foul service, if the ball hits the server's side of the table, if the ball does not pass further than the edge (e.g., lands on the floor) and if the ball hits the table edge and hits the net.

Come join us for a full-filled time of playing with people who enjoy the sport of table tennis!

Our schedule: Beginners doubles, Tuesday, 1 to 3 p.m.; singles, Friday 3 to 5 p.m. Ladies doubles, Wednesday, 10 a.m. to noon; singles, Friday, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. All level doubles: Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, 1 to 3 p.m. All level singles Wednesday, 1 to 3 p.m. Advanced level Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Contact president, Paul Stadterman, ptstadterman@yahoo.com.



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R/C Flyers Club

Dan Gaffin



"Up, up and away!" One of the most famous lines of a childhood favorite for many of us. It is Superman! And then you look to the skies at flying field and low and behold there he is. And you thought the only thing that you would see flying were planes. Think again. You never know what you will see, and this makes this hobby that much more interesting and fun.

Superman is a team effort by Don Wright and Bob Anderson. The plane was created from a kit that these two guys built and now pilot over the flying field. Don enjoys designing and building all types of aircraft using 3D printing. Designing and building is another extension of this hobby that brings many of the R/C Flyers hours of fun and entertainment.

Some of the club members get the flying fever so much that they will try to fly anything made of everything. If a motor, string, or sling shot can be attached to whatever the material is, then it is fair game to fly. There have been planes made from display poster board material and then there was the plane made out of a pizza box.

out of a pizza box.

I am always entertained when I go out to the flying field. There are many days when I see club members at the field without any of their own aircraft and this is because they know that another pilot will be there or soon show up with some sort of plane or possibly an unidentifiable object to put up in the sky over the airfield.

Alex Fedele flies a paraglider that

Alex Fedele flies a paraglider that is piloted by iconic Super Mario, another entertaining sight over the airfield. And on the days when it is too windy to fly a plane you may see Kenny Graham flying his jet kite. Yes, a kite that is shaped like a jet. Now that's what you call flying fever

Yes, we do a lot of flying and sometimes unusual objects. And it is a lot of fun to see the imagination and creation of these club members. There is something to be said about the sheer joy of seeing something you created that never existed before, something unique like a pizza box plane and it flies. It doesn't have to be fancy, doesn't have to simulate one of the most expensive and successful aircraft ever designed ... it simply has to fly and

pensive and successful aircraft ever designed ... it simply has to fly and give the creator the joy of success.

If you or your visiting guests are interested at all in watching the pilots fly, we encourage you to come up to the flying field. You are welcome! If you are considering joining the R/C Flyers Club there is also a lot of information available at www.otowrcflyers.com.

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Line Dancing

Tamara Stanford



Line dancing has grown in popularity and is danced worldwide. There is no documented origin for line dancing. It probably developed over time from folk and country dancing. According to Wikipedia, The Madison was one of the first line dances. Fortunately for those interested, there is a recording from the late 1950s of The Madison on YouTube.com.

A line dance usually begins with rows of dancers facing the same direction and dancing the same choreography. There are variations to the standard pattern.

Contra dances are those where the dancers form two lines, with each line of dancers facing the other. The same steps are danced by everyone and that makes contra dancing a challenge. The opposite line of dancers look like they are stepping incorrectly even though everyone is moving to their right or their left. The challenge is to follow the choreography and not the danc-

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er opposite you. Contra dances are a lot of fun and usually everyone

ends up laughing at their missteps.

Two contra dances currently in rotation at The Town Square on Thursdays are "Heavenly Waltz" and "Are You Missing Me?" The complete list of dances at The Town Square is posted at http://webuse.com/otowdance/. There are directions for printing the list as well.

As we enter autumn, there will be a time change. The clocks "fall back" one hour at 2 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 6. Beginning Tuesday, Nov. 1, dancing at The Town Square at Circle Square Commons will take place Tuesdays through Saturdays, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Remember that line dance passes are required for indoor line dancing. Line dance practice is at the Arbor Conference Center on Wednesdays. Improver Plus practice begins at 9:45 a.m. Beginner II practice starts at 10:50 a.m. Beginner II practice starts at 11:55 a.m. ginner I practice is at 11:55 a.m. Absolute Beginners is at 1 p.m. For detailed information regarding line dancing, contact Darlene Miller at 352-259-3605. For information regarding Sheryl Bradley's classes, email Sheryl at sbradley@yahoo.com. The schedule for Sheryl's Thursday classes at the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studio is Improver/Intermediate at 10:30 a.m., Beginner/Beginner Plus at 11:30 a.m., and Absolute Beginner at 12:30 a.m. There are also monthly dances.

Sidekicks Western Dance

Judy Sullivan



When my husband, Jim, and I moved here three and half years ago from New Jersey, one of the first things I investigated was if our community offered couples dancing. I had posted this question on a Facebook group, and I was directed to the dance instructors, Paula and

The group went by partner dance instead of couples dance, as I knew it to be in New Jersey, but it was still the same thing ... fun! I went to check out the group on one Tuesday night and I have been dancing with the Sidekicks Partner Dance group

Jim and I are fortunate that we have so many similar interests and often do things together, but we also have many separate interests that we do on our own and one of them was dancing. I am an avid dancer who loved partner dancing and line dancing, but Jim was not a huge fan of dancing nor country music. It was not a problem for me for line dancing since I did not require a partner to do that.

However, for partner dancing I needed a partner! I had to gently (haha) remind him that there are activities that I do with him because of his interest and that he

needed to give dancing a try for me. Otherwise, I will be finding another (dancing) partner. I'm happy to say he stuck with it, and he went from having two left feet to being one of the dance leaders and instructors with me. Now he leves dancing and with me. Now he loves dancing and

he's quite good at it!

Together, we now help other people learn new dances. We help lead the weekly Tuesday dances as well as offer weekly practice classes. If you are interested in joining the group come check it out! group, come check it out!

- Tuesdays (4:30 to 6 p.m.): Weekly dance night in the
- Recreation Center Ballroom. Fridays (11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.): Weekly practice in the Indigo East Community Center Ballroom.
- Fridays (12:30 to 1 p.m.): For Absolute Beginners, who have never danced, in the Indigo East Community Center Ballroom.
- Sundays (5 to 6 p.m.): Weekly practice led by Bill and Lois Hull in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios III-IV.
- Mondays (10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.): By request only for those who are new or need

extra practice. If there is one thing I can tell people who want to dance but feel you do not know how to dance, just go for it. Do not give up too easily or quickly. It may take weeks to learn quickly. It may take weeks to learn a single dance or months to feel comfortable with the dance moves but eventually your body will de-velop muscle memory and you will be dancing without even thinking about the steps. Just think of your-selves as babies who are just learn-ing to walk. They didn't give up, neither should you.

See you soon. In the meantime, keep on dancing!

Ballet

Eugenie Martin



In the Ballet Club, we have had a few men who have danced with us, and men are always welcome to join our classes. That said, the bulk of our dancers are women, and we all dance in outfits that are and we all dance in outfits that are similar – leotards, tights, and ballet shoes (usually pink), and ballet skirts. Skirts vary quite a bit in design – some are wrap-around, and others are pull-up; some match the leotard, others are in a contrasting color; some are plain, others have prints on them. One of our dancers found so many ballet skirts that we could buy at bargain prices that we could buy at bargain prices that we made "Skirt" her last name in class.

All women were once girls, and many of us played "make believe" and "dress up" when we were kids. Now, those who dance can play "dress up" as ballerinas. Our classes look beautiful, and the truth is that we are ballerinas. Our classes follow the same basic form as virtually all traditional ballet classes, and we dance at the annual Health & Wellness Expo every January at Circle Square Cultural Center.

Our classes are all held in the Arbor Conference Center Ballet Room. The schedule of classes follows:

- Beginner: Tuesdays, 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.; Fridays, noon
- to 12.15 p.m., Fridays, floor to 1:15 p.m. Advanced Beginner: Tues-days, 1 to 2:15 p.m.; Thurs-days, 1 to 2:15 p.m. Intermediate: Saturdays, 11
- a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Newcomers are always welcome, and you do not need ballet clothes to start. Just wear stretchy exercise clothes and socks and bring a bottle of water. Please give me a call in advance, so I will be able to advise you which class might be best for you. Happy dancing!

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Candler Hills Men's Golf

Mike Kelly

Fall and cooler weather are here! Our course is in magnificent condition, and we are starting to see some of the snowbirds return. Our membership has increased to a total of 163 members as of today and by the time you read this our new board members will have been

Kudos to Larry Smallwood for his

elected. The board is always open

to suggestions and feedback so if

you have any constructive ideas or

suggestions, please let one of us

eagle #7.

We have a great slate of events scheduled for the following Tuesdays:

- Nov. 1: Two Best Balls of Four (Team)
- Nov. 8: Quota in Flights (Individual)
- · Nov. 15: Stableford A/B C/D (Team)
- Nov. 22: One Ball Gross/One Ball NetNov. 29: Two Man Team Low
- Net
 The Candler Hills Cup playoff
 vas held and Dave Falcone was

was held, and Dave Falcone was the winner of this year's event! Bill Wignall finished second and Rusty Zarrell and Jim Dewey tied for third. Congratulations to Dave and all the participants.

Any time you wish to get informa-

things coming up, visit chmga.org.
We hope to see everyone on Tues-

day at the course for some great golf and good times!

Men's Golf Association

John Yenne



Handicaps are essential for fair play in the Men's Golf Association (MGA). Be sure your scores are accurately posted to your handicap account at the Golf Handicap & Information Network (GHIN).

tion on our league events or other

Most scores are automatically posted for MGA play. However, if you play regularly with others, you must also post your scores to GHIN.

According to the Rules of Golf, a score is acceptable if the round has

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- On a golf course during the active season.

If even one of the above requirements is not met, the score is not acceptable for handicap purposes. (Rule 2.1, Rules of Handicapping).

In other words, if you play alone, you cannot post your score. It lacks peer review, the process by which a score can be confirmed or challenged.

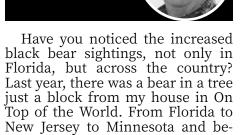
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- days in your calendar:
 Nov. 2: Chicken Day Scram
 - ble (The Links)
 Nov. 9: Individual Low Net
 - (The Tortoise & The Hare)
 Nov. 16: Cup Challenge (day one) (The Tortoise & The
 - Hare)
 Nov. 17: Cup Challenge (day
 - two) with lunch (The Links)
 - Nov. 23: Team 2 Best Balls (The Tortoise & The Hare)
 Nov. 30: Shamble (The Links)

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Call of the Wild Sports Club

Jeff Wiita



yond, the black bear population has

increased.

One explanation for the increased bear encounters is suburban sprawl. That may explain the increased encounters around Ocala and places like New Jersey, but it does not explain the increased encounters in Northern Minnesota and beyond. Suburban sprawl encounters are and record record.

and beyond. Suburban sprawl encounters are one good reason for Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) to consider a black bear management and conservation program which includes a lottery system for harvesting black bears by outdoor sports enthusiasts.

The primary explanation is the economic value of the black bear. Thirty years ago, the public considered black bears as garbage animals or varmints. The outdoor sports enthusiasts, especially the archery hunters, lifted the economic value of the black bear to a trophy, big game species. It is so highly sought out that it now takes five years of lottery preference points to draw a license in the quota zones of Northern Minnesota.

Thirty years ago, I was able to purchase a bear license over the counter in Minnesota, and 50 years ago it was included with my deer license. Yes, I was part of the bear archery hunters who helped elevate the black bear from a dump animal to a trophy animal. It is one of the forgotten stories of successful wild-life management and consequents.

life management and conservation.

The first regulated bear hunting season in Florida started in 1936 and continued in part of the state until 1994. Isn't it interesting that when archery hunters in other parts of the country were elevating the economic value of the black bear, Florida changed their entire bear management and conserva-

tion program to exclude the hunter? FWC re-opened bear hunting in 2015, but the season has been closed since that time. Maybe it is time for FWC to re-consider their black bear management and conservation program to include a lottery system for harvesting black bear by the outdoor sports enthusiasts.

There is another explanation for the increase in bear population across North America, and it is a good thing. The bear population is a barometer telling us that we have a healthy ecosystem. I keep hearing people say that man is destroying the ecosystem. The bear population, including the polar bear population, is telling us that the ecosystem is very healthy, and we are doing an excellent job as stewards of God's Creation, at least in North America

If you would like further information or have any questions about our club, please visit Call of the Wild Sports Club Wednesdays, Nov. 2, and Dec. 7, in the Hobby Building Event Room from 1 to 3 p.m. Also, feel free to contact Scott Bloch, our president, at 614-806-6738.





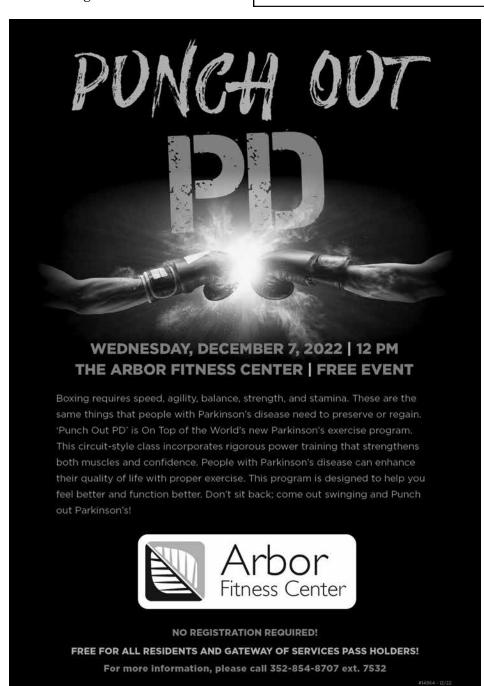
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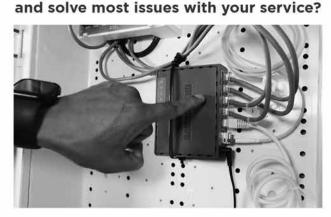
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Sherry Winn

It's time for me to face the facts. Pickleball, the fastest growing sport of the decade is defeating softball in the ranks of our community's fe-

male populous preferential sports.

As the organizer of the Co-Ed Recreational Softball group, I acknowledge this might be enticing, as pickleball is an active, rewarding, social sport that I too, enjoy. In jest, it's the cute outfits you wear that are appealing, right? After all, when you want to cool off, you can just bounce around a little more to have your skort create a breeze. We

don't care what you wear.

It might be that you enjoy team play. We have that covered as well. It might be that you think you won't get a chance to prove you're athletic or accomplished enough to play with the men or get too few chances to field or bat. We compensate for the preconceived ideas you may have about organized softball.

Our group is not like playing competitive ball; we balance our teams, everyone gets to bat every inning, we play different positions, have very relaxed rules that don't count strikes, balls or three outs and we provide constant support. No one is made to feel inferior just because they're not a star.

Are you fearful of injury? We focus on safety first. Participants can get injured in any active sport, it's just the risk we take. Warming up is the way we start our play.

Pickleball is played every day of the week. Currently, Co-Ed Recreational Softball is only Saturday mornings. Several of our participants play a game or two of pickleball prior to heading down the hill for a change of activity.

Besides, we have ready access to a potable water supply as well as flush potties, seating, fans, and misters. The men's league even shares their refrigerated water for a donation

We're grateful that the men's league new player orientation actively supports our group as a steppingstone or alternative to their potential players. Our purpose is to be as inclusive as possible. Everyone has a voice

Co-Ed Recreational Softball is a constantly evolving entity that attempts to meet the needs of our participants, so nothing is written in stone. We pride ourselves in being adaptive and inclusive. What other sport can say they use different size balls for the different sexes to balance the quality of play?

So ladies, if you're looking for a weekly two hour change of pace, head down to the softball field on Saturdays, at 9 a.m. There's no commitment, an opportunity to expand your interests and social circles (which often overlap). We have extra team equipment, so there's no initial financial investment. Just show up, have fun, and find the muscle memory you had when you played softball in school.

For further information, please don't hesitate to contact me at 315-528-8499.



Republican Club

Lizabeth Woodard



The World News

On Friday, Sept. 9, the Republican Club president Liz Woodard called the meeting to order. She thanked all fellow members for their attendance and ongoing support of the club. An opening prayer was given by Fiona Bowling. Everyone joined in singing the "Star-Spangled Banner" and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Liz reported on the highly successful results of the Club Fair in September, where she, Lynette Jones, and Charles Dodge signed up 60-plus new enthusiastic members. Each new member was presented with a copy of the United States Constitution and were advised of the Constitutional series offered at each monthly meeting.

In addition to the new members added during the Club Fair, 28 more new members signed up at the regular meeting. Liz reminded everyone that the annual dues for current members is \$5 and the 2022 initial membership fee is \$8.

Club Vice President Charles Dodge began his portion of the meeting by imploring everyone to never forget the events of Sept. 11. He offered sage advise on how we, as Republicans, have the right and responsibility to debate effectively without civil discord and to do so with friendliness and a sense of humor – just as Tip O'Neill and Ronald Reagan conducted themselves in the 1980s.

The Republican Club provides ongoing support for Operation

Shoebox which provides care packages to active-duty personnel all over the world. Ellie Richards read a letter from the commander of the USS Harry S. Truman currently in the Mediterranean. She thanked supporters for providing packages and notes to the men and women serving on board the ship. Ellie challenged everyone to donate \$1 that evening to help defray the cost of shipping the packages.

Our featured speaker of the evening was Marion County Commissioner Carl Zalak. He and his wife Ann thanked us for our support during the recent primary campaign. Commissioner Zalak presented an overview of the infrastructure projects planned for the next five to 10 years, including 3,200 miles of roads, as well as commercial and residential buildings; installation of new intelligent lights for the efficient flow of traffic on SR 200; 27 more deputies and 30 more police officers and resource officers for area schools; four more fire stations with three of them specifically for On Top of the World; a new stateof-the-art Evidence Building; and expansion of the Freedom Library. Mr. Zalak fielded many questions and comments during the questionand-answer session.

The Republican Club meets the second Friday of each month at 6:30 p.m. (doors open at 6 p.m.) in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios I-IV. The next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 11, at 4 p.m. For more information regarding the Republican Club, please leave a message at 518-534-0201; your call will be answered as soon as possible. Come join in the political conversation with like-minded, positive, friendly people.

OneBlood Bloodmobile

Sara Sommer



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Now for some more good news. You asked for it and now you have it. For those people who cannot donate on a Monday, especially the softball leagues, we have scheduled additional blood drives. They will be held on the first Friday of January, May, and September 2023. The bus will be parked in the Recreation Center parking lot from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Look for the new OneBlood flyers to be available by the end of December.

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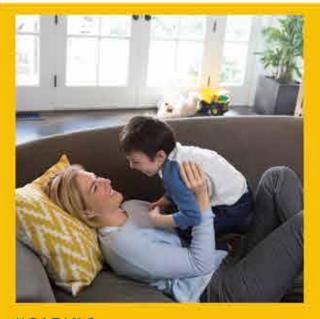
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Parading for a Cause

By Susan Pulling Robinson

The Halloween/Mardi Gras parade will be Saturday, Oct. 29. Please come out and cheer on the spooky revelers! The route will include stops at Bridgewater Park and Brookdale assisted living facilities, where resident dance troupes will also perform. After the parade, club members will enjoy a potluck picnic at the Veterans Park. The designated charities for this event include Interfaith Emergency Services and Voices of Change Animal

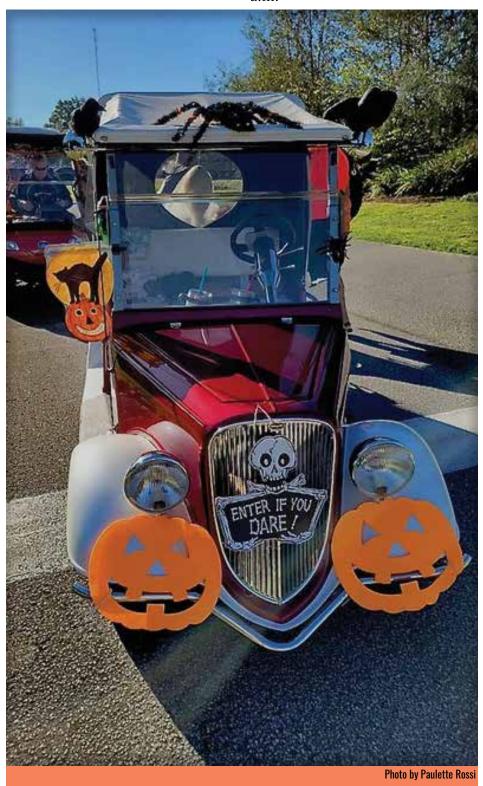
League (VOCAL).

The Veterans Day parade will be Saturday, Nov. 12. This is always well-attended, with many of our own veterans participating. We hope to see you along the route, decked out in your red, white, and blue, and waving Old Glory as we parade by.

Membership in our Facebook

group is now well over 400, so it is no wonder that the parades are getting bigger and better! If you have a golf cart, please consider jazzing it up (or not) and joining in as we parade for a cause. Each parade benefits one or more local charities. Follow us on Facebook (OTOW Fun with Golf Carts) for the most up to date information. For more information and to receive emails about this club, please email otowfunwithgolfcarts@gmail.com.

All parades start at the Recreation Center, with lineup and charitable donations at 9:45 a.m.; and pullout at 10 a.m. The route for a given parade is posted Facebook (OTOW Fun with Golf Carts and OTOW Chatroom). If the parade is not coming by your house, please come see the action as we leave the Recreation Center promptly at 10



Dee and Gary Null's cart is always ready for a parade!

Master the Possibilities LEARNING IN OUR OWN BACK YARD! **COURSES FROM JANUARY TO JUNE 2023 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC** Register for classes 24/7 at www.MasterthePossibilities.org Photo courtesy of Master the Possibilities The January - June 2023 Curriculum Kick-Off takes place Wednesday, Nov. 16 at Circle Square Cultural Center.

A Masterful Kick-Off

By Ray Cech **World News Writer**

No, we're not talking football, but a kick-off that could pay a lot more dividends than watching a

ball sailing over a parallel post.
On Wednesday, Nov. 16, from 1 to
3 p.m., Master the Possibilities will be at Circle Square Cultural Center kicking off the January through June 2023 curriculum. It is themed

- "Learning in Our Own Back Yard." The new catalog will be available for you to peruse, and should you choose, you will be able to register for classes. There will be two ways to make that happen – when you see a class that you'd like to attend, you can do it right there with a Master the Possibilities volunteer, or, if you're one of those "smart" people, why not register on your phone or tablet while strolling around enjoying a free snack and drink? Easy. Eh? As with past new curriculum kick-offs, there will be class instructors available to answer any of your questions and to discuss the content of their upcoming class.

This term, there will be more than 500 classes to choose from. One hundred fifty of those classes will be new. For example, Gordon Patterson will enlighten us on the good, the bad, and the ugly of the

Florida mosquito. And if you are new to our state, or just interested in new adventures, be sure to look up, and sign up for the Billy Bass classes on Florida's small towns.

Another of the new classes will look at the how and why of the Space Shuttle Columbia disaster it happened 20 years ago this coming February. And, if you'd like to spend a day with nature, you can get out of the classroom and take an exploratory trip down the tree shaded Ocklawaha River with Captain Erika Ritter.

Of course, most of the old favorites will be available, as well. Learn some healthy cooking tips, dive into some American or ancient history, or how about taking a piano lesson?

Courses at Master the Possibilities are available to us all. On Wednesday, Nov. 16, Director of Education Michelle Shideler, her staff, volunteers, and instructors, will all be available to help you select courses that will stimulate the mind, that are fun, and that contribute to our ever-growing interest in the world around us.

This event is free and open to the public.

Get Ready to Fa, La, La

By David Wesenberg

had five rehearsals and eight to go, will have some different and chal-

Now that the Concert Chorus has what we will be singing at the "Hol-

lenging music and a lot of fun for the audience. Those of you who have experienced our director Mike Nagy's sense of humor know you will be in for a treat Saturday, Dec. 3 and Sunday, Dec. 4, in the Recreation Center Ballroom.

The Concert Chorus is also busy with the planning of our spring concert with directors Randy Schmid and Peggy Bumatay, who share the accompaniment and director duties. Rehearsals for the concert will begin after the first of the year in January 2023.

Those who want to sing with us are encouraged to stay tuned for rehearsal dates and times. The Concert Chorus is open to all residents and Indigo East residents with a Gateway of Services pass.

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The New **Pretenders**

Nancy Grabowski

The New Pretenders are rockin' and rollin' through their practices to perfect the performance our audiences have come to expect. Not even Hurricane Ian could stop us! We will be ready to take the stage Friday, Feb. 3, and Saturday, Feb. 4, 2023, at 7 p.m. followed by another Sunday, Feb. 5, 2023, at 2 p.m. All the shows will occur in the Recreation Center Ballroom.

Prior to our production, tickets will go on sale Jan. 4, 2023, in the Recreation Center Ballroom from 8:15 to 10 a.m. They will continue every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday throughout the month of January and end on Wednesday, Feb. 1. There are no ticket sales at the doors.

Our ticket price remains \$10 for reserved admission and \$8 for general. All our profits are donated to

local Marion County charities at the conclusion of our season. As always, our membership votes on which charities to support with some repeated and some new ones added. Several of the past beneficiaries include Hospice of Marion County, Food-4-Kids Backpack program, Marion County Senior Services, Ocala Ritz Veterans Village, and the Domestic Violence/Abuse

When you settle into your seat a few minutes before the curtain goes up, peek at the beautifully decorated stage! It is the handiwork of Rita Miller and her husband, Tom. Rita designs and creates the vision based on the theme of the year, Tom spearheads the execution ... not in a grim way! Naturally, they are assisted by a crew of volunteers

from within the group.

Keep in mind that we will be at the Club Fair and will actively recruit new members. We have quite a start on an interview list so it's not too early to add your name now. Contact any member or director Nancy Grabowski at 352-209-4699 for more information.



Members of The New Pretenders.



Dan Lack



Due to the Thanksgiving holiday falling on our usual meeting day, the club will meet Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 6 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios II-IV. This will be our last meeting of the

There will be no speaker. Our November meeting has traditionally been an opportunity for the club's members to discuss any topics whether they are local, international, or anything in between. The chairs will be arranged in concentric circles to facilitate the discussion. I expect that the election results will be a big part of the dis-

Because our club does not collect dues, your attendance at our meetings is the only way that we can be sure that our membership roster is correct. If you have not attended at least one meeting in September, October, nor November, you will be deleted from our membership list unless you contact us before Dec. 31. You may use the contact information at the end of this column. If you are deleted, it is easy to rejoin the club by attending a future meeting and completing the short registration form.

Our club supports the Ocala Ritz Veterans Village, a former Ritz hotel that was converted into a facility for formerly homeless veterans. The Ritz provides a safe environment for these brave men and women to learn to become productive members of our community and to live on their own once again. The Ritz needs pillows, pillowcases, twin size sheets, towels and wash cloths, toiletries, laundry pods, paper goods and canned and dry food. They do not need clothing except for shoes. Please bring your donated items to our meeting.

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

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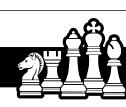
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CARDS & GAMES



Bingo

Nancy Grabowski



Super bingo will be played Wednesday, Nov. 16, in the Recreation Center Ballroom. It is also the final bingo for 2022.

Prior to the game, there is a 70/30 raffle with a guaranteed \$20 winner for each lucky ticket pulled. The tickets can be purchased from 4 to 5:30 p.m. for three for \$1 or 10 for \$3. The tickets are pulled about 5:40 p.m. and the games begin upon the conclusion of the raffle.

Super bingo has the usual 20 games; however, the payout is \$75 for 16 games and \$250 for each of the remaining four. Lucky winners get a little treat for the holidays! While cards are sold at the standard times, they must be purchased in multiples of three. Each triad is \$5. All players must present a valid resident ID and no guests are allowed.

We should remind you that while we generally sell bingo cards from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m., our larger than normal crowd will dictate when selling ends. Past indicators suggest that we run out of cards long before the cut-off deadline. Those crowds show us that The Pub will have more patrons than usual so The Derby Room will be utilized, too. Players have the option for delivery or to bring something from

The rules remain unchanged: each person can save one other seat and we remain a liquor-free environment. Wine, beer, and mixed drinks are offered at The Pub which can be enjoyed there or on the patio. As a special treat, Micki Malsch will hold a bake sale, benefitting the March of Dimes. Her delectable treats are all homemade and like Lay's® potato chips, "Bet you can't eat just one!'

After the last game, please help us by returning your cards face down. Bring along the fly swatters, too, and drop them in the container. Then, again, because of the crowd size, be extra vigilant walking to your car. Use the sidewalk rather than the roadway to avoid the carts,

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Good luck! Until we resume on Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2023, happy holidays from all the bingo volunteers!

Bridge



Monday Afternoon

By Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson

Sept. 12

1: Betty Morris; 2: Caryl Rosenberger & Barb Heller; 3: Diane Robinson & Judy Mackowick; 4: Linda Curtiss & Darlene Clark.

Sept. 19

1: Bill & Linda Ryan; 2: Judy Mackowick & Diane Robinson; 3: Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson; 4: Mary Bloch & Billie Anderson. 5: Craig Ford & Mike Meirick.

Sept. 26

1: Mike Meirick & Craig Ford; 2: Barb Heller & Caryl Rosenberger; 3: Carolyn Higgins & Dean Samuels; 4: Debbie & Pat Quinn.

Oct. 3

1: Judi & Dennis Wallace; 2: Craig Ford & Mike Meirick; 3: Billie Anderson & Mary Bloch; 4: Caryl Rosenberger & Barb Heller.

Tuesday Night Duplicate

By Bob Kraus & Gayle Taylor

If you like playing rubber bridge but have never played duplicate, you can learn the mechanics in just a few minutes. Then you'll experience the challenge of playing the same hands as every other pair and the importance of good bidding and play. The luck of the cards is minimized.

We meet at 6 p.m. Tuesdays, in the Arbor Activity Center Card Rooms I-II. Please arrive a few minutes early to sign in. Bring a partner and \$0.50 per person. The boards are scored after the game, results sent to the group, and prizes distributed the following week to the top teams.

You can also play occasionally as a substitute if that's what you prefer. Contact us and we'll you put you on our list. For more informa-

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tion, you can contact Bob Kraus at 352-492-8525 or Gayle Taylor at 352-387-9571.

Sept. 13

1: Mar Valchin & Brian Lomasky; 2: Wayne Caldwell & C. J. Daane; 3: Connie Campbell & Billie Andersen; 4: Gayle Taylor & Bob Kraus.

Sept. 20 **North/South**

1: Caryl Rosenberger & Barbara Heller; 2: Jean Krueger & Brent Powell; 3: Dan Hall & Dave Cunningham.

East/West

1: Mar Valchin & Brian Lomasky; 2: C. J. Daane & Dan Lack; 3: Linda Ryan & Bill Ryan.

Sept. 27

1: Carolyn Higgins & Dean Samuel; 2: Caryl Rosenberger & Barbara Heller; Tie at 3: Mar Valchin & Brian Lomasky and Dan Hall & Cathie Apgar.

Oct. 4 **North/South**

1: Caryl Rosenberger & Barbara Heller; 2: Dan Hall & Cathie Apgar: 3: Dan Lack & Ed Bodnar.

East/West

1: Linda Ryan & Bill Ryan; 2: Connie Campbell & Billie Andersen; 3: Paul Claremont & Patsy Claremont

Oct. 11

1: Connie Campbell & Billie Andersen; 2: Dan Hall & Brent Powell; 3: Caryl Rosenberger & Barbara Heller; 4: Mary Bloch & Gina Andrejak.

Wednesday Afternoon

By Debbie Quinn

Sept. 7

1: Debbie Quinn; 2: Shirley Stolly; 3: Marlene Floeckher; 4: Linda Curtis; Cons: Bruce Gillett.

Sept. 14

1: Joe McKeown; 2: Billie Andersen; 3: Betty Morris: Cons: Karen Swartz.

Sept. 21 1: Linda Curtis; 2: Billie Anderson; 3: Dianne

Robinson; Cons: Betty Morris.

Thursday Afternoon By Marlene Floeckher

Sept. 1

1: Betty Morris; 2: Dean Samuel; 3: Debbie Quinn; 4: Rik Saffol; Cons: Marlene Floeckher.

Sept. 8

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7:30 AM - 3 PM Normal Hours

1: Debbie Ouinn; 2: Dean Samuel; 3: Dianne Robinson; Cons: Bernie Kelly

Sept. 15

1: Debbie Quinn; 2: Joe McKeown; 3: Billie Anderson; 4: Mary Bloch; Cons: Al Kremer.

Sept. 22

1: Mary Bloch; 2: Mike Meirick; 3: Billie Anderson; 4: Judy Mackowiak; Cons: Al Kremer.

Bunco Babes Social Group

Michelle Malsch



Bunco meets in the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios III-IV on the fourth Tuesday of the month. The next scheduled game is Tuesday, Nov. 22. Registration is at 6:30 p.m.; games begin at 7 p.m. You do not have to call to register. You need only show up. You may bring a guest. The room is set up for 40 players. Please make sure you arrive on time to reserve your spot. It will be first come, first served. Always check this monthly column for the latest updates.

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 (please try to have exact change) and all monies collected are returned at the end of the game to the category winners. There are also two drawings for door prizes for those who did not win any of the cash prizes. Please bring your own beverage and snack if you wish. There is a short intermission after the first three sets have been played.

Please note that there will be no bunco in December.

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

Pinochle



Tuesday Night

By Herb Katz

Sept. 6

1: Andy Nuccio; 2: Bob Hoerr; 3: Richard Garroll

Sept. 13

1: Lee Freehauf; 2: Kathy Pinto; 3: Edna Frye.

Sept. 20

1: Bernard DiGregorio; 2: Janet Becker; 3: Richard Carroll.

Sept. 27 1: Jackie Nuccio; 2: Andy Nuccio; 3: Ilene

Friday Morning

By Mary Hannon

Sept. 16

1: Debbie Martello; 2: Phyllis Jarskey; 3: Herb

Sept. 23

1: Judy Fries; 2: Phyllis Jarskey; 3: Ilene Casper.

Sept. 30 1: Judy Black; 2: Ila Kowalski; 3: Jim Magoon.

Oct. 7 1: Al Whitford; 2: Barbara Benyaker; 3: Ila

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Theatre Arts Group

Nancy Carp



The Theatre Arts Group is now in preparation mode for our show in April 2023. Auditions were held last month for singers and actors. The members were all prepared and wowed us, as they did not disappoint. Some people even surprised themselves with their audition.

If you missed the auditions, don't worry because you can still schedule one with Nancy Carp. She will coordinate with you and set up a time convenient for you to audition. If you are still working, and cannot make the weekly meetings in the afternoon, you can still be in the show. We will be adding an evening meeting, beginning Jan. 16, 2023, so everyone who wants to participate can attend.

We will continue to spend the next few months learning, building, and perfecting our performance skills. The group has members with a variety of skill levels, and we are learning from each other. Whether you are a novice or experienced, this group is for you.

Joining Director Nancy Carp is Lee Smith, as the assistant director. Lee brings decades of experience and knowledge in theater performance skills. Nancy and Lee will teach and coordinate workshops to improve our performances. We will teach stage presence, theater terms, movement, speaking patterns, voice methods and focus on relationships between actors.

Our show consists of an original script play - which will be a parody of living here in On Top of the World – and Broadway show tunes. Whether you are an actor or singer, all members of this group will have a role in the show. We are also looking for tech people, seamstresses,

prop handlers, set designers and backstage help.

Don't let fear hold you back from honing in on your theatrical skills. Anyone can be an actor. Instead of singing in the shower, come sing on stage. Seniors are capable of more than people give them credit for.

Join us for an exciting, fun, learning experience while connecting with other neighbors in the community. We meet every Wednesday, at 4 p.m. at the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studio I. Dues are just \$10, payable at time of registration. We are a brand-new group and are trying to build up our funding for our theater needs. If you would like to be a "supporter of our group" rather than an active participant, please consider paying the \$10 dues. Supporters will have special privileges with the group.

Follow us via posts on Facebook (OTOW Chatroom) and this column. Our contact information is otowtheatrearts@gmail.com Nancy Carp at 410-935-2625.

lovely" by Claire and Dave Metzger; "I Hate Men" by Cicily Kaye; "You're the Top" by Wayne Dilts and Jane Bennett-Bailey; "Children Will Listen" and "Not While I'm Around" by Ken Russell; "Send in the Clowns" by Carole Beauchamp; "Let's Call the Whole Thing Off" by Russell and Cicily Kaye; "Bosom Buddies" by Gwen Templeton and Jane Bennett-Bailey; "Embraceable You" by Brady Reeves; and "I've

Got Rhythm" by the ensemble. Our talented company also includes Elaine Morrison and Lori Auerbach. The narration for the show is done by Dave and Allison Cranmer.

Poetry

Linda Toner



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In Ocala Horse capital of the world. The foals come here Both the boys and the girls.

To work hard To get them ready. To run the race Both strong and steady.

Half the horses That race in the derby. Have trained in Ocala They're strong and purty.

It's something In the grass, in the air. That makes the owners Bring them here.

The owners pay Big bucks to get them. In the hopes their choice Will round the bend.

They hope their horse Will be ahead of the rest. And be crowned The very best.

Horse in the world Infused with valor. Because he was trained In Ocala.

Theatre Group



community's quality dramatic ensemble, is preparing to present this year's exciting musical theatre revue, "'S Wonderful" Jan. 14, 2023, at 7 p.m. and Jan. 15, 2023, at 3 p.m. in the Recreation Center Ballroom.
"'S Wonderful" features the

brilliant Broadway music of composers George Gershwin, Cole Porter, Stephen Sondheim, and Jerry Herman. Tickets will officially go on sale Tuesday, Nov. 8, from 9 to 11 a.m. and will continue Tuesdays and Thursdays at the same time through to the week of the show. Tickets may also be purchased in the Recreation Center Ballroom from 6:15 to 6:30 p.m. prior to our rehearsals on Mondays. General admission is \$10. Patron acknowledgement tickets are \$25, which includes special reserved seating.

As of this writing, we are staging the following musical numbers and who will be singing them: "'S Wonderful" sung by Carole (Cookie) Beauchamp and Ken Russell; "Put on Your Sunday Clothes" by our ensemble; "I Get a Kick Out of You" by Brady Reeves; "The Man I Love" by Sherrye Troy; "Before the Pa-

rade Passes By" by Claire Metzger; "Someone to Watch Over Me" by Jane Bennett-Bailey; "Another Hundred People" by Wayne Dilts with a monologue by Gwen Templeton; "Every Time We Say Goodbye" by Carole Beauchamp; "Anything Goes" by the ensemble and featuring Dave Wesenberg; "They Can't Take That Away" by Rosalina Nori-ta with Leonard Rivkin; "It Only Takes a Moment" by Ken Russell and Sherrye Troy; "I've Got Plenty of Nothin'" and "It Ain' t Necessarily So" by Dave Wesenberg; "Let Me Entertain You" by Gwen Templeton; Take It All Off" and "Put İt Back On" by Gwen Templeton, Claudia Baker and Richard Rosen; "Johanna" by Russell Kaye; "Being Alive" by Wayne Dilts and the ensemble; "Everything's Coming Up Roses" by Jane Bennett-Bailey; "I've Got You Under My Skin" and "Night and Day" by Philanthy Nichols; "It's De-



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ShutterBugs Photography

Connie Filip

Yea! It's time for this year's big

ShutterBugs annual photo contest has concluded, and the winners have been awarded their ribbons. Tuesday, Nov. 8, will be the big day! Come join us for light refreshments and meet the photographers who will be displaying their work.

You are cordially invited to our reception on Tuesday, Nov. 8, from 3 to 5 p.m. Note that reservations are necessary. Please save your place by visiting the Recreation Center office or calling 352-854-8707, ext. 7498 or 7380.

This will be a great opportunity to see our work, discuss the photographic techniques we used, and see if you might enjoy spending time with our group.

All our entries will be displayed throughout the month in the Recreation Center. Please stop by to enjoy our efforts and to place your vote for the people's choice award!

Pictured here is a previous year's people's choice award winner – Bass Harbor Head Lighthouse. Place your vote for this year's winner when you stop by the Recreation Center this month.

Todd Reader will be offering an eclectic exhibit of some of his favorite photographs this month in the Master the Possibilities lobby.

You'll be able to see his work which includes digitized Ektachrome slides all the way to fully digital photography. He calls it his "no rhyme nor reason" collection.

We hope that you'll stop by

the Master the Possibilities lobby sometime this month to see Todd's creative photography!

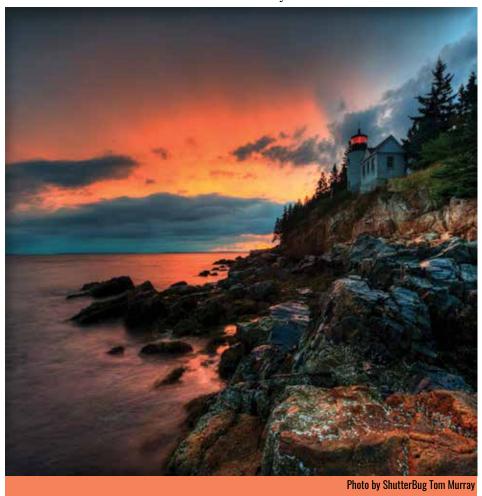
Want to learn more about digital? ShutterBugs president, Harry Boyajian continues to facilitate our sharing of photography tips to improve our skills in camera use and editing.

We generally meet for field trips the first Tuesday of each month, and then educational meetings the third and fourth Tuesday at 3 p.m. in the Hobby Building Event Room. You can find our photo galleries and our club calendar at otowspc.com.

For more information, contact Harry at 239-336-4804.



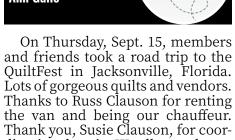
Teresa MacKay was the winner of Rags to Riches handmade quilt.



Bass Harbor Head Lighthouse.

Sewing Bees

Ann Gallo



with lots of treasures. We have received many wonderful donations this past month, especially fabric. We are always looking for cotton quilting fabric, especially

dinating the trip. We all came home

with prints for children. Thank you to all who stopped by and bought some treasures at Rags to Riches. All money from the sale

allows us to purchase supplies. Congratulations to Teresa MacKay on winning the handmade quilt.

Stop by and see us in action. We meet every Thursday, from 12:30 to 3 p.m. in the Hobby Building Art Room. Can't sew? No problem. If you can tie a knot, we need you. Don't have a sewing machine, but love to sew? We have all the equipment you need. Everything we make is donated to disadvantaged children of Marion County throughout the year. We rely on donations to fulfill our mission

We are very excited about our Facebook page (OTOW Sewing Bees). Come visit our page and see what we are currently working on and what our current needs are.

Questions? Contact Kathy Nardone at 352-300-3063 or Marsha Schneer at 813-920-3487.



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Sunshine Quilters

Donna Boyajian



The days on the calendar seem to be flipping by faster than a jack rabbit. As we approach the conclusion of another year, we are reminded that the holidays are right around the corner. Though our quilters are busy with their projects, we provide quilts of comfort to our selected charities: Alpha House and Marion Senior Services. Though the quilts are made for charity, there is a cost to the club – batting. To help defray these costs, we are offering an opportunity for our community residents to purchase a donation ticket for a chance to win a beautiful Christmas quilt made by one of our club members, Catherine "Kay" Visnaw.

Kay lived in Maryland most of her life. She moved to On Top of the World in December 2019, with her husband, Fred, after her retirement in July 2019. She holds a bachelor's degree from Wilmington University in Delaware.

Kay worked for a county in Maryland for 25 years in the public safety field. It was about 22 years ago when she turned to quilting as a hobby. She had no experience in sewing or quilting but after taking a class - she was hooked. Her transport machine is a Baby Lock Joy and her home machine is a Baby Lock Elegante 3.

She loves to make quilts for friends and Christmas gifts and one of her favorite skill sets is doing embroidery on them. She uses an Accuquilt for cutting and refers to Etsy for project ideas. She joined Sunshine Quilters as soon as she could when she moved here. Kay likes the fact that the club enjoys sewing together and making projects for charity.

Donation tickets for this beautiful Christmas quilt are available (\$5 for one and \$10 for three) on Tuesdays, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Hobby Building Art Room. Please come by and see the quilt and get your tickets. You could be a winner!

We always welcome new members and all levels of quilting experience and knowledge. Interested in joining in our fun? Please stop by the Hobby Building Art Room on Tuesdays, at 9:30 a.m. to check us out. We love to see new faces.

December activities include our monthly meeting, a holiday party, and sit and sew. For more information on our club, the Christmas quilt, or our December schedule, please call Gail at 352-304-9159.



Have a holly jolly Christmas.



Linda Lohr



Our presenter in October was Penny Douphinett. She taught us a weaving technique for two cards. These cards can be used for any occasion, using any combination of colored strips. She also presented a cute ghost for Halloween, using Iris folding. Again, any colors can be used for the ghost. We thank Penny for these great techniques and for providing all the dies and stamps needed for completion.

Join us Thursday, Nov. 3, for our next class.

Our group is open to all crafters - beginners or those more experienced. One or two people do a presentation each month. The group meets the first and third Thursdays of the month at 1 p.m. in the Hobby Building Event Room.

Anyone can be a presenter and the cards do not have to be fancy or complicated. Our group is based on friendship, socializing, and helping each other.

For information, contact Penny at the email below. There are basic supplies that are needed, such as a trimmer, glue, scissors, and card stock. Everyone in the group shares their supplies and everyone brings new ideas to the table. You are only limited by your imagination!

If you feel this might be a class you would enjoy, or if you have any questions, please contact Penny Douphinett at pennydouph@gmail. com. We look forward to introducing new people to our fun craft. Until then, keep on stampin'!

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Karaoke Friends

Kathy & Charlie Petrosky



This month I would like to highlight Donnie Winfrey and his wife,

Donnie is from West Virginia and grew up singing country. He recalls his start was singing at church with his mother and father. While working in Washington, D.C., he played with the country band Brand Spankin' New for 20 years. He played bass guitar and was the lead singer. He remembers playing with Johnny Russell and Charley Pride.

Upon retiring, Donnie and Rose moved to Florida. He was introduced to karaoke when they stayed at Grand Lake RV & Golf Resort. He became their karaoke jockey. Moving into On Top of the World in 2006 began his real love for karaoke. He continued playing karaoke at the RV resort and participated in the karaoke groups here. Since retiring

karaoke over in Indigo East.

Rose is Donnie's biggest supporter. She is a roadie for him and is a great clapper. Karaoke Friends likes doing a prop night. Rose is a great sport. Donnie sang Hank Williams' song "Kaw-Liga." The song tells of a young native American maiden who Kaw-Liga loved but never told her. Williams said Kaw-Liga's heart was made of knotty pine wood. Rose made a great wooden maiden statue!

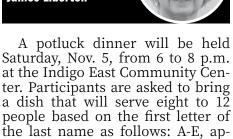
Another time Donnie sang, "Li'l Red Riding Hood." Rose, dressed all in red and carrying a basket, walked around the singers. You do not have to sing to have fun at karaoke.

This month, we meet Mondays, Nov. 7 and 21. Come join us on the first and third Mondays in the Arbor Activity Center Music Room from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Come any time in between. Get your Christmas songs ready for December.

We are planning a prop night for Monday, Nov. 7, for all who wish to participate. Mondays, Dec. 5 and 19, will be an evening of Christmas songs and festive attire.

Indigo East Social Committee

Janice Liberton



side dish; and T-Z, dessert. The fall craft show was rescheduled to Saturday, Nov. 12 in the Indigo East Community Center from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The show will feature resident crafters from both Indigo East and On Top of the World. All are invited to stop by and support

petizer/salad; F-M, main dish; N-S,

the hard work of each crafter. The Indigo East Social Committee holiday party will be held on Saturday, Dec. 3, from 6 to 9 p.m. Appetizers and dessert will be served. The ticket sale schedule is

as follows: Nov. 5, 6 to 8 p.m.; Nov. 8, 4 to 6 p.m.; Nov. 14, 4 to 5:30 p.m.; Nov. 18, 4 to 6 p.m.; and Nov. 21, 10 a.m. to noon. All tickets are sold in the Indigo East Community Center and a resident ID is required to purchase tickets.

Future events scheduled are breakfast with Santa Thursday, Dec. 15, and an Indigo East neighborhood-only golf cart parade.

As a reminder, the Indigo East Social Committee-sponsored bingo is the first Tuesday of each month. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the game begins promptly at 6:30 p.m. After the 10 bingo games, a super bingo is held that requires the purchase of a separate game card.

The Indigo East Social Committee will have several board positions opening in 2023. If any Indigo East resident would like to volunteer for a position, please contact Beth Griner, chairwoman. The new

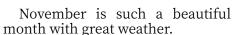
board will begin Jan. 1, 2023. Happy Thanksgiving! Enjoy the holiday and if traveling, have a safe trip. As usual, I'll see you around the neighborhood.



Donnie and Rose Winfrey.

Happy Hookers

Jan Spielvogel



In October, 21 members enjoyed a wonderful lunch at Azul Tequila. If you are a member of our Facebook page (OTOW Happy Hookers), you can see the picture of those who attended this fun event. Thanks to Naomi Berman for arranging such a nice lunch.

As a charitable effort, we have begun collecting receipts from stores that sell food - Walmart, Publix, Walgreens, CVS, etc. Credit card info is scratched out, and the

receipt is scanned directly into the Box Tops for Education app by Ann Gallo who is coordinating this effort. The money is deposited directly into the school's account. There are three local elementary schools that will be benefiting. Once scanned, receipts will be destroyed. Receipts should be no older than 14 days. If you are interested in donating your receipts to this cause, you can either give them to a Happy Hooker member to bring them in or stop by the Hobby Building Art Room on Mondays to drop them off.

Happy Hookers is open to all residents. We meet year-round on Mondays, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Hobby Building Art Room. There are no dues, agenda nor penalties for missing a meeting, arriving late, or leaving early. Life can and does interfere at times, and we would hate for that to hold you back. What we do have is a group of ladies busy with crocheting, knitting, needlepointing, card crafting, embroidering, and handcrafting of all kinds. This is a very talented group that's never too busy to help someone with a difficult pattern or stitch. We welcome newcomers with open arms. Attendees should bring whatever they happen to be working on.

If you have any questions about our club, you may call Naomi Berman at 352-873-4328. If you have yarn, pattern books, knitting needles, crochet hooks or other crafting tools that you no longer have a use for, donations are always appreciated. Please bring them on Mondays during our meeting time or contact either Ann Gallo at 917-597-2178 or Kathleen Frost at 925-960-5945 to arrange for pickup.

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Model Railroaders

Jim Lynam



Are you interested in trying a new activity, hobby and/or club? If the answer is "yes," then the Model Railroaders Club is the perfect solution for you. Yes, there are a multitude of excuses not to join the club, but they are excuses, not reasons.

-You don't have enough time. The Hobby Building Train Room is open from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. every day providing plenty of available time.

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It's too windy. The Hobby Building Train Room is sheltered from the wind. (Although sometimes there is a lot of "hot air.")

It's too strenuous. The Hobby Building Train Room has chairs for leisurely opera-

You are not a "joiner." Although it is always more fun to run trains with your friends, the room is open to come in and enjoy the hobby by yourself.

You don't have any equip-

ment. The club has a controller, engines and rolling stock that are always available for use by the members.

You don't know how to operate the layout. The main purpose of the club is to teach and help its members.

And the best reason to join the Model Railroaders Club is because it is fun!

We would also like to encourage more women to join the club and enjoy all the facets of model railroading.

The layout is in the Hobby Building Train Room. You are invited to tour the room and observe the work and operate the layout on Fridays, from 2 to 4 p.m.

It is time to plan for the holiday

season. The Model Railroaders Club will have a Lionel "O" gauge operating layout in the Master the Possibilities lobby, daily during the month of December. It will be selfoperating.

The holiday "open house" in the Hobby Building Train Room will be from Wednesday, Dec. 28, through Friday, Dec. 30, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. We will have all the

trains running for your enjoyment. The Model Railroaders Club is always looking for new members, and you are welcome to join us. Our next club meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 2 in the Hobby Building Event Room. If you have any questions, please call Jim Lynam at 352-861-2822.

Happy Thanksgiving!

View from the Library

Linda Barilli



We have so much to be thankful for. We have family and friends who love us. And we have this won-

derful community to live in. This column is dedicated to our

veterans, past and present, lest we forget. Nonfiction books regarding military events are in the nonfiction section; Korea labeled 959, The Persian Gulf labeled 956 to 958, and Vietnam labeled 959.

"Vietnam: Three Battles" is written by S.L.A. Marshall. Marshall writes the story as told to him by the eyewitness accounts of the ground troops in the First Air Cavalry Division. They recall the actions of individual soldiers, discuss their

Fridays, from 9:30 to 10:20 a.m. If

there is a cancellation, it will be

posted on Facebook (ÓTOW Wey-

bourne Water Aerobics). If we are

experiencing inclement weather,

Landing residents. Meet at the pool

pavilion on the third Monday of

each month. Start time is 6 p.m.

and will finish after four sets are

completed. Please note this is lim-

ited to 24 players. Rules are posted

on Facebook (Weybourne Land-

ing Community) or request a copy

Bunco is open to all Weybourne

class is automatically canceled.

personal thoughts and feelings.

Marshall covers events that took place in Dong Tre, Trung Luong and Hoa Hoi. He covers the 1966 Operation Nathan Hale, Operation Thayer, and Operation Irving, the last being a spectacular success. Labeled 959MAR

'Navy Seals, Their Untold Story" by Dick Couch and William Doyle is an unparalleled description of SEALS operations, backed by a multitude of declassified documents. The book covers the campaigns of the Naval Combat Demolition teams, Scouts and Raiders commando units and OSS Operational Swimmers frogman. From Panama to Afghanistan the SEALS have been a strategic line of defense. Included are interviews by Carol L. Fleisher and an afterwards by Rear Admiral Garry J. Bonelli (USŇ Ret).

Labeled 359 COU. "Thomas Jefferson and the Tripoli Pirates: The Forgotten War That Changed American History" writ-ten by Bryan Kilmeade and Don Yaeger tells of our newly formed nation facing financial crisis, when our merchant ships came under attack from the North African Barbary Coast Muslim pirates. Presi-

dent Jefferson sent the Marines and our newest warships to blockade Tripoli. Labeled 359KIL.

"Churchill's Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare, The Mavericks Who Plotted Hitlers Defeat" is written by Giles Milton. William Fairbairn orchestrated the infiltration of enemy lines by parachuting trained guerrillas as silent killers. With Colin Grubbins, he formed Winston Churchill's Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare. These brave men and women were able to enter the enemy's inner circle and impacted the course of history. Labeled 978 MIL.

You'll be happy to know that the library is open seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. To enter the library please scan your resident ID card. The library is run on the honor system and there is no checkout procedure. All books are donated by residents.

Donated books can be placed in the gray bin near the door. You'll be sure to find your favorite authors in fiction and mysteries. But of course, there are other sections that you will enjoy. Someone is there every day from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to as-

Wevbourne Landing Neighbors 🖔 **Laura Thomas**

The September "Sunday Funday" was met with great enthusiasm as we greeted new and returning neighbors. Everyone enjoyed the festive atmosphere with plenty of Mexican-inspired food and games.

Prepare your best football tailgate food and games for a throwdown of your favorite teams - collegiate, NFL, or go back to high school. Wear your team colors and join us Sunday, Oct. 30, for a fun-filled evening beginning at 5 p.m. at the pool pavilion.

The chicken will be furnished, and we are asking everyone to bring your best tailgate side or appetizer. Also, there will be a dessert tasting contest so be thinking about your winning recipe! Donations will gladly be accepted.

November plans are underway. Look for updates on the Weybourne Landing Facebook page. I can say this; if you have turkey legs, get ready to trot them.

Karen Goldsmith is always looking for people with ideas and the willingness to help. Please email her at ksgoldsm@yahoo.com if you would like to help.

Ioin us for a free water aerobics class Mondays, Wednesdays, and

from Nancy by emailing at hemphemp4u@gmail.com. Bring your beverages and a snack if you like.



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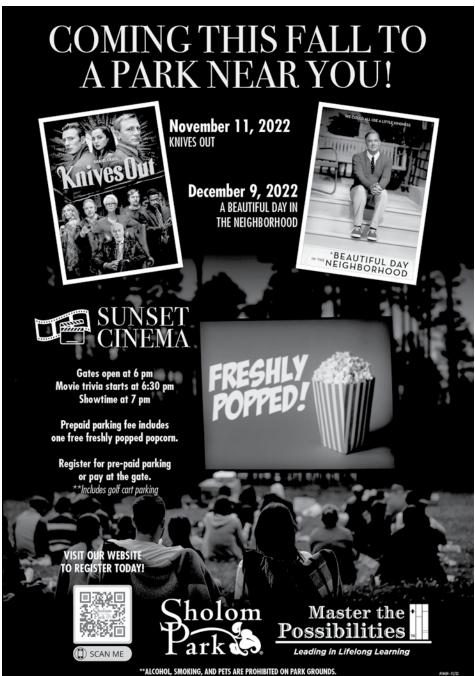
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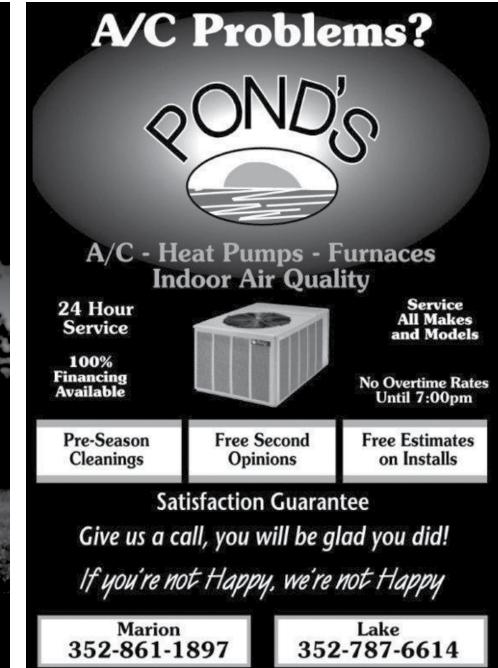
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Artistic **Crafts & Gifts**

Chris Kilbride



The Artistic Crafts & Gifts Tuesday craft show at the Recreation Center Ballroom is from 9 a.m. to noon from September through May.

ArtisticCrafts.org will give you a glimpse of our very talented crafters and artisans. The group started back in the early 1990s, and the show has grown from seven crafters to now 50 on Tuesday, with even more online. All resident crafters are welcome to sell virtually on our website and inquire about a table at our Tuesday show.

This month we feature Mary Jo Lock who is still a snowbird with her husband Bill, but they get in as much golf as they can while they are here. She retired from a career in the human services department of a large international computer corporation in Michigan.

After she attended Michigan's Ann Arbor Art Fair and saw some of the beautiful stained-glass artwork, she felt inspired to start in this direction. Now she was hooked and challenged to make her own beautiful pieces.

Initially moving to Stone Creek in Ocala, she was able to take several stained-glass classes for a couple of seasons. She absolutely loved everything about it and knew that this is what she wanted to do in her spare time. After making several little trinkets, she was ready to move on to something else a little more challenging.

When coming back to Ocala for the winter, they moved to On Top of the World and took some more detailed classes in Ocala. Over the next few years, she was able to hone her craft, branching out to make glass mosaic pictures, wind chimes, bird houses, candle holders, and a couple of 20x30 wall hangings. But she was still hungry to do something else.

Mary Jo finally found her niche making pet and animal faces. Just

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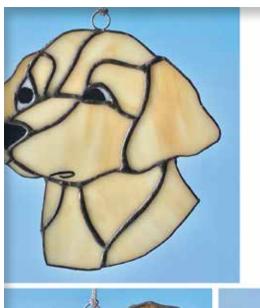












Photo by Chris Kilbride

Mary Jo Lock designs stained glass portraits for a wide variety of animals and pets.

she will make it into a stained-glass portrait. Her repertoire includes dogs, cats, birds, horses or any other pets. What is exciting to her, is that each project is a little different.

She uses a Weller soldering iron and quality glass purchased from a supplier and artisan in town. With the copper foil and solder, she can patina in black, copper finish, or leave it in a silver finish, where customers can choose their preference.

For those who have never visited on Tuesday, please take an hour, and go by to see the wide variety of quality items for sale. All vendors are now part of our virtual website also, so you can see everyone's crafts even if you can't get to the

give her a photo of your pet, and weekly show. Any vendor can make arrangements for you to purchase items throughout the week.

If you have your own artistic en-

deavor you wish to sell, please contact us through our website ArtisticCrafts.org where our coordinator Rene can answer all your questions.

Williamsburg Neighbors

Carmel Kessler



Good day, neighbors! I hope everyone is enjoying autumn, which I think is the best season of all. Autumn seems to evoke more memories for everyone than any other season. The six weeks between mid-October and Thanksgiving are

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The first is homecoming, be it high school or college. When was the last time you went, or thought about the homecoming parade with floats, bands, cheerleaders throwing candy and the football team riding on the fire truck? The parades with the homecoming court were often more memorable than the football game.

Shortly after homecoming is Halloween. Do you remember your favorite costume, or perhaps one you made for your child or grandchild? Wasn't it fun collecting, trading, and eating all that candy?

Just around the corner from Halloween is our bi-yearly privilege and responsibility on Election Day. Do you remember the first presidential election in which you cast your ballot? I lived in a state that had 18 as the voting age prior to the 26th Amendment so I voted before many of my college friends. How special I felť!

Three weeks later we celebrate Thanksgiving, a holiday filled with traditions! Our sense of smell triggers memories faster than any other sense. The smell of a turkey cooking might bring you back to watching the Macy's parade and setting the dining room table with good china. The smell of pumpkin pie and apple cider may remind you of watching football and playing games with relatives you may not have seen for years.

Whatever the case may be, I hope you are enjoying autumn and are blessed to share Thanksgiving with friends and family alike.

Williamsburg's Silver Bells celebration is Saturday, Dec. 10. The cost is \$25 per person. Tickets are available now. Please contact Gwen Fabian at gwen.fabian@gmail. com or 330-207-6954 or Vicki Enderby at venderby@aol.com or 312-351-3355.

Enjoy an evening of friendship, games, live music, dancing, catered buffet, and a special holiday guest! The event will be held at the Arbor Conference Center Dance Studios I-IV at 6 p.m. Linda Sisco, a resident vocalist, is performing a wonderful range of familiar melodies. Dancing is encouraged. Royal Oaks Catering is providing a dual entree menu. Please bring your own beverages. Neighborhood dessert table will provide an assortment of sweets.

Dust off your recipe box and send your favorite cookie or dessert recipes to Carmel Kessler (dkes22@ aol.com) for the creation of a neighborhood recipe collection. Please include any memories or traditions with your recipe. Copies will be at the celebration.

Contact Vicki or Gwen to volunteer with party programs, decorating, dessert tables, or hosts to support special needs of our neighbors. Also, the committee is accepting white elephant donations for grab bag party gifts. Contact Vicki if you have any contributions. The items should fit in a paper grocery bag.
Welcome new neighbors! Con-

tact Vicki Enderby (venderby@aol. com) with your name and email. You don't want to miss out on Williamsburg happenings.



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Art Group



We have all heard that eating right, getting exercise and a good night's sleep help keep us healthy.

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There are many studies online that discuss how participating in music reduced feelings of loneliness and increased an interest in life

Another study, looking at the art of theater improvisation, helped adults with early-stage dementia improve socialization skills and the quality of life.

As a painter, I know that the practice of painting helps with my life, but in what way?

In her online article, "How Creative Expression Can Benefit Older Adults," art therapy expert Dr. Raquel Stephenson explains that first we respond to the tactile qualities of paint, how the paint smells and feels.

I can relate; each time I remove the cover of my oil paints, which is one of the strongest scents.

As I think about quality of life, most of us want to remain creatively active and socially engaged. However, as our lives change, our enemy is often isolation or depression.

sion.

"If by improving a person's sense of happiness and social connection through creative engagement we can reduce isolation and depression, we may be able to delay significant contact with the healthcare system. That's money that isn't being spent," Dr. Raquel Stephenson says.

Her research shows that making art with others can counteract negative impacts. Making art increases self-esteem, motivation, social interaction, giving us improved health. Making art with others, although risky, because of how we think of ourselves as an artist, builds community, which is therapoutic

Painting doesn't have to be difficult or expensive. Watercolor paints and brushes are not expensive. At the Art Group you don't have to be an "artist" to paint, and you don't have to be good at it. We welcome everyone. We meet Wednesdays, at 1 p.m., Thursdays and Saturdays, from 9 a.m. to noon in the Hobby Building Art Room. Come and join us or just stop in and say hello.



Partners.



Debra Keirn

It is hard to believe that we are seeing signs of the holiday season all around us. Thanksgiving and Christmas are just around the corner. Everyone looks forward to this time of year to spend special times with friends and family.

The next potluck dinner will be held Tuesday, Nov. 29, at 5:30 p.m. at The Lodge at Candler Hills. This month's theme is "Anything but Turkey." After weeks of celebrating at Thanksgiving events and with family, we thought it would be nice to have other dishes than turkey. Most people are turkeyed out by now. Please bring a dish for 12 to 15 people and label your dishes for those with allergies. Last names beginning with A-I should bring a main dish; J-Q, a side or salad; and R-Z, a dessert. Please make a res-

ervation by contacting Deb Keirn at 352- 414-5737 or 814-571-7908 by text or email arthurkipdeb@verizon.net. The cost at the door is \$1 per person, which covers eating utensils, napkins, tablecloths, cups, and decaf coffee. This will be the last potluck for 2022. We will see you again in January 2023 for Italian night!

Let's celebrate the holiday together at the holiday dinner dance Saturday, Dec. 10, at The Lodge at Candler Hills from 5 to 8 p.m. Our caterer will be Gourmet Affair and the dinner includes a mixed green salad, dinner rolls, roast beef carving station, chicken cordon bleu, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans almondine, cheesecake with caramel and chocolate drizzle, and coffee all for a price of \$35 per person. Hal Dodd will be providing the music for your dancing pleasure. Tickets can be purchased from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays, Nov. 8, 15, and 29 at the Candler Hills Community Center and Thursdays, Nov. 10, 17 and Dec. 1, at The Lodge at Candler Hills.

Candler Connection board members serve two-year terms and several of those terms expire in January 2023. Persons wishing to run for a seat on the board must make their intentions known to Richard Steinfeldt (richst9@gmail.com) by Thursday, Dec. 15. Watch this column and our Facebook group for more details in the coming weeks.

New residents of Candler Hills can receive "The Happenings" by email at candlerconnection.org. Log in and fill out the form. 1,550 residents receive this publication to keep informed of Candler Hills activities.

Another way to keep informed is

by joining 1,500 residents who are members of the private Candler Connection Facebook group.

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Any questions regarding the ambassador program should be directed to Pat Diaz/Verson at pdv@bellsouth.net. Many ideas were shared by the current ambassadors in September. If you are interested in being an ambassador for your street, contact Pat.

The next board meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 1, at 4 p.m. at The Lodge at Candler Hills. Any Candler Hills resident is welcome to attend.

See you around the neighborhood and at future events! Happy Thanksgiving!

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Bring golf cart, resident ID and insurance policy (stating amount of bodily injury).

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Crescent Ridge Happenings

Joe Josephson



Our group is getting bigger and bigger. It is a terrific opportunity for those of us who have been residents for some time to share our "local"

knowledge with newer residents.
As usual, the attendees in September brought a variety of edible goodies and I'm sure no one went home hungry.

We even got bigger at our October gathering. More food and more chances to introduce yourselves to new friends. Next time invite your new neighbor to come.

As we continue to get larger, the advice is to bring your own lawn chair in case we get a bumper crop of Ridgers.

As we start to approach cooler, shorter days in the fall, remember daylight saving time will end Sunday, Nov. 6. It should be better for the early morning walkers, a bit lighter. But then it is hard to believe that once you read this, we are already into the last two months of the year. Time flies here in On Top of the World with so many opportunities every day to be busy. We all look at our calendars and wonder, how did so many days get filled up?

The next Crescent Ridge gathering will be Sunday, Nov. 13, from 3 to 5 p.m. Bring a dish to share and your own beverage. Paper plates and utensils are provided. Mark your calendar now.

At that gathering, we will be col-



September Crescent Ridge gathering.

lecting non-perishable food items

Questions can be forwarded to Carol Lewis at crescentridgenhn@ yahoo.com Email Carol to be included in the Crescent Ridge mailings.

Check out our Crescent Ridge

for Interfaith Emergency Services.

Facebook page (OTOW Crescent Ridge Neighbors).

Americana Village

Julie Sloat Historic Americana Village is a happening place! We have monthly sit and chats at our beautiful gazebo. They are open to all resiplace to live. Thanks to all.

dents in Americana Village and are the first Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. It is a casual evening intended for everyone to relax and get to know your neighbors. There may be light snacks, raffles, trivia, lots of laughter and just plain fun! Barb and Wayne Scales have spearheaded this event and it is taking off very nicely. The future dates are Thursdays, Nov. 3, Dec. 1, and Jan. 5, 2023. Mark your calendar so you don't miss it!

Details from Oktoberfest will be in the next month's column. Hopefully you all saw the sign by the mailboxes advertising it. We are hoping to continue to hang a sign there for future events. We are trying to find ways to help communicate to all residents.

Looking ahead to the Christmas holidays, we have some plans in the making. For sure, we will be decorating the gazebo in a grand and beautiful way. Other ideas and details to come.

We are continuing to give wel-

Avalon **Social Group** Sharon Hall & Karen Volpe

Our October fall harvest potluck was a success with around 65 in attendance. Potluck is not their favorite thing to do but our Avalon neighbors came through with a great sampling of appetizers, side/main dishes, and desserts. We rounded out the evening with the Avalon shuffle (hmmm) and Name

That Tune. This was our last event for 2022. We'll start off in January 2023, with a celebration of the new year and continue every other month, the second Monday of March, May, July, September, and November. Go ahead and get those dates on your calendar. You won't want to miss

There are three ways to keep informed of upcoming events: email, our Facebook group, or posting at the postal center. If you would like to be added to our email list or to verify that you are on the list so that you can be notified of future events, please email your request to avalonsocialclub@gmail.com.

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

come baskets to new residents as they move into Americana Village. It continues to be a challenge to stay on top of move-ins. We truly depend on your eyes and ears to make sure no one gets missed. It is amazing to see many people interested and willing to help a little here and there. This is what is making Americana Village's social life grow and makes it a truly special

If you have any questions, need help, or want to become involved in even a small way please reach out to any of the following people: Julie Sloat at 814-720-5377; Gloria Stoecklin at 618-977-3295; Betty Schielly at 312-902-3585; Linda Meister at 716-699-8209; or Barb Scales at 315-440-







Longleaf Ridge September potluck hosts – Jerry Schneider, Joan Schneider, Cathy Flanagan, and Irl Flanagan.



Rich, John, Mike, and Jack of the Guitar Club.



Michelle Migdal, Kathleen Taylor & Debra Vitale



Longleaf Ridge neighbors networked before Hurricane Ian made landfall in Southwest Florida to secure property for those away from their homes. While the downgraded storm merely brushed our community, we are comforted to know we have caring neighbors eager to lend a hand.

Several dozen Longleaf Ridge neighbors enjoyed a potluck dinner hosted by Cathy and Irl Flanagan and Joan and Jerry Schneider. Resi-

dents added some of their favorite sides and desserts to the delicious chicken tenders and various dipping sauces.

Longleaf Ridge residents also enjoyed a free concert from the Thursday Guitar Club. Special thanks to Rich, John, Mike, and Jack for all the memorable songs and vocals!

If you are a Longleaf Ridge resident and are interested in participating in neighborhood activities, please let us hear from you. We look forward to welcoming you to the Longleaf Ridge neighborhood. Please remember to join our private Facebook page (OTOW Longleaf Ridge Friends) and provide your phase and lot number /address. Please send questions to otowlongleafridge@gmail.com.

Friendship **Connection**

Carron Janssen



The month of October is on the way out and November will be here in a few days. Friendship Connection celebrated with our annual Halloween-themed event. Attendance and volunteers were down from previous years. However, after putting out the plea for help on our Facebook page, we had several wonderful residents step up and help. Thank you so much to all who volunteered.

All those who attended had plenty to eat. Tracey Hodge and Pat Zarate won prizes for their Halloween-themed desserts. Robert Fruehwald, the grim reaper, won scariest costume, mike schimat and Tracey Hodge each won best costume. We also had three 50/50 winners, two who donated their winnings back to us.

Please consider volunteering! Being a member of this committee obviously requires attending, planning meetings, helping at events, and coming up with fresh ideas. As I mentioned at our event, without the help of our volunteers, our social events will come to an end. We start planning our events at least two months in advance. People have also thought we don't pay our tickets, but we do. If you would like to become a member of our planning committee, or would like more information about it, please contact me at 847-529-6183.

Our next event is scheduled for Feb. 11, 2023. Further information will be in my upcoming columns. Friendship Connection planning committee would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Thanks-giving. Some of you may be going out of town or have family visiting;

please enjoy your time with them. Friendship Connection is open to all residents of Friendship Colony, Friendship Park, and Friendship Village only. Our events are currently scheduled on the second Saturday quarterly from 4 to 6 p.m.

If you are interested in volunteering to help plan, setup, cleanup, or serve please contact Carron Janssen at (847) 529-6183, email us at info@ otowfriendshipconnection.com, or visit our Facebook page at Friendship Connection-OTOW.

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For Sale

Appliance: Large wine fridge. 352-414-5424.

Electronics: Cameras. 352-414-5424.

Exercise Equipment: Horizon (T101-07) treadmill. 352-237-9708.

Golf Cart: 2022 E-Z-GO, lithium battery, curtains, mirrors, deluxe light package, custom rims, cooler, grocery bag. 352-615-3953.

Golf Equipment: Men's golf shoes, men>s 9.5W, \$15 each. Women's golf shoe, 6.5W, \$20. TaylorMade SLDR 460 driver, \$15. Titleist 915H 2 hybrid, \$10. Odyssey 2 ball SRT putter, \$10. Women's Nike Vapor Fly driver, \$20; 3 wood, \$15; and small left hand gloves, \$3. Momentous swing trainer, \$5. Golf cart fan, \$20. 352-315-0309.

Golf Equipment: Taylor iron (R7CGB) 3 iron through pitching wedge and attack, lob, sand wedges, \$250. Ping (G30) irons 4 iron through attack wedge, \$350. E21 irons 3 and 4 hybrids, 5 iron through pitching wedge, \$125. Other woods and irons also available. 352-861-1632.

Misc. Items: Cast iron pans and Corningware with blue design. 352-414-5424.

Musical Instrument: Galizie-Sardani accordion, 41 key, 120 bass. 352-433-3154.

Musical Instruments: Yamaha (YPG-235) 76 key digital keyboard with deluxe stand, pedal, phones & 2 lamps, \$250. Yamaha (NP-12) 61 key digital piano with deluxe stand, lamp & wooden bench, \$150. Call/text 352-291-2455.

Musical Instruments: Vintage Yamaha (FG335) acoustic guitar, circa 1979, \$180. Marshall (MG30 CFX) guitar amplifier, 30 watts, \$90. 352-509-7147.

Route 3.0 comfort hybrid bicycle. Gary Fisher Wahoo hard trail bicycle. 352-414-5424.

Window Treatments: New faux wood white horizontal blinds. One is 34-1/2" w x 48" l and nine are 34-1/2" w x 60" l. Dick Broda 682-234-8117.

Tag Sales

Thursday, Nov. 3: 9323, 9329 9419, SW 94th Loop (Windsor), 8 a.m. to noon · 9511 SW 94th Court (Windsor), 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 4: 9511 SW 94th Court (Windsor), 8 a.m. to noon · 9329, 9419 SW 94th Loop (Windsor), 8 a.m. to noon · 7747 SW 85th Circle (Weybourne Landing), 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. · 7825 SW 85th Circle (Weybourne Landing), 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. · 8734 SW 76th Street Road (Weybourne Landing), 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. · 8665 SW 76th Lane (Weybourne Landing), 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. · 8664 SW 76th Street Road (Weybourne Landing), 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 4 & Saturday, Nov. **5:** 8747-H SW 98th Street Road (Americana Village), 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. · 7538 SW 85th Terrace (Weybourne Landing), 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. · 7759 SW 85th Circle (Weybourne Landing), 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 5: 8594 SW 83rd Loop (Candler Hills), 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 6: 8594 SW 83rd Loop (Candler Hills), noon to 4 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 11 & Saturday, Nov. 12: 8966-B SW 94th Lane (Friendship Park), 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. 8676-A SW 95th Lane (Friendship Village), 9 a.m. to noon.

Friday, Nov. 18 & Saturday, Nov. **19:** 8430-F SW 91st Street (Friendship Colony), 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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> Care: Grocery Companion shopping, cooking, light cleaning, laundry, rides to appts, errands, church and being good company. Nonmedical services. References available. Patti (resident) 612-227-6078 (leave message).

> Computer Help: Arthur Burditt, 352-875-7878. House calls, \$40/hour. Tutoring, setups, installations, Windows upgrades, PC cleanups, security software, internet connections, email access, printers, wireless devices.

> Flooring Installation & Interior Painting: Laminate & vinyl flooring. General carpentry also available. 30 years' experience. 352-425-1046.

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Handyman: Hang TVs, pictures & closet organizers. Assemble furniture. Repair/install windows, doors, baseboard trim & doorknobs. Painting & drywall. Install laminate flooring, door sweeps & grab bars. Plus much more. Eric Miller (resident), Handyman Hammer-Time LLC, 610-442-0709.

Handyman: Plumbing, electrical, general maintenance repairs, handicap grab bars, screens, etc. No job too small. Service you can count on. Steve Scott (resident), Steve the Handyman LLC, 517- 262-7971 (October through April).

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Home Health Care: Services provided by Zahira (Zee). CPR certified. Help at home to reach your everyday needs. 352-454–3007 (CNA275831).

Laminate Floor Installation: Plumbing, electrical work, general carpentry, and painting. Insured and satisfaction guaranteed. Resident for 14 years. Bill 352-816-5450.

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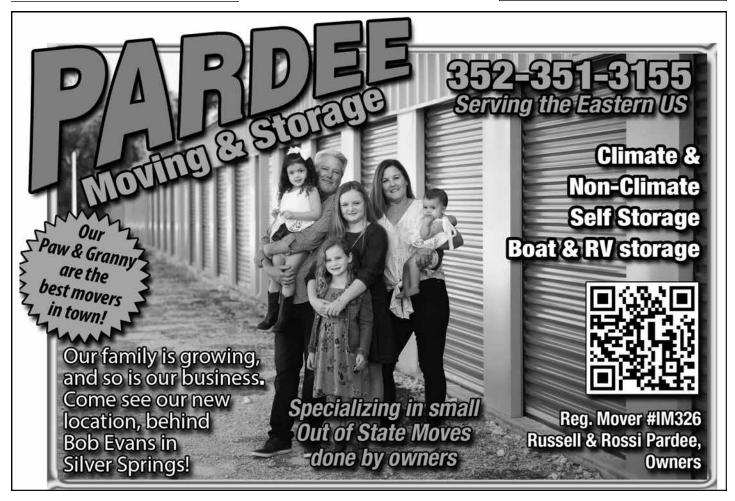
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Wanted

Donations: Dog or cat food [SPCA of Marion County 352-362-0985] · Electric golf carts in full working condition for use by volunteers for local park. [Barbara btsprigg@ gmail.com] · Non-perishable food for food bank, empty ink/laser cartridges and cards for veterans [Anne 843-504-0032] · Personal hygiene, school/craft supplies & small appliances for homeless; pet food/supplies for animal shelters; used cell phones, computers & musical instruments for troops/veterans; theatrical costumes & props; socks, underwear & men's clothing [Donna 352-237-3062] · Yarn for VA hospitals, children, and newborns [352-843-6519].

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