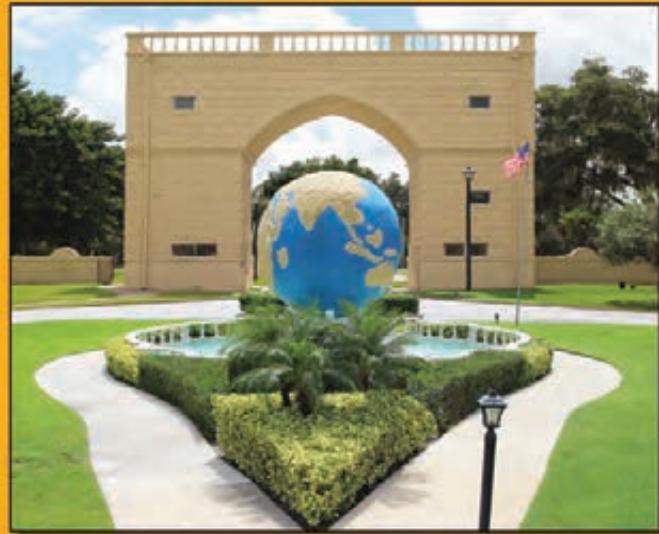


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New golf course superintendent wants to keep course green while adding a few more colors

By Doug Kates

You may have looked out at the On Top of the World golf courses this spring and said “wow! The courses are so green!”

Well, the beautiful, natural color can be traced back to something new in our community this year. First, we have new Golf Course Superintendent Todd Six, from a company called Bright View. Second, Todd has told the golf maintenance crew, let’s cut the grass shorter.

Now this might sound a little far-fetched, but Todd claims it’s the truth. The shorter the grass, the greener and more dense the fairways get.

“First thing we did was cut the height of the fairway grass from 1 inch to .65 of an inch,” Todd said. “It’s growing more because it’s shorter. Then we cut the rough from 2.5 inches to 1.25 inches.”

Todd also introduced new wetting agents to protect the agriculture and the courses when they received spring fertilization earlier this year. Add it together and you get green fairways, better putting surfaces, faster golf ball roll and more challenging courses.

And Todd isn’t done yet.

There is a plan in place to work with the University of Florida to plant and grow wild flowers at specific areas of the courses. This will add a little color and sightseeing to some fairways.

Todd has also reviewed the irrigation system around the course and has gone to a plan that operates fewer sprinklers at a single time. For example, in the old system, six sprinklers could be running at the same time, but if the amount is reduced to three sprinklers, more water is available and distribution is more even.

Crews have also reduced the turning speed of the sprinkler heads. This results in a more equal distribution of water, no matter where the sprinkler is on the course.

So where did Todd get these ideas from?

He’s been working at golf courses since he was 21 years old.

Todd says he loves the outdoors and “growing things.” His career started with weeding and mowing, and advanced to agronomics, including spraying.

Over the years, he has gained a variety of knowledge working with grass, dirt and weather because of where he has lived. His career started in Denver,



Golf Course Superintendent Todd Six evaluates some of the plant life on the 18-hole course. A beautiful, happy plant gets plenty of fertilizer and water. (OTOW News photo by Doug Kates)

then to St. Louis, then to the famous TPC Sawgrass course in Jacksonville, followed by the Amelia Islands Plantation in Florida.

Amelia Islands used to host two courses - Oak Marsh and Ocean Links - and Todd was promoted as high as superintendent of the Ocean Links course. That course has since closed, which opened an opportunity for Todd to move on.

Bright View was in search of a new superintendent at the On Top of the World courses and asked Todd if he would be interested. Todd arrived in Clearwater, saw the community and saw our 27 holes of golf.

“I fell in love with it right away,” he

said. “I’ve always wanted to become a main superintendent so I can use what I’ve learned and I wanted to do something new. I was ready to start again.”

Todd’s initial reaction to the two courses was “needed work,” but once he stepped back and looked at the whole picture, he thought “this place has fantastic potential.”

He took the job because “these courses need me.”

And he said it with a smile.

The grass has been cut shorter, liquid fertilizer has been applied, wild flowers have been ordered, sprinklers are working more toward their potential and broken sprinklers are getting fixed. Todd would like to improve the irriga-

tion system even more than the current status, but that will be something discussed between Bright View and On Top of the World.

Overall, Todd says, “I am having a blast.”

The golf course maintenance staff consists of seven people and the number of golf course critics can be as high as 10,000 people. But Todd says bring on the feedback. He wants to hear everyone’s suggestions and concerns.

“That’s how we learn everyone’s goals,” he said. “Eventually it all pays off.”

“I am enjoying this opportunity. My goal is to grow a good golf course into a great golf course.”



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New novel focuses on Ernest Hemingway

By Katy Gerritt

As summer goes on, the On Top of the World Library remains open Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon and Wednesdays and Fridays from 1-3 p.m.

We have added some new books that you might enjoy.

“Love and Ruin” by Paula McLain is her second historical novel about Ernest Hemingway and his stormy marriage to Martha Gellhorn, a reporter of the Spanish Civil War.

“The Cast” by Danielle Steel is about a woman who creates a TV series and how this affects her life.

“Old Black Magic” by Robert B. Parker (Ace Atkins) is from the Spencer series based in Boston and delves into the black market art business.

Dorothea Benton Franks’ latest novel, “By Invitation Only,” is based in the South Carolina Lowcountry. It involves a city girl who falls for the owner of a rural farm.

“Home for Unwanted Girls” by Joanna Goodman is a novel based in Quebec during an era when children born outside of marriage were housed with the mentally ill and essentially used as slave labor in these facilities. The story is about a young mother seeking her baby who she thought was placed for adoption.

“The High Tide Club” by Mary Kay Andrews is based on a barrier island where a young lawyer, Brooke, meets a dy-

ing heiress with matters she wants settled and amends she wants to make.

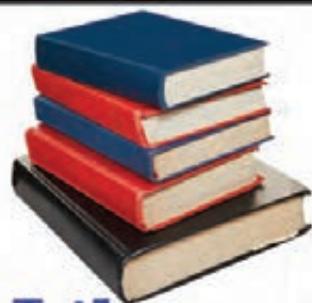
Also, we have a large selection of both large print and regular print fiction, plus sale books at rock bottom prices.

The Good Karma Book Club will meet on Thursday, Aug. 2 to discuss “What She Ate” by Laura Shapiro.

The author has written three books of culinary history.

In this book she focuses on six women, some famous, and tells us about their lives and their meals.

We will meet again on Aug. 16 for our book share meeting, where we talk about what we are reading now, give recommendations and assemble our list to share with



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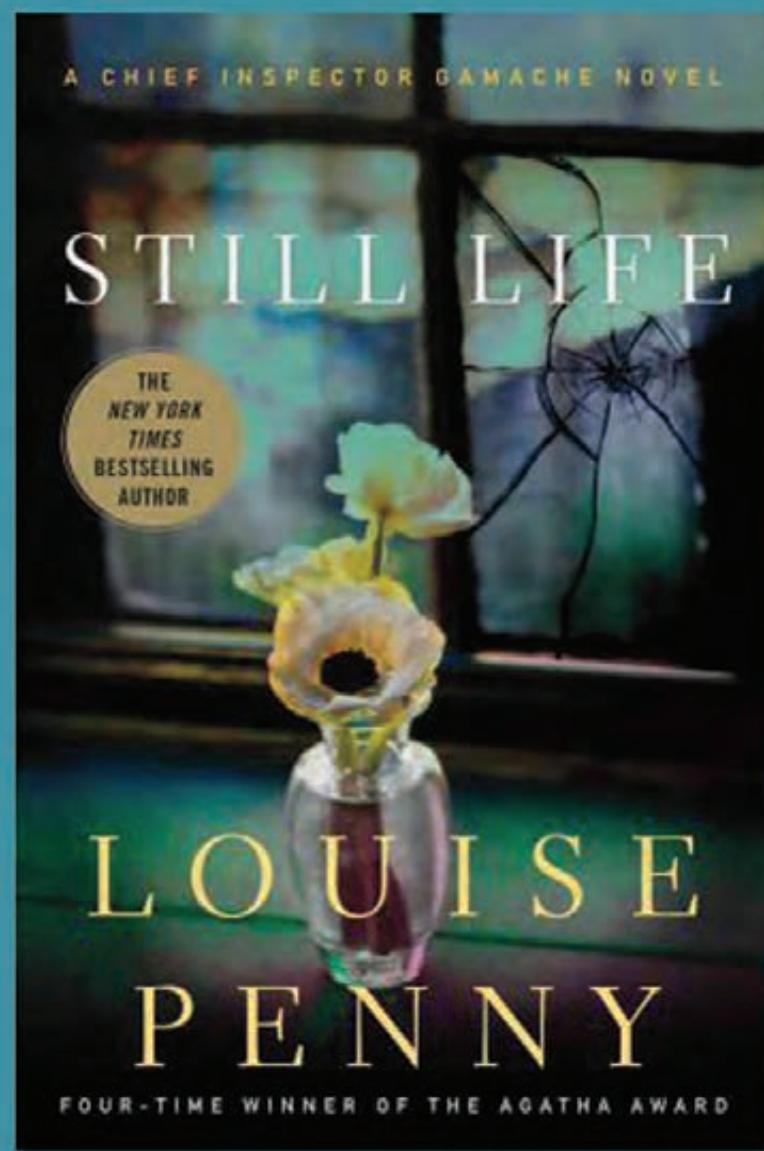
Both meetings are held in the West Activity Center Learning Lab on the first and third Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

Good Karma Book Club

Thursday, September 6, 10:30 a.m.
West Activity Center Learning Lab

Read “Still Life” by Louise Penny and attend our first meeting in September to discuss the book and share your opinions.

Then, we will meet again Sept. 20 for an open-topic discussion.





How to break down a box

To properly recycle a box, please do the following four steps.

- (1) Empty the cardboard box, including any packaging material that was around the product.
- (2) Use a pair of scissors and break the seal where the box had been taped. Make whatever cuts are necessary so you can break the box down. Be careful with the scissors.
- (3) Flatten the box. Never try to recycle a box in the original shape when it held a product.
- (4) Make sure you place the flattened box in a recycling container, not a trash bin.

Breaking down a box saves space in community recycling bins

By Kathleen Santosuosso
Break down your boxes, all boxes, before you put them in the recycle bin. Why do we break down our boxes? We flatten all boxes here at On Top of the World because it saves space so more items can be put in our recycle bins.

A few large boxes that have not been flattened will fill up an entire recycle bin.

How do we flatten our boxes?

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3, 4!

1. Take out everything inside the box: instructions, Styrofoam, bubble wrap, plastic ties, paper packaging, plastic pillows, Styrofoam sheets — every-

thing!

Most of these packing materials go in the trash. Paper packaging can be put in the recycle bins.

Of course, you'll keep the instructions or any warranty that came with your package.

2. With your box cutter, or the point of a scissors blade, slice open the tape at the bottom of the box. Sometimes the tape just peels off.

3. Open the flaps on the bottom of the box. Then, flatten the box.

4. Put in the recycle bin.

Jan Tracy, from Pinellas County Solid Waste, will talk to us about "Recy-

cling Right" on Feb. 5, 2019, in the East Activity Center auditorium.

You can pick up an easy-to-follow handout "Recycle Today 2018" at the Good Karma Café and the On Top of the World Community Service Office at the East Activity Center. It's free!

Now that we've reminded you to put boxes in a green recycling container, here are some items that never go in a recycle bin:

Bags with dog waste, plastic bags of any kind, pizza boxes, Styrofoam cups, paper plates and straws.

No food of any kind ever goes in a recycle bin.



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LED lighting project set to begin and will provide brighter lights throughout community

Checking in

Around the community

With July 4th happening on a Wednesday, not only did the holiday confuse a work week, it seemed to temper the entire month.

Just wait, in 2019 it falls on a Thursday. That whole week will be shot!

National holiday aside, July was a busy month because of all the projects going on in On Top of the World.

Progress on the Sunset Gardens project is slowed while waiting for delivery of LED pathway lighting. Meanwhile, bench seating is in fabrication. We anticipate final completion in late October.

Renovations began at the East Activity Center on Monday, July 2, and include the Computer Room, Small Card Room, Yellow Room and the Exercise Room. Each room will receive change out of the flooring, LED lighting, paint, and acoustic ceilings.

Room closures took place throughout the month and renovations should be completed the first week of August. This schedule is dependent upon vendor schedules, weather, and/or material delays.

The tennis courts and pavilion project are progressing on schedule. Vertical construction of the pavilion and comfort facilities is beginning in August.

The long-awaited Duke Energy community-wide lighting project is here. We will be upgrading existing street lights to new LED fixtures and poles. This project has been tentatively scheduled to begin with the first phase in August.

This lighting change-out will result in cleaner, brighter lighting around the community.

The project consists of four phases. The project schedule is subject to change from a wide range of conditions beyond our control.



Chairman

For example, a hurricane in another area of the state or region may cause the work crews to be redirected into recovery work elsewhere.

These delays cannot be foreseen and Duke Energy is in control of this project. Barring any delays, the entire project should wrap up in third quarter of 2019.

Insurance Update

Tropical storm season is a reminder to each resident to check in with your insurance agent and make sure the insurance coverage on your unit and contents is adequate.

If you feel "lucky" and go without insurance, or believe you can self-insure any loss, please reconsider because the cost of repair or reconstruction may well exceed the market value of your condominium at the time of the event.

It is the obligation of every owner to insure the contents of their unit. The Community Service Office has handled numerous major leaks from improperly maintained water heaters. The replacement and maintenance of water heaters is the responsibility of the unit owner.

In all cases, the owner found out how important having insurance is when faced with paying for the extensive damage to their unit, the adjoining units and the Association property between the units.

The Association will seek reimbursement from the unit owner for its repair work in every instance.

This is a good point to segue into the limits of coverage that individual unit owners may wish to have.

Contents coverage may vary greatly depending what you own. As a basic point though, you need adequate limits to cover furnishings, personal items, floor coverings, appliances and cabinetry. All carriers write an HO6 rider that provides for loss assessment coverage in the event of a special assessment from the Association to cover unforeseen shortfalls or losses.

In the On Top of the World Condominium Association, buildings are insured under a master policy in the name of the Association. The deductible is \$10,000 for any event per occurrence including wind/hail related damage. Named storm events carry a separate deductible of 5 percent of the total value at the time of loss, at each location involved in the loss, subject to a minimum (community wide) deductible of \$250,000 for any one occurrence.

With respect to flood (rising water), earthquake and flood resulting from a named storm, all loss, damage, and/or expense arising out of any one occurrence shall be adjusted as one loss, and from an amount of each such adjusted loss there is a \$100,000 deductible.

For more information, please visit www.otowclearwaterinfo.com then click "Community" and download the pdf document entitled: "Insurance Responsibility of the Individual Unit Owner."

Upcoming Projects

Our painting contractor will continue their efforts on the west side of property with the rear of Building 77 being the next structure to have new waterproofing coatings applied.

As always, please keep in mind that the painting contractor will be operating

in close proximity to parking areas and front/rear porches which may require the temporary displacement of vehicles or property.

Thank you for your cooperation in advance and keep in mind that inclement weather can affect start and completion dates.

Reoccurring Reminders for all Community Residents

Building walkway repairs will continue as construction crews perform maintenance to the second and third floor walking surfaces.

Many buildings will see these restoration crews as the management company focuses its efforts on these types of repairs. This work requires the use of specialized power tools and may cause a temporary inconvenience in the form of noise and dust. Repair crews will do their best to limit the inconvenience during this necessary work. These small repair areas will also be coated as a future preventative.

As always, we ask that residents please limit any foot traffic in and around any work area they may encounter.

Walkway coating improvements will continue across property. These improvements involve preparation of the surface (and occasionally sub-surface) concrete, the addition of acrylic fortified materials to stairwell surfaces, and then the application of a quality slip-resistant barrier coating. The end result is intended to provide longevity to the balcony walking surfaces as well as returning the look to its original conveyed color scheme.

The management company will post notices on affected building's bulletin boards concerning the dates crews are expected to commence the work. Please be aware of "Caution" and "Wet Paint" signs in and around these work areas.

Be Mindful and Safe

Summer is a great time to get out and visit family and travel around. Whether you go a great distance or stay local, please be mindful and aware of your surroundings at all times. The greatest protector of your personal safety is you.

August is also the ramp-up to the busiest part of the storm season. If you are planning a trip, please make sure you have storm-proofed your condo by removing anything on or around the exterior of your condo that could become an object of destruction during a high wind event. This of course includes clamshell awnings, together with chairs and potted plants, to name just a few of the hazards that are easy to overlook (we may see them every day and these items just "blend in").

Remember, that school resumes in mid-August in most counties throughout Florida. Be especially careful when driving near schools.

Have a safe rest of the summer!

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Every past president has done something unique to prepare the Canadian Club for a winter season

By Laurie Fischer

Most of you will always think of Canada as the cold country up north.

Well, I have news for you.

Reports from Canada have the temperature at 44 Celsius (112 Fahrenheit)!

Within another three months, many of you will be heading back to On Top of the World for another winter season.

As we approach the dog days of summer, I have some exciting news for all Canadian Club members. Based on our 2017 member survey, your Executive Board is discussing the concept for a new and exciting event! If all goes well, with the creation of the new park and barbecue area, we may be holding a Canadian Club BBQ in the park.

Stay tuned for further details later in the fall!

Continuing to honor and remember our Past Presidents, I am pleased to present three more this month.

Edgar Hachey was president in 2001-2002. Last year, he sold his condo at OTOW after 20 years and will winter at OTOW Ocala starting this upcoming winter.



As president, Edgar started offering wine and hors d'oeuvres after meetings and at Registration Night - another tradition that continues to this day!

During his tenure as president, Edgar hired live bands for Canadian Club dinner dance events. He has been a member of the Men's Golf League, Lawn Bowling, Tennis and Irish Clubs (among others over the years).

He loves golfing, lawn bowling, curling, skating and cross-country skiing (not much chance at the last three anymore as he spends six months in Florida each winter!).

Bob Laplante was president in 2008-2009 and has remained an active member to this day.

As president, his Executive Team came up with the name "Spring Fling," which has been a major dinner dance event for the Canadian Club each year.

As president, Bob always saw himself as someone who helped set up others for success. He is a member of the OTOW Lawn Bowls Club - having taken up lawn bowling tournament play in the past three years (as a member of their Executive Board for the past eight years). One day soon he will take up his favorite pastime, playing bridge, once again.

Rollie Lapointe is another of our past presidents (2010-2011), who has remained very active.

During his tenure as president, he and his Executive Board redefined each of the executive roles in our by-laws. They cleaned up the manuals for the club and adjusted ticket prices to our events with a plan that all activities would be treated separately and be self-sustaining. Something we continue to do even today.

Rollie enjoys biking, gym work, traveling and watching the New York Yankees, which is OK as long as they are not playing the Toronto Blue Jays.

At OTOW, Rollie has been involved with the Softball League, Lawn Bowls Club and writing for the newspaper. He strongly feels that we always need new blood with fresh ideas in the Canadian Club. I could not agree more with him.

Finally, please mark your 2018 calendars with three event dates that will take place early in our Canadian Club year.

In the September newspaper, the Canadian Club article will detail all activities for the upcoming winter season.

Registration Night

(Wine and Cheese Social)

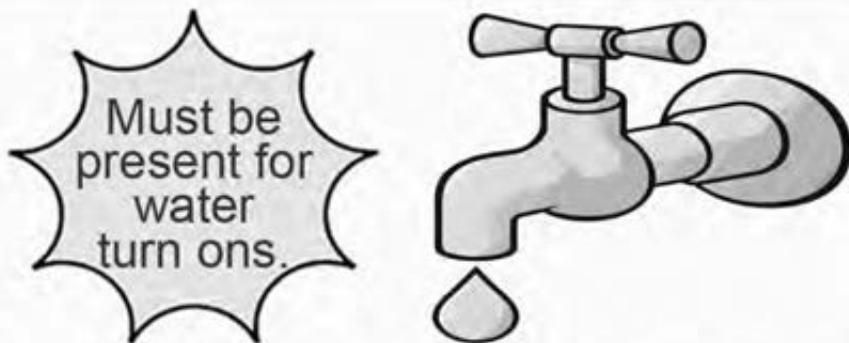
Friday, Nov. 30, from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the East Activity Center auditorium.

Christmas Party Dinner/Dance

Tuesday, Dec. 11 at the East Activity Center auditorium.

Christmas Carol Cabaret

Friday, Dec. 21, at the West Activity Center Sunrise Room.



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(3) Go Online to otowclearwaterinfo.com and fill out a service request.

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BLACKOUT

By Tom Jamrozy

I'm very happy to report that our Blackout card games continue to gather new players.

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It's a lot of fun, lots of laughter, doesn't break the bank and a great way to meet new people.

If you want to learn the game, stop by the East Activity Center on Thursdays from 8:30-10 a.m. for lessons. It doesn't take long to learn.

Games take place Thursdays in the West Activity Center Sunrise Room. Arrive at 6 p.m. for practice games and start playing promptly at 6:30 p.m. We finish around 9 p.m. There are no dues. Just bring the fun. Come and join us. You will be glad you did.

Good Neighbors is back and OTOW Chorus will assist with return of Get Acquainted Coffee

By JoAnn Dameson

Get Acquainted Coffee is coming back in September and one of our own On Top of the World clubs will be providing the entertainment.

The Good Neighbors Association is bringing back Get Acquainted Coffee on Thursday, Sept. 13, in the East Activity Center auditorium.

The OTOW Chorus has been practicing all summer for this day and will entertain us with a special summer concert for about an hour.

The Chorus traditionally holds a spring concert and holiday concert every year, but members who stayed home for the summer got together and decided to prepare for a unique summer show.

Get Acquainted Coffee will be the stage for this summer show.

So come on out at 8:30 a.m. and visit with one of our clubs at their information table prior to the concert. Donuts and coffee will be served at 9 a.m., followed by morning announcements, introduction of vendors and the concert.

The donuts and coffee are free, and so is the concert!

As summer draws to an end, the Good Neighbors board has returned from time off and is now ready to jump into our fall events.

There will be a Good Neighbors vol-



unteer meeting on Thursday, Sept. 4, 10 a.m. in the East Activity Center Small Card Room. If you are already a volunteer, or if you have some free time and can assist our club, please attend this meeting.

Our fall clothing drive will take place Friday, Oct. 26, and Saturday, Oct. 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the EAC front entrance. Volunteers are needed to help assist residents in carrying clothing donations from their vehicles to our table. Lunch will be provided to volunteers. If you have free time for this worthwhile



Members of the On Top of the World Chorus will perform during Good Neighbors Get Acquainted Coffee on Thursday, Sept. 13, at about 9:15 a.m.

event, please attend the Sept. 4 meeting.

None of the clothing is sold for profit. It is donated to local charities which give the clothing away to less fortunate individuals.

The 2018 Senior Expo is coming up on Saturday, Nov. 3, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Good Neighbors will be hosting a food court and an outside information table. We need volunteers for both sites.

The Good Neighbors Flea Market

and Craft Show will take place on Saturday, Nov. 17, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. We need 6-10 volunteers on Friday, Nov. 16, to help set up tables for this event.

And finally, Good Neighbors is planning its Volunteer Appreciation Christmas Luncheon. Details will follow in future editions of this newspaper.

Good Neighbors is excited to be back from break and we are excited to see you at upcoming events.

Attending a Neighborhood Watch meeting can provide you with valuable tips on keeping your building crime free

By David Beaven

Through Neighborhood Watch Programs, residents are decreasing their chances of becoming victims of crime.

Participants in communities across the country are making things tougher for potential criminals.

Subjects covered include upgrading locks, adding security hardware and improving outdoor lighting.

Participants also learn tips about not leaving valuables in a vehicle, keeping doors and windows locked when not home, and also making it a good habit to lock doors even when home.

It is a good practice to mark valuable property with an ID number and recording serial numbers to help law enforcement agencies identify and return lost or stolen property;

When trained crime prevention officers are in the community, it is a good idea to meet with them to discuss specific needs or concerns.

Developing a neighbors' phone tree service is a great way to quickly alert neighbors about criminal activity in the area and applying a front window or door with a Neighborhood Watch decal is a great way to identify yourself as a partici-



pating watch resident.

The visible stickers are a message that we are not afraid to report crime. It discourages crime from even starting.

Neighborhood Watch was started by a group of residents who want to live in a peaceful and secure environment based on mutual consideration and respect. To learn more, visit our group's Webpage at areawatch2020.blogspot.com.

Our next community meeting is scheduled for Aug. 20 at 1 p.m. in the East Activity Center auditorium.

Check OTOW-TV channels 98.1 and 732 for updates. Come meet your neighbors and help make our great community even better.



Stickers like the one above can prevent a potential crime from ever starting. If a bad guy sees the sticker, he/she is more apt to find a new location for being naughty.

If you've never tried tracing your family roots, try our three-part geneology seminar starting in September

I am proud to announce a genealogy/DNA workshop, "Follow the DNA," will be commencing at On Top of the World starting Monday, Sept. 10. This is a three-part workshop.

Up until recently, if you wanted to trace your family tree, it required long hours searching archives in a courthouse or a walk through the cemetery.

Thanks to DNA testing kits through "Ancestry" and "23andMe," the online records have increased exponentially and today you can do all your research online from the comfort of your easy chair.

Did you know that genealogy research has become the second most popular hobby in the United States, second only to gardening?

Over the last few years, especially with Baby Boomers, genealogy Websites are among the most visited categories. This makes sense because many Boomers are retired and have the time, plus most are computer literate.

For this hobby, all you need is curiosity and time.

A few years ago, before Ancestry.com became really popular, I began to search old newspapers online to solve a few mysteries on my maternal side.

In those days, it was free to search old newspapers online. Today, you will be charged a fee, but you can get free access with a Pinellas County Public Library card. It was amazing how much I uncovered online through newspapers alone.

Two years ago, I began to search my paternal side at Ancestry.com and, just like the popular television show "Who Do You Think You Are," I uncovered some amazing information.

To date, I've traced my relatives back to Delaware in the mid-1700s and I'm not finished yet.

FYI, this hobby is not just solitary. I've met a lot of interesting people along the way at public library workshops and while getting reunited with long lost relatives.

I've also learned a lot of tips from On Top of the World's Family History group, including leaders Shirley Perry and Don Leamy. They are both very experienced genealogists and can tell you a story or



two. This summer I began chatting with Shirley about bringing a genealogy/DNA workshop to our residents. She's a busy lady, but I am pleased to announce she has put together a syllabus and has committed to a three-part workshop in the West Activity Center Learning Lab.

Shirley, along with the Family History group, will be hosting the workshop, which is open to all residents. The events will take place in the West Activity Center Learning Lab. For those interested in taking this three-part workshop, a DNA test through Ancestry.com is recommended. Please bring your test results with you, along with your laptop, to the workshop. If you are only interested in the workshop for informational purposes, please be sure to take thorough notes.

We only have space for a maximum of 30 people and you must commit to attending all three workshops.

Register with Nancy by Aug. 29 in the Community Service Office or you can email me at general_activity@otowfl.com.

Be sure to note that you are registering for "Follow the DNA" three-part workshop. Include your name, building and unit number.

Please note, we need a minimum of eight residents to hold this workshop.

Here are the three workshops:

Part 1 – Sept. 10 – 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Determine what you wish to accomplish. An overview of DNA – what it can and cannot do. Exploring autosomal DNA. Understanding and using results at

Ancestry.com. Learning to read the data provided. Importance of creating and linking a tree. Using trees created by your matches

Part 2 – Oct. 15 – 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Documenting your research. Identifying matches that can help you. Most effective ways to communicate. Examining lack of tools at Ancestry.com. Purpose of uploading your data to other sites. Other research aids.

Part 3 – Nov. 5 – 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Using available tools at Gedmatch. Overview of other sites: FTDNA, MyHeritage, etc. Testing relatives.

Club & Activity Room Reservation Renewal

Please see me in the Community Service Office between Sept. 9-14 to renew your regularly scheduled activities on the calendar for October thru December.

Please note, the calendar desk will be closed Sept. 4-7.

Activity Card Renewal

When renewing your activity card or getting a brand new one issued, please remember to bring with you a government issued photo ID, such as a driver's license or passport, and a current piece of mail indicating your name and On Top of the World property address.

Also, for renewal, you will need \$3 and your expiring/expired card. If you do not have your card, you will need to bring \$25 for purchasing and processing of a new card.

Please note that no cards will be punched or processed without proper identification and address verification.

As a reminder, you must bring your valid activity card with you when using SCA facilities and be prepared to show it upon staff request.

All guests must be accompanied by a resident any time they plan to use an SCA facility, including the pool.

As a reminder, the resident needs to remain with their guest while they enjoy the facilities. Any noncompliance matters are directed to the On Top of the World Association.

OLLI In-Person Registration

For your convenience, Eckerd College Life Long Learning Institute (OLLI) rep-

resentatives will have a Fall/Winter Class Registration table at "Good Neighbors Get Acquainted Thursday" on Thursday, Sept. 13 from 8:30-11 a.m. in the East Activity Center auditorium.

Come get a first peek at the Fall/Winter schedule, sit down with an OLLI representative and register.

The fee is \$10 per class. Of course, residents may also register for classes online at Eckerd.edu/olli or call at 727-864-7600.

Please see next page for the OLLI class schedule for August.

Upcoming Seminars

On Top of the World will be hosting several seminars in the month of August. Please catch at least one of them.

A "Fall Prevention" seminar hosted by Clark Perry and Cindy Dupree from CARES will take place Aug. 15 from 10 a.m. to noon in the EAC Art Room.

The Area Agency on Aging and the Pinellas County Transit Authority will be co-hosting a seminar called "Senior Transportation: The Why and the What."

The event will be Wednesday, Aug. 22 from 10-11:30 a.m. in the East Activity Center auditorium.

Please attend to learn safe and convenient ways you can still get around whether you're independent or not.

On Friday, Aug. 24, the seminar will be "Post Disaster Consumer Tips" plus a shredding event.

This seminar will be co-hosted by Pinellas County Consumer Protection's investigator and outreach coordinator, and the Area Agency on Aging's emergency coordinating officer.

The event will be in the East Activity Center's auditorium from 10-11:30 a.m.

Among the topics to be covered include:

1. Reasonable and unreasonable approaches to hurricane planning.
2. Tips and strategies to achieve readiness
3. What to expect pre-storm and post-storm.
4. Scams before and after a storm.

Shredding will take place from 9-11 a.m. at the East Activity Center's parking lot off of World Parkway Boulevard.

AAA Driving Class

Next one is Sept. 6 and 7. See page 47 for registration form.

Tickets NOT sold in Community Service Office

Yes, Nancy Rogers is the activity coordinator for On Top of the World, but no, she does not sell tickets for shows, dances or dinners held by community clubs, such as the Entertainment Committee.

Shows, dances, dinners and trips to plays, concerts or cruises are all sold by clubs. Fortunately, we have an easy way for you to purchase tickets.

You can visit the information table for every club and group from 8:30-10:30 a.m., Mondays and Thursdays, in the East Activity Center auditorium. Representatives will be glad to answer your questions and sell you tickets.

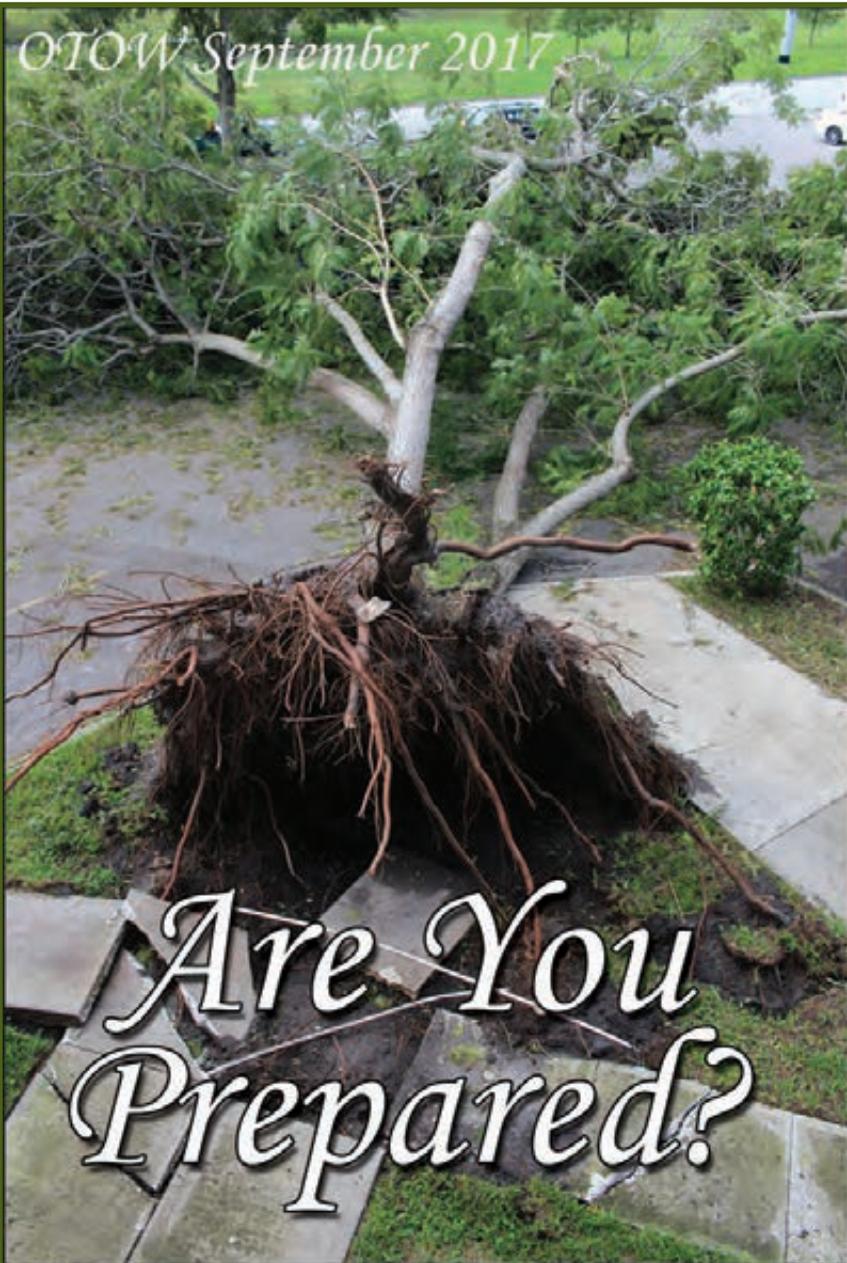
Ticket sales only take place on Thursdays during the summer, but now that we are approaching the fall season, information tables will return on Mondays as well.

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Does your club or group need a meeting room for October - December?

Please stop by the Community Service Office between Sept. 9-14 to get a room or renew a room for the next three months. Ask for Nancy.

OTOW September 2017



Are You Prepared?

Emergency Preparedness & Post-Disaster Tips

10 a.m., Friday, Aug. 24, EAC Auditorium

Anna Marie Millett from Pinellas County Consumer Protection and Jason Martino from the Area Agency on Aging will be at On Top of the World to talk about reasonable and unreasonable approaches to hurricane planning, tips and strategies to achieve readiness, what to expect after a storm and storm-related scams.

Anna Marie is an investigator and outreach coordinator for Pinellas County Consumer Protection. Jason is the director of planning and an emergency coordinating officer for the Area Agency on Aging covering Pinellas and Pasco counties.



Stevens & Stevens Business Records Management will provide a free shredding service from 9-11 a.m. in the East Activity Center main parking lot.

Learn more at eckerd.edu/oll or call 727.864.7600 to receive a course catalog by mail.

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Register online at eckerd.edu/OnTopOfTheWorld or call 727.864.7600 to register by phone using the registration numbers found in each lecture description.



SUMMER CLASSES

All classes in the West Activity Center Learning Lab

Carole King and Her Tapestry of Song
Tuesday, August 7, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Instructor: Joy Katzen-Guthrie

Carole King's talent at the piano was obvious by age four. Her hit songwriting was established by her early 20s, leading to a blockbuster career as one of the most prolific and influential pop songwriter/recording artists in history.
Registration Number: 8048

A Perfect Storm: A History of Florida's Hurricanes
Wednesday, August 22, 10:30 a.m. – Noon
Instructor: Nano Riley

Did you know John's Pass (named for the pirate, John LeVique) was created by a hurricane in 1848? Did you know the hurricane of 1928 caused the Lake Okeechobee dike to fail, killing an estimated 2,500 people, mostly farm workers? This class looks at famous storms and the latest predictions for intensity due to climate change.
Registration Number: 8049

New group will give community veterans more opportunities to get together during the year

By William Peterson

Based on the success of the New York-New Jersey Club's annual Veterans Memorial Tribute, a new group has been established to help community veterans get together more often.

We would like you to join us for our first official meeting on Thursday, Aug. 16, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the East Activity Center Art Room for coffee and cookies.

This will be an informal meet and greet along with casual discussions.

Why are we having this meeting?

We want to see how many community veterans would be interested in participating in our new veterans group and listen to your suggestions.

This is a group. Not a club. There will be no board, no officers and no registration fee. There is no membership. When we plan an event, you just show up and enjoy with other community veterans.

We plan on organizing group outings and you are invited to come along.

Do you have an interest?

Well then, we would like to know what type of interests you might have and how often during the year we should schedule events, such as monthly, twice a year or four times a year?

Our schedule will always include the Memorial Tribute.

Would you like an in-house discussion group?

Would you prefer to go on outings, enjoy eating out with the group, or enjoying other activities as a group?

If the new group found a way to help you with transportation, would this encourage you to join us?

Maybe our veterans need help getting to appointments? This new group might be able to help.

There are a lot of possibilities and services that your new veterans group might be able to provide.

After many years of dedicated work to the annual Memorial Tribute, Jim



On Top of the World veterans receive medals during the New York-New Jersey Club Memorial Tribute in May. A new OTOW group will give community veterans more opportunities to get together during the year and the new group will work with the New York-New Jersey Club on continuing the Memorial Tribute tradition. (OTOW News file photo by Doug Kates)

Smyth is stepping down.

Pamela Rosenblatt and William Peterson, who have both served in the armed forces, are honored to take over the coordination of this event.

Pamela and William are also overseeing the beginning of the veterans group, which will receive support from the New York-New Jersey Club.

Pamela and William have some tough shoes to fill, but they are sure they are ready for 2018-2019. Some new ideas have already been considered.

One option under consideration is

moving the Memorial Tribute to May 19 in celebration of Armed Forces Day.

Many nations around the world use Armed Forces Day as a time to honor those who are currently serving and those who have served.

Armed Forces Day was established in the USA on Aug. 31, 1949, by then Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson. It does not have the notoriety of Memorial Day, a day that honors those who have given their lives in service to their country, but honors all service men and women both living and deceased.

We know that we must, and never will, forget anyone who lost their lives in service to their country, however our OTOW event is in honor of all servicemen and women.

As you can see, there is a lot a veterans group like this can offer and accomplish. So, can we count on seeing you on Aug. 16?

If you plan on attending, then please stop by the New York/New Jersey Club table in the East Activity Center auditorium between 8:30-10:30 a.m. any Thursday in August and let us know. We would like an idea how many of you will attend.

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Baby Boomers, ukelele players and guitarists recently jammed together in the Learning Lab.

Baby Boomers getting an education on stringed instruments

By Penni Telleck

Want to learn to play music? Acoustic music? Maybe even strum together with some great friends?

Then the place to be is the West Activity Center Learning Lab from 1-4 p.m. on Fridays.

Joyce Monahan and the “famous” On Top of the World ukulele players, are offering the Baby Boomers Club a chance to learn how to play music.

We will be playing new songs together, practicing tried and true tunes, and learning what their music is all about.

The Baby Boomers Group is an as-

sociation of friends. There are no age restrictions, as being a Baby Boomer is not an age - it is a state of mind.

We have no dues or officers, and even fewer formal rules. You do need to have a valid On Top of the World activity card, though, so don't hesitate to get your's updated!

No one joins the Baby Boomers - you just join in.

We will add your name to our Baby Boomers' email list and you will receive emails about upcoming fun events and activities.

Boomers seek out experiences to keep them active and enjoying life. Boomers

can be found biking, bird watching, dancing, festival going, food sampling, golfing, jamming, kayaking, learning, movie going, mosaicking, parading, partying, picnicking, socializing, sunset watching and wine tasting - just to name a few.

If you'd like to become involved, please join in! The Baby Boomers will be meeting Aug. 1 at 5:30 p.m. in the West Activity Center Sunrise Room and Aug. 16 at 5:30 p.m. in the East Activity Center Art Room.

Each meeting is followed by dinner at a local restaurant or on Clearwater Beach - we love spectacular sunsets! Everyone is welcome, come one, come all.



Baby Boomers

Basic Hurricane Preparation Tips

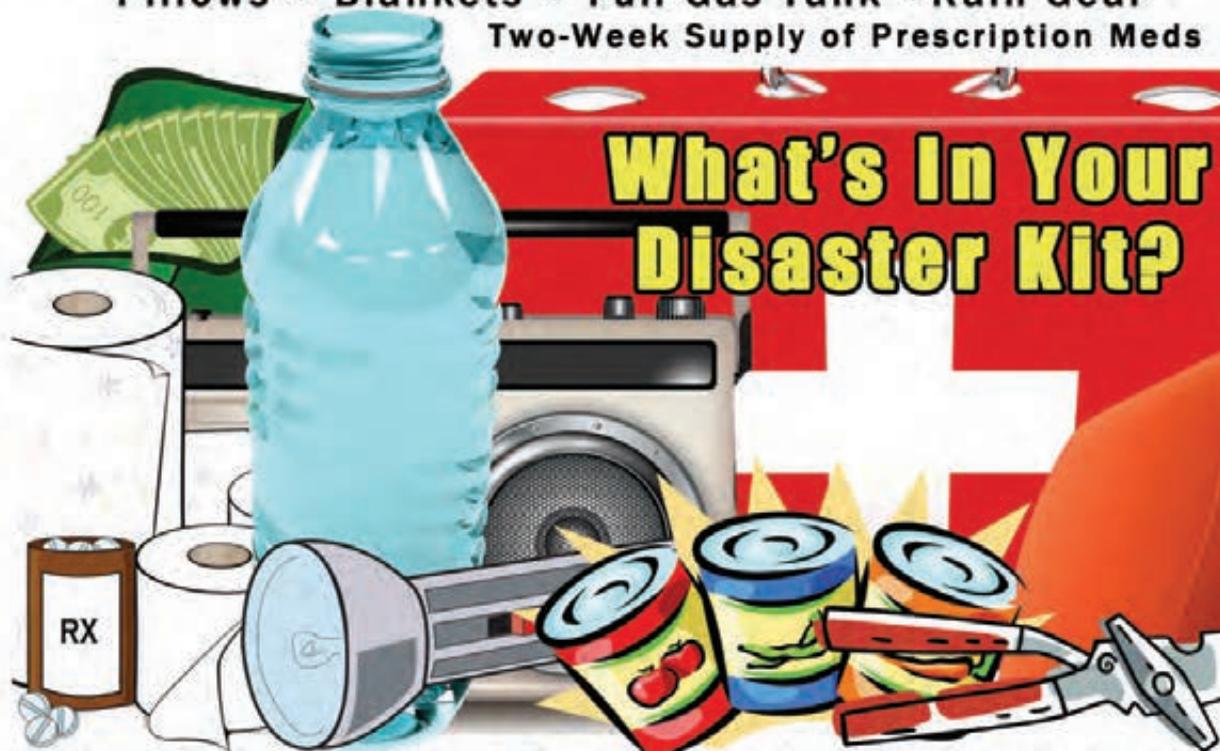
Know where to go. If you are ordered to evacuate, know the local hurricane evacuation route(s) to take and have a plan for where you can stay. Contact your local emergency management agency for more information.

Put together a disaster supply kit, including a flashlight, batteries, cash, first aid supplies, and copies of your critical information if you need to evacuate.

If you are not in an area that is advised to evacuate, and you decide to stay in your home, plan for adequate supplies in case you lose power and water for several days and you are not able to leave due to flooding or blocked roads.

Make a family emergency communication plan. Many communities have text or email alerting systems for emergency notifications. To find out what alerts are available in your area, search the Internet with your town, city, or county name and the word “alerts.”

**Cash • Water • First Aid Kit • Flashlight
Pillows • Blankets • Full Gas Tank • Rain Gear
Two-Week Supply of Prescription Meds**



Canned Food • Paper Products • Can Opener • Radio

For more information, visit www.ready.gov/hurricanes

August

Events must be approved by the Community Service Office before appearing on this calendar.

DAILY/WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

M-Monday, T-Tuesday, W-Wednesday, H-Thursday, F-Friday, S-Saturday, U-Sunday

PLEASE NOTE, Due to renovation work, there will be many clubs and groups using two rooms in August. These instances are marked below with ** symbols. Check with your group for room assignments.

ART

Painting Pals: Wednesdays, 1 pm, Art Room
 Chinese Paint Brush: T, 12:30 pm, Art Room/Lab
 Art Library Research: Thursdays, 1 pm, Art Room

CARD GAMES

BLACKOUT

Thursdays, 6:15 pm, Sunrise Room

BUNCO

Wednesday, Aug. 15, 6 pm, Rainbow Room

CONTRACT BRIDGE

** Mondays, 11 am, Veranda Room/Small Card Room

CRIBBAGE

** Wednesdays, 10 am, Craft Room/Small Card Room

DOUBLE PINOCHLE

Sundays, Wednesdays, 12:30 pm, Craft Room

** Wednesdays, 12:30 pm, Starlite Room/ Veranda

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

Sundays, Wednesdays, 11 am, Computer Room

HAND AND FOOT CANASTA/SAMBA

Fridays, 6 pm, Small Card Room

MAHJONGG

Mondays, 11 am, Rainbow Room

M, W, F 1 pm, Rainbow Room

Mondays, 4:45 pm, Rainbow Room

PINOCHLE

Thursdays, 5:30 pm, Craft Room

RUMMIKUB

**Sundays, 2 pm, Veranda/Computer Room

SAMBA

Mondays, Noon, Kitchen and Small Card Room

Thursdays, Fridays, 6 pm, Kitchen

SCOPA

Mondays, Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, Kitchen/Craft Room

TEXAS CARD CLUBS

John: Mondays, 5 pm, Veranda/Yellow

Bob: Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Veranda/Yellow

Carol: Wednesdays, Fridays, 6 pm, Veranda/Yellow

Mike: Wednesdays, Fridays, 5:00 pm, Veranda/Yellow

Ron: Mondays, Thursday, 6 pm, Veranda/Yellow

Tom: Tuesdays, 6:00 pm, Veranda/Yellow

NY/NJ Club: W, 6:30 pm, Art Room/Small Card Room

GAMES/ACTIVITIES

BILLIARDS

8-Ball, Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Billiards Room

9-Ball, Tuesdays, Fridays, 12:30 pm, Billiards Room

Doubles, Thursdays, 6 pm, Billiards Room

QT, Wednesdays, 6 pm, Billiards Room

DOMINOES

Tuesdays, 5:30 pm, Small Card Room

Tuesdays, 1 pm, Veranda Room

PING PONG

M,T,W,H,F 10 am, Sunrise Room

DANCE LESSONS

DANCING WITH NOLAND

Mondays, 1 pm, Art Room/Sunrise Room

SOCIAL DANCE LESSONS

Thursdays, 1 pm, Sunrise Room

LINE DANCING

Monday-Friday, 7-8 am, Sunrise Room

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Craft Room

EXERCISES

BONESAVERS

** M,W,F, 8 am, Art Room/Veranda

EXERCISES CO-ED

**M,W,F, 10 am, Learning Lab/Exercise Room

LADIES EXERCISES

**T,H, 8 am, Sunrise Room/Exercise Room

SLIMNASTICS

**M,T,W,H,F, 9 am, Sunrise Room/Exercise Room

TAI CHI

**Chi Kung: T,H 3:15 pm Sunrise Room/Exercise Room

**Intermediate: T,H 3:45 pm Sunrise Room/Exercise Room

FLOW: M,W 2:15 pm Exercise Room (starts Aug 8)

WATER AEROBICS

Monday-Friday, 9 am, EAC Pool

YOGA with MARILYN

Tuesdays, 10:15 am, Exercise Room

ZUMBA

Tuesdays, Fridays, 9 am, Art Room

GROUPS

CERAMICS

Tuesdays, noon, Kitchen/Craft Room

Thursdays, 9 am, Kitchen Craft Room

COMPUTER CLUB- All in Learning Lab

M,T,W,H,F, 8:30 am, Gen. Assistance, T'shooting

Saturdays, 8:30 am, General Meeting/Presentations

Saturdays, 8:30 am, Windows 10, I-Pads and Tablets

FITNESS CENTER

Mondays-Saturdays 7 am - 9 pm, Sundays 9 am - 8 pm

(Closed 12:30-2:30, Mondays and Thursdays)

LAPIDARY

Tuesdays, Thursdays 9 am - Noon, Jewelry Room

LAWN BOWLING

Mondays-Saturdays, 9:30-12, Open Bowling

LIBRARY

Mondays 10-12, Wednesdays and Fridays, 1-3

WOODSHOP

Monday-Friday, 8 am - 4 pm, Wood Shop

SUNDAY

MONDAY

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	Ent. Committee & Club 8:30 AM - Auditorium Ent. Committee. Board 10:30 AM - Veranda German Interest Group 2:00 PM - Sunrise Room
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Ent. Committee. Sunday In The Park 2:00 PM - Auditorium	Ent. Committee & Club 8:30 AM - Auditorium Health Screenings Eye Blood Pressure 9:30 AM - Auditorium Neighborhood Watch 1:00 PM - Auditorium
26	27

The auditorium, Starlite Room and Art Room, will close Monday, Aug. 27, for renovation work. The Yellow Room, Small Card Room, Computer Room and Exercise Room should reopen Aug. 7.

East Activity Center Rooms

Auditorium, Veranda Room, Starlite Room,
 Art Room, Small Card Room,
 Yellow Room, Exercise Room,
 Computer Room, Kitchen/Craft Room.

West Activity Center Rooms

Sunrise Room, Rainbow Room,
 Learning Lab, Billiards Room.

DAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		01 Coloring Book Club Meeting 1:00 PM - Veranda Knitting Group Meeting 9:00 AM - Veranda Coloring Book Club (West) Meeting 1:00 PM - Learning Lab Baby Boomers Meeting 5:30 PM - Sunrise Room	02 TOPS Meeting 9:30 AM - Veranda Press Association Meeting 1:30 PM - Veranda Good Karma Book Club Meeting 10:30 AM - Learning Lab	03 Bible Study Meeting 2:00 PM - Veranda Baby Boomers Acoustic Jam 1:00 PM - Learning Lab	04 Pray For America Meeting 10:00 AM - Veranda
	07 Good Neighbors Volunteers Meeting 10:00 AM - Art Room World Quilters Meeting 9:00 AM - Computer Room Line Dancing 1:00 PM - Auditorium OTOW Special Event OLLI Class 10:30 AM - Learning Lab	08 Coloring Book Club Meeting 1:00 PM - Veranda Knitting Group Meeting 9:00 AM - Veranda Coloring Book Club (West) Meeting 1:00 PM - Learning Lab Meditation Meeting 10:15 AM - Rainbow Room	09 TOPS Meeting 9:30 AM - Art Room Democratic Club Meeting 2:00 PM - Starlite Room Summer Thursdays 9:00 AM - Auditorium Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales 8:30 AM - Auditorium	10 Lambda Club Social 6:00 PM - Art Room Bible Study Meeting 2:00 PM - Veranda Baby Boomers Acoustic Jam 1:00 PM - Learning Lab	11 Line Dancing 8:30 AM - Auditorium
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There are simple steps you can take to walk with confidence.



And you don't need pillows.

“Fall Prevention Seminar”

Special speakers will be Cindy Durkee and Clark Parry from Community Aging and Retirement Services (CARES). Learn some hard facts about falling. Learn how to become fall proof. Learn how you can stay active and stay mobile without losing confidence to leave your home.

On Top of the World presents a “Fall Prevention Workshop,” Wednesday, Aug. 15, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the East Activity Center Art Room.

Area on Aging and the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority discuss



We take it for granted we will always be able to go where we want to go, when we want to go ... but what happens when it's time to put the keys away?

On Top of the World presents

“Senior Transportation: The Why and the What”

Wednesday, August 22, from 10-11:30 a.m., in the East Activity Center Auditorium

Learn safe and convenient ways you can still get around, whether you are independent or non-independent.



DONATE BLOOD

Tuesday, Aug. 7, 10 am-3 pm, EAC North Parking Lot

All donors will receive a FREE beach towel, a FREE Perkins restaurant voucher and a wellness check, including blood pressure, temperature, iron count and cholesterol screening!

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Line Dancers add color to Fourth of July and post-dance ice cream party



Line Dancing

By Christine Nason

On Top of the World Line Dance club members enjoyed a special treat during one of their sessions in June.

Members held a "Make Your Own Sundae" event, which actually helped us cool down after a busy first half of line dancing.

Members could choose from scoops of different flavored ice creams as well as various toppings, syrups and whipped cream.

The ice cream party was hosted and organized with the efforts of members Helen Crombie, Barbara Kelly and Line Dance Club President Mary Becker.

Members were most grateful for this cool treat.

On the eve of the Fourth of July, while gathering for the regular Tuesday meeting, Line Dancers decided to pay tribute to our amazing country.

To celebrate Independence Day, the actual birth of our nation, members donned all the red, white and blue they could find. This included hats, earrings, scarves, T shirts, vests and leggings, just to name a sample of the accessories for this fun holiday.

A vibrant, joyful group sang "God Bless America" to round out the festivities.

Consider getting your joy on by attending one of our many meetings. We are very fortunate here at OTOW to have a number of talented, devoted line dance instructors who provide many opportunities to learn to line dance.

We teach from Monday through Friday at 7 a.m. in the East Activity Center Exercise Room.

On Tuesdays at 1 p.m. and Saturdays



Line Dance Club members show off their red, white and blue attire in the photo above. This picture was taken on July 3, and as you can see, the attire came in a variety of fashion statements. At right, line dancers have a choice of ice cream and toppings after a session in June. Eating was the fun part. Working it off took a little time.

at 8:30 a.m., beginners are offered special introductory instruction in the Starlite Room.

General line dancing is held immediately following the beginner classes, 1:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and 9 a.m. on Saturdays, in the EAC auditorium.

If you are a little shy, or not sure whether you can dance with us, give OTOW-TV a try first. Line Dance Club has dance-in-your-living room videos on channels 98.1 and 732 at 7 p.m., six days a week.

Watching the TV videos offers you a chance to become familiar with our club's activities.

For more information, contact Mary Becker at 217-663-0541 or Christine Nason at 727-366-0221.



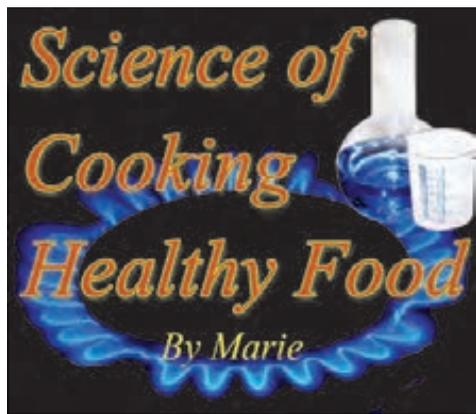
Genealogy DNA Workshop

Part 1 – September 10 • Part 2 – October 15 • Part 3 – November 5

Join Shirley Perry and Don Leamy from the Family History Group and start tracing your ancestry. This is a beginners' workshop. Meeting times are from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the West Activity Center Learning Lab.

Read Nancy Rogers' column on page 8 for full details.

Asian Black Bean and Quinoa Salad



SUMMARY: It's fun to learn about new foods. Talented chefs are adventurous at heart. This month features a relatively new food, quinoa, which is brain-healthy food.

Ingredients

1 cup chicken bouillon
 ½ cup white quinoa
 1 can black beans, drained
 1 can corn, drained
 ½ cup diced red bell pepper
 2 garlic cloves, minced
 ¼ cup chopped cilantro
 1 teaspoon fresh ginger root,
 peeled and finely chopped
 2 tablespoons seasoned
 rice vinegar
 3 tablespoons olive oil
 1 tablespoon lime juice

Directions

1. Rinse quinoa. Cook in bouillon, following directions on package. Cooking time about 15 minutes.

2. Combine quinoa with next five ingredients. Mix.

3. Whisk oil, vinegar, ginger root and lime juice. Pour over bean mixture and stir. Cover and chill overnight to permit flavors to mellow. Serve cold.

Yield: 6-8 servings. The salad will store in refrigerator for up to a week.



The Science

What is good for the heart is generally good for the brain and vice versa. Healthy foods for the brain include:

- Beans and legumes; such as black beans, lentils, garbanzo beans, navy beans, pinto beans. It is recommended we eat from this group four times a week to support brain health.

- Whole grains; such as quinoa, whole oats, barley, and black or unrefined brown rice. It is recommended we eat whole grains with each meal to support brain health.

- Foods high in Vitamin B12; such as eggs, milk, cheese, milk products, meat (especially liver), fish, shellfish and poultry.

- Foods high in Vitamin D; such as tuna, mackerel, and salmon, beef liver and eggs yolks.

My dear chef, if you are in a time crunch, check out a new product line from Bird's Eye® called Superfood Blends. These are frozen packages of nutritious and delicious grains and vegetables that utilize similar brain foods mentioned above.

A 10-oz. package serves two in my experience.

In a 2017 study, participants in their 70s followed a heart-healthy diet and lost less brain volume over a three-year period than participants who did not follow the diet.

More clinical studies are needed and there is currently a large one underway in the U.S. Its preliminary results indicate a substantially slowed cognitive decline in stroke survivors who followed a brain-healthy diet.

Health Value

Ginger root adds zip to the flavor of this dish. Ginger is anti-inflammatory, full of anti-oxidants, and great for digestion.

My dear chefs, you may be surprised how many uses you'll find for ginger root when it's readily available.

Here's a tip to extend the storage life of ginger root. Peel and cut into small pieces. Place in a freezer bag. Freeze up to three months.

Quinoa (pronounced keen-wah) gives an appealing, fluffy texture to this Asian salad that would otherwise be unappealingly dense.

Quinoa has become a fad in recent

years that I expect will carve out a permanent place in a chef's repertoire. It can be used in salads, soups, or as a rice substitute. It is most commonly available as white or red. The red has a firmer texture after cooking, but also has a more bitter taste than the white.

Quinoa is an herb, but it is classified as a whole grain since it functions similarly to a grain. Also, it is particularly noted for providing all amino acids (proteins), especially lysine, which is not normally found in a grain.

Lysine is an essential amino acid - one the body cannot create.

Quinoa is popular, too, because it is gluten-free. It is grown in the high mountains of South America. The Spanish conquistadors almost eradicated this staple crop of the Incas. It is one of several ancient grains in the whole grain group.

Food fuels the body. Doesn't the brain need fuel too, especially since it is working constantly?

This salad is a great choice as healthy food for the brain. It contains black beans and quinoa which are excellent choices for fiber and magnesium.

Magnesium helps the brain use energy.

Additional Reading

For more details, read *The Alzheimer's Diet* (2016) by Dr. Richard Isaacson, a leading neurologist researcher. He shows how diet can help prevent and slow the progression of Alzheimer's Disease. Often, people mistakenly think genetics is the sole cause of Alzheimer's. Lifestyle, including diet, is also a factor.

Eat to your health and happiness! Email questions and suggestions to marieshealtyfood@gmail.com.

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Jesters busy planning 2019 show and coming up is your chance to audition

By Sue Calinski

As we approach the dog days of summer, the Jesters Creative Team is finalizing scripts, planning possible stage scenery and working on prop construction.

Yes, we are a busy bunch!

If you are interested in joining the fun and excitement, consider joining the Jesters this fall.

There are many opportunities for you to be a part of another rollicking, fantastic show!

This year, in addition to backstage help, we are looking for people who can dance, sing and carry off comedic skits.

The dancing will be somewhat vigorous, but not too complicated. Singers will require strong voices who are able to sing in groups.

We are also in need of cast members who are able to memorize scripts for various comedy sketches.

Perhaps your talents lie only in one of those areas, or maybe all three. Either way, we need you!

Backstage workers are also needed to make our show a success. Without people to organize props, get actors on stage at the right time, and lend a hand as necessary, we wouldn't be able to bring our show to life.

Were you a part of a theater group in your younger years?

Then maybe it's time for you to try it



again!

Always wondered what it would be like to be part of Jesters show? This is your chance to give us a try!

The Jesters will be holding auditions again this year in early October. If you want to be a part of the show, you will need to be at the auditions.

More information regarding the date and time will be forthcoming. Keep checking the On Top of the World newspaper and watch for Jesters flyers on your building bulletin board.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in joining us, but unable to attend the auditions, please contact Lee Catalfo at lee61951@gmail.com.

Casting will be done immediately af-



'Oh What A Night! makes its OTOW-TV debut this month.

ter the auditions, so if we don't know that you're interested, we can't leave a space for you.

Please don't miss out on being a part of the Jesters 2019 show by not letting us know of your intentions!

The next Jesters general meeting will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 12, at 7 p.m. in the West Activity Center Sunrise Room. More information regarding the show will be available at that time, so please plan to attend!

We hope to see lots of new faces as

well as those of our regular members and friends!

The Jesters 2018 spring show will make its OTOW-TV debut on Friday, Aug. 3 and Saturday, Aug. 4 - both show times about 8 p.m.

This was "Oh What A Night!" which was on stage three days in February. If you missed the show, this is your first chance to see it on our community TV station.

OTOW-TV is channels 98.1 or 732. You must have Spectrum cable TV service to your condo in order to get the channels.

Computer Club shows members there are free sources of entertainment on the Internet

By Joe Wisinski

The high cost of cable TV is a recurring topic at meetings of the On Top of the World Computer Club.

Club member John Ulan has given several presentations about alternatives to cable. Any of the options John has presented can help save club members money.

During a July meeting, members learned about another entertainment option, YouTube.com.

The Website, which is owned by search giant Google, contains an estimated 5 billion-7 billion videos, and thousands more are posted every day.

YouTube is a free service, and videos cover every conceivable topic, from instruction to music to documentaries to sports and much more.

For example, the Computer Club watched a recap of Super Bowl XIII, "visited" the small town of Hiawassee, Ga., and watched part of a documentary about explorer Thor Heyerdahl.

Also in July, the club held its first-ever pizza party for members and guests. Tentative plans are for a similar future event.



About the Computer Club

The Computer Club meets every Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m. in the West Activity Center Learning Lab. Visitors are welcome.

Club members may come to the Learning Lab from 8:30-10 a.m. Monday through Friday for free assistance with



This YouTube screen capture is from a video that teaches novices how to swing dance.

computer issues. Assistance with iPhone or iPad issues is available every Monday morning at the same time.

Additional help is available in the Learning Lab from 8:30-10 a.m. the first Friday of every month for those who want to learn about Facebook, the Kindle reader and the Android operating system.

For more information about the Computer Club, go to www.otowcc.com.

Major changes have been made to the On Top of the World Box Office Website. See Joe Wisinski at the Computer Club if you want to learn how to find the site, which hosts information on all OTOW clubs, along with community information and thinking games.

How does someone know when they are paying a fair price for an attorney?

Q. How can a layperson know whether they are paying a reasonable attorney fee or one that's too high for the type of legal work?

A. This is a terrific question.

I can only tell you that, I, too, wonder about this. I've used attorneys from time to time and all I can tell you is that my approach is to learn about the attorney in advance, look at his or her Website, ask other folks who may have used that attorney and, of course, ask the attorney how he or she arrives at the charges that are to be made for the type of work that is involved.

This is strictly my opinion, but from my experience, the larger the law firm, the more likely the more you will pay for the same services that might be provided by a smaller or boutique firm.

Bottom line: I think you must decide on the attorney and take it from there.

I can tell you this, though. My law partner, Rachel Wagoner, and I know what it takes to manage a law firm and its overhead. So we try to price our legal services to cover that overhead.

Q. You may have answered this before, but I am new to your newspaper column. What are the essential estate planning documents that you feel everyone should have?

A. I have answered this before, but I am very pleased to answer it again and again if need be.

I realize that some folks read my column regularly, but others do not or are new to OTOW.

I believe at the basic minimum, everyone should have a Last Will and Testament, a durable power of attorney that is dated after Oct. 1, 2011, and an Advance Directive which sets forth your wishes regarding end of life procedures that you



want to have.

You will want to name a Personal Representative for your Will, an agent for your durable power of attorney and a health care surrogate to make health care decisions for you if you are not able to make them for yourself.

What about a living trust?

Maybe yes, maybe not, but that would depend on your specific circumstances.

Most folks will do perfectly fine with the three documents I've just named. However, always, always, always check with your own person attorney to obtain his or her advice on what suits your individual needs.

Scam Alert: I was scammed recently. Someone was able to contact my credit card company and change my email address.

They also requested a "replacement credit card" and then they had it sent to a "temporary address" where, my credit card company was told, I was staying for a few days.

Then the scammer had my landline telephone number "ported" to a different telephone carrier.

At the same time, they were able to

divert phone calls to my landline number to where they were waiting to intercept calls so that they could affirm that I did, indeed, want to "port" my phone number to a new carrier.

This is all true.

Luckily, my credit card company notified me that my email address had been changed and I was able to contact them immediately and tell them I had never changed my email address. They "locked" the card and sent me a new card with a new number.

I also changed my user ID with that company.

The scammer did get a "replacement card" but it was already locked by the time they got it.

I don't know if I will ever get back my landline phone number.

Here are some thoughts for you:

(1). Make sure your credit card company is set to notify you of ANY charges or changes to your account. You should require two separate ways for them to notify you so that in the event one way is compromised the other might be safe. Call them on the number on the back of your card to discuss this.

(2). If you have a landline, call that company and ask them how they can prevent someone from "porting" away your phone number.

(3). And I know you won't like this, but contact Equifax/Trusted ID, Experian and Transunion and have them LOCK your credit reports. If you need to borrow money you can always have it unlocked for the period of time it takes to have your credit checked and then lock it back up.

(4). You've heard this one before: Change your passwords frequently.

(5). Always make sure to download any upgrades to your computer software.

(6). Don't click on any links or attachments on any emails you get.

(7). Facebook, Twitter, Instagram,

and other social media outlets are places where scammers hang out to gain information about you. Don't provide personal information, especially about when you are going to be out of your home. And don't relax. The days when we could trust other folks are over. Sorry, but it's true.

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The sidekick musician with the worry-free name

Ish Kabibble mixed slapstick humor with top-flight musicianship.

Merwyn Bogue was a cornet player in the Kay Kyser Orchestra and used the name "Ish Kabibble." Sporting an undersized hat and over-size bangs, he played a moronic sidekick to the band. He made a career out of pretending to be what he was not.

The Kyser band was one of the most popular bands during the Big Band Era and Merwyn gave it comedy that set it aside from all the other bands. He played and managed the band from 1931-1951.

Over the years, fans seemed to enjoy his music, but he gained his greatest fame from

the tortured logic he exhibited in films, on TV, and during personal appearances.

The Kay Kyser Orchestra performed on a weekly radio show that originated from various military bases around the country – later becoming a TV show.

Eventually, Kay and Merwyn became caricatured as Kaynine Kyser and Ish Kyooodle in the Warner Brothers Merrie Melodies cartoon "Hollywood Canine Canreen." Ish recited a poem, "Roses are red. Violets are blue. If skunks had a college, they'd call it P.U."

Merwyn was born in Erie County, Pennsylvania.

He studied law at West Virginia University, but his comedy antics led him in a different direction.

He had a distinctive black haircut which was styled after Moe from the Three Stooges.

He appeared in five movies with the band, was married and had three children.

One day, Merwyn was asked where he came up with the name Ish Kabibble. He answered, an old Yiddish song. Basically, the name means, "should I worry?"

Merwyn passed away on June 5, 1994, at the age of 86.



Inside Showbiz

**Press Association Meeting, Thursday, Aug. 2, 1:30 p.m., East Activity Center Veranda Room.
This is our only meeting of the summer.**

Picture yourself on a cruise with two shows, gambling, free chips and bonus drink cards



By Tom Jamrozy

In July, the Travel Club had our Lunch Bunch at Roosterfish Grill and had a good time with friends in our own private room.

We also chartered the Jolly Trolley and went to Tarpon Springs for a tour of St. Nicholas Greek Cathedral. We had lunch at Bumpas.

As always we had a great time and it was well attended.

On Aug. 14, Travel Club will be going to the Victory Casino Cruise for a Rock and Roll cruise. Rocky and the Rollers will put on two shows during this trip, plus the casino sends us the motorcoach. We have a free buffet lunch, gamble with free drinks available, we receive \$20 in match play with qualifying bets, and get free drink cards.

This is a very popular event so sign up soon.



Travel Club members and guests enjoy lunch at Roosterfish Grill during a Lunch Bunch event hosted by the club. There is a Lunch Bunch every month. Visit the Travel Club information table to discover where we will be dining in the future.

On Aug. 15, we will have our Lunch Bunch at Clear Sky on Cleveland. You do not need to be a member of our club for lunches. Just come to the sales table on Thursdays, from 8:30-10 a.m., sign up for lunch with a \$5 deposit, show up and we return the money. Everyone pays for their own lunch.

This is a great opportunity to meet people, make friends and have future traveling buddies.

On Aug. 22, we will go to South Florida College for a tour of the world's largest collection of Frank Lloyd Wright Architecture with a stop at the Tarpon Turtle

for an early dinner.

Come by the East Activity Center on Thursdays, 8:30-10 a.m., and pick up a schedule of our current events, as well as fliers for each lunch or trip offered through February 2019. Hope to see you joining us in the near future.



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OTOW residents can get a significant discount on show tickets this fall



Fireworks on Austin Lake in Michigan.

By MaryAnn Fontaine
 Well, as you see from the photo, I had a great Fourth of July.
 My daughter lives on Austin Lake in Portage, Mich., and my grandson-in-law does fireworks on the lake every year. This was the first time they did fireworks on both July 3 and July 4.
 On the Fourth there must have been a dozen homes doing fireworks. What a thrill it was to not only watch live fireworks over a beautiful lake, but be proud to know it was your family treating everyone to the great show.
 Now to Italian-American Club news. I have been able to get a great price for two upcoming shows at Ruth Eckerd Hall. "Lord of the Dance" is scheduled for Oct. 13 at 8 p.m. The original price was \$76 a seat, but On Top of the World residents can purchase these tickets for \$40 each.
 "50 years of Rock and Roll" is coming up on Nov. 3 at 8 p.m. Original price was \$45, but OTOW residents can now get tickets for \$25 each.



Only a limited number of tickets are available, so visit the East Activity Center auditorium from 8:30-10:30 a.m. on a Thursday to purchase your tickets. You can also call MaryAnn at 616-558-

4977 or email @ fontainemaryann@yahoo.com.
 Tickets are also on sale for the Hudson Show Palace. We will be going to see "My Mother's Italian, My Father's Jewish and I'm in Therapy," on Sunday, Sept. 16, at 1 p.m. Cost is \$55, which includes tax, tip, buffet and show.
 If you need a ride, let me know as we car pool. Also, if you have room to take someone, let me know. Tickets must be purchased by Aug. 16 as that is the day we have to pay for them.
 Our first event at On Top of the World is an Ice Cream Social at the East Activity Center on Wednesday, Oct. 17, at 6 p.m. Note the time change - this gives you time to have dinner but save room for dessert with us.
 I hope everyone is enjoying summer, but October will come fast. Looking forward to a busy and fun season. Come to the East Activity Center on Thursdays at 8:30 a.m. if you have any questions.

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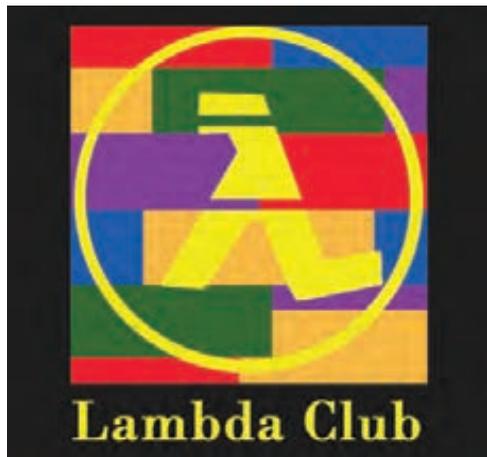
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Now that Lambdans have survived Friday the 13th, it's time to take in all the summer beach traditions



At one of their social events in July, Lambda Club members held a gift exchange. Pictured above are some of the club members showing off their latest treasures.

In the enormously-popular best seller novel "The Da Vinci Code" by Dan Brown, King Philip of France orders all members of the Knights of Templar (forerunners to the Free Masons) to be arrested on Friday, Oct. 13, 1309.

For many people, this is recognized as the first Friday the 13th - a day noted for bad luck.

Whether true or not, the Lambda Club did everything humanly possible to dispel that superstition when it held its ninth birthday party on Friday, July 13.

That's right. Lambda is now 9 years old and has now had 107 monthly socials, over 300 Sunday brunches, countless game nights, not to mention picnics, movie outings, weekly mall walks, etc.

Our July party was one to remember. There were dips and appetizers galore, various deli and sandwich platters, not to mention numerous other assorted goodies.

And of course, there was cake and gifts. What would a birthday party be without cake and people participating in a wrapped "White Elephant" gift exchange, where everything from Ozark souvenirs to kitchen surprises changed hands?

The only thing no one got was a white elephant.

Our August social will be equally as exciting.

Since our Snowbird friends up north have been experiencing a record summer with the newly named "Heat Dome," we permanent Floridians decided to celebrate

with a beach party in their honor.

That's right boys and girls. It's Frankie and Annette time Friday, Aug. 10, at 7 p.m. in the East Activity Center Art Room.

Throw on your bathing suit, flip flops, summer T-shirts, cool shades and come on down to sip on some sunset punch while grooving to the music of the Beach Boys.

Bring both the desire to have a good time and something yummy to share for our pot luck buffet.

No sand required.

Throughout the month of August,

we will also continue to have our regular Sunday brunches, a movie outing and an activity night.

For more information about these and other events, visit our official Webpage: <http://lambdaclearwater.blogspot.com>.

We are also on the Box Office at On-TopOfTheWorldNews.com.

You can email us at lambdaclw@gmail.com or call Dave at (727) 410-7566.

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Theater Workshop 2018 spring show



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ACTIVITY REPORTS



Knitting Group member Theresa Mayne shows off her almost finished American flag afghan. Each star is hand stitched. Assisting with show and tell is group member Betty Ingham.

American flag afghan to be raffled at military reunion



Knitting

By Cheryl Butcher

Even though Knitting Group members work diligently on our mission of lap robes, baby hats, scarves, etc., during the year, we also take time to do personal projects.

Many of us have taken time to create scarves, baby afghans and sweaters for family members and friends. It keeps our creative juices flowing.

Theresa Mayne is one of our members who has a lot

of creative juices. She works at home quilting, sewing and crocheting. She is presently working now on a flag afghan, pictured here.

Theresa's husband, James, served in the U.S. Navy on a destroyer named the USS Beatty. Every year, the men who served on that ship hold a reunion and this year it will be in Virginia Beach.

Theresa has been working on this flag afghan for quite

some time. Each of the 50 stars are individually made and hand sewn onto the afghan, and she will generously offer it to be raffled off at this reunion.

In past years, she has made quilts for this raffle.

Always remember that the Knitting Group will gladly accept donations of yarn or fabrics. If you know one of our members, she'll be glad to take it or drop it off at one of our

meetings.

We are always welcoming new hands to join us. If you knit or crochet, we would love to have you join us in the East Activity Center Veranda Room every Wednesday 9-11 a.m.

While we do not teach, we do help each other with patterns and/or problems. The Good Neighbors Knitting Group operates under the auspices of the Good Neighbors Club.

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Pet of the Month




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Tricksee was adopted as a kitten seven years ago and new mom, Clarice Brady, quickly learned that she was full of surprises. Tricksee got her name because Halloween was just around the corner, so the name sounded appropriate. Tricksee amused her owner by chewing newspapers, eating only the valuable coupons, and learned to unroll the toilet paper. For real attention, Tricksee can recline on her side, dip one huge paw into her food bowl and manage to take out one piece at a time. Tricksee used to drive Clarice crazy when it was impossible to keep toys in one piece. Once, Tricksee removed a toy with a fuzzy bird on a piece of string. Within a few days, all that remained of the toy was a "made in China" tag. Still, this useless toy became a fetish. Tricksee still dragged it all around the house and mewed over the "dead birdie."

Clarice says, if you are over 50, and still considering having a child, start with a kitten first and see if you can handle it. Tricksee and Clarice reside in the Villa Riviera Building.

Each month, OTOW News, Walgreens and Pet Supplies Plus are featuring a Pet of the Month in this newspaper. Any pets living at On Top of the World are eligible. To enter your pet, email one clear, color photo to OTOW. newsroom@gmail.com and tell us what makes your pet special. If you don't have email capabilities, drop off your photo and information to the newsroom. You must include pet's name, owner's name, building and age. If the age is not included, your pet will not be eligible. Only one pet per household can win each year, but now two pets from same household can be one entry. The winner this month will receive (1) 8x10, (2) 5x7 and (4) 4x6 photos from Walgreens on the corner of Belcher and Sunset Point roads. You will also receive a \$10 gift card from Pet Supplies Plus on McMullen Booth Road in Clearwater. If you are the winner this month, bring the newspaper and your original color print to Walgreens to receive your prize, and stop by the newsroom to pick up your gift card. Each monthly winner becomes eligible for Pet of the Year honors in January. We are currently running low on entries, so if you've never entered your pet in the contest, now is the time to do so! Good luck!

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The next fun-filled Jolly Cruise will set sail on January 12



By John Koning

What do Puerto Costa Maya, Belize City, Roatan and Cozumel have in common?

The answer is, they are all ports of call for the next exciting Jolly Cruise, Jan. 12-19, 2019.

Costa Maya is a relaxing destination that features sparkling beaches and turquoise seas. You can swim out to the coral reefs, explore Mayan ruins in the jungle and visit the laid back fishing village of Mahahual.

In Belize City, you can hike to the top of El Castillo, go cave and river tubing, and explore the Mayan ruins.

Roatan is a tiny island just off the coast of South America that has more to offer than you can possibly accomplish in one day. The Roatan Institute for Marine Science will get you up close and personal with dolphins, on their terms.

The island is home to some of the



Pat Koning uses the 'C' in Cozumel to take a moment to put her feet up and relax. When you're busy exploring, you need to take a break once in a while. (Photo by John Koning)

most beautiful coral reefs in the world and you can wade and swim right to them from West Bay Beach.

There's far more to do in Cozumel than shop. For example, rent scooters and tour the island, sun, swim and snorkel from the sandy beaches or you can just kick back and relax in a bar or café.

If you were on the previous Jolly Cruise, you know there is much more to do than simply enjoy the sun, sea and Caribbean destinations. It is a week of fun-loving people getting acquainted and maybe just a little bit crazy.

If you have your passport, that's all you need. Leave the rest up to us. This is

an all in, no surprises cruise.

Want to know more?

Call John Koning at 289-831-1815 or email me at jck@johnkoning.com.

Check out our official Website at webjolly.com. Just click on the Jolly Cruise picture on the front page.

Don't worry. Be Jolly!

Begins in November

John Fier's drawing class enters ninth season

By Mary Slack Maynard

Art Guild Instructor John Fier says he has always enjoyed sketching and cartooning.

He took art classes in high school, where one of his still life watercolor pictures was selected to be part of a local calendar.

As his education progressed, John learned computer graphics for his job in a technical publishing firm.

After moving to On Top of the World, John was introduced to the Art Guild by Dewey Carr, a talented portrait artist. At the same time, Dewey suggested that John develop a drawing class for OTOW residents.

John agreed, and after eight years, says he may have learned more than his students.

This year John's drawing class will begin on the first Thursday in November and continue through March. The class is open to all Art Guild members no matter what skill level.

The class will cover a wide range of topics, including recognizing shapes, perspective, shading techniques, composition and figure, landscape, and still life draw-



Art Guild

ing.

Participation will require a desire to learn or to improve one's existing talent and skill. You will need a sketch pad, a soft rubber eraser and a few graphite pencils.

The class exercises will begin slowly and progress to more advanced subjects.

People can join at any point, but John encourages beginners to join as early as possible.

"Sketching and drawing is a very rewarding hobby," John says, "and class members will have the opportunity to display their work in the annual Art Guild Art Show."



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State House representative Chris Latvala speaks to OTOW Republican Club



Republican Club

By Esta-Lee Schwartz

Chris Latvala was the speaker at the Republican Club meeting on July 10. He discussed many of the issues he has been involved with and is working on.

Chris is a Republican politician who is currently serving as a member of the Florida House of Representatives. Since 2014, he has represented the 67th District, including Clearwater and Largo in northern Pinellas County. His position is up for re-election.

Chris spoke about five committees he has served on, including three to improve education.

He talked about the School of Hope Bill, which was designed to help more than 70,000 students stuck in failing schools.

One success story was Jefferson County Schools, which had been struggling over the past 10 years. Chris talked about a group in South Florida, known as the Somerset group, which steered Jeffer-



son County Schools into a success story with more students graduating.

Chris also took the time to talk to our club about human trafficking in Tampa and said our area is a hot bed for this problem.

One benefit are the many Safe Houses in Pinellas County. He also helped pass a bill to create stronger penalties against child sexual predators.

Chris told club members he favors

term limits for school board members and is in favor of spending \$400 million for school safety. Plus, he wants to see another \$100 million spent on mental health.

New Business

During the meeting, President Bea Pacelli explained that she received a letter from On Top of the World confirming that no one from the club should be canvassing door-to-door about voting.

We had a good turnout for the meeting and several new members joined.

Our next meeting will be on Aug. 14. Congressman Gus Bilirakis of the 12th District will be our speaker.

Also, on Sept. 11, our speaker will be the supervisor of the Board of Elections. The purpose is to help us make good decisions on how to vote.

We look forward to our next meeting and hope to see you all there.

Become a better educated voter at our August meeting

By Donna Lukas

August has arrived and you know what that means. It's election month!

It's an important election this year up and down the ballot. Are you ready to vote?

Some of you will already have received your mail ballot by the time you read this. The deadline to request a Vote-By-Mail Ballot for the Aug. 28 election is Aug. 22.

Remember, Vote-By-Mail Ballots have to be mailed and received by the Supervisor of Elections by 7 p.m. on Election Day, or dropped off in person at the Supervisor of Elections office during early voting or on Election Day.

You cannot drop off your Vote-By-Mail ballot at your OTOW polling location on Election Day.

Early voting starts Saturday, Aug. 18



Democratic Club

and runs through Sunday, Aug. 26, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., at the Supervisor of Elections office and other designated locations.

The Aug. 28 election will be a primary for U.S. Congress, Florida Governor, Attorney General and other offices. It will also be the final election for non-partisan

school board and judicial offices.

Please remember candidates like Robert Tagger, Ryan Torrens, and Jeff Larsen, who have come to speak with us at our club meetings earlier this year. They will appreciate your support.

Although we did not have a club meeting in July, club members kept busy doing a variety of activities. Some of us attended candidate forums, made phone calls and worked on behalf of various candidates.

Our next club meeting is on Thursday, Aug. 9, at from 2-3:30 p.m. in the East Activity Center Starlite Room. We will be focusing on candidate and ballot review for the Aug. 28 elections.

Please join us to improve your voting knowledge before filling out your ballots.

Amanda Murphy, candidate for State Senate District 16, Jack Latvala's empty

seat in the November election, is scheduled to speak to us during our Aug. 9 meeting. Other candidates may also make a brief appearance.

As a reminder, during our club meetings, we are donating new pairs of socks for homeless men, women and children of Pinellas County. These pairs of socks are distributed by the Pinellas County Young Democrats. They really appreciated the 43 pairs we collected for them in June.

If you miss attending one of our meetings, remember to periodically check out the information listed on our club pages on the Box Office at www.ontopoftheworldnews.com. Click to enter the Box Office, and then click on the "Democratic Donkey" under the "Club Pages" heading.

You can also send us an email at this site.

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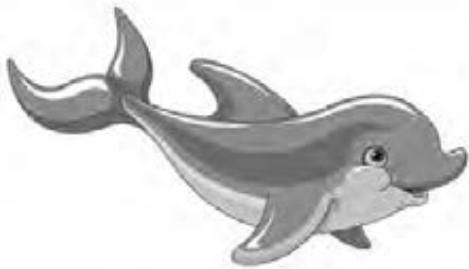
Think no one is watching when your dog does his business? Think again.



People in Amsterdam, The Netherlands read On Top of the World News while trying to find their bicycles in a parking lot.



Nothing like swimming and cheesecake



Aqua Aerobics

By Irene Pappas

On June 26, the Aqua Aerobics Club celebrated June and July birthdays.

We went to Flamestone Restaurant in Oldsmar with 38 people in attendance. We had our very own private room with a special menu. The desserts were very special - cheesecake and pudding cake topped with fresh strawberries and blueberries.

As always, Aqua Aerobics class meets 9-10 a.m., Monday through Friday in the East Activity Center swimming pool.

Aqua Aerobics benefits balance, strength and a reduction in arthritis inflammation just to name a few benefits. Everyone is welcome to come join our class and realize its benefits first hand. We even have a little fun.

As long as the outdoor temperature is above 60 and below 160, we will be in the pool.



Pictured above are the Aqua Aerobics birthday guests for the months of June and July. In no order are Cindy Spahalski, Stan Spahalski, Lola Bolton, Cher Rousseau, Elsie Jane Anderson, Maureen Bjorgo, Janice Catapano, Rosemary Rogers, Sherry Pollack and Jeanette Pechacek.

We love DJs

New York-New Jersey Club to host first sports jersey night and everyone from OTOW is welcome

By Pat Hayes

The New York-New Jersey Club has never hosted a sports festival.

Until now.

On Thursday, Aug. 23, at 5:30 p.m. our club will hold a "Summer Sports Festival" open to all residents of On Top of the World.

Mama from Felice's Catering will make either Italian, tuna or turkey sandwiches. Your selection will be made at the time you buy the tickets.

Also provided will be salads, dessert coffee and ice.

A hot new DJ will provide entertainment for this event. Tickets are just \$10.

So put on your favorite sports team jersey, hat or T-shirt. Bring your dancing shoes. Come enjoy this pre-Snowbird party which is open to our entire community.

Next, we have scheduled "Dessert Night," Thursday, Sept. 20, at 5:30 p.m., in the EAC. Cost is \$3 for members and \$5 for non-members.

This is a meet-and-greet event over New York cheese cake and coffee.



New York - New Jersey Club

Representatives of the OTOW theater groups, Italian Club, Irish Club and other clubs will discuss upcoming events.

In addition, our club will have nomination of officers. If you are interested in volunteering, please stop by the ticket table on Thursday mornings in the EAC

and ask for Pat Hayes.

Next we have our first "Southwest Night" on Friday, Oct. 26, at 5:30 p.m., in the EAC auditorium, featuring line dancing with a guest DJ.

Dinner will be catered by Felice. Mama will be serving. The menu includes barbecued chicken, pulled pork, baked beans and dessert.

Western dress is encouraged, but not required. All cowboys and cowgirls are welcome.

Tickets are \$16 for members and \$18 for non-members.

Our last event for this fall is our "Harvest Dreams Dance" on Thursday, Nov. 15, at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be catered by Felice and includes ham, turkey, stuffing, dessert, coffee, water and ice.

We have booked "Denise with a Twist" to be our DJ. Please bring a gift for Kimberly House.

Tickets are \$18 for members and \$20 for non-members.

The New York-New Jersey Club is proud to announce the first social date for

the newly created Veterans Club.

Club organizers Will Peterson and Pamela Rosenblatt will host the event on Thursday, Aug. 16, from 11:30-1 p.m., in the EAC Art Room.

All OTOW veterans are welcome to attend. You don't have to preregister. There is no membership. Just come and enjoy coffee and cookies and learn what our new veterans group is all about.

If you would like to become a member of the New York-New Jersey Club, membership is \$5 and is active for the remainder of 2018 and all of 2019.

Please stop by the East Activity Center auditorium on Thursday mornings during the summer and meet Vicki and Laura. They are at the ticket table from 8:30-10 a.m. and will be happy to meet new members and welcome you to our community.

The club is open to all OTOW residents. We are a social club with a volunteer spirit. We have members from many states including Illinois, the Carolinas, Pennsylvania and even Massachusetts to name a few.

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SUMMER THURSDAYS

Final one of this summer!

Thursday, August 9, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Anyone at OTOW can learn how to line dance. This is the morning to try it for the first time!

OTOW Line Dance Club instructors will teach you simple steps to very basic songs. No prior line dance experience is necessary. Wrong turns allowed. Missed steps permitted. You are required to have fun!



8:30 a.m.: Club information tables open

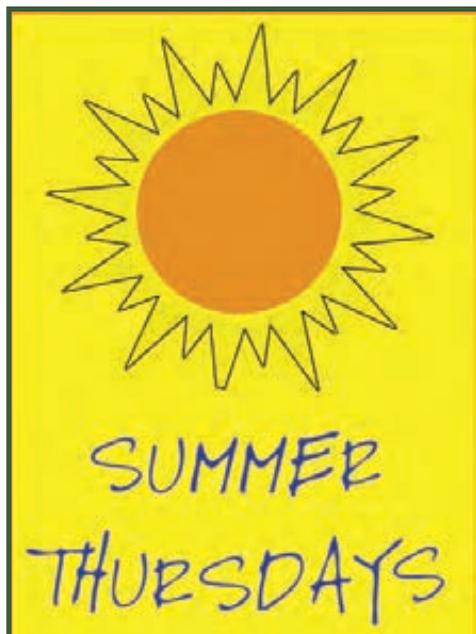
9:00 a.m.: Coffee and Donuts served for free

9:15 a.m.: Morning announcements.

9:30 a.m.: Line Dancing

10:30 a.m.: Raffle Drawings

Good Neighbors Get Acquainted Coffee returns Sept. 13

Don't be shy - Perfection not required**Final Summer Thursday is your chance to try line dancing for the very first time**

OK.

You've always wanted to try line dancing, but have been afraid to do it with a large group of people.

Maybe you don't think you're good enough? Maybe you don't think you can keep up with others? Maybe you don't think you can remember when to turn or when to step? Guess what!

In August, even if you've never line danced in public before, you are invited to join the On Top of the World Line Dance Club for the third, and final installment, of Summer Thursdays.

The East Activity Center auditorium will be wide open and everyone is invited to line dance for an hour.

Line dance instructors from the club will be on stage and they will be very patient. They are going to teach some very basic steps to very popular songs.

The instructors will take their time going over each dance and then it's up to you to try it and have fun.

There are no penalties for taking a wrong step or turning the wrong way. The object of this morning is to get you on the dance floor for the very first time.

There will be a good mixture of beginner dancers, experienced dancers and veteran dancers. Don't get intimidated. In line dancing, it is perfectly acceptable to watch the person next to you.

Please come and try it.

The final Summer Thursday will take place on Aug. 9. Clubs and groups will have their information tables set up at 8:30 a.m. and will be selling tickets for upcoming events.

Coffee and donuts will be served at 9 a.m., followed by morning announcements and vendor introductions. Line dancing will begin about 9:30 a.m.

Even if you don't want to try line dancing, please attend anyway. Chairs will be set up so you can watch and learn.

If you want to practice first, you can watch line dance-at-home videos on OTOW-TV channels 98.1 and 732 weekdays at 7 p.m.

**New singers take advantage of karaoke's return**

On Top of the World resident Hope Stanton sang "How Much is that Doggy in the Window" and her audience sang right along.

There was "ruffing."
There was "barking."

And no one really needed to read words on a movie screen. Everyone in the crowd had the words memorized already.

Hope was one of many new singers who gave karaoke a try during Summer Thursdays in July. Karaoke with Lenny Segall and Kathy Ahrens returned to the East Activity Center auditorium for the second month and residents were given a second chance to sing their favorite songs.

Summer Thursdays was created for June, July and August when Good Neighbors Association requested some time off for vacations. Entertainment leaders from OTOW got together and decided to try something new for those three months and karaoke filled in perfectly for the first two months.

"Karaoke with Lenny and Kathy" is a regular feature at OTOW one Sunday night a month during the year. They volunteered to make their specialty a morning event.

Residents enjoyed free coffee and a free donut. Morning announcements were made. Clubs sold tickets for upcoming events and there were raffles.

Get Acquainted Thursday will return Sept. 13 from 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Pictured above Eddie and Sandie Donnally singing 'Spirit in the Sky' by Norman Greenbaum. Most of the karaoke singers read the words off a computer screen while guests in the audience followed the words on a movie screen over the stage. Pictured below is Hope Stanton singing 'How Much is that Doggy in the Window.' Hope didn't need any words on a computer screen. She had the song memorized and had people in the audience barking. (OTOW News photos by Doug Kates)



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Do you remember eating in the '50s?



Marge Mayer celebrates 90 with a birthday cake.
Where are all the candles?

Who just turned 90 years old, has lived at On Top of the World for 25 years and has been a long-time columnist for the OTOW newspaper?

Marge Mayers.

On behalf of the OTOW News staff and all your fans, "Happy 90th, Marge!"

Remember eating in the 1950s?

Your pasta only came in two choices – spaghetti or macaroni.

People used to eat bananas and oranges only during the holidays.

Chips didn't have shapes and flavors.

People used oil to lubricate their cars, not to eat healthy.

Tea was made in a teapot, not a microwave.

Tea came in one flavor. It was never green.

Cubes of sugar were considered posh.

Chickens had legs, breasts and thighs – never fingers.

There was never any space on a grocery store shelf reserved for yogurt.

Healthy food was anything that hadn't expired.

Cooking outdoors was considered camping.

Seaweed was not a food.

Kebab was not a food or even a word.

Prunes were a form of

Marge Mayer



Internet Humor

medicine, not one of seven food groups.

No one ever saw a real pineapple in a grocery store. It always came in a tin, cut in circles.

Water was consumed from a tap. It was never bottled or came in 40 different flavors.

Carbonated water? Not a chance.

In the 1950s, no one even imagined going to a store and paying the same price for a gallon of water as a gallon of gas.

In fact, in the 1950s, people sat at a kitchen table together, said grace, used forks, spoons, knives and napkins, and ate a meal prepared in an oven or on a stove that cooked for hours.

Today, we eat in cars or in the living room. We use our fingers, not utensils. What's a napkin?

We only have 15 minutes to eat, so what can we order and pickup? Heck, not enough time. Just have it delivered.

In the 1950s, no one ever brought their cell phone to the dinner table.

Cost of food in 1950s

Box of chocolate \$1.86

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If you enjoy New Year's Eve in the East Activity Center you will enjoy Saturday, Sept. 15, in the auditorium. 'Flashback' is coming back for a late-summer dance and the evening's theme is 'Make A Hat Day.' Tickets are sale for \$10 each Thursday morning in the EAC. (OTOW News file photo by Mary Lou Wall)

'Voices of Jazz,' 'At Large' and 'Bitter-Sweet' all returning to On Top of the World in August

By Marvin Flam

The Entertainment Committee thanks you for your support of the year-round shows, dances and Sundays-In-The-Park.

We have had large audiences for those events and suggest you get your reserved seats for the rest of the year as early as possible to get the seat of your choice.

Tickets for shows and dances for the rest of 2018, including New Year's Eve, are now on sale at the East Activity Center auditorium on Thursday mornings, 8:30-10:30 a.m., through mid-August. After that, they will be available on both Mondays and Thursdays at the EAC, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

When purchasing your ticket, please let us know if you have special needs to accommodate wheel chairs, walkers, etc.

It is Entertainment Committee policy to ensure that all our guests have a safe, secure and enjoyable experience at our events, and that the accommodations comply with American's with Disabilities Act regulations with regard to those needs.

We want you to have a fun night out and be able to party with friends and neighbors while enjoying a show or dance. So we also ask that when you're at a show, you respect others by speaking softly so your neighbors may also enjoy the show.

The Thursday evening show on Aug. 16 is \$15 and starts at 7:30 p.m. The featured presenter is "Voices of Jazz," which has been at On Top of the World before. The audience loved its performance.

On Saturday evening, Aug. 18, at 8 p.m., there will be a dance featuring the

group "At Large." Tickets are \$10. This dynamic duo plays past favorites and current hit songs. The evening's theme is a Luau so come dressed for the occasion.

Shorts are not permitted at dances.

Sunday afternoon, Aug. 19 at 2 p.m. we'll present a free Sunday-In-The-Park at the auditorium. The "Bitter Sweet" duo will present a show filled with music from country to motown and everything in between!

Free lite refreshments will be provided. Sundays-In-The-Park do not require a ticket to enter, so just stop by and enjoy an afternoon of entertainment with some free lite refreshments afterward.

We do have a raffle drawing on Sundays, so buy a raffle ticket to win!

Come have a fun afternoon with your friends and neighbors!

Check the following sources for scheduling, ticket information and to answer your questions: The Entertainment Committee's schedule is on OTOW-TV channels 98.1 or 732. We have a page on the Box Office (OnTopOfTheWorld-News.com). We also place posters on all of the bulletin boards in the EAC, WAC and all resident buildings.

Call us direct at: 727-449-9243 or email us at: entcom2014@gmail.com.

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Preview of September Events

SEP 13 - THURSDAY SHOW – SEQUEL!

SEP 15 - SATURDAY DANCE – FLASHBACK – MAKE A HAT DAY!

SEP 16 - SUNDAY-IN-THE-PARK – ELLIOT SMITH – FREE-2 PM



SEQUEL



FLASHBACK



ELLIOT SMITH



Men's golf holds a scramble and Fourth of July tournament

By David Cox

We really can't say enough about Todd Six and the Bright View maintenance crew for the work they are doing shaping our golf courses.

Since the fairways and greens are in great shape, crews are now aerating the tee boxes and preparing to get them in great shape, too.

I've heard many compliments about the great job they are doing and our thanks goes out to them.

The Men's Golf Association also would like to thank the members of our golf league who have put in a lot of time and effort preparing and planning the league's schedule every week. This in-

Men's Golf

cludes playing host every third Wednesday of the month and providing food and beverages. Volunteers are: Joe Girrardi, Jay Schwallie, Ken Nield, Jim O'Neil, Lester Whynot, Phil Smerz, Jack Yorkery, Marc Schell, Tony Esposito and Pete Milner.

Tournament results for the past four weeks are as follows:

On June 13, A Flight first place went to Jim Anazolone and runner up was Ronald Huber.

In B Flight, first place was Jack

Drewega and runner up was Ken Nield.

In C Flight, first place was Joseph Dowe and runner up Russel Caughey.

In D Flight, first place was Joe Gerardi and runner up was John Fier.

On Wednesday, June 20, we had a four-man scramble tournament, with pizza and beverages served after the tournament.

The first place winners were Joseph Dowe, Nelson Sparks, Ron Murray and John Lovasz.

There was a tie for second place between two teams. One team was Phil Smerz, Ken Nield, David Cox and Jay Schwallie. The second team was Phil Roth, Goe Girrardi, Gerald Morrisette-

and Chuck McAllister.

On Wednesday, June 27, flight play returned.

In A Flight, first place went to Jack Gow and second place to Jim Anzalone.

In B Flight, first place went to Jim O'Neil and runner up was David Cox.

In C Flight, first place went to Ronald Murray and runner up was Phil Roth.

In D Flight, Chuck McAllister was first and Joe Gerardi was second.

A special tournament took place on the Fourth of July.

Flight winners were Rick Figaski, Jerry Fugate and David Pert. Runners-up were Roy Monteith, Phil Smerz and John Lovasz.

Fred Schick and Paul Meyers win consecutive weeks on the Thursday Mixed Golf off-season tour

The dog days of summer are upon us.

If you don't mind the heat and humidity, the golf has been great.

The hardy members of the Thursday golf league have been fortunate to not miss any days due to rain, and the course conditions continue to be the best ever.

Week six of our unofficial season was won by Fred Schick. Angelo Santucci was second and Ada Maloof placed third. Harry Barbin recorded the low gross round and took one skin. Bruce MacPherson, Jim Gray, Don Hunter, Scott Rogers, Len Howell and Bob Hunt also collected a skin each. Ada Maloof, Dave Combs, Don Baker and Scott Rogers were the long drive winners. Pete Cosgrove was closest to the pin.

Thursday Golf

Fred Schick made a return appearance as champ in week seven. John Maloof was second and Bob Hunt took third place. The low gross round was carded by Bruce MacPherson. Scott Rogers collected two skins. Angelo Santucci and John Maloof collected a skin each. The closest to the pin winners were Dave Pittenger and Fred Schick.

Paul Meyers took first place in week eight. Bill Higgins was second and Dan Hyden was third. Bill Higgins had the low gross round. Two skins were collected by Bruce MacPherson. Harry Barbin, Dave Pittenger and Bill Higgins took one each. Long drivers for the week were: Deb Young, Dave Combs, Paul Meyers and Scott Rogers. Bill Higgins was closest to the pin.

Week nine was won by Paul Meyers, who also recorded the low gross round. Bob Hunt took second place and Dave Pittenger was third. Paul Meyers, Hedley Best, Bruce MacPherson and Don Baker collected a skin each. The closest to the pin winners were: Paul Meyers, Dan Hyden and Patrick Mahoney.

Our league plays year round and welcomes new members at any time. All On Top of the World residents are welcome.

You don't have to join our league to try us out. Weekly play is not mandatory and guests are welcome.

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BUILDING REPORTS



Swinging ice cream dance drew large crowd

When music from a live band turns the On Top of the World East Activity Center into a sizzling dance floor, there is often no means for residents to cool off.

Not the case on Saturday, July 21, when the “Bus Stop” band arrived at the East Activity Center auditorium. The Entertainment Committee provided vanilla and chocolate ice cream to help everyone take a chill.

Some people grabbed ice cream between dances. Even members of the band took an ice cream break. Some residents brought extra toppings, such as chocolate syrup and whipped cream, to make the cool treat even better.

Oddly, no one tried dancing and eating ice cream at the same time!

In August, the treat will be a luau. See the Entertainment Committee pages in Section 1 of this newspaper for details.



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Irish dancer to compete in major event

All of us at Rila Renaissance would like to send our congratulations to Joe and Audrey Maley's granddaughter for winning a chance to go to the International Irish Dance Competition next year in Vancouver, Washington.

To get this honor she won a number of regional Irish dance competitions in the Chicago area.

From those events, she earned an entry to appear earlier this month in the North American Traditional Irish Dance Competition held in Orlando.

Her scores were high enough to earn an invitation to compete next year in Vancouver. We all are proud of her success and send her our best wishes for the international competition.

Our ladies' luncheon in July was held at Frenchy's on Dunedin Causeway on our usual day, the fourth Tuesday of the month.

In August we will be going for brunch to one of our favorite and best attended brunch venues, Tiffany's. The sign-up



sheets will be posted as usual in plenty of time to sign up.

Remember, we always welcome your visiting family and any friends that you would like to invite to join us.

Finally, on a personal note, now that the Snowbirds have departed, I need your help more than ever to learn about the wonderful happenings, vacations, and birthday celebrations that are happening in your lives.



A proud Joe and Audrey Maley stand on either side of their granddaughter, who was selected to attend an international Traditional Irish Dance Competition next year in Vancouver, Wash.

I know all of our neighbors and our Snowbirds who read the paper on line would love to know what is happening here in On Top of the World.

Residents make the rounds up North

Several of our residents decided to leave the Florida July heat and go north for a vacation and cooler weather.

Ellen and John Fier took off driving to Rhinelander, Wis., which is in the north woods of Wisconsin.

They spent a week with their grandson, granddaughter and their families. They had a great time visiting, swimming and playing golf.

Then they went to Wausau, Wis., to visit their granddaughter, her husband, a 2-year-old great-grandson and a newborn great-grandson who was only 2 or 3 days old. John said, it was a marvelous visit and great to see the "new little one."

Next they drove to West Bend, Wis., to visit with their son, his wife and a granddaughter and her husband.

That visit was three days, which consisted of great conversation and wonderful food. Then it was time to come home.

The trip consisted of 3,800 miles and unexpected hot weather. John said the trip was great, but it was good to come home and put his feet up.



Other travelers were Tara and Craig Waldvogel. Prior to coming to On Top of the World, they lived in Blue Ridge, Ga., so they drove up there to visit friends for a few days. They then drove to Perryville, Md., to visit close friends.

While there they enjoyed some famous Maryland crab cakes.

Craig is a lover of toy trains and has a marvelous Christmas train display, so he had a ball visiting a very famous train store in Perryville.

Next, they went to Maryland's Aberdeen Proving Grounds. There they enjoyed seeing all the old military hardware from World War I and World War II which is on display.

Then it was on to upstate New York to visit family and friends. From Bloomingburg, N.Y., they drove to Munhall to visit Craig's mom and aunt. Tara visited a girlfriend on Long Island.

Now for the big surprise: They took their German Shepherd, Calie, with them! Craig had the back half of his van remodeled with a flat area for Calie and a fence between Calie's area and he and Tara. Calie had a great time, too, and visited a few friends.

Although I stayed home, I had an unexpected guest. I had a habit of leaving my front door open as I went out to water my plants. Because of this, one morning I found a 2½-foot black snake in my bathroom. Black snakes are not poisonous but they can crawl walls. A word to the wise should be sufficient: On all three Espana floors, do not leave your door standing open!

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- Use of these facilities is at a resident's or guest's own risk.

The following items are not permitted in the pool area:

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LOOK FOR PEDESTRIANS

Before you turn onto Belcher Road, make sure no one is in the crosswalk.

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8:30 A.M. — 3 P.M.
(LUNCH 12-12:30 P.M.)
EAST ACTIVITY CENTER



A look back at the OTOW News August, 1993

- **IBM Computer User Group:** After a few trials, we are becoming more skilled with our new computer projection equipment. It is quite enjoyable for the whole audience to be able to actually see the entire screen, in brilliant colors. This month's demos have been on Windows, Xtree Gold, Amipro, Procalc and Coreldraw, along with some basic advice on DOS.
- **Pennsylvania Club:** To all Pennsylvania Club members, friends and guests: Get ready for a fun trip on the "Admiral" out of Clearwater Harbor on Oct. 15, 1993, at 10 a.m. We will enjoy a jazz pianist and lunch on this cruise into the Gulf of Mexico. We will return at 1 p.m. It's all for the small price of \$17 per person. We think that this will be a nice, relaxing fun trip. Plan a group and come join us; everyone is welcome.
- **Senior Olympics Tennis Winner is from OTOW:** Congratulations to Opal Bowin, who recently won a silver medal in the 1993 Senior Olympics in Baton Rouge, La. There were 1,700 tennis players entered and 21 teams in Opal's division. In the exciting final event, Opal and her partner from California lost, but were proud to come in second in such an auspicious event.
- **Corinthian Kapal Building:** Ed and Eleanor Golka recently enjoyed a 17-day trip to Europe visiting nine countries. They toured London, Brussels, Amsterdam, Munich, Vienna, Venice, Paris and other wonderfully exciting places. They found Europe to be very crowded with American tourists. The pace of their journey was hectic and they returned home weary but full of memories of a wonderful trip.
- **Great Days:** James and Lenora Ballou celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with an open house at Forest Chapel's parlor in Cincinnati, Ohio, on May 23, 1993. The couple was married on May 22, 1943 in Evanston, Ill. After six weeks in Chicago, Jim was transferred to Truax Field Air Training Station in Madison, Wis. The couple remained there until the end of World War II, when they returned to Cincinnati.



Granada Building residents enjoy their monthly luncheon, this time at the Red Lobster.

Some new activities may be on the Granada horizon

The Granada Building held its monthly luncheon at Red Lobster.

We were a smaller group but our visits are always fun-filled. We spoke about our visitors, parties at the beach, trips that we have taken or plans in the future.

A few of us gathered on our patio and played card games of Blackout and Euchre, both of which are a lot of fun. It still amazes me when I see the number of golfers that brave the heat to play daily. Floridians are truly a hearty bunch!

We continue with our monthly "Gathering on the Green" cocktail hour the last Thursday of each month. We spoke last month about possible new activities that our building may try, such as dinner, going to a show, taking a day trip and just hanging out together.

We also talked about the activities that we could still participate in without worrying about the weather here. We have many clubs that are full-time here and offer things to do.

We encouraged our friends to go to the East Activity Center on Thursday



mornings from 8:30-10 a.m., where the Entertainment Committee, New York New Jersey, Italian-American, Republican, Democratic, Good Neighbors, Blackout and Travel clubs are set up and see what they all have to offer.

This is a great opportunity for residents to have fun with neighbors that they haven't met yet.

It is great to be here at On Top of the World and we are very glad to be with our friends in the Granada Building.

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New U.S. flag flying proudly at the Villa



Summer certainly has skipped along like a flat stone on a calm pond...

We have a new flag to grace the Ecuadorian side of Viennese Villa. Looks lovely flying in the breeze (see photo).

Eileen Benfer has welcomed a new addition to her home. Folly is a beautiful 4-year-old German Shepard service dog. Will have to stock bigger dog bones for Folly! Speaking of pooches, Elaine Power's Grand dog, Sage Castanza turned 13. We understand Sharon Clifford's Kevin had a birthday also. Yes we love our dogs here at the Villa!

Maine beckoned and who can resist cool breezes, sailing and lobsters. Plus, our son Mike is to be married, so there was a shower to attend and festivities to arrange before returning to On Top of the World. More about that next month.



One of Viennese Villa's WW2 veterans, Charlie Coffman, holds the building's newest flag, about to be raised by Mary Wolf. Left to right: Jerri and Brian Lance, Charlie Coffman, Steve Mazuric, Chris Tuttle, Steve Moore, Mary Wolf and Fred Schick.

Our resident "flag men" and veterans (identified in the above photo) were also recognized. Steve Mazuric, who places the smaller flags around our building on appropriate holidays, and Fred Schick, who was responsible for the flag pole installation a few years back.

(Photo by building co-captain Carroll Harris)

Looks like the picnic area is progressing nicely and should be about ready when the Snowbirds return. Foresee that being visited almost as much as the dog park. What a great social mecca that has become. Loads of new friendships developed thanks to our four-footed pals.

That's about it for this month. Birthday and anniversary greetings to all celebrants. Enjoy your special day!

Until next month any news fit to print: fresca@maine.rr.com

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Vermont town was place to be for wedding and more

What does a birthday celebration, a wedding, a family reunion, a parade and Fourth of July fireworks all have in common?

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Let's start with the invitation that George Algozzina and his mother Dorothy received for a destination wedding in the Mad River Valley of Warren, Vt. George's first cousin was turning 40 and also getting married on the Fourth of July.

The actual wedding ceremony was going to take place on a float that the couple had designed just for Warren's Fourth of July wild, wacky and wickedly fun parade.

Upon arrival at the country inn, George and his mom received the news that they would be staying in the barn. The receptionist saw the look of despair on their faces and assured them they would be just fine, and that they were!

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The first evening was a 40th birthday celebration for the groom combined with the official reunion and greeting of all the family members who were able to make the trip.

Aunt Dorothy was given special recognition and many wishes for her upcoming 91st birthday as well.

In the morning, and after a first stop at the Bloody Mary & Bagel bar, the Algozzinas were ready to settle in to watch Warren, Vt., celebrate its 70th annual Fourth of July parade. The parade boss had already announced "all dogs should be left at home where they will be safe and cool. The same goes for horses." What did you expect? This is the country, you know!



What a celebration! Vermont's Senator Bernie Sanders led the parade, where about 14,000 people lined Main Street for the celebration.

And, just as planned, the bride and groom were married during the parade while the huge wedding cake on their float tilted and twisted with each wedding vow and promise.

Their formal wedding reception was planned for later that evening beginning with cocktails and fresh New England seafood appetizers followed by dinner and dancing. A very fancy limo was sent to each of the hotels to transport guests to the reception.

Before leaving this beautiful state of rolling hills and valleys, the Algozzina's decided to see a little more of the surrounding area. On their way towards Stowe, they went through Waitsville where, for his first time, George drove through a single-lane covered bridge.

In Stowe, they stopped to tour the Cold Hollow Apple Cider Mill, taste Cabot Vermont cheddar and sample a variety of specialty spirits.

This was a trip for celebrating life, making family memories, enjoying the beauty of the Green Mountains and a promise to return.



The general store in the town of Warren, Vt., was a perfect place to settle in and enjoy the wild, wacky and "wickedly fun" July Fourth parade.



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Birthday surprise for resident at recent 'Sunday in the Park'

August is here and it's very quiet, Most of our neighbors are up North where it's cooler.

Cele Radeloff celebrated her 94th birthday in June; she was surprised at Sunday in the Park where she volunteers selling 50/50 tickets.

They announced it was her 94th birthday and presented her with a cupcake.

Her friends Audrey and Rita treated her to lunch at Ozona Blue and surprised her with a bottle of port wine. Happy belated birthday, Cele!

Recently Mike and Lillian Foy visited a new casino in Atlantic City called Ocean Resort Casino. There, daughter Kelly works at Zheng Bang noodle and sushi bar. Walbergers, a very popular restaurant, is directly across from Zheng Bang.

Another surprise birthday was at Lake George N.Y., where Cele Radeloff's son, Jim, pulled off a party for his wife Robin's 60th birthday at Chelka Lodge, a family vacation spot for many years.

Jim rented an island for a day and their son and his two sisters drove up with his boat singing "Happy Birthday" and flying a selection of 60th birthday balloons.

A job well done, Jim!



Robin and Jim Radeloff celebrated Robin's 60th birthday at Chelka Lodge at Lake George, N.Y.

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Viking resident and artist first showed ability as youngster

Having a successful career in art is challenging. People say they know what they like but not necessarily why. What makes an artist popular is a nebulous thing.

Viking resident and artist Michael Hopkins has made a career out of creating art that appeals to both individuals and a mass audience.

Michael's versatility as an artist has served him well over the years. Not only has he done paintings on canvas, but he's also done murals for individuals, as well as for many local hospitals.

Speaking of mass audiences, for 25 years Michael painted billboards in Iowa, Georgia, and Florida. In fact, he was chosen for a major promotion — the Stroh's Beer Run for Liberty series.

He said his parents became aware of his artistic ability when he was two and a half, when he was already drawing things with pencils. As his skills increased, they bought him more materials.

He progressed to paint-by-numbers art. He then began creating and mixing his own colors.

At the age of 13, Michael was accepted into an art program at the Davenport Iowa Art Museum. One of his works won first prize in a competition where most of the other students were 18 years old. He attended the program for two years, winning a scholarship for the second year.

He describes himself as "a normal guy who likes to paint." He is being



characteristically modest. Michael says that "Art is what you like to look at." He enjoys looking at art that "shows talent." He likes the work of the old masters. Caravaggio is an artist we both admire. He enjoys talking about art and how it is created and sharing his art with others.

In his career, Michael has owned three different art galleries, one in Georgia, and two different ones in St. Pete Beach and in St. Petersburg. He says that "It is difficult to make a living in the arts because it depends on emotion."

Too many people today consider art to be a luxury. The fact that Michael has made his living through his art is a testimony to his ability and the broad appeal of his work.

The subjects of Michael's art range through portraits to land and seascapes, and to animals, both wild and domestic. A recent mural features the client's beloved dog.



Artist and Viking resident Michael Hopkins. (Photo by Pat Ellingham).

Unlike much art today that is often elitist, Michael's art is accessible and something people really like to look at. These are key to a true artist's success.



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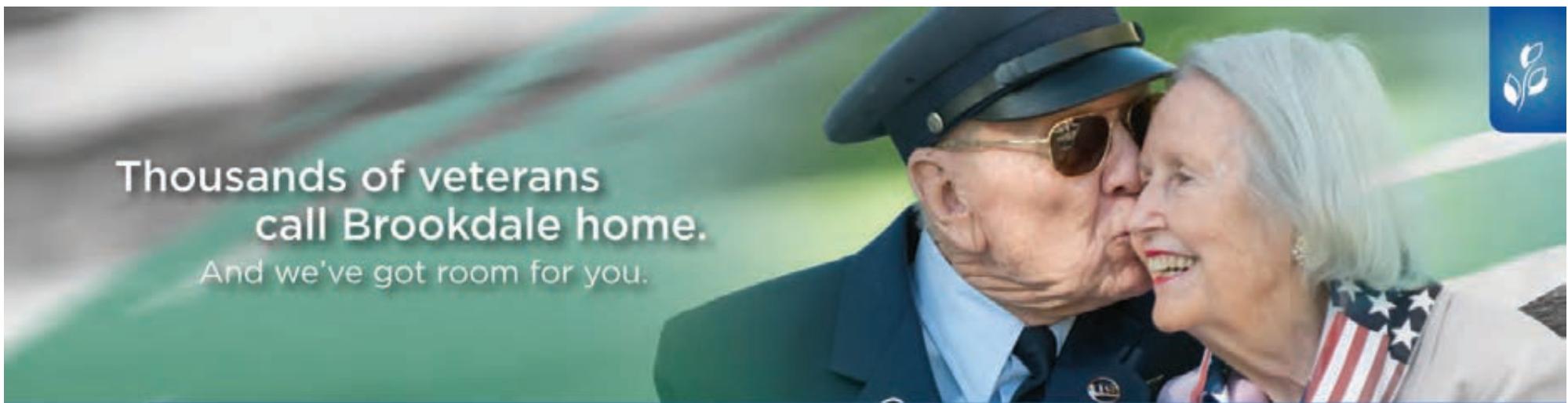
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Last month, we wished John and Theresa Kawalec a “happy anniversary” in honor of their 60th wedding anniversary. This month I would like to report they had a great time!

John and Theresa celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Theresa’s 90th birthday, Flag Day, with a family reunion spanning four generations.

Only two missed being in the photo: a granddaughter and another granddaughter’s husband who had to work that day.

Some folks flew in from California, Texas, and North Carolina. The first party was celebrated in the Sunrise Room. Ten nieces and nephews from the Florida area joined us for the first party, as well as 10 members of Theresa’s Divine Will Prayer Group.

Also joining them was the group’s former spiritual director, Father Julio Rivera, a Franciscan priest, now retired at the Franciscan Friary in Pennsylvania.



Theresa and John Kawalec, front and center, were the subjects of a weekend-long 60th wedding anniversary celebration.

The second night, a Friday, was celebrated at the Palm Pavilion on Clearwater Beach. The final get-together, on Saturday, was held at Queens Pizza. It was a fun time for all, and the family hopes to repeat it next year.

Theresa was a long-time building reporter for the OTOW News, which offers her and John best wishes on their milestone anniversary.

The Chetnik Building had its monthly luncheon at Perkin’s Restaurant on

Curlw Road. They had a nice turnout with lots of fun and laughter.

Welcome back Bob and Carol Glebus from their month-long vacation in Europe.

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Third time is a charm for this intrepid traveler

Forty years ago, Paradise resident Bonnie Mack visited the former Yugoslavia, and the scenery captured her heart.

Returning 26 years later, the weather didn't cooperate, and she spent most of the time under an umbrella – unless she was coping with a snowstorm!

Bonnie said, "I imagined walking in the sunshine around 16 turquoise-colored lakes and 92 waterfalls in the Plitvice Lakes area. Instead, I was donning all my clothes for warmth."

"Putting my foot on the first snow-covered 'step' (a series of about 75 trees cut in half, without the protection of a railing), I was struck with the reality of breaking my neck, and retreated to the comfort of hot chocolate at the lodge."

But Bonnie did not give up, and she just returned from a glorious holiday in what is now Croatia and Slovenia.

She said, "When I arrived in Plitvice, and heard thunder, I cringed. Whether or not to descend to the lake area was a tough choice, because the crowds don't allow you to turn back. I took my chances, and had no regrets — it never rained!"

Aside from the beauty of the waterfalls



and lakes, these countries offer a lot of history and breath-taking scenery.

Bonnie says that the drive along the Adriatic's Dalmatian coast puts California's coast and Italy's Amalfi drive to shame. From the far north, all the way down to Montenegro, the narrow, winding roads hug the mountainside. The coast is a series of inlets, dotted with orange tiled rooftops on buildings nestled along the turquoise water.

Bonnie concludes, "Sunshine was plentiful. However, with it also came higher than usual temperatures, and lots of humidity. I told my guide I couldn't wait to return to cooler temperatures in Florida!"



Paradise resident Bonnie Mack poses near a spectacular waterfall during her recent tour of Croatia and Slovenia, her third trip there in 40 years.

Paradise's Rio Riviera residents enjoying a busy summer

It has been a fun, albeit busy, summer for us at the Rio Riviera Building. Our residents, featuring some new neighbors, never get enough of a great time!

So far this summer we've attended a fun-filled afternoon on the Calypso Queen out of Clearwater Beach, enjoyed numerous monthly dinners together, and celebrated the Fourth of July with a red, white and blue themed party. Everyone sported their favorite patriotic attire while enjoying apple, blueberry and cherry pie all topped with vanilla ice cream. We've got several additional fun events planned for the remainder of the summer and fall. Let the good times roll!

If you have any Paradise articles or info to submit, please contact us at maryandpam1@gmail.com.



A patriotic Fourth of July themed ice cream social drew many hungry residents.



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Valencia building reporter Henry Santos and wife Pauline pose next to their granddaughter and her new husband after their lovely wedding in Ohio.

Reporter attends wedding of granddaughter in Ohio

In case anyone in Valencia building missed them, these are some of the gatherings we had that brought some of our neighbors together to socialize and have an overall good time.

On Flag Day, June 14, several residents of our building got together to salute and pledge allegiance to our flag. This is something we do every Flag Day, with enthusiasm.

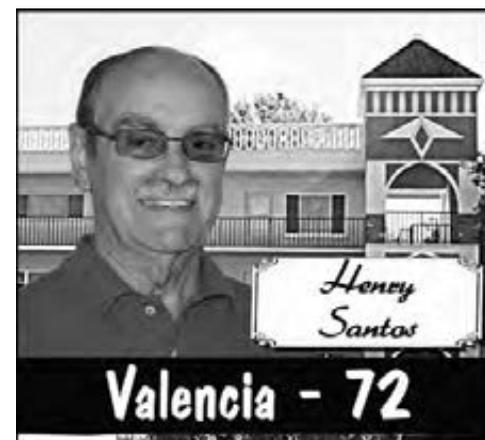
Later we all went to the Paradise restaurant in Safety Harbor for lunch. A nice day.

On Friday afternoon, June 15, a group of neighbors gathered for the Valencia building's first sidewalk social, hosted by Lynn Kislin. This was a nice laid back, easy-going and fun affair. Nice finger food and some great story telling. Nice job Lynn, a different way to spend a late summer, just kicking back and relaxing.

On Thursday June 21, Lil Klant took the Dining Divas to the Pickle Bills for the ladies' lunch. Always a good choice.

On Tuesday June 26, Valerie Martin clued us in about “Speakeasy Tuesday” at Dolce’s in Clearwater. You know... that secluded place... where no one there will know your face... a glass of wine a quick embrace... well, you know what I mean!

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treated to a 1920's prohibition era theme, cheap beer and an inexpensive menu. It was a fun night for all.

All these events took place in the month of June.

July as it turned out, however, was the favorite month for my wife, Pauline, and me. We traveled to Ohio to attend our granddaughter's wedding, and boy, what a great time it was. It was a perfect day, perfect weather and a perfect couple.

We could not have been more proud. Our son Mark and his wife Jodie did an outstanding job in raising such an outstanding young lady.

It's always nice to go back to see friends and family, but a wedding on top of it all is priceless. Could not have been any better.

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I've always believed that the most important asset of any building is its residents, especially those who donate their hours to make our building work.

The captains of each unit are charged with welcoming new residents and notifying the coordinator of any matters that should be brought to his notice.

Much of the harmony in each wing is due to the untiring efforts of our captains: Helen Retter, Joyce Krauss, and Sandy Stuhr.

Helen Retter (Persian Drive) writes that one of the best decisions that she and her husband made twenty-five years ago was moving to On Top of the World after they retired. Helen's sister and brother-in-law were living here at the time and, after spending several vacations with them, the Retters decided that this life was for them.

Helen was born and raised in Philadelphia, "the City of Brotherly Love." She has a B.S. in Business and Public Administration. She loved working as a management analyst for the U.S. Naval Aviation Supply Office in Philly.



Helen wrote that they traveled often throughout the contiguous U.S., Canada, Mexico, Europe, Hawaii, and Alaska.

She participates in many clubs, loves walking and goes to our wonderful fitness club.

She does child care for those participating in Bible classes. "Being around youngsters keeps me young."

She has two daughters, four grandsons, one great-grandson and one great-granddaughter.

Sandy and David Stuhr (Persian Drive) celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on July 23. David is a retired psychologist and Sandy is a retired clinical social worker.

"We enjoy going for walks and picnics in the local parks and along the water. We



A rare Saturday July coffee and donuts gathering drew a number of hungry residents.

also enjoy bird watching, photography, baseball games, music concerts and being at the water for our beautiful sunsets.

They have four children, five grandsons, and a cat (age 16) named Mama.

Our third captain is Joyce Krauss (Rhodesian Drive). Joyce and her husband Richard moved to On Top of the World in 2012. After having worked as a professional for many years, Joyce is truly loving her time here at OTOW. And her neighbors love having her here as well.

According to Bea Friedman, Joyce has a nurturing nature and is one of the kindest people Bea has known, and is always there when needed.

Joyce is a mom, a grandma, and a great-grandma. She loves to cook, and (believe it or not) to clean, which she does constantly.

We, the residents of Rural French, building 56, wish to thank each of you for your service and the many volunteer hours you have put in!

Heat is recurring theme of these travelers

Hot town, summer in the city...and the country, the mountains, the sea. Just about everywhere was hot!

Azorians took the cue and had some hot times for themselves.

This intrepid reporter and his lovely bride took a cruise through the fjords of Norway hoping to cool off. Yes, there was snow on the mountains but the heat was on, relatively speaking.

Well north of the Arctic Circle, at the northernmost point of Norway, we actually shed our coats. Even though we were shown the beach where the locals of Honningsvag, Norway swim, we still wore our sweaters.

A young clerk laughed when we explained we don't swim until the water is 29 degrees Celsius (85 F). She said the air temperature never gets even close to that.

We left Norway for London where they were also experiencing a heat wave. I remarked to one of our tour guides I was from Florida and if they kept this weather up his compatriots would stop traveling to my state. He laughed and assured me not to worry.

Joe and Jean Spahalski grabbed their daughter, Wendy, and her husband, Darren, to take advantage of a Sea World promotion. They just missed getting cooled off by a splash from one of the Orcas at



their show and had to settle for a refreshing and free beer. Ahh, life's travails.

Kay Spencer returned from her California trip with an actual cold, cold. This gave her an excuse to hibernate inside her air-conditioned home and reminisce over her trip through the small towns of California: Glatin, Sebastopol, Bogata and Occidental to name a few.

Remembering her young grandchildren's time in "Grannies Airbnb" was particularly poignant. Kay just waved as they whizzed by on the rides as she sat on the Santa Cruz Boardwalk.

Denise Foley looked at the National Weather map, grabbed her friend and escaped the "brutal" heat of Massachusetts

for the "cooler climes" of On Top of the World over the July 4th weekend. The two of them enjoyed golfing, the beach and many "happy hours."

Jerry Cather and Paul Bunker finished up some Humane Society fundraisers in West Virginia, packed the car and headed back to OTOW. Jerry said he may as well be hot in Florida where, at least, everything is air-conditioned.

Bob Kelly is settling into his new "permanent residence" quite nicely. His new hometown baseball team, the Rays, beat his beloved Yankees three games in a row at the Trop. Good to live in a winner's county. Bob did fly back to NYC for a fabulous wedding celebrated on Chelsea Pier followed by four days of dining and carousing in Chinatown, Little Italy and the Wall Street area.

Bob said, "New York is a special place to visit but who would want to live there? The heat and humidity!" Spoken like a true Floridian.

Marie and Tom Pirrello entertained their son and his wife who were escaping said heat and humidity in New York.

Happy birthday to Dorothy Lesperance, Aug. 6; John Fornuto, Aug. 8; Nancy Lo, Aug. 13; Joe Spahalski, Aug. 14; Joe's much younger bride Jean, Aug. 18 and Jerry Cather, Aug. 23.

Bible Study Club

The OTOW Bible Study Club is a non-denominational Bible study group to explore the word of God, and how it relates to our everyday lives. Our teacher, Woodie Tully, brings 45 years of Bible teaching experience to help understand the Scriptures.

The club meets Friday afternoons from 2-4 p.m. in the East Activity Center Veranda Room. We welcome everyone to our club. You do not need to have any knowledge of Scripture to join, and there are no club fees required. We are not a church; those attending are from a variety of denominations. Every first-time guest receives a complete copy of the Bible to keep as their own.

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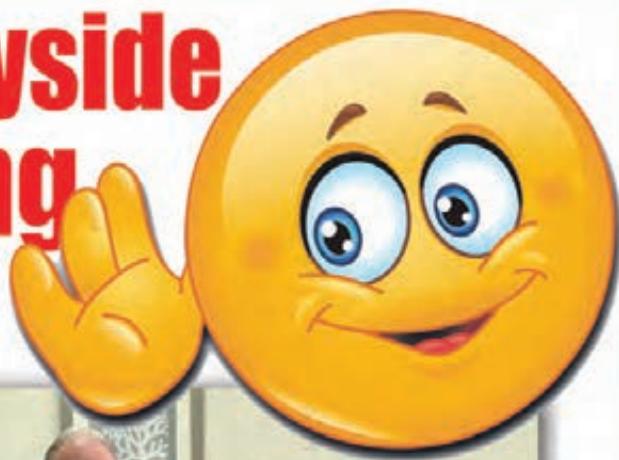
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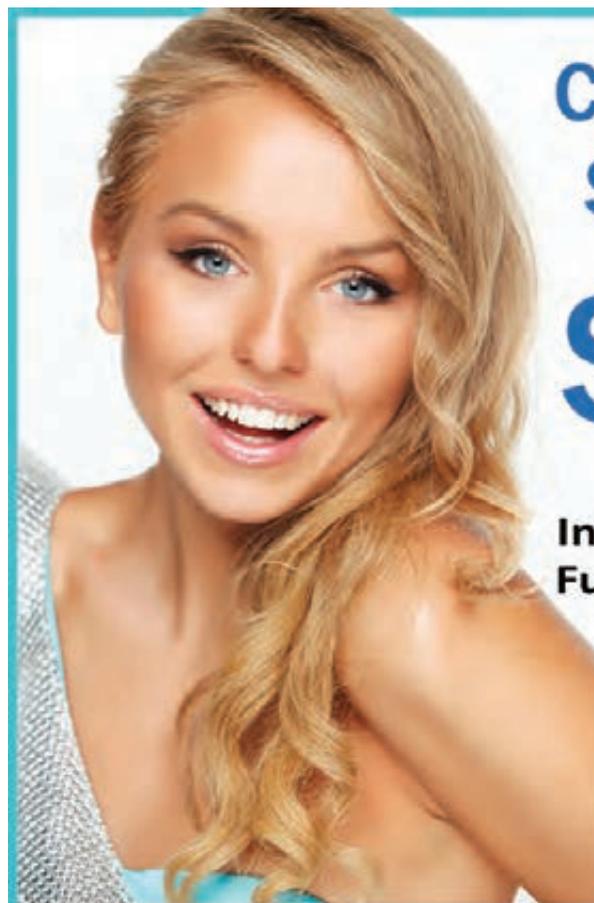


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