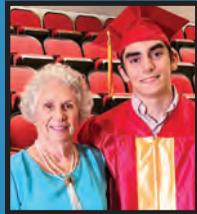
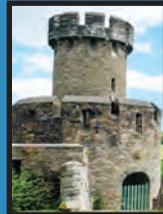


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# ON TOP OF THE WORLD NEWS

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## Line dancing in red, white and blue is an opportunity to show patriotism

By Hope Tera

The casual vibe of Margaret LeTourneau's line dance classes is obvious as you enter the Auditorium.

Everyone is relaxed, friendly and ready for fun.

People are dressed comfortably and everyone is chill.

But on one special day in June the look and feel was different. There was a sense of pride in the room.

American flags adorned the tables and stage. And most prominently, the room was filled with folks decked out in red, white and blue. Dancers were beaming with patriotism.

And although the dance steps were familiar, the music coming out of the speakers was unique...

- A beautiful rendition of "America the Beautiful" by Ray Charles
- "God Bless the USA"
- "Mr. Red, White and Blue"

We relished the love we feel for our country. It was festive and lively. Dare I say, there was an extra spring in everyone's step.

And there were treats in our flag's colors for all to enjoy.

We shared our patriotic pride, both on and off the dance floor. In addition, we honored our dancing veterans who served in the military.

The off-peak season here at On Top of the World is an ideal time for year-round residents to explore a bit and try out something new. And we've got a few suggestions.

How about trying some line dancing classes with Margaret? She caters to all levels and a great time is guaranteed.

If you are interested in giving your heart a good workout, you can try a Cardio Dance class with Hope Tera.

Looking for a gentler workout? Then a Cardio Dance Light class might fit the bill. The class schedule for 2022 is listed at right.

The Moving 'n Grooving Club is always welcoming new ideas and new beginnings. If you'd like to check out an



Moving 'N Grooving Line Dancers took advantage of Flag Day, June 14, to have an early 4th of July celebration.

inclusive line and cardio dance club that teaches to all levels, guarantees great fun, and promotes an atmosphere of kindness and creativity, please contact Hope at 914-217-9206.

You can email [movingandgroovingotow@gmail.com](mailto:movingandgroovingotow@gmail.com), or come to any of our classes to try them out.

You can also learn more about our club on the OTOW Box Office ([otowboxoffice.com](http://otowboxoffice.com)). Look for our logo.

And lastly, we have two brand new line dance videos on OTOW-TV channel 732. Look for them on Monday or Thursday at 11 a.m. You can try line dancing right in your own living room.

As always, we hope to see you on the dance floor.

### LINE DANCING SCHEDULE

#### Tuesdays - EAC Auditorium

9:00-10:00 am Level 1 - Easy 1 Wall  
10:00 - 11:30 am Levels 2/3 - Beginner/Advanced Beginner

#### Fridays

1:00 - 2:00 pm Level 1 - Easy 1 Wall  
2:00 - 3:30 pm Levels 2/3 - Beginner/Advanced Beginner

### CARDIO DANCE SCHEDULE

#### Exercise Room

Mondays 12:00 - 1:00 pm  
Wednesdays 12:00 - 1:00 pm  
Saturdays 9:00 am - 10:00 am  
Saturdays Cardio Dance Lite 10:30 - 11:30 pm



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# OTOW makes every effort to keep elevators running and has its own trained technicians

## Elevators

As a means to help prevent elevator service stoppages, Parkway's elevator division has been a state-certified provider of maintenance services to the On Top of the World-Clearwater community since 2015.

Since its inception, Parkway has employed licensed mechanics with more than 60 years of technical experience in the vertical conveyance field. These technicians perform ongoing preventative maintenance, respond to service calls and handle complete operating equipment upgrades annually as scheduled.

Because the Management Company directly employs state-licensed elevator service technicians for both preventative maintenance, trouble shooting and expedited repairs, this ensures that when interruptions do occur, the response time, and more often than not, the repair time, is by far more expedient.

Additionally, all 83 elevators receive their preventative maintenance monthly, equating to 12 times yearly for each one!

This ongoing regimen ensures that the equipment is in a better position to serve the community reliably and safely.

Contrast this level of service with the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) article 17.1 standard, which requires a maintenance control program (MCP). A "routine examination," a minimum of once a year, is required to be performed and reported to the Bureau of Elevator Safety for elevator certification.

The elevators are consistently re-certified by the State of Florida through its annual inspection requirement, which is an example of the Management Company's dedication to safety and well-maintained equipment.

Successfully achieving all of these objectives has provided for a reliability rating above 99 percent on an annual basis, taking into consideration that there are more than 727,000 hours of operational hours per year across 83 units in operation property-wide.

Your Board and the Management Company understand the dependence residents have on elevators, recognizing that even the shortest interruption may cause an inconvenience for residents. The Management Company works diligently to address this by searching multiple parts supply vendors for replacement parts. However, ongoing supply chain problems may keep the vendor from fulfilling orders and the Management Company from making those necessary repairs. This is a national problem across many manufacturers and industries. It is not unique to OTOW.

The Management Company keeps an inventory of service and replacement parts, however, due to the different brands of the elevators, as well as multiple parts,



it is nearly impossible to plan for every contingency.

Two of the most frequent causes of service calls lately is related to items falling into and blocking the elevator door tracks, or when the elevator times-out as a result. A timeout occurs when a door is blocked open for a short period and the safety shut-off shuts down the elevator until the service technician manually resets it.

Recently, we had such an instance when a resident blocked the door while trying to move some home furnishings into the elevator cab. This inconvenienced a neighbor on the second floor needing to use the elevator and resulted in the service call.

As a reminder, neither your Association, nor the Management Company, provide reimbursement for any expenses related to elevator interruptions.

## Summit Broadband

At this time, we are coordinating with Summit Broadband to schedule a series of Town Hall meetings in August and a series of sign-up events in September.

Due to the number of events we are scheduling in the East Activity Center Auditorium and Kitchen/Craft Room during these two months, please be aware that some already scheduled events may be subject to change.

Exact dates and times will be posted on the [otowclearwaterinfo.com](http://otowclearwaterinfo.com) website under the Summit Broadband tab.

We will also post notices on OTOW-TV Channel 732, in the newspaper, at the Activity Centers and in each building.

If you have signed up for OTOW Alerts, powered by RAVE, you will receive an alert.

Check the Summit Broadband page on the website frequently as information is posted there as we receive it.

Coming soon, we have asked for a FAQ sheet to post as well.

As a reminder, access to your unit is essential so please provide the Association with access information or a key. Once the project has been completed your key will be returned. You can find an access form on page 10 of this newspaper.

## Did You Know

### Concerns vs. Service Requests

Often times it can be difficult to distinguish between a concern and a service request.

Equally as difficult is deciding when to put something in writing, call the service line, or visit the Community Service Office (CSO).

When trying to decide, a good rule of thumb is to identify:

Is your concern about a possible rule violation within the community?

Will it require action from management company service personnel?

Will it require additional information or some action on your part?

Or, will it require an in-person visit?

Once you have established your question, you may decide on the appropriate course of action that is required based upon your specific circumstances.

Being prepared before you visit the CSO will ensure that your visit is streamlined and speedy.

Additionally, as a reminder, Community Service Office staff members are not equipped to deal with disputes between neighbors, however, they are always ready and available to assist you with any of your service-related needs.

## Community Service Office Information

The Community Service Office (CSO) hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The office closes for lunch from noon to 12:30, Monday through Friday, unless otherwise posted.

If your call goes to voice mail, it is because staff is working with someone else. Please be patient. Calls and voicemails will be responded to during normal business hours.

Once the requested service matter is identified, a service order will be generated and submitted to the appropriate department to address the matter.

The goal of the CSO is to make an initial assessment of the request and to determine if it is an emergency or non-emergency. Once the matter is assessed, a plan to resolve will be made and work scheduled.

Generally, all non-emergency service requests are assessed and addressed in the order in which they are received.

From time to time, it may become necessary for us to contact you with questions or clarification of your request. It is not necessary to report service requests more than one time.

If you have any questions regarding your request until the Community Service Office reopens, please call the Service Request Line at 727-683-6981.

As a reminder, window and door

repair or replacement is exclusive to the unit and is the owner's responsibility. The Association's responsibility is to the structure and common elements.

## Service Request Line

If you are unable to visit the Community Service Office, the OTOW phone number to submit a service request is 727-683-6981. Please call this number to submit a service request only for a general building matter in the common areas only. Please do not leave health-related emergency information on the service request line as this will delay the amount of time it takes us to respond to non-emergency service requests.

- For a life-threatening emergency, please dial 911.

- For a power outage, call Duke Energy at 800-228-8485.

- The OTOW emergency after-hours phone number is 727-799-1115. Please call this number after hours in the event of an emergency, such as water intrusion into your unit.

For all other inquiries regarding general issues or questions that are not service related, you will need to come in person to the Community Service Office.

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## OTOW Alerts

Signing up for OTOW-ALERTS (powered by RAVE) is incredibly easy. Simply go to [otowclearwaterinfo.com](http://otowclearwaterinfo.com) and from the home page scroll to the bottom of the page to the "Sign Up Now" box located to the left of the screen. Click to enroll.

You can also sign up from the "Stay Informed" tab located at the top of the home page.

Signing up for RAVE is without obligation or cost to you. Your email and cell phone numbers are secure, never shared, and never solicited.

Alternatively, you may visit the Community Service Office to apply.

OTOW-ALERTS provide advance warning of severe weather events as well as other matters of critical concern to the residents of the OTOW Clearwater Condominium Community. It is not hyperbole to say an advanced warning may save lives!

# On Top of the World Annual

## Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting for the On Top of the World Condominium Association was held at 10 a.m. on June 17, 2022. Approximately 350 residents attended the meeting in person and 150 watched online.

We received many written questions before hand, which helped facilitate a good exchange of information between the Board and residents.

The meeting ran two hours with no break. The remainder of the meeting was devoted to answering questions submitted by residents.

The meeting presentation is available for download from the website [www.otowclearwaterinfo.com](http://www.otowclearwaterinfo.com) then click association-information.

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who voted by handing in a proxy on the question of waiving/not waiving reserves. Under Florida Statutes, in order to hold a meeting and conduct business, the Association needs a quorum of voting interests, so every vote counted regardless of how you voted!

I'm happy to report that a quorum was obtained before the June 17 meeting, as nearly 1,433 owners submitted their proxies or voted electronically.

Residents once again affirmed by 91 percent of cast votes the choice to waive the establishment of reserves for replacement of elevators, roads, roofs and painting.

Your Board believes this is a wise decision because through proper planning and budgeting, your Board has been able to stay ahead of the maintenance and replacement curve on community infrastructure, especially with respect to painting, paving and roofs.

The question was asked, "What is the difference between reserves and no reserves?"

The answer is an additional \$3.7 million dollars added into the Association's budget. Looking at it another way, your monthly community services fee (CSF) would go up by 18 percent!

After talking about the budget, Desa Barabba gave a comprehensive report from the Management Company on the status of recreation improvements and construction over the past 12 months.

To recap, year-to-date projects included:

- Four (4) building roofing systems were replaced in their entirety. New gutter systems accompanied all of the new roof system installations as well as bringing the roofs up to the current wind code.
- Two (2) building elevators had equipment modifications installed and their cabs completely remodeled with new lighting enhancements.
- Four (4) buildings had their front elevations repainted, while nine (9) back elevations were waterproofed.
- Nine structures had their walkway and/or stairwell railings replaced with new building code compliant systems.
- Ten buildings received new slip-resistant walkway coatings on the second and third floor balcony walking surfaces.
- Seventeen buildings had new slip-resistant stair tread coatings applied in ex-



**Chairman**

terior stairwell locations.

- Sixteen buildings had their main sanitary stacks water-jet cleaned (project is nearing completion as of this update).
- Roughly two-thirds of the east side of property's gravity sanitary system has been inspected for operational integrity.
- Two buildings saw end stairwell ornamental projects, either demo or rehabilitation work performed.

Kenneth Colen asked Association Attorney Barrie Buenaventura to give a recap of recently adopted condominium legislation relating to mandated structural inspections. Long story short, all condominium three-stories and greater must now have an initial threshold inspection by December 2024, and every 10 years thereafter.

The law also requires the establishment of a "Structural Reserve Fund" based on the estimated replacement cost or deferred maintenance expense.

Unlike other "mandatory" reserves for painting, paving, roofing and any other items greater than \$10,000 (elevator rehab for example), which may be waived by a majority vote of the members represented at a meeting, this Structural Reserve cannot be waived by the membership.

On other matters, the risk associated with improperly installed washers and dryers continues to be a great concern. The Association instituted an inspection requirement on all condos that are resold, regardless of when the condo was acquired or what owner installed a washer/dryer. This requirement applies regardless of what real estate agency the seller chooses to list with.

Further, it is incumbent upon the owner to disclose the washer/dryer as a material defect in the home, unless the matter was previously corrected by a licensed electrician, plumber or appliance specialist.

Proof of the correction must be provided to the Association before approval for the sale to close will be granted.

Guy Woolbright discussed the NOAA and insurance underwriter forecasts for the current hurricane season. To recap, NOAA predicts:

- 14-21 named storms
- 6-10 being hurricanes
- 3-6 being major hurricanes

This is almost the same as last year's

prediction, which turned out to be an under-estimate for a very bad 2021 storm year.

FEMA Flood Zone maps were last updated in 2019-20, and no OTOW condominium building falls within a zone of high flood probability.

That said, avoid being on the roads after a major storm event as some roadways within OTOW may be flooded after ponds breach their banks.

While the last couple of years have brought unprecedented challenges for each of us as individuals and us as a community, I remain proud of the progress we continue to make toward making OTOW-Clearwater an even better place to live.

As we enter a new fiscal year, I am optimistic for the future of our community and excited to see what lies ahead.

## Truth vs. Fertilizer

Fertilizer, when applied sparingly, is wonderful stuff to help plants grow. However, too much fertilizer can become quite a pollutant – which brings me to the topic of Bulk Cable and the fertilizer being spread around the community.

Case in point: A resident recently called the Accounts Payable office to ask "what Board Members were making on the Summit Broadband deal."

Horse fertilizer!

It's disappointing that anyone would believe such foolishness much less spread such misinformation.

The Summit Broadband contract is with the Association. The Association is responsible for the collection of expenses related to the services provided and for payment to Summit Broadband of their earned fees. As underscored at the Board meeting, many residents will realize a savings in costs with the switch to the bulk service.

The Board remains excited for the upcoming transition to Summit Broadband as we believe it is an important step in modernizing our community and making it a great place for all of us to live.

## Insurance Updates

Guy Woolbright explained renewal insurance coverage for the Association.

In the past number of years, the Association has benefitted from very competitive insurance markets, with annual policy cost increases in the single percentage points. This current renewal pointed out we are returning to a hard market as the capacity has left the market.

Guy noted the cost of insurance litigation has reached the point that insurers spend more on litigation than actual property damage pay-outs.

The event deductible continues the same as in the prior year's policy: \$10,000 per non-wind storm occurrence, however, the wind storm deductible continues at 5 percent of the stated value subject to \$250,000 minimum for named wind storm.

For more information on this topic, please go to [OTOWClearwaterInfo.com](http://OTOWClearwaterInfo.com) and click the Community Information link to review the document entitled In-

urance Responsibility of the Individual Unit Owner.

The Association property policy covers property from the interior drywall out, but does not cover finished surfaces, fixtures, cabinetry or other installations within a condo unit, nor the air conditioner unit within the limits of the unit.

Unit owners are directed to purchase a personal policy (HO-6) for their unit and belongings. In the case of a destroyed building due to a fire, the HO-6 policy pays the unit owner for new flooring, kitchen appliances, furniture and it may even pay for living somewhere else while the unit is being repaired.

The HO-6 should have personal liability, Loss of Use and loss assessment coverage bundled in with it.

Your Association continues to receive numerous requests for Wind Mitigation Certificates. This is a document that states whether or not certain components of a structure comply with the 2017 Standard Building Code.

Because of the volume of requests, a form for each and every building address has been posted on [otowclearwaterinfo.com](http://otowclearwaterinfo.com). Simply open the website, click on the "General Information" tab and follow the link to the Wind Mitigation forms.

You, or your insurance agent, will need to enter in the name of the insured and the unit number. Otherwise, the form should be good to go.

In the event the Association is requested to fill out a different form, or for some reason must become involved in the process of dealing with your insurance agent, there is a minimum charge of \$15, payable in advance.

All of the buildings with roof replacements in 2021 to present should have an updated wind mitigation form on the website by July. They are all accessible by visiting [otowclearwaterinfo.com](http://otowclearwaterinfo.com). Click on General Information and then scroll down to Wind Mitigation Forms.

Questions submitted prior to the start of the annual meeting were reviewed. Some questions dealt with the survey commissioned by Parkway Maintenance and Management Company, released to all residents on June 1, 2021. This was discussed briefly, noting the high percentage of respondents.

Overall, there is a high degree of satisfaction with the community and what it offers. The comments from residents were insightful and provide some direction on future community improvement projects.

Mr. Colen thanked all the members who opted in to use digital voting as an alternative to paper ballots. He reminded members that email addresses remain confidential and not used for any purpose other than voting, by any vendor.

## Landscape and Architectural Controls

The Community's Rules provide for the Association to exercise architectural control over the buildings and other

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# Meeting Recap for June 2022

common elements.

It is your Association's responsibility to provide for the continuous maintenance of the buildings, components, grounds, roadways, sidewalks and the underground infrastructure (collectively called "common elements").

It is the Association that must have final say over any architectural or structural modifications in addition to making sure that contractors performing the work are properly licensed and insured.

Please remember that any building or landscape modification must receive prior approval from the Condominium Association. I am mentioning this in the hopes that we can all avoid unnecessary consequences of non-compliance with the rules and regulations and covenants of your Association.

You may obtain an application for modification from the Community Service Office or online at [otowclearwaterinfo.com](http://otowclearwaterinfo.com), click the inspection-services-department tab. Return it with a detailed description of the work requested and a dimensioned drawing of the affected area. A representative of the Association will review the modification and advise the owner of approval or denial. Inspection of completed work is upon completion of the project.

## Community Update

### Painting/Waterproofing

As July arrives, the weather will dic-

tate that the painting contractor transition to mostly front façades as rain is always a possibility once summer is in full swing.

As of this update, the contractor has building 36 slated for a late-July start date.

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.

The installation of new unit address numbers will continue in July as this is another community improvement project that accompanies the application of front façade coatings. As the painting contractor moves throughout the property, management company crews will be installing new life-safety compliant, reflective unit numbers on the common area wall in proximity to unit front doors. Bulletins will be posted in advance of the work advising residents of the process and what they can expect.

Unit numbers currently attached to the common element wall will be removed by the painting contractor, while numbers installed on front unit doors will need to be removed by the unit owner. If a unit owner wishes, they may contract with the management company for the removal of any old unit numbers for a nominal fee. Please remember that for communi-

ty standard reasons, all old unit numbers must be removed.

## Construction, Roofing and Large Scope Projects

A specialty underground utilities contractor is anticipated to be on property in late July/early August in order to install new potable water main valves that service the property west of Belcher Road.

This improvement project should not affect the flow of water to any condominium buildings.

As always, we ask that you please be aware of employees working in close proximity to roadways and exercise caution in and around these work areas.

The vendor contracted to install new state code-compliant walkway and stairwell railing systems is scheduled to continue working on the west side of property over the summer months. The structures slated for improvement next are buildings 67 and 80, and residents should be advised that elevated noise levels are a byproduct of this necessary work.

Residents should watch their bulletin boards for start dates and do their best to avoid active work/cordoned off areas while the project is underway. Thanks for your cooperation.

## Recurring reminders for all community residents

Building walkway repairs will continue as construction crews perform mainte-

nance 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.

## Whether selling or buying a home, be aware of scams

(This is a press release from Attorney General Ashley Moody)

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—Florida is in the midst of a home buying frenzy and Attorney General Ashley Moody is encouraging Floridians to be vigilant against real estate scams. Buying a house is widely considered a major component of the American Dream; however, it can quickly turn into a nightmare for consumers who fall for nefarious plots and lose hard-earned dollars. By guarding against fraud, consumers can safely navigate the process.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "Buying a home is often the largest and most important purchase a person makes. So, it's important to ensure scammers don't take advantage of the situation to turn a dream purchase into a financial nightmare. I encourage all Floridians looking to buy a home to be on guard against scammers trying to exploit Florida's hot real estate market."

Common real estate scams include escrow wire fraud, rental scams, loan-flipping scams and foreclosure relief scams.

### Escrow Wire Fraud

Escrow wire fraud is where scammers pose as representatives from a title or escrow company to contact a new homebuyer with instructions for escrow money transfer. If the consumer follows the instructions of the scammers, and wires in the escrow money, the

scammers can withdraw that money and disappear. To avoid falling into this trap, consumers should always check the original documents received from the lender directly and call the phone numbers listed on the document to confirm the validity of the wiring instructions. Double-check the validity of any message received that requests a change to the instructions already received, and always confirm the escrow account number with the bank or lender before wiring any money.

### Rental Scams

Rental scams occur when scammers post fake rental ads on Craigslist or other sites using fake photos or photos from other, legitimate listings. Then, the scammers will ask for either an upfront payment in cash to view the property or hold the cash as a deposit. To avoid falling victim to this type of scam, consumers should be suspicious of anyone who asks for a cash deposit to see a property, and ensure the person is the real property owner before negotiating rental terms.

### Loan-Flipping Scams

Loan-flipping scams occur when a predatory lender persuades a homeowner to refinance their mortgage repeatedly, often borrowing more money each time. The fraudster will charge high fees with each transaction, and eventually the homeowner gets stuck with higher loan payments that are unaffordable. To avoid this scam, be wary of solicitations from lenders that were not contacted by the homeowner first, and work

only with known banks or lenders.

### Foreclosure Relief Scams

Foreclosure relief scams involve scammers duping homeowners in pre-foreclosure with promises to save the owner's home if the owner pays a large fee. Afterwards, the homeowners are often in worse financial shape and the house is still foreclosed. To avoid this scam, consumers in this situation should work directly with their loan servicer to modify the existing loan, request forbearance or make another arrangement.

Last month, Attorney General Moody issued a Consumer Alert warning Floridians about moving scams. To avoid common moving scams, consumers should:

- Never sign any blank or incomplete documents or contracts;
- Obtain moving estimates and quotes from the company in writing and make sure the estimates are binding;
- Determine whether the movers will perform the move alone or if the company will be subcontracting with another carrier; and
- Beware if movers show up in rental trucks without uniformed personnel.

Real estate and moving scams occurring in Florida can be reported to the Attorney General's office by calling 1(866) 9NO-SCAM or filing a complaint online at [MyFloridaLegal.com](http://MyFloridaLegal.com).

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Hi. My name is Lexie and I am a 10-year-old shetland sheepdog.

That may come as a surprise since I look different than most shelties.

Instead of shades of brown, I am black and white with the most beautiful blue eyes - at least that's what everyone says.

I am a member of the herding class of dogs. When I lived in New Jersey, I used to like to herd the grandkids when they got out of line.

You can usually find me walking or prancing around the west side of On Top of the World a couple of times a day with my mom, Robyn Harker.

I love to play with my mom. She is very careful not to break anything. Before COVID, during the summer, I enjoyed spending time camping at the Jersey Shore and visiting with my Jersey family.

I do miss the kids, but I still get to FaceTime with them.

I live in the Valencia building, but I love stopping to visit the neighbors, especially the ones with treats.

I hope you will say hi if you see me around.



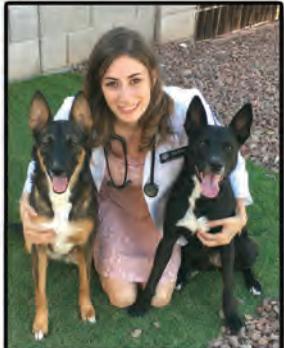
Each month, OTOW News and Woof Gang Bakery & Grooming are featuring a Pet of the Month in this newspaper. Any pets living at On Top of the World are eligible. To enter your pet, email one clear, color photo to [OTOW.newsroom@gmail.com](mailto:OTOW.newsroom@gmail.com) and tell us what makes your pet special. If you don't have email capabilities, drop off your photo and information at the newsroom. You must include pet's name, owner's name, building and age of pet. 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 the same household can be one entry. The winner this month will receive a gift card from Woof Gang Bakery in Clearwater. If you are the winner this month, stop by the newsroom to pick up your gift cards. Each monthly winner becomes eligible for Pet of the Year honors in January. Voting for Pet of the Year takes place online in January. The winner will be announced each February. The winner receives additional prizes and will be invited to march in the annual Irish Club Parade each March.



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On Thursday, June 2, VOICEexperience returned to the On Top of the World Auditorium. Performing, in clockwise order, were the entire group (Maria Zouves, Chad Sonka, Ziwan Niw, Paulina Yeung and Torlef Borsting), Paulina, Chad with pianist Dan Gettinger and Ziwan. A taped show from this concert will air on OTOW-TV Channel 732 on July 1, 2 and 3 from 7-8 p.m.

(Photos by Doug Kates)



Every once in a while, VOICEexperience visits On Top of the World to give its up-and-coming opera singers a chance to perform in front of a live audience.

But in June, during the group's first visit in more than two years, the performance was more like a concert instead of a rehearsal.

For the residents who attended the Thursday morning event, it was a wonderful show.

Co-founder Maria Zouves said she loves bringing her singers to On Top of the World because we are such a great audience. She said it can sometimes be a challenge to perform at 10 a.m., but you couldn't tell by the voices she brought with her.

Joining Maria on stage were Dan Gettinger (piano), Chad Sonka (baritone), Torlef Borsting (baritone), Paulina Yeung (soprano) and Ziwan Nie (mazzo).

Paulina was just in "The King and I" on Broadway.

The OTOW show opened with a group song, followed by solos and duets. Maria ended the morning with her special rendition of "Over the Rainbow" and dedicated it to famous actress Judy Garland and a friend of VOICEexperience, Judy, who the group lost a week before our event.

Maria said VOICEexperience will definitely be back ... maybe for a full show next time. So watch for future news.

# VOICEexperience



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Neighbory Care

The Neighbory Care Transportation bus is currently doing all Wednesday, Thursday and Friday routes at On Top of the World. The Tuesday schedule has been temporarily dropped. The bus driver will only pick up passengers who are registered with Neighbory Care and who have reservations. Registration forms are available in the Community Service Office or you can email Nancy Rogers at [general\\_activity@otowfl.com](mailto:general_activity@otowfl.com). Reservations are first-come, first-served, and can be made from 7 a.m., Monday, through 1 p.m., Thursday, for any day(s) in the current week. NO reservations will be accepted after 1 p.m. for the next day to ensure the morning roster can be prepared before staff leave for the day. When making multiple reservations for your week ahead, please ensure careful planning to prevent the need to cancel. To cancel a ride, please call the bus line as early as possible. You must present your valid activity card before boarding. Please be visible to your bus driver outside your center core. No eating or drinking on the bus. Shopping time is limited to 90 minutes. Questions? Call Activity Department Manager Nancy Rogers at 727-799-2734.

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Important Information



# Summit Broadband

Please be advised that Summit Broadband contractors have started their groundwork in our community.

Around June 27, contractors began running fiber cable to all units in Buildings 1-6. Access to your unit is paramount in ensuring successful completion of phase one of the project. If you are not home, please plan to provide access to your unit by any of the following ways:



1. Provide a neighbor with a key
  2. Drop off a key at the Community Service Office
  3. Mail key to: On Top of the World Condominium Association Inc  
2069 World Parkway Blvd East, Clearwater, FL., 33763
- (If dropping off or mailing a key, or leaving a key with a neighbor, please use the form at right)

Keys dropped off or mailed in will be returned upon completion of phase one. Please note, the dates provided are approximate and subject to change. Upon request, please plan to clear an area as required for an access point. Your cooperation is appreciated.



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# Veterans Group, community leaders, making plans to assist our veterans into 2023



A team of community leaders is working on Veterans Group activities for 2023. In the back row, from left to right, are Good Neighbors President Jesse Tiamson, New York/New Jersey President Pat Hayes, Tony Santarsieri, Teri Klinger, Linda Faust, and Janet and Charlie Peterman. In the front row are Evelyn Tiamson, Janet Gentile, Stu Rosenblatt, Dahlia Rosenblatt, Pam Rosenblatt and Gail Hochhauser.

By Pamela Rosenblatt

Happy Fourth of July to one and all.

While you are pursuing your summer festivities, please know that your Veterans Group is still hard at work.

The Veterans Group team recently had a planning meeting for 2023. It is a work in progress. The team is adding several additional events and hope to make next year our most successful in meeting the needs of our community and veterans.

Once completed, our schedule will be made available to everyone.

The Bay Pines Veterans Administration in St. Petersburg is in desperate need of men's clothing items. Our club is going to help.

And as always, our group is working to get our own veterans what they need all year round. Right now they need new men's shoes (sizes 9 1/2 to 13) and new shorts and jeans (waist size 33 to 38).

How can you help?

During the summer months, dona-

tions are appreciated and accepted at the East Activity Center on Thursday mornings between 8:30-10:30 a.m.

The New York/New Jersey Club and Pat Hayes offered to accept needed items on our behalf at their information table.

Thank you Pat, New York/New Jer-

sey Club members and residents for always supporting our veterans.

Our next Coffee Social with veterans will be Wednesday, Aug. 3, 2 p.m., in the East Activity Center Kitchen. Come join us and have coffee with one of our own veterans.

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## Show your patriotism - wear red, white and blue to Independence Day Dance on July 9

By Mary Ann O'Neil

Happy summer to all!

As a reminder, there are no shows throughout the summer months, however, we do have dances.

There will be two dances in July.

July 9 is our Independence Day Dance featuring Ron and the Classics. Let's all wear red, white and blue to celebrate our independence!

On July 23, Louie Bravo Duo will entertain us for a fun evening of dancing. Louie has performed here several times in the past couple of years, so come on out and welcome him back.

Our first summer dance was on June 11. Needless to say, it was a great success and featured the Ralph Rogers duo Three's Company.

Many of you know Ralph as he has entertained many times at our Sunday Meet & Greets (previously known as Sunday in the Park).

Their wonderful voices blended for

many great songs.

On Saturday, June 25, we were entertained by Bittersweet Duo – Tony Orifici and Deb Bowen.

Tony and Deb have been entertaining us for many years with a wide range of musical styles from Country to Motown and everything in between.

As usual, our residents tore up the dance floor and had a great time!

We know that a lot of our residents have gone back for the summer, but we want to assure those of you who are full-time residents that we will still have events here to attend during the summer months.

Please come out and support our dances.

Remember, dance tickets are only \$10 per person. Our dances are reserved table seating - bring your own beverages.

We will try to accommodate your party, so get your friends together and reserve your table(s).

Just a reminder that shorts are not al-

lowed at our dances. This includes both females and males. We would hate to have to ask you to leave.

On Sunday, June 26, we had our Sunday Meet & Greet with horse races. This event is a fun Sunday afternoon, and everyone was anxious to bet on their favorite jockey and horse.

New Year's Eve Dance tickets are on sale now so get your friends together to reserve your table. The earlier you purchase your tickets, the better chance you have of selecting the table you want. This is our biggest dance of the year and we are always sold out. Cost of tickets is \$30 per person.

Don't forget to stop by the Entertainment Committee information table on Thursdays between 8:30-10:30 a.m. to purchase your show and dance tickets.

We have pamphlets that list all our shows and dances which will help you plan ahead. Remember, you can purchase several show or dance tickets in advance.

You don't need to purchase one at a time or wait for the month of the event.

On behalf of the OTOW Entertainment Committee, have a happy Fourth of July and God bless the United States of America.

If you want to stay home and be safe this Fourth of July, the Entertainment Committee and OTOW-TV have teamed up to bring you a concert in your own condo. George Trullinger was here live in concert this past winter. He has given us permission to air this show on our community TV station at 7 p.m., on Monday, July 4.

This will appear on Channel 732 if you have Spectrum Cable. Tap 7 3 2. Do not use your up and down arrows on your remote control.

Enjoy the recording, but make sure you get tickets for his next live show here. Watch for future announcements.



## George Trullinger Variety Show

7 pm, Monday, July 4

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# ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

UPCOMING SCHEDULE



Tickets on sale 8:30-10:30 a.m. Thursdays in the EAC Auditorium.

View our entire schedule online at [otowboxoffice.com](http://otowboxoffice.com)

## JULY

- 9 Independence Day Dance with  
Ron & The Classics, 7:30, \$10
- 23 Louie Bravo Duo (dance), 7:30, \$10

## AUGUST

- 13 Bittersweet Dance, 7:30, \$10
- 27 End of Summer Dance  
with At Large, 7:30, \$10

## SEPTEMBER

- 15 Will Yancey in Concert, 7:30, \$20
- 17 Autumn Dance - A Taste of Love  
7:30, \$10 per person

For more information about the  
Entertainment Committee call (727) 449-9243.



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# Where to celebrate the Fourth of July

Happy Independence Day! – Monday, July 4.

Here are a few events in our area to celebrate the day.

## Clearwater

Clearwater is celebrating America with the return of a bang on July 4 at BayCare Ballpark.

The event kicks off at 6 p.m. and will conclude with a dazzling, music-choreographed fireworks show at 9:15 p.m. (subject to change).

The annual fireworks display is temporarily relocating from its traditional venue at Coachman Park to BayCare Ballpark, because of construction.

Attendees can celebrate America's birthday in style with a giant fireworks display, a star-studded concert by the Black Honkeys and fun activities for children of all ages.

All-American culinary concessions, such as hamburgers, hot dogs and popcorn, will be available for purchase, as well as adult beverages.

Tickets for the event can be purchased at BayCare Ballpark, calling 727-467-4457, or on their website <http://myclearwater.info/america>.

Tickets are \$5 for the event. Parking is \$5 and can be purchased at the parking lot.

Those planning to attend should purchase their tickets in advance because of anticipated demand and a limited number of tickets.

The fireworks display is expected to be one of the best shows in the area and is designed for attendees inside the stadium. There are no alternative viewing locations.

## Safety Harbor

### Fourth of July Parade & Patriotic Ceremony

American Legion Post 238 will host a patriotic parade down Main Street on the morning of July 4.

Wear your red, white and blue and be ready for a good time.

A patriotic ceremony will take place at the gazebo at John Wilson Park immediately following the parade. There will be free snowcones, water, juice, cookies and popcorn.

The Santa Claus Drill Team will be there along with free, live patriotic music and presentations.

There will be children's activities, live entertainment, food vendors and plenty of fun for the whole family.

Get a good seat at the marina or Waterfront Park because this is one of the best fireworks displays in Tampa Bay and it goes off at exactly 9 p.m., July 4. Events at Waterfront Park will take place 5-9 p.m.

## Farmers Market

The On Top of the World Farmers Market is back with the next one taking place on Wednesday, July 13, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Future Farmers Markets will take place on July 27 and Aug. 24.

## Fletcher Music Keyboard Lessons

This summer Fletcher Music Center will be offering six keyboard lessons to our residents for the special price of only \$20.

The lessons will take place in the West



Activity Center Learning Lab each Monday from Aug. 1 through Sept. 12 from 10-11 a.m.

There will be no classes on Labor Day, Sept. 5.

This discount rate is for OTOW residents only and registered students must bring their updated activity card and payment to the first day of class.

Residents may register by telephone at 727-799-2734, or email [general\\_activity@otowfl.com](mailto:general_activity@otowfl.com) and reference "Key Board Lessons." Please give your name, address, telephone number and email address.

Class size is limited to 25. Registration is first come, first served and the deadline to register will be Monday, July 25.

Important Note: Fletcher Music Center has offered to lend the keyboard to registered students to practice on when other activities are not scheduled in the Learning Lab.

Fletcher Music Center owns the keyboard and only registered students are authorized to play it. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Movie Night

A Hard Day's Night will be shown in the East Activity Center Auditorium on Wednesday, July 20 at 4 p.m.

The event is free but registration is required.

"Baby it's hot outside!" So, come on in to see one of the best Beatles movies of all time, "A Hard Day's Night."

The movie and popcorn are free!

Good Neighbors Association will be selling soda and water from the Good Karma Outpost.

The movie starts promptly at 4:30 p.m. but arrive by 4 p.m. for some conversation. We will pass the microphone around to hear some of your best memories of the Beatles, your favorite songs, the concerts you attended or just what the Beatles have meant to you. We can continue our conversation after the film.

Registration is required because for the best sound and tech quality, seating must be limited to 70.

To register, please call 727-799-2734 or email [general\\_activity@otowfl.com](mailto:general_activity@otowfl.com). Reference the movie and leave your name, building, unit number and your phone number.

I look forward to seeing you on July 20 at 4 p.m.

## Aging Successfully Returns

Aging Successfully Programs return!

July's topic will be "Strengthening our Immune System." The event takes place on Thursday, July 14, in the East Activity Cen-

ter Largo Room at 10:30 a.m.

Please give a warm welcome back to Leslie Noland from Gulf Coast Community Services. She will lead a discussion on the topic.

We need a healthy immune system to fight off invaders such as toxins, bacteria, and viruses. Many of us have lifestyles or diets that can weaken this defense. This discussion will focus on simple self-care and nutritional adjustments that can have positive impacts on our immune system and our overall health.

To register, please send an email to [general\\_activity@otowfl.com](mailto:general_activity@otowfl.com) or call 727-799-2734 with your name, address, building, unit number and telephone number. Reference "Aging Successfully: How to Strengthen our Immune System."

## Aging Successfully - WISE Program

Are you 60 or older and looking for an opportunity to stay healthy?

I am pleased to announce that Leslie Noland from Gulf Coast Community Services will bring the WISE Program to On Top of the World this summer.

WISE stands for Wellness Initiative for Senior Education.

The educational program offers six lessons that cover a wide range of topics. Join us for this fun program where you'll meet new people and:

- Learn about the aging process and how to make healthy lifestyle choices
- Celebrate this exciting stage of life and all the benefits that come with it
- Discuss risk factors and behaviors you should avoid to stay healthy

• Examine how alcohol, prescription medications and over-the-counter medications affect seniors differently and how you can avoid problems

• Learn how to use simple tools to help you feel more empowered about your health and the healthcare you receive

Six Sessions:

- Understand changes associated with aging
- Aging Sensitivity
- Valuing Cultural and Generational Diversity

• Medication and the Older Adult

• Addiction and the Older Adult

• An Enhanced Quality of Life

The program will take place in the East Activity Center Largo Room from 10:30 a.m. to noon on the following Wednesdays, Aug. 24, Aug. 31, Sept. 7, Sept. 14, Sept. 21 and Sept. 28.

Please check your calendar to ensure you can commit to the entire program.

The program is free but registration is required for a minimum class size of six and a maximum class size of 25.

To register, please send an email to [general\\_activity@otowfl.com](mailto:general_activity@otowfl.com) or call 727-799-2734 with your name, address, building, unit number and telephone number. Please reference "WISE Program."

The WISE Program will return this winter to give our Snowbirds an opportunity to participate.

## Activity Card Renewal and Grace Period

Activity Card renewal is underway.

Activity Card renewal takes place at the East Activity Center Community Service

Office, 2069 World Parkway Boulevard E.

Residents need to bring their old activity card, picture ID, and a piece of mail.

Activity Cards will not be punched or processed without proper identification and address verification.

In addition, 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.

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. Any noncompliance matters will be directed to the On Top of the World Association.

## One Blood

The Big Red Bus will be back at the East Activity Center north parking lot (near Lawn Bowls) on Thursday, July 14 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Residents can register to donate blood by visiting Nancy's Bulletin Board at [otowclearwaterinfo.com](http://otowclearwaterinfo.com), in the Community Service Office or just show up that day.

In thanks, you will receive two gifts: a T-shirt and a \$20 e-gift card. See more details at Nancy's Bulletin Board.

A special thanks to the residents who participated last month. The honor roll is as follows:

Andrew Polselli, Camile Karnoutsos, Debra Clarkson, Joan Traycheff, Qiuxia Li, Ricky Roberts and Sharon Dowty.

Thank you so much for saving lives! Your donations helped 15 patients.

## Activity Office

The Activity Office operates Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m.-noon and 12:30-3 p.m., but Facility Room and Pavilion reservations are only processed Monday through Thursday, from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 12:30-3 p.m.

In other words, it is not possible to make a reservation for the upcoming weekend on a Friday.

To make a reservation, please call or email me at [general\\_activity@otowfl.com](mailto:general_activity@otowfl.com). Including the date and room that you would like to reserve. This starts the reservation process. Once we establish an available date and location, your next step is to complete the online Facility Request Form.

Online Facility Request Form Instructions are as follows:

Visit: [otowclearwaterinfo.com](http://otowclearwaterinfo.com), click on "Community Activities and Forms," and select the "SCA Online Facility Request Form." Complete, sign the form with your mouse or finger, click submit and the form lands in the general activity email account.

I will acknowledge receipt in an email. (Use Google not Safari as your browser)

If you are planning to have food, a returnable deposit is required (check only). Make checks payable to "SCA" and deliver to the Community Service Office where I have a secure mailbox. After-hours, drop off in the secure mail slot at the front of the East Activity Center. I will acknowledge receipt of your check in an email.

## New club or event ideas?

If you would like to meet to discuss an idea for a club or any matter related to events and activities, please email or call me to make an appointment.

**JULY**  
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# OTOW Community Activities Calendar - July 2022

## SPECIAL EVENTS

Bingo Returns, Monday, July 11, 6 pm (Doors Open at 4 pm), EAC Auditorium  
 Farmers Market, Wednesday July 13 and July 27 from 10 am to 5 pm  
 Moving 'n Grooving Thunder Moon Dance: Wednesday, July 13, 4:30-8:30 pm, Auditorium  
 Aging Successfully: Strengthening Our Immune System Thursday, July 14 from 10:30-11:30 am, Largo Room

## CLUB AND GROUP EVENTS

Art Guild Painting Pals: 1-4pm, Wednesdays, East Activity Center Largo Room  
 Art Guild Friendship Painters: 1-4pm, Thursdays, East Activity Center Largo Room  
 Art Guild Board Meeting: Wednesday, July 13, 1 pm, East Activity Center Largo Room  
 Baby Boomers Group: Meetings, 5:30-6:30pm, Wednesday, July 6 and Thursday, July 21, Pavilion (Rain: Largo Room)  
 Baby Boomers Acoustic Jam: 10 am - 1 pm, Thursdays, West Activity Center Belleair Room  
 Billiards (8 Ball): 6:30-10pm, Mondays and Tuesdays, West Activity Center Learning Lab  
 Billiards (Scotch Doubles): 6:30-10pm, Thursdays, West Activity Center Learning Lab  
 Billiards (9 Ball): 1-3 pm, Fridays.  
 Caring & Sharing Group: 9am-12pm, Tuesday, East Activity Center Clearwater Room  
 Ceramics: 10am-12pm, Thursdays, East Activity Center Clearwater Room  
 Coloring Book Group: Wednesdays, 12-3 pm, East Activity Center Crystal Beach Room  
 Computer Club: Meeting, 8:30-10am, Wednesdays and Saturdays, West Activity Center Learning Lab  
 Cornhole: Mondays, 1-3 pm, West Activity Center Belleair Room (Presented by Moving 'n Grooving Club)  
 Club Ticket Sales: 8:30-10:30 a.m., Thursdays, East Activity Center Auditorium  
 Democratic Club: Meeting, 2-3:30pm, Thursday, July 14, East Activity Center Clearwater Room  
 Democratic Club Happy Hour: 7-10 pm, Tuesday, July 26, East Activity Center Largo Room  
 Democratic Club Board Meeting: 2-3:30 pm, Thursday, July 28, East Activity Center Clearwater Room  
 Entertainment Committee Dance: Saturday, July 9, 7:30 pm, East Activity Center Auditorium  
 Entertainment Committee Dance: Saturday, July 23, 7:30 pm, East Activity Center Auditorium  
 Good Karma Book Club: 10am-12pm, Thursday, July 21, East Activity Center Crystal Beach Room  
 High Vibe Tribe: 7-9pm, Thursday, July 14, East Activity Center Kitchen/Clearwater Room  
 Knitting Group: Wednesdays, 9-11 am, East Activity Center Crystal Beach Room  
 Lambda Club: Social, 7-10 pm, Friday, July 8, East Activity Center Largo Room  
 Learning To Dance with Noland: Mondays, 1 - 3 pm, East Activity Center Largo Room  
 Line Dance Club: 1-3 pm, Tuesdays, 8:30-10:30 am, Saturdays, East Activity Center Auditorium  
 Line Dance Club Practice: 7-8am, Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, East Activity Center Exercise Room  
 Moving and Grooving Line Dancing: Level 1 (easy) 9am-10pm, Tuesdays, 1-2 pm Fridays, East Activity Center Auditorium  
 Moving and Grooving Line Dancing: Level 2 (beginners/advanced) 10pm-11:30, Tuesdays, 1-2pm, Fridays, East Activity Center Auditorium  
 Moving and Grooving Cardio Dance: 12-1 pm Mondays, 6:30-7:30pm Tuesdays, 12-1pm Wednesdays, 9-10am Saturdays, 10:30-11:30 am Saturdays, EAC Exercise Room  
 Philosophy Club: 10-11:30 am, Tuesdays, East Activity Center Crystal Beach Room  
 Pickleball: 6:30-8 pm, Monday through Friday, 9 am-12 pm, Sundays  
 Ping Pong: 10am-1pm, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, West Activity Center Belleair Room  
 Pray for America: Meeting, 10am-12pm, Saturdays, East Activity Center Crystal Beach Room  
 Republican Club: Meeting, 7-9 pm, Tuesday, July 12, West Activity Center Belleair Room  
 Social Dance: 1-3 pm, Thursdays, West Activity Center Belleair Room  
 Tennis Association Social: 9 am - 2 pm, Monday, July 4, Pavilion  
 Tennis Association Board Meeting: 12 pm, Friday, July 8, Kitchen/Clearwater Rooms  
 Theater Workshop Social: Wednesday, July 6, 6-7 pm, West Activity Center Belleair Room  
 Theater Workshop Meeting: Wednesday, July 6, 7-8:30 pm, West Activity Center Belleair Room  
 Texas Card Game Club: 3-10 pm, Friday, July 22, East Activity Center Kitchen/Clearwater Room  
 TOPS: 9:30-11am, Thursdays, East Activity Center Largo Room  
 World Quilters: 8am-2pm, Tuesdays, East Activity Center Largo Room  
 Writers Ink: 1-2:30pm, Thursdays, East Activity Center Dunedin Room



## CARDS AND GAMES

Blackout (Canadian Club): 6:30-9:30pm, Thursdays, West Activity Center Belleair Room  
 Cribbage: 10am-12pm, Wednesdays, East Activity Center Ozona Room  
 Double Deck Pinochle: 1-3:30pm, Sundays and Wednesdays, East Activity Center Ozona Room  
 Duplicate Bridge (Beginners): 9am-12pm, Thursdays, East Activity Center Ozona Room  
 Duplicate Bridge: 11:30am-4pm, Saturdays, East Activity Center Ozona Room  
 Duplicate Bridge: 11-3pm, Saturdays, East Activity Center Dunedin Room  
 Ladies Bunco: 6:30-10pm, Tuesday, July 12, West Activity Center Learning Lab  
 Mahjongg: 1-4pm, Fridays, West Activity Center Palm Harbor Room  
 Mexican Train Card Game (Dominos): 1-5 pm, Thursdays, Safety Harbor Room  
 Poker (Alonzo's Group): 5-8 pm, Mondays, Safety Harbor Room  
 Poker (Bob's Group): 6-9:30 pm, Tuesdays, Safety Harbor Room  
 Poker (Tom's Group): 5-9 pm, Wednesdays, Safety Harbor Room  
 Poker (Carol's Group): 6-9 pm, Wednesdays and Fridays, Safety Harbor Room  
 Poker (Barry's Group): 6:30-9:30 pm, Mondays and Wednesdays, East Activity Center Ozona Room  
 Samba/Hand And Foot Canasta: 6-9 pm, Thursdays and Fridays, East Activity Center Ozona Room

## EXERCISES

Aqua Aerobics: 9-10am, Monday through Friday, East Activity Center Swimming Pool  
 Bonesavers: 8-9am, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, East Activity Center Largo Room \*  
 Co-Ed Exercises: 10-10:45 am, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, East Activity Center Exercise Room  
 Hatha Yoga with Marilyn: 10-11:15 am, Thursdays, East Activity Center Exercise Room  
 Ladies Exercise: 8-9 am, Mondays through Fridays, East Activity Center Exercise Room  
 Slimnastics: 9-10am, Mondays through Fridays, East Activity Center Exercise Room  
 Tai Chi Flow 108: 3:15-4:15pm, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, East Activity Center Exercise Room.  
 Tai Chi Qigong: 3:15-4pm, Tuesdays, Thursdays East Activity Center Exercise Room

\* Bonesavers will begin at 9 am on July 4

## BUILDING EVENTS

Englander (78) - 12-6 pm, Sunday, July 10, WAC Belleair Room  
 Malaguena (84) - 4-10 pm, Monday, July 4, WAC Belleair Room  
 Swiss Alps Chalet (12) - 11:30-4:40, Saturday, July 9, Pavilion

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### Swimming Pools (May through September)

Monday-Saturday, 8 am to 8 pm  
 Sundays and Holidays, 9 am to 8 pm

### Swimming Pools (October through April)

Mondays-Saturdays, 8 am to 6:30 pm  
 Sundays and Holidays, 9 am to 6:30 pm

# Talent Night cancelled in July

There will not be a Talent Night in July.

Read the August newspaper for future updates and announcements on this monthly event where you get to show off your talents in the East Activity Center Auditorium.

Whether it is singing, playing an instrument, bringing in a band, storytelling, telling jokes, reading poetry or more, this is the night for you.

We apologize for all the confusion in June. OTOW News was given an incorrect date for Talent Night last month. Corrections were placed on TV and on the Box Office (otowboxoffice.com).

Then the actual Talent Night was canceled in June due to a late problem.

Watch this newspaper, OTOW-TV Channel 732 and the Box Office for future updates.



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The caller says he/she is from CBP, and that you received a suspicious package or possibly you've received some illegal items (drugs, weapons, etc.). You must verify such and such or you must pay something or other, etc., etc.

Bottom line: The U.S. Customs and Border Protection agency does NOT call you unless in response to YOUR call to them.

They do NOT demand money or you will go to jail. You must NEVER engage in any discussions with these folks, no matter how severely they speak to you. Just hang up!

Scam Alert: I received a phone call (well, a voice message because, like we all should do, I don't answer a call if I don't know who's calling). It was from Julie, or maybe it was Wendy, or possibly Suzie. I'm not sure.

She called to tell me that I hadn't got ten back with her after she had left me a message (she didn't) and they had a "special" price for my vehicle warranty which had expired or was about to expire.

There is another version of this call. Julie, Wendy or Suzie calls about a free roof inspection, or possibly about a lost credit card of mine.

She even had the last four numbers of my credit card (all correct) but she wanted me to verify the rest of the numbers.



Look! The only person calling you unsolicited and out of the blue about a vehicle warranty, a roof inspection or a missing credit card is a scammer.

No one will give you anything free.

Free, my friends, can turn out to be very expensive. And I can guarantee you that when someone on an unsolicited call speaks of a "special price," it'll be very special and very expensive to you.

Note: I think many of my readers know that I am a frequent lecturer on topics such as estate planning, real estate, taxation, as well as history and historical figures. I love doing that. I get really pumped! Great fun for me and I sincerely hope that everyone gets something worthwhile from the topics.

Now, because someone raised it with me, let me be clear, I never look over any of

the sign-up or sign-in sheets to see who is going to be there.

I never follow-up a lecture with any solicitation or other business approach.

I want everyone to enjoy my lectures without any concern of getting solicited afterward, because there won't be any.

Q. We are Canadian Snowbirds. We keep a few thousand American dollars in a U.S. bank, but sometimes it grows to (a considerable amount).

Our condo is in both our names and we have wills, powers of attorneys and living wills from Canada.

We want everything to pass to our four children. We were told we ought to have an American trust. Your thoughts?

A. Frequently, a trust for non-U.S. citizen Snowbirds is not needed if you have all your affairs properly set up in your home country.

What you almost assuredly should have is a Durable Power of Attorney and Advance Directive drawn by your Florida attorney. Then, set your accounts up as payable on death to the children, have a ladybird deed with the children as ultimate remainder persons, a simple will to cover anything for which you forgot beneficiary designations, and you should be fine.

Warning: I once had someone roast me because they were told they had to have a trust. They never did, though. Your Canadian attorney may feel you should have some specific planning to take care of some

of your assets even if they are here in Florida with you. So, check with him/her.

Q. My married granddaughter (age 37) went on a "singles" cruise and met someone from a (non-English speaking country). At one of the stops, they got married. She says it's legal because he's not a U.S. citizen. She travels for her work a lot. She said her husband doesn't need to know. The one she just married does know about the other. Your thoughts?

A. Sigh. I have no words.

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# ACTIVITY REPORTS



## Who wants to be the first person to yell 'bingo' on July 11?



By Diane Like

It's been more than two long years since bingo was played at On Top of the World.

Like you, I looked forward to Monday bingo again.

Earlier this year, when social gatherings started up again, I kept waiting for word on when bingo would begin.

Time went by and I was still waiting.

I reached out to OTOW Activities Director Nancy Rogers in April and learned there was still no date to start.

Cindy Stone was unable to start bingo and there was no one to run it.

Like you, I was disappointed.

Over the weeks, a thought started to take hold in my thinking, "I could do this."

I've always loved to play bingo. People enjoy playing, especially when they are the one yelling "BINGO!"

We're able to meet new people and socialize between games.

The more I waited and thought about it, I talked more with Nancy and then with Cindy about what it would take to open bingo again.

Cindy offered to help me get bingo started and then Lucille (Lu) Greenhalgh offered to line up all the volunteers.

We were off and running.

We chose our start date of July 11 so we'd have time to get organized.

I'm happy to say almost everything is ready.

Our volunteers are returning to help,



Get your daubers out and your lucky trinkets aligned. Bingo will be back starting July 11.

including a few new ones.

The fresh donuts, we all love, have been ordered and the coffee will be ready.

We've set the date for the callers to get together to freshen their memory on the bingo machine and computer.

On July 11 the doors will open at 4 p.m. in the East Activity Center. Bingo will begin at 6 p.m.

Tickets must be purchased prior to 6 p.m. Everyone who buys a packet on July 11 will receive a free dauber.

On July 18 we will start selling tickets for a fall Bingo Marathon to take place on Oct. 15.

Hopefully, you are as excited as I am to get started again. Mark your calendars. I hope to see you there.

## BINGO IS BACK!

Monday, July 11, 6:00

Monday night bingo will resume starting in July in the East Activity Center Auditorium.

Mark your calendars, find your good luck charms and get ready to yell "bingo!"



# Travel Club holds first meeting at the Pavilion and countdown begins to Fort Myers trip



On May 25 the On Top of the World Travel Club held its first barbeque at the Pavilion.

Many members volunteered to make the day a success.

We had plenty of burgers, hot dogs, salads, cookies and water for everyone to enjoy.

David Berman welcomed us with a few jokes which put the group in a good mood. We then proceeded to enjoy the barbeque.

As people were finishing eating, Ray Willis spoke about not rushing away. He suggested instead to slow down, look around and appreciate the moment that has us together.

His wisdom was perfect for the time we find ourselves in. We held hands, we sang, we laughed and we hung out.

Thank you, Ray.

The Travel Club meeting in June was held in the East Activity Center.

We enjoyed a presentation by two AAA travel agents from the Clearwater office. They passed out AAA reusable bags that were filled with AAA member benefits information. They spoke to us about the travel side of AAA and also the many benefits of membership.



Travel Club members get ready to start the first ever club meeting at the Pavilion.

The Travel Club will not hold meetings in July or August. Our next meeting will be Sept. 2 at 2 p.m. in the EAC Oldsmar room.

We will not have a Thursday information table in the EAC the last two weeks of July and the first two weeks of August. Our information table returns on Aug. 18 at 8:15 a.m.

Our annual holiday party will take place at the Countryside Country Club

on Wednesday, Dec. 14, from 5-10 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at our information table the first two weeks of July and at club meetings. The price is \$55.

Our September overnight trip to Fort Myers Mystery Train and Fleamasters Flea Market is selling well. We are excited and can't wait to go on this trip.

Vice President Linda Keebler will continue to send informative emails to all current members.

President David Berman can be reached at either 508-951-3927 or 508-951-6459.

Remember our July 13 Lunch Bunch at the Dunedin Country Club.

Our August Lunch Bunch will take place at Sea Sea Riders on Aug. 10 and IKEA Day Trip on Aug. 17.

The OTOW Travel Club is going places ... don't be left behind!

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# Lambda Club gets recognition at Rays game during Pride Month celebrations in June

By Bruce Lovett

June was Pride Month and Lambda, On Top of the World's club that services their LGBT residents and friends, had, and continues to have, a lot for which to be proud.

Our handling of pandemic restrictions was truly inspired.

With both a weekly blog and a continual monthly presence in this very newspaper, we kept our current members in touch and potential new ones informed of our existence.

We used public parks to host bring-your-own-food-and-chair gatherings, and at times divided into socially distanced groups of 10.

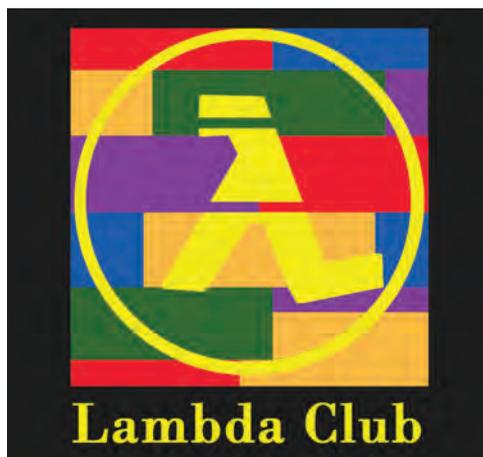
And when OTOW opened its very own pavilion for resident use, we found countless reasons to utilize the space.

At a recent gathering, no fewer than 12 new members were counted by this reporter. All of the newcomers joined since March of 2020 when the lockdown started.

Pride Month officially started in Clearwater with its first public flag raising in front of municipal buildings on June 1 at 10 a.m. Local officials and dignitaries were on hand for the event and of course Lambda's own Dave Beaven was front and center. He even participated in the accompanying mural painting event that followed.

Three days later a large contingent of Lambda members hit Tropicana Field for the Tampa Bay Rays annual pride game. Because we had such a good turnout, we not only got the souvenir "Pride" hats but a special price on seating. Our name flashed across the scoreboard.

The Rays made a \$20,000 donation



in honor of pride to the Metro Inclusive Health Center.

Lambda, itself, has supported this institution (along with others) on numerous occasions.

At our annual Thanksgiving and Christmas feasts, we have always taken a collection to support local charities that assist those less fortunate than us lucky enough to live at OTOW.

Just prior to Pride Month, Lambda took part in the nationwide event "Dining out for Life" where restaurants across the country offer anywhere from 10 to 50 percent off their sales to local HIV charities. This year we dined at Dunedin Smokehouse. We ended up taking three tables (see photo above).

Between St. Petersburg, Clearwater, and the surrounding bay area, there were too many pride events to count but you can be sure someone from Lambda was probably there.

But the most important event of all was right here at OTOW in the East Activity Center's Largo Room: A Lambda pride celebration.



As part of Pride Month, this year Lambda Club members dined at Dunedin's Smokehouse. They ended up taking three tables.

The buffet was crammed with food fit for any queen. Little cucumber sandwiches with pride flags were just one of the many stand out items. And the dessert table had so many multi-colored creations it looked a pride flag itself.

But the star of the evening was the entertainment. Various members performed wild numbers to a receptive audience. Mere words cannot express the fun that was had. You have to come to a Lambda monthly social to really experience it.

The next Lambda social is Friday, July 8, at 7 p.m., in the very same Largo Room.

It should prove to be an exceptionally good time as it is our annual club birthday party - something else we at Lambda are very proud of.

Our club is now 13 years young, and like any party, there will be gifts (bring a gift, receive a gift) and cake.

Should you wish further information about that event or the club in general, go to our official Web page at [lambdaclearwater.blogspot.com](http://lambdaclearwater.blogspot.com). You can also check us out at OTOW Box Office ([otowboxoffice.com](http://otowboxoffice.com)), or call Dave at (727) 410-7566.

## Meeting moved to EAC Largo Room

# Republican Club elects new president, vice president and welcomes Anna Paulina Luna to July meeting

By Jim Bjorgo

The Ronald Reagan Republican Club is pleased to announce the election of two new officers to help run the club.

Carl Turner, the previous vice president, has been elected to the position of president and Marilyn Nelson has been voted in as vice president.

We wish them well as they continue the important work of our club.

As we proceed forward, Mary Jane Lofton will continue her role as the long-serving treasurer of the club. We are still in search of a secretary and hope to fill that position in the next month.

If you are a member of the club and would like to consider this position, please contact any officer for more information.

In June, we continued to have several



candidates appear before our membership who are entered in the Aug. 23 primary races. We welcomed Lisa Cane, who is running for re-election to Pinellas County School Board, and Kim Berfield, a candi-

date for Florida House seat from District 58.

Both of these candidates presented their positions as it regarded to their campaign.

At our next meeting on July 12, we have three more candidates scheduled to appear: Anna Paulina Luna, candidate for U.S. Congressional District 13, Debbie Buschman, candidate for Pinellas County Commission-District 2, and Jim Vricos, candidate for Florida House Seat from District 58.

**Please note: This meeting has been moved to the East Activity Center Largo Room.**

The Ronald Reagan Republican Club is open to all residents at On Top of the World who are registered Republicans and

you are welcome to attend our meetings.

We normally meet the second Tuesday of each month at the West Activity Center Belleair Room. Doors open at 6 p.m. for a social hour and the business meeting begins at 7 p.m.

At the conclusion of the business meeting, we will have one or more guest speakers for your edification.

Come join us for an evening with fellow Republicans.

For those residents who are not registered Republicans and are contemplating a possible switch to our party, we ask that you stop by our club information table every Thursday morning from 8:30-10:30 a.m. in the East Activity Center Auditorium. We would enjoy telling you what the Republican Club has to offer.

# Let's keep summer active with a Meatball Social in August

By Will Peterson

The New York-New Jersey Club is not taking the entire summer off just because our Snowbird friends are gone.

Everyone is welcome to attend our Meatball Social, just added to our schedule, to keep this summer busy.

The Meatball Social will take place from 5:30-9 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 16, in the East Activity Center Auditorium.

Subs will be made by Mama Felice.

The cost is \$15 per person. Please note, the June newspaper incorrectly reported the cost was \$25.

It is in fact a bargain at \$15.

Tickets will be on sale 8:30-10:30 a.m., Thursdays, in the EAC Auditorium. Please look for our information table.

On Sept. 22 from 6-9 p.m., our club will host our annual welcome back cheese-cake social in the East Activity Center along with nomination of officers and a discussion on club events.



**New York - New Jersey Club**

There will also be guest speakers from On Top of the World clubs. Cost is \$5.

On Oct. 20, from 5-9 p.m., election of officers will take place. It will be Ha-

waiian Shirt Night in the East Activity Center and the evening will be catered by Mama Felice. Disc jockeys Cathy and Paul will provide the entertainment.

The meal will consist of ham with pineapples, barbecued chicken, pasta primavera, sweet potatoes, apple crumb pie, and individual salads, which will be set at your table. Of course, water and coffee will be provided. Cost to attend will be \$25.

On Dec. 1, our club will host an Ugly Christmas Sweater Night in the East Activity Center from 5-9 p.m. The entertainer will be a new DJ, "Les-N-Moore."

So get out that sweater as there will be a prize for the best, excuse me, I mean the ugliest sweater.

Once again, the evening meal will be catered by Mama and will consist of: seafood salad, shrimp and penne pasta in white sauce, chicken fingers and dipping sauce, meatballs, sausage and peppers,

and plain spaghetti with individual salads at your table. Water and coffee will be provided. Dessert will be cannolis and cookies. Cost is \$25 per ticket.

We are working on something special for January 2023 and April 2023. More details will follow as soon as the decision is made on what we will be serving and the cost and time of each of these events.

The New York/New Jersey Club is open to anyone who lives at On Top of the World. The cost to be a member is only \$5. The only requirement is that you must have a valid Activity Card.

We will have an information table in the East Activity Center every Thursday during the summer from 8:30-10 a.m. So come out and see us and buy your ticket for one of our events.

And if you can, volunteer to give us a helping hand not only at the table, but in setting up our events.

Our next Blood drive is



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# Consider joining The Jesters' 2023 show



By Robyn Kumar

So you think you can't act, sing or dance?

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Well, have no fear. The Jesters would still love to have you become a member. We need lots of members to fill various jobs leading up to our February 2023 show.

Are you friendly?

Well then, you could host our infor-



A scene from the 2022 Jesters Show.

mation table on a Monday or Thursday morning in the East Activity Center and answer questions about our club.

You could also be a ticket taker or usher at the show.

Do you like sewing or painting?

We need people to make costumes and scenery.

Are you a detail person?

We will need a stage manager and stage hands.

Do you like making other people feel at home?

How about being a part of our hospitality committee?

So, now you can see that there are many different things needed to present a show.

We also want you if you love to act, sing or dance.

Please contact me if you have any questions or just can't wait to join. My email is [mzrobbie22@gmail.com](mailto:mzrobbie22@gmail.com) or you can text me at 516-662-9640.

Always remember, belonging to Jesters is "Jest for Fun."



## Watch for our contest in August

By Elsie Paulan

Color, color, color!

The Coloring Book Group annual coloring book contest is coming up in August.

Look for an image in the August edition of OTOW News and color it in! Get out those pens, pencils or crayons and color up a storm and enter.

Simple as pie.

Coloring is so easy and you will have two weeks to enter the contest.

Then, if you had fun entering the contest, consider joining our club. We get together on Wednesdays from noon until 3 p.m. in the East Activity Center Crystal Beach Room. We have fun, chat, always stay inside the lines, stay cool and we have the best view in the whole community.

We have some extra supplies if you just want to give us a tryout.

Our featured image this month is from Julie Awot who hails from New Jersey. She has colored for a lot of years, but is here now and coloring with us.

Doesn't this look like fun!



## SUMMER BOWLING

Maple Lanes in Countryside is asking OTOW if anyone wants to start a summer bowling league?

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## Celeste Barber, Ted Nugent, Jon Lovitz, Howard Jones and Darrell Hall among the entertainers in our area in July

A busy summer entertainment schedule continues to thrive near On Top of the World. There always seems to be something to do and see for everyone.

“Charlie’s Aunt” will be performed at the Francis Wilson Theater from July 7-17. This play was first performed in 1892.

It is a timeless farce that centers on an undergraduate, Lord Fancourt Babberley, whose friends Jack and Charley persuade him to impersonate Charley’s aunt.

The complications of the plot include the arrival of the real aunt and the attempts of an elderly fortune hunter to woo the bogus aunt.

The play concludes with three pairs of young lovers united along with an older pair, Charley’s real aunt and Jack’s widowed father.

As a point of interest, the movie starred Jack Benny.

Celeste Barber makes an appearance on July 14 at the Mahaffey Theater in St. Petersburg.

She is an Australian comedian and media personality who has appeared in various television shows, but is best known for her role of paramedic Bree Matthews in the TV show “All Saints.”

She is also known for her roles in “Office Correctness” and “How Not to Behave.”

She also has been a sketch writer and performer on the Matt Jones Show.

Ted Nugent will be performing at Ruth Eckerd Hall on July 15. He is an

American singer, songwriter, guitarist and activist who initially gained fame as a member of The Amboy Dukes, a band formed in 1963 that played psychedelic and hard rock.

After dissolving the band, Ted embarked on a solo career. He is known for his Gibson Byrdland, his bluesy and frenzied guitar playing, and his energetic live shows.

Well-known actor and comedian, Jon Lovitz, will be at the Capitol Theater on July 21. He is an American stand-up comedian and actor perhaps best known as a cast member of Saturday Night Live from 1985 to 1990.

He also starred as Jay Sherman in “The Critic,” played a baseball scout in “A League of Their Own” and has appeared in 20 episodes of The Simpsons.

A trio of bands: Firefall, Orleans and Pure Prairie will be playing at Ruth Eckerd Hall on July 23.

Firefall is an American country rock band that formed in Boulder, Col., in 1974.

Orleans is an American pop rock band best known for its hits “Dance with Me” and “Still the One.”

Pure Prairie League is an American country rock band whose origins go back to 1965.

Howard Jones performs on July 23 at the Capitol Theater in Clearwater. He is a British musician, singer and songwriter who had 10 top-40 hit singles in the

United Kingdom between 1983 and 1986 including “What Is Love?” “New Song,” and “Things Can Only Get Better.”

Steely Dan makes a tour stop at the Mahaffey on July 22 and 23. The group is an American rock band founded in 1971 in Los Angeles. They are, perhaps, best known for their hits “Do It Again” and “Reelin’ in the Years.”

Rolling Stone magazine has called them “the perfect musical antiheroes of the ‘70s.”

The musical, “In the Heights,” will be performed at the Spanish Lyric Theater in Tampa from July 29 to August 7.

The story takes place in Washington Heights, N.Y., where the scent of warm coffee hangs in the air just outside of the 181st St. subway stop where a kaleidoscope of dreams rallies a vibrant and tight-knit community.

At the intersection of it all is a likeable bodega owner who hopes, imagines and sings about a better life.

The music was written by Lin-Manuel Miranda who also wrote the mega-hit “Hamilton.”

Darrell Hall will appear at the Mahaffey on Aug. 3. He is an American rock, R&B and soul singer and musician, who is best known as the co-founder and principal lead vocalist of Hall & Oates with guitarist and songwriter John Oates.

Among their best known songs are “Rich Girl” and “Maneater.”

Since late 2007, Darrell has hosted

the streaming television series “Live from Daryl’s House” in which he performs alongside other artists doing a mix of songs from their catalogs

With Major League Baseball in full swing, the Tampa Bay Rays will play three series at Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg throughout the month: July 11-14 vs Boston, July 16-17 vs Baltimore and July 29-31st vs Cleveland.

The Tampa Bay Rowdies will play two soccer matches in July at Al Lang Stadium in St Petersburg. On July 2 the Rowdies will face up against Memphis and on July 23 against Atlanta.

Summer Celebration at Busch Gardens will provide entertainment from day to night, including the all-new Gwazi Beats show with drums, dancers and stilt walkers. You can get in the party spirit at three DJ locations and catch the return of our fan-favorite Cirque Electric show while ending the night with an all-new fireworks and fountains spectacular.

By the time you read this article, the NHL season will be over, but it is worth noting that our Tampa Bay Lightning made it to the Stanley Cup finals for the third year in a row - trying for a three-peat of hockey supremacy.

Whether they won or lost, we should all be very proud of our home team for their incredible accomplishment.

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# Guest speaker gives Democratic Club some positive news on Pinellas County



**Democratic Club**

By Joanne Cordes

The Democratic Club was privileged to host two dynamic speakers with stellar resumes at our June 9 meeting.

Our first speaker was Pinellas County Commissioner of District 7 Rene Flowers. She summarized the structure of Pinellas County government as three at-large and four single-member districts.

Rene was first elected to the District 7 seat in 2020. Now, after a new law put the commission's single-member seats up for election in 2022 - in response to re-districting, she has had to launch her bid for re-election.

Our On Top of the World community is located in District 4, but as Rene told us: "You may not be in my district, but as a county commissioner, you are my constituents nonetheless."



Pinellas County Commissioner Rene Flowers speaks to members of the Democratic Club during their June meeting. Rene highlighted many accomplishments in Pinellas County.

Rene outlined several highlights of county accomplishments: (1) Pinellas County was recognized as No. 1 in Florida

for nursing home vaccine missions in 2021; (2) Pinellas County also became the first coastal community in Florida to earn

a new rating with FEMA that provides homeowners a 35 percent discount on flood insurance; (3) for the first time since 2007, commissioners decreased a millage rate, saving the average homeowner \$25 per year.

After we asked what we can do to help, Rene encouraged us to support democrats, attend monthly county meetings when possible and correspond with current officials about our concerns.

Visit [www.pinellascounty.org/public](http://www.pinellascounty.org/public) to learn more about engagement, participation and her candidacy.

Our second guest speaker, Carl Zimmermann, is running for Pinellas County School Board, District 3.

With more than 30 years of experience as a teacher in Pinellas County, he has the institutional knowledge of education and knows that he is well-qualified to excel in a school board position.

During his 30 years, he was honored as Teacher of the Year six times and named Tampa Bay Journalism Teacher of the Year in 2003.

Carl uses the concept of "applied education," which is teaching so students can make sense of why they need to learn

the outlined curriculum.

Once again, the theme of engagement and participation comes to the forefront.

To learn more about Carl's candidacy, visit [www.carlzimmermann.com](http://www.carlzimmermann.com).

During our meeting, Dave Beaven introduced the board-approved decision to add an evening gathering. This will benefit those who work during the day and also allows members more of a social experience. Our first meeting of the OTOW Democratic Club Happy Hour is on Tuesday, June 28 from 7-10 p.m. and will meet the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Largo Room thereafter. This will be an open forum to discuss current events. Please bring your own beverages and a snack to share if you like.

We will post an update on the room location on OTOW-TV channel 732 and on our Facebook/Meta page.

Our regular meetings will continue from 2-3:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month. We meet in the Kitchen/Clearwater Room of the East Activity Center for the summer months of July and August. Our next general meeting is Thursday, July 14. Please come join us.



## OTOW Farmer's Market

Wednesday, July 27

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### Upcoming Farmer's Market Dates

July 27	October 12
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# Computer Club can help your club set up a hybrid meeting

By Mike Wood

“Hybrid meeting” - what the heck is that?

Well, until COVID-19, hybrid meetings only existed in corporate America.

During COVID-19, online meetings, thanks to Zoom, Google Meets and other similar programs, became mainstream.

Then COVID-19 subsided and folks started getting back together.

What about those who didn't want to return to live meetings, but still wanted to interact with the live attendees, or those folks who enjoyed early morning “pajama meetings” from the comfort of their own homes?

What options did they still have?

Along came the hybrid meeting - a blend of live and online that was no longer unique to corporate America.

For the On Top of the World Computer Club, hybrid meetings are now commonplace. Yes, every Saturday morning, the Computer Club hosts a live meeting while simultaneously streaming it to



their Snowbird, homebound and “pajama meeting” members.

So, what do you need to get going with hybrid meetings?

All you need is a laptop, a small public address system and an input / output au-

dio to USB adapter.

Are you interested in starting a hybrid meeting for your club?

Just contact the Computer Club by sending us an email to otowcc@gmail.com and we'll be glad to help you get set up, hybrid style...

### About the Computer Club

The Computer Club meets every Saturday morning from 8:30 to 10 a.m., both in-person at the West Activity Center Learning Lab and using the Zoom virtual meeting platform.

Visitors are welcome.

Sessions usually consist of presentations or discussions led by club members or guest speakers. Time is also made available to ask questions.

In addition to the Saturday meetings, the club offers assistance to any OTOW resident with basic technology-related questions or issues. The Learning Lab is now open in the West Activity Center Wednesday mornings from 8:30-10.

Knowledgeable Computer Club volunteers offer basic computer, tablet and smart phone program assistance and app help. The services are free to all OTOW residents with a valid Activity Card. Computer Club membership is not required to get assistance.

If residents have in-home computers that require service in their condos, the Computer Club does not offer an in-home repair service, however, the Computer Club can offer guidance and assistance in locating service providers who can address other-than-basic service needs or in-home computer issues.

Computer service-related questions can be sent to the Computer Club at otowcc@gmail.com. Responses normally are made within 72 hours after the request is received.

For more information about the Computer Club, email us at otowcc@gmail.com, visit our website at www.otowcc.com or click our link in the OTOW Box Office, otowboxoffice.com.



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Marie Pinche, left, and Ann Setkowitz, right, advanced to the finals of the Texas Card Game Club's tournament in June. Ann was the last person standing.

# All female final in June tournament

By Joe DeChiaro

For the third consecutive time, The Texas Card Game Club held a tournament in June and a new member finished in the top three.

The previous two tournaments saw a new member win the tournament, but this time the new member finished in second place.

We had a husband and wife duo join our club. Their names were Dave and Marie Pinche.

The tournament started with 14 players and within the second hour we were down to the final table.

Finally, there were three players remaining with Dave, Marie and Ann Setkowitz.

After Dave got eliminated, Ann and Marie battled for 30 minutes before Ann prevailed for her first tournament win.

Our next three tournaments will be on Friday, July 22; Friday, Aug. 19 and



Friday, Sept. 16 at 5 p.m. We meet in the East Activity Center Kitchen/Clearwater Room and the entry fee is only \$10 to play.

For more information, please contact Joe DeChiaro at [joegdechiaro@yahoo.com](mailto:joegdechiaro@yahoo.com).

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# Woodshop crafters are creating homemade goodies for Senior Expo in November

The Woodshop, managed by the Fixers, Fiddlers & Fumblers Club, will be participating in the upcoming Fall Expo and Craft Show this coming November.

Members have been making artisan projects and different items that they plan to display at these two events.

Residents will have a chance to buy these items at suggested prices.

Some of the homemade items will include artisan pens, ice cream scoops, coffee scoops, gavels, bottle stoppers, chopping boards for the kitchen, cheese cutting boards, walking sticks made from old golf clubs, wood game puzzles, wood bracelets, candy dishes, jewelry boxes, storage boxes of different kinds and sizes, step or foot stools, etc.

Club Vice President Jesse Tiamson is among the members who will be making items for the sale.

Jesse moved to On Top of the World in 2018 and, being a retired engineer, was immediately impressed with the woodshop.

The following year he joined the club in hopes of learning how to use the dif-



ferent power tools and equipment available. Prior to that, his only experience in building things was with the use of regular hand tools.

With patience, and with the help of senior members, Jesse learned how to operate the equipment and the many ways they do things. Now, since he became a shop representative/monitor, he has passed on the skills to new members wanting to learn new things. And, as a retired nurse, he makes sure that members use these tools safely to avoid accidents and injuries.



Fixers, Fiddlers and Fumblers Vice President Jesse Tiamson shows off items he made that will be for sale when club members participate in the Senior Expo this November.

## Try holding a simple red flag when crossing busy intersections

By David Beaven

Recently, Neighborhood Watch received an email from a resident concerning the crosswalk between the East and West sides of On Top of the World.

The resident frequently walked across Belcher Road at the light. She complained that it was a dangerous intersection in that drivers were not paying attention to pedestrians, but instead were trying to get out of the complex as soon as possible.

Belcher is a county road, so the resident called the Public Works Department which did a study of the intersection. They noted visibility limits on the east side due to a utility pole, traffic box and landscaping.

Landscaping has since been trimmed, but the pole and box are not able to be relocated according to the county.

A sign also has been posted to alert



drivers to watch out for pedestrians, but despite this, there are still occasional near misses between walkers and drivers entering and leaving OTOW.

In doing some research, Neighborhood Watch found that some communities have promoted safety flags to

increase visibility of pedestrians at intersections. Such flags can be found at hardware stores locally for about \$6.

In much the same way as safety vests protect walkers at night, a safety flag really makes a pedestrian stand out during the daytime.

Carrying a safety flag can make a big difference in alerting drivers that you are there and that they need to yield.

Put this web address in your internet browser and watch an informational video:

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Neighborhood Watch consists of a group of residents at OTOW who want to live in a peaceful and secure environment based on mutual consideration and respect. To find out more, go to our official website: [areawatch2020.blogspot.com](http://areawatch2020.blogspot.com).



Dave Beaven demonstrates how holding a simple red flag can make you stand out when trying to safely cross a road.

## Join us for a show at Francis Wilson Theater

By Maxine Sutcliffe

Our plan to have monthly meetings throughout the summer kicked off in fine form on Wednesday, May 4, with 19 residents in attendance.

We caught up while enjoying refreshments at a social hour followed by our general meeting.

Several of the board's ideas for Theater Workshop activities were outlined. The first will be on Saturday, July 16, as a group of us will attend a 2 p.m. matinee performance of "Charlie's Aunt"



at the Francis Wilson Theater.

Although the club's block booking of tickets closed on June 7, any interested mem-

ber can book online and join up with our group in the lobby prior to the performance.

Other activities under planning include a welcome back cookout at the Pavilion on Sept. 6 at 6:30 p.m. followed by a general meeting.

We also plan to participate in the Nov. 5 On Top of the World Fall Festival and join Jesters for a Christmas Party on Friday, Dec. 16, at the EAC. More details to follow.

An invitation to propose a show theme and direct our next show was ex-

tended to all club members through email, as well as published in the May newspaper. The invitation was also open to the OTOW community at large. Cut-off date was June 17. The board will now review all submitted proposals in July.

We look forward to working again with existing members and new members. Please join us at the next meeting in the West Activity Center Belleair Room on Wednesday, July 6, with a cake/coffee social hour at 6 p.m. followed by a general meeting at 7 p.m.



# Our name says Tennis Club but we do so much more



Members of the On Top of the World Tennis Club pose for a picture prior to a morning of action.

By Joe DeChiaro  
The On Top of the World Tennis Club organizes many social activities for its members.

We have a monthly luncheon, a monthly golf outing and a weekly bike ride.

The golf outing takes place at the 9-hole course and is followed by an early dinner.

The bike ride is to Clearwater Beach followed by dinner.

We also take a variety of day trips as a group.

The purpose of these outings is to

promote comradery among each other.

One of our activities is a Round Robin event which has taken place in February the past two years. The event is played with 16 members, who play a total of 30 doubles matches with each of the participants.

The event takes about two hours to

complete. After it ends, we gather at the pavilion to enjoy a delicious lunch together.

This year's winners were Terry Tetzlaff for the men and Karen French for the women.

Our club meets for tennis every morning, Monday through Saturday, 7:30-

11 a.m. We also play on Sunday evening at 4:30 p.m.

Anyone can join with an updated activity card. Dues, which cover food for our social gatherings, and tennis balls, is a minimal expense.

Interested in joining us? Stop by the courts next time we are playing.

# Pickleball players drop racquets for forks



The Pickleball Club enjoyed a barbecue at the East Activity Center Pavilion in June.

Everyone brought a dish to share plus hamburgers and hot dogs were cooked on the grill.

Len Segall and our very own Mr Fun provided music for singing and dancing.

At the very end we all stood up and sang the National Anthem honoring our beloved veterans.

Everyone had a great time!



Pickleball picnic photos.

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Come join our club. We're always having fun.

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## Several OTOW softball players get a chance to play a game at Clearwater Threshers minor league stadium

By Bob Rittner

The On Top of the World softball season ended on April 28, but softball is eternal.

Many of us also play in the 3-Score league, which is active all year.

On May 12, three 3-Score teams played at BayCare Field, home field of the Clearwater Threshers.

We sat in the dugouts, played on the field and were introduced over the stadium loud speaker each time we came to bat.

For a mere \$17, some of which went to a children's charity, we also got unlimited hamburgers, hot dogs and sodas and a ticket to the Threshers game that evening.

It was thrilling to be playing on the vast expanse of a professional league field, the dimensions identical or similar to the major leagues.

Although OTOW players were on all three 3-Score teams, the home team in game one had nine of us.

We won the game 14-7 and were sparked by a three-run homer from Henry Zussman, a triple and homer from Dennis Kovalanka and big-time hits by George Morgan and Joe Harrington.

Four-fifths of the infield, Henry at shortstop, Dennis at middle infielder, Frank Whitney at third base and Ron Childress at second base were also OTOW regulars as was catcher and team captain Bob Rittner.

Outfielders from OTOW were Joe Harrington, Karen French, Joni Edwall and George Morgan.

Karen and Joni each had two hits as did Ron and Frank, and the defense was airtight with Karen corralling a deep fly to keep runs off the board.

Joe made a running catch of a sinking liner and each infielder accumulated multiple assists and putouts.

After falling behind in the top of the first inning 2-0, consecutive deep outfield hits by Dennis, George and Joe, followed



On Top of the World slugger Karen French belts a single into right field during an exhibition game at the Clearwater Threshers baseball field in May. OTOW players were playing with 3 Score League teams. There were two games.

by Henry's RBI grounder, put the OTOW-dominated team ahead by one.

After briefly trailing again in the third inning, 4-3, the top of the order struck anew, with Henry blasting a ball that rolled to the 300 foot sign in left field for a three-run home run.

From then on we played crisp baseball to keep us comfortably in front.

Outfielders got to balls quickly and winged them into the cutoff, freezing runners on their bases.

Infielders fielded grounders cleanly making accurate throws and everyone made baseball-savvy decisions.

Henry ranged far to his left and right to grab pop flies and line drives near the outfield grass.

Our home team was never seriously threatened as Dennis added a long home run to right center field and hits by Frank, Karen, Ron and Joni kept piling it on.

OTOW players shone on the visiting

team as well. Second baseman Phil Goodwin gobbled up numerous grounders to record outs and also hit hard line drives into the outfield.

Catcher Jim Tiano had two solid singles and leadoff hitter, outfielder and captain Joe Incorvia led off the game with a double and scored the first run.

OTOW was also represented in game two as Mike Allen and Bob Studwell both got multiple hits, and Bob Dembinski played his typically pristine game in the outfield, catching everything in his territory and hustling the ball back to the infield to keep runners anchored to their bases.

In the stands, OTOW cheerleaders roared their approval of our efforts.

Ginny Traycheff brought her Rachel Balkovec (Tampa Tarpons manager) autographed cowbell to urge us on while Joe Maley and Dick LeTourneau provided veteran counsel and support.

Vicki French took videos of our play and cheered us on.

Jim Tiano's wife, daughter and son-in-law were a formidable cheering section.

Ray Woolsey later said he was so impressed, he is considering returning to OTOW softball where he starred for many years past.

Playing OTOW softball offers this kind of opportunity.

Watch for news of next season's start. We will have a pre-season meeting (with pizza served) at the Paradise Restaurant in Safety Harbor on Thursday, Oct. 6 and a batting practice day on Tuesday, Oct. 11.

The regular season will begin on Thursday, Oct. 13. We welcome new players of all skills and only ask that you want to enjoy the game with us.

For information about our softball/stickball league, contact Bob Rittner at 735-1762 or visit us on the Box Office at otowboxoffice.com

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# Men's Golf Association wants to salute everyone still swinging a club at age 80-plus - contact us!

By Barney Hanrahan

We come to the next rounds of golf and the summer heat will begin to take its toll on the scores.

Remember, it is a game that requires proper hydration, so please drink fluids while playing in the Florida heat.

We would like to acknowledge the remarkable list of players who have played in the On Top of the World Men's Golf Association over the years. We have players who are in their 90s, 80s and 70s with newer, younger members adding to our growing list of players.

We would like to highlight those 90s and 80s players in our next publication and would appreciate you passing on those names for future publications. Please contact Dave Cox.

We are not sure when the OTOW's Men's Golf Association began, but we did find a past president, Bert Andrews, in the years 1969-1970. We believe this may be the early years of the association but would appreciate if anyone has any information relative to the league's beginning.

Anyone who has information regarding our early beginning can pass on that information to Dave Cox next time you play.

## Men's Golf

A quick update on the course:

Recently, all the greens were conditioned, treated, aerated and sanded. The next project will be additional irrigation, aeration and tee boxes will be reseeded.

We will try to keep you up-to-date on additional improvements. Again, our thanks to the ground crew for their work.

Handicap scores as follows:

**May 18**

**Flight A**

Lester Whynot, 61, Jim Anzalone, 62, Ronald Huber, 64, Roger Amundson, 64, George Mead, 64.

**Flight B**

Tom Sullivan, 59, Ed Fox, 62, Dave Cox, 62, Jack Sousa, 65, Tim Finan, 65.

**Flight C**

Tim Palmquist, 59, Darrel Collings, 62, Bill Mooney, 62, Gerald Morrisette, 62, Dave Combs, 64.

**Flight D**

Patrick Mahoney, 62, Joe Ventimiglia,

62, Les Meneilly, 64, Henry Rejman, 64, C.J. Messina, 65.

**May 25**

**Flight A**

Lester Whynot, 62, John Taylor, 63, Mike Crittendon, 64, Bill Haener, 67, Jay Schwallie, 67.

**Flight B**

Guy Bertuzzi, 60, Tim Finan, 62, Marc Schell, 62, Tom Sullivan, 64, Ken Nield, 65.

**Flight C**

Gerald Morrisette, 62, Bob Ellis, 63, Bill Mooney, 64, Darrel Collings, 64, Chuck McAllister, 65.

**Flight D**

Joe Ventimiglia, 65, Patrick Mahoney, 68.

**June 1**

**Flight A**

Ronald Huber, 59, George Mead, 62, Mike Crittendon, 63, Roy Monteith, 63, Mike Schuyler, 64.

**Flight B**

Nilson Sabadin, 64, Martin Forde, 65, Gerald Morrisette, 67, Guy Bertuzzi, 67, Marc Schell, 68.

**Flight C**

Peter Rode, 58, Harry Crawford, 62, Mike Smith, 62, Bob Ellis, 63, John Gill, 63.

**Flight D**

Les Meneilly, 58, John Fier, 72.

**June 8**

**Flight A**

Roy Monthieth, 61, Jerry Fugat, 65, John Taylor, 65, Jim Anzalone, 66, Stanley Doran, 69.

**Flight B**

Nilson Sabadin, 56, Ronald Huber, 65, Guy Bertuzzi, 66, Martin Forde, 66, Gerald Morrisette, 68.

**Flight C**

Alex Miller, 58, Chuck McAllister, 59, John Gill, 60, Dave Combs, 62, Darrell Collings, 63.

**Flight D**

Henry Rejman, 62, Les Meneilly, 66, Bob Earley, 72

Please remember to sign in when you arrive and register for next week's play.

That is all folks. Enjoy the golf and keep hydrated.

# Jerry Fugatt and Ken Smith take first place honors

The Friday Mixed Golf League plays every Friday, weather permitting.

The championship season begins in November and continues through April.

Summer and fall golf continues May through October. Remember to sign up by Wednesday at 6 p.m. for Friday's play.

## Results for Friday, June 3

First place was Jerry Fugatt with a plus 9. Second place was Ken Smith with a plus 4, determined by a match of cards to break ties.

Closest to the pin on hole No. 3 was Scott Rogers, on hole No. 5 was Jerry Fugatt, on hole No. 6 was Ada Maloof, on hole No. 9 was Bruce MacPherson, on

## Friday Golf

hole No.13 was Dave Pittenger, on hole No.15 was Ken Smith and on hole No 16 was Bruce MacPherson.

Skins were recorded by Jerry Fugatt on hole No. 4, Ada Maloof on hole No. 8, Bruce MacPherson on hole Nos. 11 and 16.

Low gross was Ada Maloof, Bruce MacPherson, Scott Rogers and Jerry Fugatt all with a 67.

## Results for Friday, June 10

First place was Ken Smith with a plus

9. Second place was Paul Meyers with a plus 4.

Closest to the pin on hole No. 3 and No. 13 was John Taylor, on hole No. 5 and No. 9 was Scott Rogers, on hole No. 6 was Dave Pittenger, on hole No. 15 was Ken Smith and on hole No. 16 was Bruce MacPherson.

Skins were recorded by Rick Muchler on hole No. 2 with an eagle, Scott Rogers on holes No. 9 and No. 12, Ken Smith on hole No. 11, Fred Peace on hole No. 14 and Harry Barbin on hole No.17.

Low gross was Scott Rogers a 63.

The Friday Mixed Golf League was created to provide On Top of the World men and women with a venue for competition using the USGA rules of golf.

Our league uses the USGA Stableford scoring format, which is a Quota Point system used by many leagues throughout the country. In this format, each player has a point quota and they try to play above their quota, not directly against other players. This allows players of all skill levels to compete fairly each week.

All of our members send a special thanks to Harry Barbin for the limitless time and effort he contributes to make the Friday League a huge success.

Volunteers are needed to help run the league and form committees that oversee and govern the league. If interested, contact Harry Barbin at 215-514-1280 or email [harrybarbin1@gmail.com](mailto:harrybarbin1@gmail.com).

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(Taped in January 2022 in the EAC Auditorium)

# From 9-10 a.m., you could be exercising in our pool

By Irene Pappis

Summer water aerobics is in full swing until the end of October, then the winter water aerobics continues for the rest of the year.

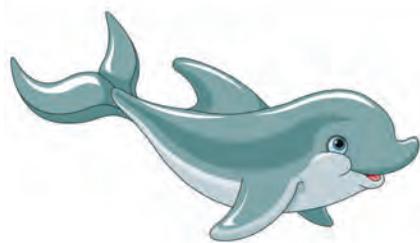
Classes are given at the East Activity Center swimming pool. During the winter months the pool is heated.

Aqua Aerobics is operational Monday through Friday from 9-10 a.m., weather permitting. This class will take place unless there is lightning or thunderstorms in the area.

The benefits of water aerobics in a swimming pool includes balance, memory, strength and pain reduction. We also sing songs to a few of our exercises and there is a lot of laughter.

We encourage everyone to wear sunscreen, water shoes, sunglasses, a hat and an SPF cover up.

There are no membership requirements, except you must be an On Top of the World resident with a valid and updated activity card. There are no membership fees. Men and women are welcome.



**Aqua Aerobics**



During the Line Dance Club's 2021 Independence Day celebration, everyone had to wear a mask. This year, our party is mask-free.

# Only thing not welcome are red, white and blue masks

By Leila Walker

At the 2021 Line Dance Club Fourth of July celebration, everyone had to wear masks.

There will be no masks at this year's party - just a lot of red, white and blue.

The Line Dance Club will celebrate Independence Day on Tuesday, July 5, with line dancing at 1 p.m.

Come on! Join our celebration.

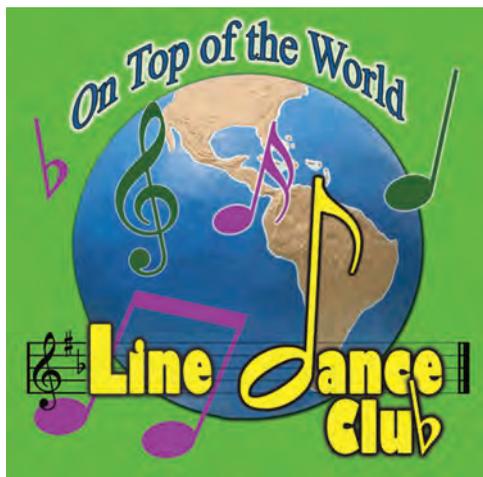
Wear your favorite red, white and blue clothing. Refreshments will be served.

Line Dance Club meets every Tuesday from 1-3 p.m. in the East Activity Center Auditorium.

An Advanced Beginner class takes place from 1-2 p.m. and an Improver Class from 2-3 p.m.

We also meet on Saturdays. Join us from 8:30-10:30 a.m. in the Auditorium. Advanced Beginners meet from 8:30-9:30 a.m. and Improvers from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Practice sessions take place Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from



7 to 8 a.m. in the EAC Exercise Room. This will get you prepared for the afternoon sessions during the week.

If you need additional information, contact President Leila Walker at [Leila.g.walker1@gmail.com](mailto:Leila.g.walker1@gmail.com) or text/call 443-845-7842.

## Try Social Dance Lessons

Social Dance Lessons will continue all summer long at On Top of the World. Instructor Fred Mills allows his students to pick the dances to learn and there are a ton of dances to choose from. He will teach Cha Cha, Foxtrot, Hustle, Rumba, Salsa, Swing, Waltz and more.

Sometimes students have special events coming up and need to learn a dance. Sometimes a holiday is approaching and a festive dance is taught.

Fred's classes are open to all residents with a valid activity card. They are open to men and women, and pairing up for practice is never a problem.

Social Dance takes place every Thursday afternoons, 1-3 p.m., in the West Activity Center Belleair Room.

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 Clyde Butcher, Escalante River Canyon I, 1977, silver gelatin print (detail)

# Cornhole is a game where the toss distance can be adjusted to a player's comfort level



Nearly 25 people showed up for cornhole toss on this June afternoon.

By Margaret LeTourneau  
How exciting!

In only a few short weeks, cornhole has already become a big hit.

Not only is it played inside for a cool and comfortable experience, but it's also a game that anyone can learn to play instantly.

Good teamwork has created good sportsmanship!

Our dedicated team leaders, Michael Payne, Ron Huber, Bill Moreland and Dick LeTourneau have created an environment where everyone can experience a sense of success.

No matter what your playing ability, the team leaders can adjust and adapt the court size to meet your needs. This allows for a variety of playing levels to be addressed, thus creating a fun sense of competition for all!

Lots of cheers are heard throughout game time for good reason.

Each bean bag toss, made into the cornhole board circle, gets a great response from the crowd. So you can just

imagine the excitement that happens when a player tosses all four bean bags in a row into the corn hole!

It's quite an accomplishment.

Players not only receive an award for their achievement, but their names are added to our "Cornhole Hall of Fame" poster.

So whether you are a skilled cornhole player or not, we have the perfect set up to make your cornhole game time a fun

experience.

Even though we offer cornhole from 1-3 p.m. on Mondays, it only takes a short time to play a few games. That's what is so wonderful about it.

Cornhole is offered every Monday in the West Activity Center Belleair Room. This fun activity is free and it is sponsored by The Moving 'n Grooving Club.

Hope to see you on the cornhole courts!

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9-10 a.m., Weekdays, East Activity Center Swimming Pool

## Bring a mat, learn to breathe

The High Vibrational Tribe has had its first two meetings and the club is growing.

Our invited guest speaker in March will be instructing us on breath work and sound meditation with the gong. So members are encouraged to bring a mat to rest on if desired.

See you 7 p.m., Thursday, March 10 in the East Activity Center Kitchen.

Metaphysics is the study of the ultimate cause in the universe. Metaphysics includes all religions, but transcends them all. Basically metaphysics is religion without dogma.

Please consider joining our new club.  
Contact Laurie LeClaire at 727-265-1671 or email her at otowoooo@gmail.com



## Shuffleboard Club

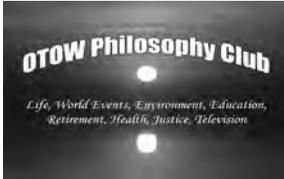
Monday through Sunday

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

## Philosophy Club is back

The On Top of the World Philosophy Club is meeting again. The group will get together from 10-11:30 a.m. every Tuesday in the East Activity Center Crystal Beach Room.

Join us for interesting and lively conversations. Each week is a different subject. You may come just to listen. You may volunteer to present a topic, but we do not discuss religion or politics. Please be respectful of different values. Coffee, water and tea are available. Everyone must wear a mask.



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Thursdays

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Clearwater Room

## Pray for America

Saturdays

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Crystal Beach Room



## Bonesavers

The Bonesavers exercise group meets every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8-9 a.m. in the East Activity Center Largo Room.

We use hand weights and ankle weights, a towel and a chair.

If you want to try it out, just come over and borrow the weights we already have available.

Men and women are both welcome.

## Ballroom dance classes



Ballroom dance classes will take place at 1 p.m. every Monday in the East Activity Center Largo Room.

The instructor is Noland Shade, who teaches beginner dancing to help couples learn how to dance socially.

Dance lessons are taught at a slow pace so anyone can learn how to dance over time.

No pre-registration is necessary. Simply show up and learn.

## Duplicate Bridge is back!

Get ready for some fun by playing, learning and improving your Duplicate Bridge skills. You will become familiar with the nuances and conventions of the game by coming to a beginner/improver lesson. Instruction is provided Thursday mornings at 9 a.m. in the Ozona Room on the lower level of the East Activity Center. Further information is available by sending an email to loresc@yahoo.com or by calling Christine Nason at 727-366-0221.



## Majongg players wanted over the summer

Wanted: Experienced Mah Jongg players to fill in at our afternoon games. We play Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 1-3:30 p.m. in residents' condos. Please call Libby at 727-669-1486.

# Outdoor grilling tips Part II

(Part I was in the June 2022 edition)



When you say barbeque beef, the first thing I think of is Texas barbeque. That can only mean one thing - brisket.

Texas brisket is arguably the holy grail of barbeque in the U.S.

With a little bit of time and the right cooking method, even the toughest piece of meat can be made delicious.

Brisket, which comes from the breast of the cow, is a great example. Beef brisket is a very expensive piece of meat to buy. It also takes the longest time to barbeque - anywhere between 8 to 10 hours depending on the size of the brisket.

After you trim the fat cap off and size it up, you can lose 20 to 30 percent of the brisket.

Pork, the most common pieces to barbeque, are spareribs and pork shoulder (Boston butt).

Not all ribs are created equal. Many people don't realize that there are several different types of pork ribs. Some ribs have more meat on the bone than others while some are more uniform in shape.

Some rib cuts are better suited for smoking and cooking low and slow than others. Each rib cut has some unique characteristics and variations.

Here are the four popular types of pork ribs:

## Baby Back Ribs

One of the most popular types of ribs are baby back. The cut comes from the upper loin area of the pig near the spine. In the name baby back ribs, the term "baby" does not mean they come from piglets, but refers to the size of these ribs being smaller compared to other ribs.

Even though they usually have more meat on the bones, this rib cut is leaner in the amount of fat in the meat compared to spareribs so they don't take as long to cook.

Baby back ribs usually take 2 to 3 hours to properly cook.

## Spareribs

Arguably the most popular type of pork ribs, spareribs are cut from further down the side of the pig near the belly, reaching down toward the breastbone.

Spareribs are longer and flatter in comparison to baby back ribs, allowing them to brown more evenly.

One of the biggest differences is that spareribs have significantly fattier meat with more marbling along the top and between the bones. This is why these ribs take longer to cook and are often the better choice for smoking.

Spareribs usually take 3 to 4 hours to cook.



## St. Louis Ribs

Another popular variation of ribs, St. Louis ribs, are simply spareribs that have just been trimmed up more. These have had both the cartilage and gristle-filled area, and the tapered end of the ribs, cut off. This results in a more rectangular, uniform look to the rack ribs.

## Rib Tips

Rib tips are the small bones and cartilage that connect the lower breast bone to the front ribs. These are cut from the lower ends of spareribs when cutting them into St. Louis ribs.

## Pork shoulder/Boston butt

The folks in Boston used to cut their shoulder in a certain way that became the common way to cut up a hog and we now call it Boston butt.

They are both the same cut of meat.

To grill/smoke a Boston butt, get your grill to 250 degrees. Season the pork liberally with your favorites rub and set it fat side up on the grill (in-direct heat). Grill until internal temperature reads 165 degrees.

## BBQ Chicken

Chicken is the easiest thing to barbeque. The most important part is getting the internal temperature to 165 degrees.

I like to start off grilling chicken over

direct heat for about five minutes on each side. Then I move the chicken to a cooler spot on the grill to finish off.

If you are going to put sauce on your chicken, do it 30 minutes before you pull it off. Do it too early and the sugar in the sauce will burn the meat.

One of my favorite ways to barbeque chicken is the "standing grill hold." Place a bottle of beer up into the chicken and stand the chicken upright on the grill. It will turn out very moist.

## Grilling Fish

If you are going to grill fish, there are a few things you must do.

One, make sure your grill is very clean. To do this, get your grill very hot, then take a paper towel dipping in vegetable oil and rub it all over the hot grill.

Also rub the oil all over the fish.

One of the mistakes most people do is that they turn the fish too soon. Let the fish cook on each side for at least 8 to 10 minutes. Any longer than that will dry it out.

## BBQ Sauce and Rubs

There was a time when I made my own barbeque sauce and rubs from scratch. Doing this time, I would have to buy a lot of ingredients, then take the time to measure.

I now buy different kinds of rubs and

sauces. Then I customize them to my liking.

If I want a sweet rub or sauce, I add brown sugar or molasses.

If I want it spicier then I add cayenne of pepper.

## BBQ BABY BACK RIBS

### Ingredients

2 slabs baby back ribs  
barbeque rub  
barbeque sauce

### Directions

1. Prepare your grill for indirect heat. (If using a gas grill, light the side burners leaving the other two in the middle off. Heat your grill to 225 to 250 degrees.

2. Peel the membrane off the back of the ribs.

3. Season the ribs liberally on both sides with you favorite rub.

4. Take aluminum foil and make a pouch and fill it with soaked wood chips. Fold it up and cut holes in the top so the smoke can get out. Place the pouch on the hot burner.

5. Place the ribs on the cool side of the grill and close the lid.

6. Cook for 2 to 3 hours.

7. Baste your ribs on both sides with your favorite sauce and cook for 30 minutes more.

# For your next barbeque, consider an air fryer



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Make your Fourth of July lunch juicy with an air fryer

A reader shared with me that her air fryer delivers great barbeque chicken thighs every time.

I, too, have had success with them as well as cooking other juicy and tender meats with an air fryer: cod and salmon fillets, boneless pork chops and steaks.

This column is dedicated to my dear chefs who love gadgets and who love to learn.

An air fryer demands a learning curve.

Which foods are best suited for this appliance?

What is the optimal temperature (usually slightly lower) and time (usually shorter) to avoid over-cooking in an air fryer?

Learning is the fun of it.

## Directions

Remove skin, but save it.

Poke holes in the skin with a sharp knife. This allows barbeque sauce to penetrate more deeply.

Trim excess surface fat off the thighs.

Brush all sides of thigh with barbeque sauce. Place skin on top of each thigh so that skin bastes the meat while cooking. Brush the skin with barbeque sauce.

Mist oil on the bottom tray to prevent sticking. Preheat air fryer at 400 degrees. Remove basket. With tongs, place thighs in basket, evenly spaced apart, with skin side up. Place basket in air fryer and cook at 400 degrees for 18-22 minutes, rotating them halfway through. Cook to internal temperature of 195 degrees.

Serve with skin to showcase that charred barbequed color. Do not eat skin which is high in fat content. A six-quart air fryer accommodates four large thighs.

## Links

(1) [www.npd.com/](http://www.npd.com/)

(2) Food Network's health and nutrition consultant Dana White, MS, RD, ATC

(3) [www.newair.com/](http://www.newair.com/)

(4) [pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov](http://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov)

## Why Use An Air Fryer

For most of us, counter space is at a premium. Is another device even necessary? Yet, air fryers have proven popular. The first big sales boom came in 2017. The pandemic provided another boost. U.S. Sales increased 25.6 million units or 76 percent over the last two years vs. the previous two years period. (1) Some chefs say their air fryer is the device they most often use.

It has one big advantage: it makes foods crispy. There is minimal mess — no splattering of oil or multiple dirty pots. The baskets are easy to clean, nonstick and dishwasher-safe. It does not heat up the kitchen and cooks food considerably quicker than the oven so it saves electricity.

## Directions

Pre-fried foods, such as frozen chicken nuggets or breaded onion rings, are not made healthier in an air fryer. (2) But it is certainly a great way to crisp food. Lightly oiling food with a mister yields a crispier texture due to the fine oil droplets. It also helps to preheat the air fryer.

The air fryer has almost replaced deep-fat fryers. Air fryers reduce calories by 70 to 80 percent versus deep-fat fryers. (3)

But beware: even when air-fried, French fries are not as healthy a choice as baked potatoes.

Because of the high-powered, circulating heat, you can achieve crispy textures with less oil. This can put people on the path to healthier eating. Using oils packed with healthy fats, like olive or avocado oil, can also make your air-fried foods a bit more nutritious.

## Health Value

Air fryers, despite their name, do not fry. They are essentially compact convection ovens. An internal fan circulates hot dry air around your food, crisping the outside into well-browned deliciousness.

Deep-fat fryers contain high amounts of acrylamide. This is a substance formed when carbohydrates are heated to high temperatures. They are possibly linked to heart disease. The good news is air fryers appear to produce lower amounts of acrylamide. In fact, a 2015 study (4) found that air-fried potatoes had 90 percent less acrylamide compared to deep-fried versions.

Do not use aerosol sprays, like Pam, that can cause chipping to the coating of the air fryer.

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# BUILDING REPORTS



Paulette Perrotta of On Top of the World stands with one of the latest scholarship winners from Clearwater Central Catholic High School, Derek Murack. Paulette presented Derek with the Paul R. Perrotta Memorial Scholarship named in honor of her late son.

## For nine years, OTOW resident has been promoting life through a scholarship

### 2022 Paul R. Perrotta Memorial Scholarship

By Cecile Sangiamo

What were your plans when you retired?

Paulette Perrotta wanted to make sure she gave someone else a chance to have a wonderful life just like she is enjoying.

She has been sharing this dream for nine years.

Last month, Paulette presented the annual Paul R. Perrotta Memorial Scholarship award to Derek Murack, a graduating senior from Clearwater Central Catholic High School.

This award is in memory of Paulette's son, Paul, who attended Clearwater Central Catholic High School and graduated in 1983.

Paul passed away from cancer at age 47.

Paulette said her son was a prime example of determination. During his few years with cancer, Paul kept working, playing basketball, golfing and was determined he was going to beat this disease.

But after three years of treatment, he lost his fight.

For nine consecutive years now, Paulette has honored her son's fight with this scholarship award. But the award is not just in honor of her son. Paulette wants to help young people get their lives off to great starts.

She feels very blessed to be living the life she has been given. She wants other young people to have the same great life.

This award goes to a local high school graduate, in honor of Paul, with the goal of helping them perpetuate their own education and for them to reach out and encourage others.

As a boy, Paul loved mathematics and was always fascinated by numbers.

The award goes to someone who also likes math.

Other criteria include excellent grades, community service and studies in business/accounting.

Derek is a resident of Safety Harbor and will attend the University of South Florida. He plans on majoring in business/accounting.

He is an Eagle Scout and member of the Boy Scouts' Order of the Arrow.

Derek was on the Honor Roll all four years in high school. He is a member of the varsity wrestling team and a student ambassador.

He has volunteered in his parish community through Helping Hands and Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry.

Paulette worked with the Clearwater Central Catholic Development Committee to establish the criteria necessary for consideration of this honor. First of all, the candidate must have outstanding academics, as well as be an active parishioner. In Derek's case, he attends Espiritu Santo Catholic Church.

Financial need is also an important consideration.

Paulette is originally from Massachusetts.

She and her husband, Gus, spent 38 years in Safety Harbor before settling into On Top of the World three years ago.

They traveled all over, went on many cruises and collected great memories.

Now she is a member of the ladies billiards group, carries her own billiard cue in a pink pouch, and has won a few tournaments.

At the end of the interview for this story, Paulette was asked "what runs through your mind when chatting about this matter?"

She responded, "The sum of a man is not the possessions he has amassed, but by how much he is loved."

On behalf of our entire community, congratulations to Paulette on announcing her ninth annual scholarship and congratulations to Derek, the proud 2022 recipient.



Charlie and Mike Wood in front of the Roman Coliseum.

## By the time you read Mike and Charlie's adventure, you will want your own trip of a lifetime

Lots of people would love to cruise around the Mediterranean, although getting there can be a challenge.

Well, this wasn't the case for Mike and Charlene (Charlie) Wood from the Rizal building. They found a cruise from Tampa to the Mediterranean and enjoyed the vacation of a lifetime.

Here is their story.

It all began with finding out that Carnival Cruise Line was going to be sending the Carnival Pride cruise ship from Tampa to Barcelona, Spain, for the summer. So, the plan was to take the ship across the Atlantic to Barcelona and then get off and explore Europe.

Further research revealed that the cost to travel around Europe, including hotels, food, transportation and sightseeing was going to be a very difficult financial pill to swallow.

Then Charlie had an epiphany...Carnival Pride was going to stay in the Mediterranean through the end of May. Why not let Pride take them to 17 ports in seven countries, plus Gibraltar?

And so, a transatlantic cruise, with Bermuda as the first port, began their 35-day trip of a lifetime.

Having transportation, entertainment, room and board included, without having to pack and unpack to go to a new



city, was such a deal!

On April 24, the 14-day transatlantic voyage began at the Port of Tampa upon the beautiful Carnival Pride.

After three days at sea, they arrived in Bermuda for a day. From there, it was another four days at sea before arriving in the Azores. Then the last two days at sea they passed through the Gibraltar Strait and onto Malaga, Spain - a beautiful city on Spain's southern coast.

Then it was on from Malaga to Valencia for another day visit, then onto Barcelona, ending the first leg of the trip.

The 11-day second leg began from Barcelona and sailed south and west back

through the Strait of Gibraltar and onto Portimao, a fantastic small port city on the southern tip of Portugal.

This day stop was followed by evening sails and day stops in Lisbon and Oporto, Portugal (home of port wine) then onto stops in Vigo and La Coruna on the northwest Spanish coast.

From northwest Spain, Carnival Pride sailed back south to stops in Gibraltar, where Mike and Charlie took a cable car to the top of "the rock."

The next to last port on this leg was Malaga, the only repeated port of the entire cruise. Here they enjoyed a relaxing day at a beautiful Mediterranean beach before proceeding back to Barcelona, ending the second leg.

After a great day sightseeing Barcelona, the 10-day third leg began the evening of day 25 as Carnival Pride headed east.

After two days at sea, the first stop on this eastern Mediterranean leg was Kotor, Montenegro, a small seaside village built in the middle of an ancient castle in a very vast fjord.

From there, it was just a short evening sail to a wonderful visit on the island of Corfu, Greece.

Another day at sea, including an amazing passage through the Stretto di Messina (Straight of Messina) preceded

landing in Italy.

The first Italian stop was Naples, followed by a day in glorious Rome, a day in spectacular Florence and the college town of Pisa, complete with its famous leaning tower.

After Italy, the last stop was Toulon and Cassis, France, and finally, albeit sadly, arriving back in Barcelona on day 35 (May 29 to be exact).

To say that this was a trip of a lifetime would be a gross understatement. It was all that and so much more.

Between them, Mike and Charlie shot over 15 gigabytes of photos and videos during the trip. The only unexpected issue was not running into cool weather. Heck, Rome and Florence were in the 90s.

Would they do it again? Absolutely!

So, does this sound like a trip you would like to make?

Well, there is hope for anyone who reads this article to be able to take a similar trip in 2023. Carnival Pride is already booking a similar itinerary starting on April, 13, 2023. If you know Mike and Charlie, just ask them to show you how you can immerse yourself in the cruise of a lifetime.

Bon voyage!



Hawaiian Towers residents held a picnic in May and they hope to have more socials during the summer. (OTOW News photo by Jim Harrington)

# Picnic brings back outdoor socializing

It has been great to see people out and about this past spring.

I know we still have to be careful with COVID, but it is still nice to see our neighbors.

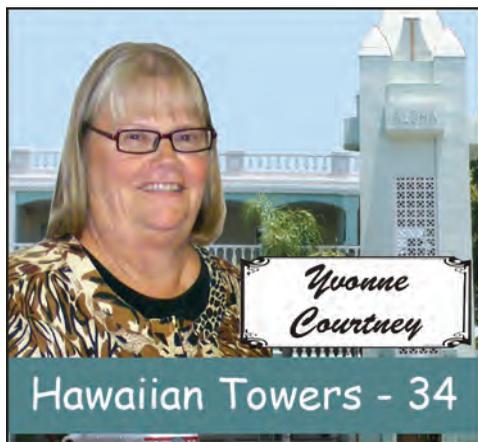
I would like to say thank you to one of our residents for having the trash room cleaned out. Thank you to the people who donated money to pay for it.

I was glad to see more than 30 residents attend our Hawaiian Towers building picnic in May. Everyone was so glad to see everybody.

I cooked all the hot dogs on the grill. They were just right!

Chips and cupcakes, which were wrapped, were individually served.

Everyone paid \$2 for the cookout. Money was collected by Elley Curran. We



started at 5 p.m. and finally broke up at 8:30 p.m.

Hopefully, we will be having more get-togethers.



## July 1997

By Dave Hart

- **Singles Club:** Almost all clubs close down for the summer months and Singles is no exception. Our last meeting was Saturday, June 4, 1997. All paid-up members were invited to a delicious buffet catered by Publix. The entertainment was a return engagement of the two "Broadway Babies." These youngsters can tap dance and sing so well. I'm sure one day you will see them appearing in a professional show. For board members, there will be a summer planning meeting July 8, 1997, at 1 p.m. During the summer, give some thought to volunteering to become an officer when the fall meetings start again. Let's keep our club continuing and give the former officers a rest. Have a good summer.

- **Pennsylvania Club:** We had a very good response to our early bird dinner at the Harmony House Restaurant. Everyone enjoyed the food and entertainment. The show after the dinner was excellent. About 50 members and guests attended the affair. We hope to plan on more enjoyable events soon.

- **Fun Club:** Welcome to the Fun Club. The following are new officers for the 1997-1998 season: Steve Tolkin, president; Terri Gavron, vice president; Joan McCauley, secretary; Keavin Maher, treasurer; Bob McCauley, chaplain. Our first meeting of the new season will be Sept. 11, 1997, at 7 p.m. Program is "Ragtime Annie." On Oct. 16, 1997, is Bill Murphy's Good Time Music; Nov. 13, 1997 is game night; Dec. 11, 1997 is a Chinese buffet dinner/dance, with music by Rex Rogers. We will supply dessert at each meeting, but please note you must bring your own beverage. The coffee makers are no longer available. If anyone wants to take over the job of making coffee, please let the club know.

- **Ladies 9-Hole Golf:** It's hard to believe we have chalked up another golf season. At this time, we're sorry to have to say goodbye to Terry Lewis and Eleanor Vincitore, both of whom are moving to Timber Pines. They will surely be missed. Congrats to our recent Class A and B Low Gross and Low Net winners. Class A: A. Parsons, D. Vinarski, J. McCauley, I. Beard, M. Bessingerr and D. Celletti. Class B: R. Brose, D. Burns, B. Wurth, M. La Brecque, E. Hazelton, D. Rusboldt and S. Wodzien.

- **Antigua II:** Firstly, we want to extend our heartiest congratulations to Roy and Hjordis Schroeder on their upcoming 62nd wedding anniversary. Absolutely outstanding! And the greatest thing about this is that they still speak to each other! Nina White is walking on air these days. She informed us that her great-granddaughter received her First Communion on May 10 at Warner Robbins AFB, Ga. God bless the little one. Karen and Bunky Saia are bustin' their buttons over the fact that their daughter has made the Dean's List at the University of South Florida.

- **Williamsburg:** Earl and Hazel Polsley's daughter and husband and children drove from Missouri for a two-week vacation at the Williamsburg Building. Hazel flew to Grand Forks, N.D., for a short visit there check out the concrete and Earl's plants. She and Earl are Salvation Army volunteers in flood-ravaged North Dakota. It was hard to tell who was the most disappointed when she had to leave: Hazel or the grandchildren. Hilda Platte's son visited for a few days. The sunny, warm weather was a great treat compared to the cold weather they left back home in New Jersey.

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# OK. Just one more restaurant for Patrick Trizis and then retirement (again)



Patrick Trizis out for a walk with Chompers, Gizmo and Molly.

If you've lived in Building 12, or close by, you've probably seen Patrick Trizis and his "crew."

Patrick came to Pinellas County in 1976 after graduating high school in his home town of Chicago.

He went to college for an accounting degree, but decided that his passion was not accounting, but cooking.

After all, he grew up in the "restaurant business."

His father owned several restaurants in Chicago.

Patrick learned a lot from his father's restaurants – but he is a "self-taught" chef (he disliked following recipes, but creates his own!).

Since the late '70s, Patrick has owned several restaurants in this area, but one was his biggest claim to fame. It was named Country Haven in the early 2000s. He had several regulars, but one in particular who ate there everyday was a local, well-known character, by the name of Hulk Hogan!

The Hulk, who is not only easily recognized, but is a super good guy, according to Pat, loved the Country Haven food and restaurant so much that he filmed several (approximately 14) of his shows "Hogan Knows Best" inside the restaurant.

Although Patrick retired in 2014, he came out of retirement several years ago to start a catering business with his son and daughter-in-law.

He also is the chef/caterer for the Largo Elks Club.

Pat considers himself semi-retired, but plans to retire again by the end of 2023.

Why wait you might be thinking?



Well, he and his son and daughter-in-law are in the process of opening up a small 35 seat café in Largo. Opening hopefully in September or October, the name has not been finalized as of this writing.

This café will be open for breakfast and lunch only, so that his family can devote their evenings solely to the next up and coming chef in the family – his 18 month old grandson.

Outside of family, dogs and cooking, Pat's interests lie in playing cards and gambling.

When his son was in high school, the team would travel to play in Louisiana often. So the team would stay in one of the casinos in either Gulfport or Biloxi, and Pat found another pastime that he enjoyed!

So the next time you see Pat and his crew say hi. The crew consists of Gizmo, a 14 year old beagle; Molly, a beautiful 14-year-old Shepherd/Chow mix, and last, but not least, a very excitable 9-year-old lab named Chompers.

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## Residents from two Paradise buildings meet up for lunch

Foodies from the Waterford Building and Rio Riviera in Paradise enjoyed a food fest when they enjoyed a trip to Duff's Buffet in Clearwater.

Forty-six residents attended lunch in a private dining room with a capacity of up to 50 diners.

Linda Stinson and Elena Goletz, Waterford Building event coordinators, made all the arrangements for the luncheon.

Lloyd and Denise Cunningham, event coordinators for Rio Riviera, handled the reservation list for their building.

Lucy AuClair from Rio Riviera graciously handled the task of obtaining gift cards from Dollar Tree for door prizes that were selected by a random drawing of tickets that were distributed to all in attendance.

The menu at Duff's offered a varied menu of soups, salads, entrees and desserts all at moderate prices that were sure to satiate everybody's appetite.

The joint event was the first oppor-



tunity for the two buildings to meet in an informal setting of neighbors,

Rio Riviera and Waterford hope to continue to have joint social events in the future. Residents anticipate that such events will help to foster a spirit of camaraderie among Paradise residents.

# Malaguena residents will reunite for Fourth of July potluck dinner

Malaguena residents started meeting for dinners in April and they have been well-attended ever since.

Each time we try a new place that's fun, reasonably priced and nearby.

In June we went to Frenchy's Outpost Bar and Grill on the Dunedin Causeway. This is a lively place and completely open to the outside. Breezes keep it comfortable. It's very casual.

Our next building dinner will not be on a Tuesday, or at a restaurant! Nope. It will be on a Monday, July 4, and it will be right here at the West Activity Center.

We haven't had a potluck dinner in 2 1/2 years because of you-know-what. So it's definitely time to get together and enjoy ourselves.

Signs and sign-up sheets are in both lobbies. Since it's a potluck, you can bring a salad, side dish, or dessert to share. The building reps will provide fried chicken.

Please sign up, if you haven't



yet. Join neighbors to celebrate Independence Day! If you'd like to volunteer to help set up the tables and chairs, come over at 3:30 p.m.

In August we'll be back to our regular schedule of having dinners on Tuesdays.

Our August dinner, which will be on Tuesday, Aug. 2, will be at the Bacon Street Diner in the Countryside Mall.

Signs and sign-up sheets will be posted so check the bulletin boards.

We hope to see everyone, especially our newest residents, on July 4th!



Malaguena residents had dinner together at Frenchy's Outpost in Dunedin.

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# Master chef and master brownie-maker provided treats for Emerald Isle core party

The tantalizing aroma of hot dogs sizzling on the grill drew about 25 Emerald Isle neighbors to the first floor core on May 24.

Tom Butcher, our master chef, cooked the franks which were provided by Nancy Younts.

Thank you, Nancy.

Thanks to Cheryl Butcher and her team (Nancy Younts, Jennifer Hansen, Joyce Hinton, Joe Seabrooke and Hank Rejman) for setting up the tables and providing an assortment of edibles to accompany the hot dogs.

The brownies were amazing!

I later learned that Cheryl was the baker.

At this time, I would like you to meet MaryAnne Nargi, who is our Emerald Isle photographer.

Besides taking pictures, MaryAnne stays busy with many interests and hobbies.

First on her list is helping with her grandson who is 11. She often spends time with him while her daughter, Mary, works for Olive Garden.

Also, MaryAnne is devoted to her cats



and loves to play Bunco. She taught our Monday game group how to play and now we all love it.

Outside of On Top of the World, MaryAnne also plays Bunco, belongs to a book group, and attends a Meet-Up group called "Life Begins at Fifty."

Oh yes, she is an avid Elvis fan, too. She loves to travel and has visited Alaska, the Caribbean and several countries in Europe.

MaryAnne hails from Hicksville, Long Island. She worked for Xerox for 27 years in an executive capacity. She came to



Nearly 25 residents converted the Emerald Isle core into a picnic pavilion in May.

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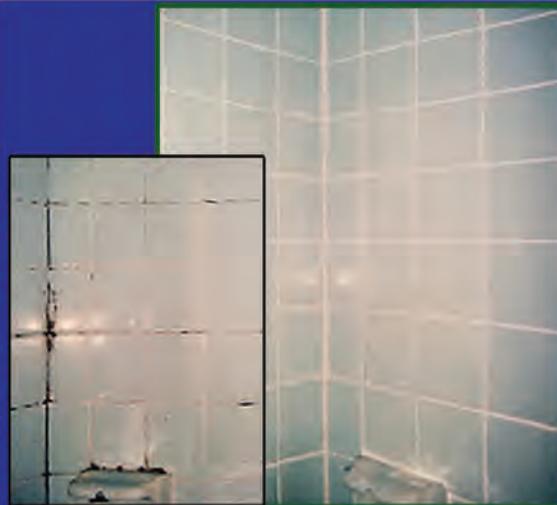
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Residents at New World French, building 1, salute their new flag during a ceremony in May.

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After you enter On Top of the World from Sunset Point Road, make sure you check out the new flag at building 1 on the right - that's our nice new flag!

On Memorial Day, residents from New World French had a gathering at the front of our building to commemorate the installation of the new flag at the front of the building.

This is the first time for a flag at the front. We had a flag at the back, but the post is broken. Our "Wing Angels" are hoping to have it repaired in the near future.

The day of our new flag ceremony, it was very hot even at 4 p.m. Chairs were

assembled under a tree in the shade to try to keep everyone a little cool.

We had a good turnout. I reckon about 40 people, including our veterans and family members, were at the ceremony.

First, the Wing Angels, who organized our event, were introduced.

We all wore blue tops.

The veterans in the building were introduced. They were: Richard Love, Douglas West, Maryann Larson, Ronald Huber, Bob Ferguson, Gene Carney, Scott Mascitelle, Patrick Elliot and Frank Fumarola.

Family members who also served were mentioned.

Everyone applauded to honor and thank the veterans.

Ron Huber, who is the oldest veteran living in the building, accepted the honor of raising the flag. Ron raised it slowly to the music of "Never Forget Them" narrated by Scott Mascitelle. It was very moving. Everyone was so quiet.

After the flag was raised, Teri Klingler sang the National Anthem, using the microphone. It was beautiful.

To finish, there was homemade ice cream made by Carlee Layton, plus cookies and water.

It was a very enjoyable gathering to honor our veterans and raise our new flag.

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# After two years of not traveling, Rosalie Borselli finally meets her great-great-grandson

From all of us at Viennese Villa, "Happy Birthday America!"

Dig out the grill (if you're lucky enough to have one).

If no grill, well cook up some burgers and hot dogs anyway. It's the 4th of July after all.

This month's picture is of Rosalie Borselli and family in Jacksonville.

Celebrating with yes ... five generations!

Rosalie was able to meet her 2-year-old great-great-grandchild for the first time and see his 5-year-old sister, who's done some growing in two years.

Due to COVID-19, Rosalie did not travel for two years nor did the family.

Rosalie's grandson, a naval engineer, has been transferred to Italy for two years. This transfer is a marvelous reason for Rosalie and her four daughters to start plotting another Italian adventure as they did a few years ago.

Still hard to believe our Rosalie is a great-grandmother five times. She should bottle her secret.



Steve Mazurek is putting out our flags around the Villa for the Fourth as he does for all holidays. Please leave them in place until Steve gives the OK to collect and then return to Steve.

The Carys had family from Connecticut for a visit recently.

You might notice Bill and Mary zipping about in a nice new red SUV. Many safe happy miles to them.

A little tidying up on my part: In last month's wedding story, I inadvertently spelled Jerry McDonald with a G instead of J and I mistakingly used a y instead of ie when I spelled daughter Stacie Wead. Yes. Her name is Wead, not Mead.

Sorry my errors.

All the correct spellings are in the online version of the OTOW News June 2022 newspaper.

Please label your storage room items with unit number and unload what you don't need or want. There are some residents who have absolutely no available space in their assigned room.

Well, boys and girls, hope you have a bodacious Fourth. Best wishes to all who celebrate anniversaries and birthdays this month. My son, Mike, being one of them. Until next we meet, remember any news fit to print email to fresca@maine.rr.com.

Rosalie Borselli is at far right with sunglasses on. From left to right are Haley, the great-grandson being held by daughter Alba, and then daughter Nichole.



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# Ed and Rose Fox celebrate 60 years together and Judy Wennerstrand celebrates birthday No. 77



Some people may think 60 years is a long time.

That's not true for Ed and Rose Fox from Rural French.

They just celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Thursday, June 2.

Ed and Rose were born and raised in Pennsylvania. While enjoying themselves at a dance at The Sons of Italy Lodge, they met and it was history in the making.

They dated and fell deeper in love, which brought them to marriage one year later.

They moved to Dunedin, where they lived for 28 years, then they moved back to Pennsylvania for 10 years and in 2015 became residents of Rural French.

During that time, Ed and Rose raised two children, a son and a daughter, who now live in Utah and New Mexico.

Ed is a veteran who served in the Air Force for four years.

After 13 years as a production man-



Judy Wennerstrand celebrated her 77th birthday with building residents.

ager at Trak Microwave, he decided it was time to retire.

Ed loves to golf and he gets on the course twice a week.

After moving to Rural French, he served as building president for three years. He gave up the position, but is now helping out and back in the position as the

temporary building president.

Rose comes from a family of six girls. She smiles as she talks about how strict, protective and loving her father was while she and her sisters were growing up.

Rose retired after 12 years as the director of substance abuse in Clearwater. This was a very meaningful job where she

was able to help others and she enjoyed the job very much.

Rose likes watching movies and visiting with her friends.

Ed and Rose make frequent trips to Starbucks where they enjoy snacks and conversation with their friends and neighbors.

Congratulations on 60 good years. May health and happiness lead you to your 70th anniversary.

On Tuesday, June 7, Rural French residents held their June luncheon hosted by Judy Wennerstrand and held at Eddie's Bar & Grill in Dunedin.

The waiter worked hard to accommodate all 13 of us and the food was good as always.

Judy also celebrated her 77th birthday at the luncheon. The raspberry-filled cake came from Publix bakery and was a special treat from Randy Matney.

Judy has lived in the Rural French building for 17 years after moving here from Glenview, Ill.

Judy has made lots of friends. She loves to take care of pets for her friends and helps neighbors whenever she can.

We are always looking for any ideas or things to do as a building activity. Feel free to volunteer your time or ideas for the coming months.

Check the building bulletin board for updates. Contact your wing captain with any questions. Stay safe and happy. Enjoy your summer.

## Our newest activity is a monthly luncheon - check the bulletin board for locations

Happy Fourth of July to all.

Hope everyone gets to enjoy the fireworks this year.

Have you been to the Cobb Country-side Mall movie theater?

What a great improvement since they remodeled.

They now have recliners for your comfort and nice trays and cup holders for your food and beverage.

Every Tuesday, movie tickets are \$5.25.

Our monthly building luncheons are

now underway. Recently we tried the new Bacon Street Diner located at the Countryside mall. Six ladies went to try this restaurant and a few of us were disappointed, but we enjoyed the atmosphere and good company.

Please join us for our next luncheon. Look on the bulletin board for info as soon as we find a nice location.

Recently, our neighbors Lyn and Kevin Taecker celebrated 50 years of marriage.

Congratulations you two!

Bob and Barbara Stone also share that anniversary day - 72 years for them.

Are you looking for some morning exercise?

Please join us for water aerobics at 9 a.m. at the East Activity Center swimming pool. The water is warm, the group is friendly and you will definitely feel better with these exercises.

Don't forget to have your activity card updated this month. Just bring an ID and a piece of mail.



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# Nothing better than food, dessert, music, sunshine and good friends



Flamenco residents honored Memorial Day with a building picnic.

On May 30, Flamenco Building residents celebrated Memorial Day with another relaxing barbecue.

It was a chance to simply sit outside and enjoy the warm day.

The residents contributed to the dinner and there was everything you could ask for. There was more than enough dessert for all to enjoy.

There was something soothing in the smell of grilling meat as we listened to the classics: Chuck Berry, Pink Floyd and the Moody Blues.

The event was organized by our own entertainment committee, including Char-

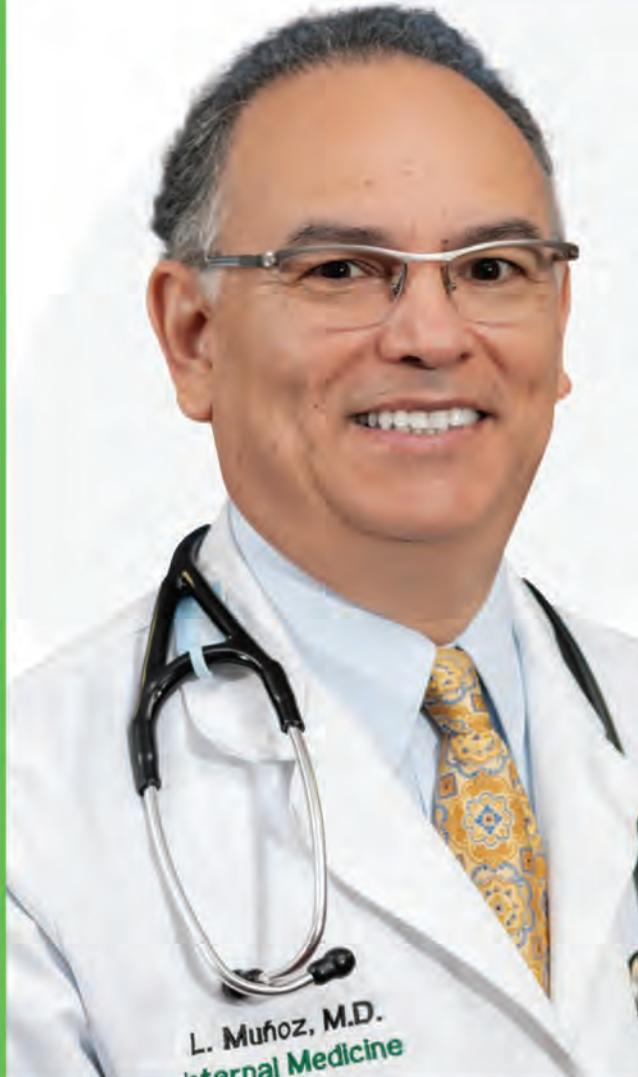
lotte Smedley and Barbara Krepela.

Grilling skills were performed by resident chef Bill Golden, whose world fa-

mous St. Louis chile won a medal at the chili cookout on March 1.

There was no filet mignon, no crab

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# Taking a break to visit castles and Cornwall



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I'm glad to be back home after an exciting three weeks in London and Cornwall.

I left that impressive historic city before the actual Jubilee festivities began, but I did get to see several dress rehearsals of the Queen's Horse Guards in St. James Park and at Buckingham Palace. It was fun to enjoy the pomp and circumstance on TV. I hope you did, too.

My tour took me all over Cornwall, with a group of literature lovers and historical novel fans. We visited towns and castles, and harbors that have been featured in British and American movies such as Rebecca, Jamaica Inn and the Pol-

dark series, to name a few.

The photo above was taken at Caerhays Castle, an English Heritage structure built in the 1800s. They do love their castles!

For me, it was a dream come true. It was so delightful to be with a few old friends and to make friends who love historical literature as much as I do.

Oh, and the fish and chips, the Cor-

nish pasties, and cream teas were fantastic!

It's always good to be home where it's peaceful and quiet, so typical of Clearwater in June.

Continue a happy and safe summer.



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# No more three-day weekends for Susan Marchand - they are all seven days now



Hooray! It's a three-day weekend! Do you remember the anticipation and excitement as a three-day weekend approached?

It brought feelings of celebration, rest, relaxation and/or fun. Perhaps it made us think about going to a party, on a date or some special dinner or shopping.

But it's a feeling that kind of goes away once retirement arrives.

Susan Marchand won't care! She's happy to give up that feeling as she officially retired on May 27.

Congratulations Susan!

Susan will fill her new free time preparing for her son Jason's upcoming wedding in July.

Some of you may have seen



Englander resident Susan Marchand has a son, Tim, who helped design three new logos for the Dunedin Fire Department. Those logos are shown above.

Susan's other son, Dunedin firefighter Tim Marchand, on television last month. Tim helped design and develop three new Dunedin Fire & Rescue logos.

Tim came up with this idea a few years ago. He believed the logos should have historical meaning so he did quite a bit of research, verified the information with the Dunedin Historical Society and the fire department, and surveyed his fel-

low firefighters before an artist finalized the end products.

Look for Tim's creative designs on Dunedin's Fire & Rescue Station 60, 61 and 62 trucks.

Welcome home to Mitch and Linda Gerstenblith, who finally got to move in to their condo and enjoy their Florida home.

Once settled, they took a vacation to Nassau's Atlantis where they enjoyed

a week of relaxation and rest. Mitch and Linda are new to On Top of the World and are enjoying meeting new people, and joining some of the clubs and card game groups.

Happy birthday to our Englander building which is now 30 years old. We hope to see all Englander residents at our upcoming building birthday celebration later this month.



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# Seven sisters reunite at OTOW for one very crazy week

Granada had its first building "Meeting on the Green" gathering since our COVID quarantine period.

There were about 22 residents that attended.

We discussed many topics.

Tony Cocco updated us on Spectrum, Summit and fiber optics. Fiber optic cable will soon be installed in our building by Summit.

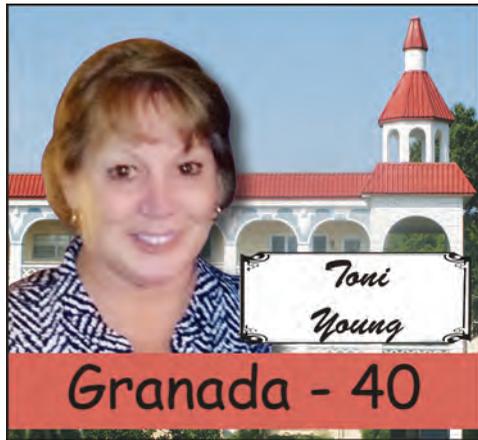
We also discussed last month's flooding issue in the building.

We also discussed updating the building roster and emergency phone numbers.

Everyone seemed to have an enjoyable time mingling and meeting neighbors that we did not know.

The hot dogs and other goodies were a big hit and seemed to go over well. They were a donation from Linda Faust and Toni Young. We will continue with that tradition on the fourth Thursday of each month.

Some of you have updated your information on the building roster, but we are still trying to obtain emergency phone numbers. Please leave a copy of your key, or door code number, with your emergency contact in case there is an emergency



like last month.

Call or text Linda or Toni with your information. We do not want to have to call the fire department if not necessary.

Linda Faust, from Epsilon Sigma Alpha, is collecting clothing, particularly summer shorts, shirts and shoes, as part of efforts of her sorority, which will make a donation to the Veterans Administration at Bay Pines Hospital.

Please contact her in Unit 39 for any donations. Last month she helped the VA with a sock donation. Do not leave the donations in the basket.



Linda Faust (back row, far right) and four of her six sisters pose for a picture while they were reunited for a week at On Top of the World.

Ruthann Mulhollen's family will be visiting from Pennsylvania and Ft. Lauderdale for an annual family reunion. She is looking forward to seeing her children and great-granddaughter. They plan to explore our beautiful beaches.

Linda Faust's six sisters visited her for a week. Between the seven girls, our building and pool, it took some time to recuperate. They are highly active and vivacious ladies. They were all together and in one place at the same time!

Our building luncheon coordinated by Barb and Tom Jamrozy, who are our luncheon coordinators, was located at the Olive Garden, on US 19.

Please check the bulletin board next to elevator in the main lobby area to sign up and join us for lunch.

Our next luncheon will be at the Roosterfish Grill. The location is 776 Missouri Ave. N, in Largo. It's a laid-back, water-

front, down home seafood meals. See you at noon.

Please check your notice of the next building meeting. It will once again be the fourth Thursday of the month. We will supply the food, bring your own libations and chair. We will post the agenda on the bulletin board next to the elevator. Hopefully, we will have interesting topics for everyone to discuss.

We need a head count by the end of the afternoon, the day before the meeting, so we can get the right amount of food. We will meet outside of the core on the first floor in the shade to cut down on echoing noises unless it rains. Food will be inside.

Please contact Linda Faust at (563) 588-1379 or Toni Young (770) 313-1450 with any questions.

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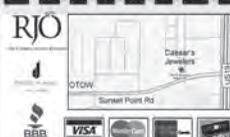
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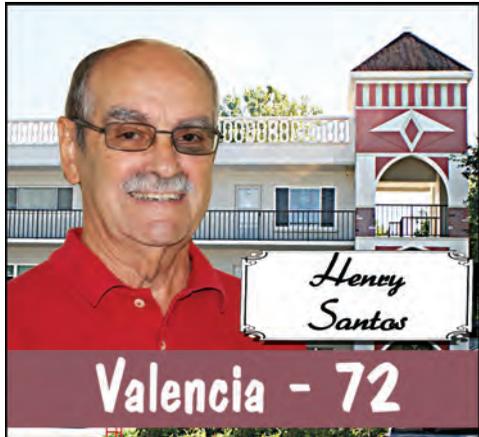
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# Valencia residents keep a Flag Day tradition going for another year



Valencia building had a huge turnout for a cookout residents held at the East Activity Center picnic area on June 8.

It was organized and hosted by Pam Easley and Valerie Martin with lots of help from Cathi, Phil and Philly Clinton, Janice and Dennis Hemmling, and several others pitched in.

Phil Clinton and Dennis Hammling were the grill-masters and did a great job cooking up those tasty hamburgers and hot dogs. Even Riley, Suzette and Jim Benson's pet chow was licking his chops all night.

There was lots of chatter, with everybody mixing in. We even had a very contentious, but friendly, corn toss game.

Great job everyone. It's always a good time when our neighbors share themselves.

On June 14, we held our traditional Flag Day ceremony, a tradition started long before I moved here.

We, as a group, stood and pledged our



Valencia residents gathered in early June at the Pavilion for a picnic and cornhole toss event. Later in the month, residents continued a Flag Day tradition by gathering at the pole and pledging together.

allegiance to our flag, which waved against a perfectly blue sky. It couldn't have been any better.

After the ceremony, we all went for a nice breakfast at Our Place in Dunedin, where we chatted and got to know more of each other.

Everything was just perfect.



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# Villa Riviera residents throw a party to welcome back the return of peace and silence



Riviera has become a broad term that applies to any coastline with a subtropical climate.

But originally it referred to the famous, sand-less beaches of France and Italy that border the Mediterranean.

Villa Riviera is the exclusive term used when referring to the green cinder-block building at the corner of World Parkway and Ecuadorian Way.

Riviera and Villa Riviera are both famous in the 20th century as playgrounds for beautiful people. And both areas rely on what the Europeans call *tourismos* and what we in the U.S. call Snowbirds.

Whether you call them *tourismos* or Snowbirds, they bring new friends, good times and much needed commerce to the area.

But when they leave, just as when parents put their much-loved children to bed, there is a collective sigh of relief.

Traffic on the streets lightens up, (especially at our entrance gates), and it's easier to get a table in a nearby restaurant or a chair poolside.

France celebrates by practically clos-



More than 40 Villa Riviera residents celebrated the exodus of Snowbirds with a barbecue at the Pavilion in June. It's not that they don't miss their Snowbird friends. It's just very relaxing and peaceful right now.

ing down for the entire month of August.

We, at the Villa, celebrate by throwing a big barbecue bash at the East Activity Center's pavilion.

Our social committee used money from recent 50/50 draws, and a nominal charge from the close to 40 attendees, to put together a feast fit for royalty.

A fantastic time was had by all, but the event was cut a little short by the weather. We unfortunately held it during

prime time on one of the warmest days of the year and there wasn't a breeze to be found.

Sharon Flint, a member of our social committee, ran the grill. Halfway through the event, she found that she had lost seven pounds.

Fortunately, Linda Pregoner, another committee member, had made her infamous jello cake, and after a couple of bottles of water and a slice of cake, Sha-

ron was back on the grill.

Deb Turrisi, the third member of the social committee, oversaw the buffet of sides consisting of numerous salads and Deb's famous deviled eggs.

"Never again," Deb was heard commenting to a neighbor. "I'd rather pull every hair out on my head than peel three dozen eggs ever again."

We will have to wait until Christmas to see if we get her deviled eggs again.

## Bohemians get a history lesson

Summer heat and accompanying storms do not dampen the spirit of the Bohemia Girls Day Out Group.

June's adventure took them to the St. Petersburg's History Museum.

The building, though it may appear small, hosts a wealth of treasures.

The girls were fascinated to learn that the first ever commercial flight originated in St. Petersburg. The plane was flown by pilot, Tony Janus, and traveled 32 miles across the bay to Tampa.

The company flew more than 1200 passengers in the three months that it was in business and maintains bragging rights on being first.

Other striking exhibits were the St. Petersburg version of the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, N.Y., and the military wing and the history of the Orange Railroad.

During past summers, the building's Bunco Babes took summers off from their monthly gatherings. But breaking with tradition, they have decided to play on throughout the year.

Eight years ago this group had never



heard of bunco, but they were introduced to this dice game and have been playing together ever since. They maintain a waiting list of interested participants.

For the first time ever, our building's monthly dining out night found us crossing the Courtney Campbell Causeway to Bahama Breeze for dinner. We had 20 residents participate in this event.

It makes one speculate that perhaps we can broaden our horizons when dinner out choices are selected for next year.

# BLACKOUT

BY Tom Jamrozy

Our Blackout card games continues to attract new players. This is an inexpensive evening of 5 quarters for lots of laughter and fun. It is easy to learn so new players are encouraged to come to the West Activity Center in the Bellaire Room on Thursday evenings at 5:50 pm for training and practice games, followed by regular play starting promptly from 6:30-9:00 pm.

This is a great way to meet people. We play 5 rounds. The top 3 players win the round and the 3 lowest scores move to the next table with new players. We look forward to seeing you for Canadian Blackout. Come and join in the fun.



Watch for future announcements.

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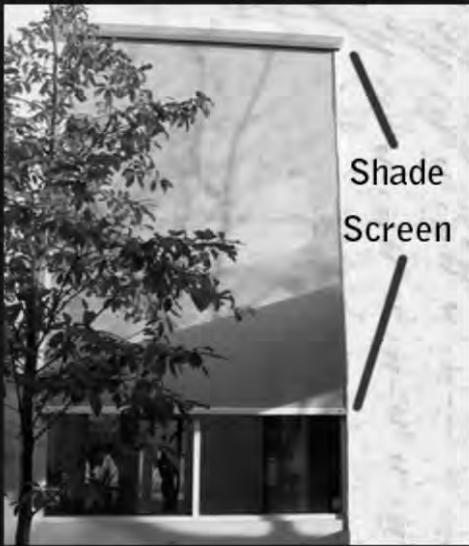


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# Let's practice taking better eating photos for OTOW News

We have a major crisis taking place at On Top of the World News!

Eating photos.

They are out of control.

Holiday dinners. Picnics at the Pavilion. Building barbecues.

Oh the chaos!

This column is not only for the staff at OTOW News, but for anyone who submits pictures to your community newspaper.



Editor

Lesson No. 1:

If you have a camera in your hand, you are in control. You are the boss. You dictate what happens when you click that camera button.

Please look at what's in front of you before you take your pictures.

Don't just snap the camera button because your food is getting cold.

Don't just take a picture because you see one person looking at you with a big smile.

Look at everyone in the picture!

Every single person.

Are they ready to be photographed?

Is everyone in a complimentary pose?

Are you about to take an award-winning photo?

Or ... is there a food disaster taking place?

Seriously, is someone in your picture getting ready to take a bite of a triple-layered chilli cheeseburger?

Does the person in the very center of your camera lens have a big mustard stain on their shirt?

Is someone completely unaware they are about to have their picture taken and has mayo running down their face?

Are you about to take a picture of someone with seven beer cans in front of them?

Are you about to take a picture with animal carcasses everywhere?

Really? Do you think people want to see leftover bones, used up napkins, paper plates covered in dried beans or evidence someone doesn't eat pizza crust?

Come on people.

No one - absolutely no one - wants a picture of themselves stuffing a hot dog in their mouth.

No one wants a picture of themselves with a mouth full of nacho chips.

And no one wants a picture of themselves at a picnic table 60 minutes after 10,000 pounds of food was just consumed.

You do not win a photo award for showing which table spilled the most barbecue sauce on the tablecloth!

So what is a photographer to do?

Aha! I have the solution!

1. When taking food-gathering photos, look for people sitting at a table with plates full of food before they start eating. Full plates can show off the variety of foods being served and can highlight the special occasion.

2. Don't take group photos at tables after everyone is done eating. Avoid stains, messes and carcasses.

3. Before clicking your camera button, have everyone at the table look into the camera and smile. Make them say "cheese" if you want. Please take five or six photos to make sure someone doesn't have their eyes closed.

4. Don't give someone a bad image. Look for stains on shirts. Look for messy tableclothes. Make sure someone doesn't have empty beer bottles in front of them. Be considerate to the people in front of you. Please! Tell them you are about to take a newspaper picture.

5. If you are taking pictures of people standing, make sure the 6-foot tall people are not in front and make sure the 4-foot tall people are not in back. This doesn't usually work out well. You are the photographer. Ask the taller people to stand in the back.

6. If possible, make sure the sun is not in the background. If possible, take pictures at a table where everyone is in the sun or everyone is in the shade. Half and half does not work out well.

7. Please. No hand gestures. Even if you are just a person in the picture, keep the hands down. No rabbit ears. No peace symbols. No "You're No. 1" indicators.

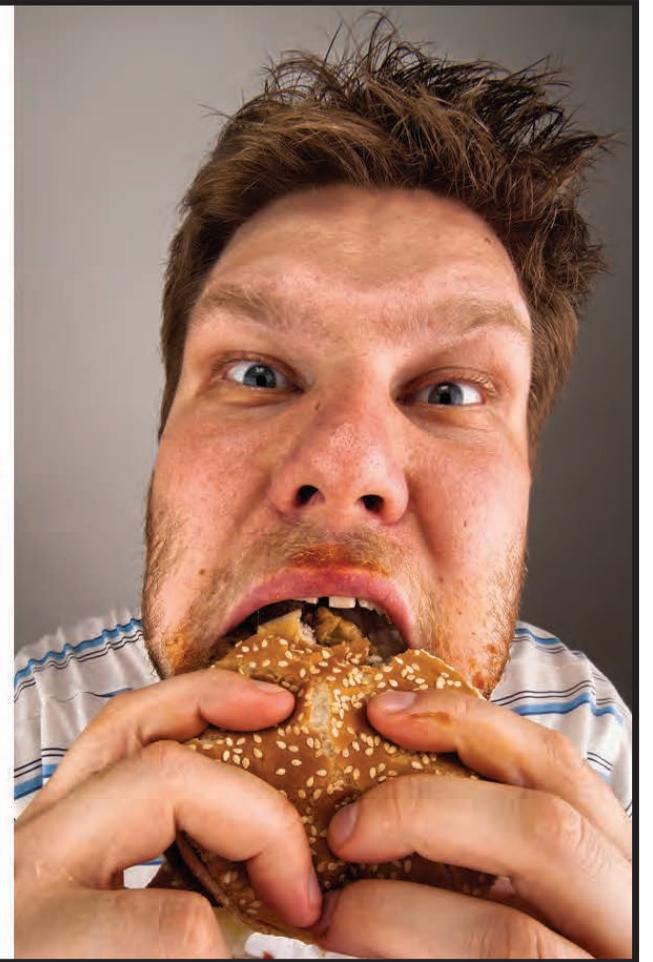
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Isn't the photo at the right lovely?

Moving forward, when submitting your picnic photos to OTOW News, look before you click the camera button!

Make sure your guests are smiling and looking at the camera. Make sure no one has their mouth wide open with food going in.

Please let your guests know you are taking their picture.  
- Thank you :)



**PLEASE!**



**No more animal carcass photos in OTOW News.  
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# Jesters show ‘A Funny Thing Happened On Broadway’ debuts on OTOW-TV Channel 732 in August

For those of you who missed the Jesters 42nd annual variety show in February, the time has finally come to sit back in the comfort of your own condo and watch the show on your TV set.

“A Funny Thing Happened on Broadway” was produced, directed and written by Evelyn Flam and Paige Johnson.

The show features music by Stephen Sondheim and Carole King, and music they created for Broadway.

This show was live on the East Activity Center Auditorium stage from Feb. 11-13 and recorded by OTOW-TV channel 732.

Now the show will air on OTOW-TV from Friday, Aug. 5 through Sunday, Aug. 7 at 7 p.m. each night.

If you have Spectrum Cable, you get OTOW-TV. Use your remote control to type 7 3 2. Do not use the up and down arrows on the remote to try to find the channel.

After the August debut, “A Funny Thing Happened On Broadway” will go into regular circulation on OTOW-TV. Every Friday, Saturday and Sunday night, your local cable channel features an old show by The Jesters, Theater Workshop and even the OTOW Chorus.

The Theater Workshop show from March 2022 will make its debut in September.



Pictured above and at left are two scenes from the Jesters 2022 show which will air on OTOW-TV in August.

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## OTOW NEWS WORD MIX

Unscramble the six words listed below.  
If you unscramble correctly, the first letter of each word will spell out the secret word of the month.  
If you cannot come up with the secret word of the month, then redo at least one of the six scrambled words.

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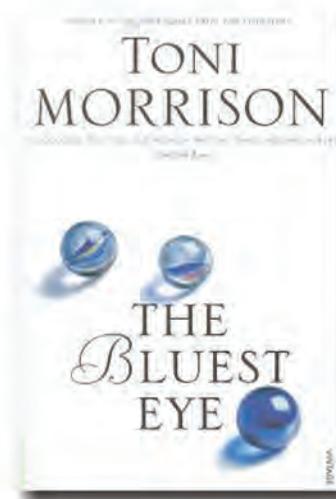
Last month's secret words' limit, zebras, apples, raccoons, daisies. Secret Word was lizard.



## OTOW-TV Channel 732 Daily Schedule

- 8 AM and 12 Noon: Exercises with Jessica and Cammy from Ocala
- 9 AM: Do-it-at-home Slimnastics
- 11 AM: Do-it-at-home Line Dancing
- 1 & 6 PM (Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays): Hope's Cardio Workout
- 4 PM: Aerobics with Jessica and Cammy from Ocala
- 7 PM (Friday-Sunday): Shows from our Past

## Good Karma Book Club



10 a.m., Thursday, July 21  
"The Bluest Eye"  
By Toni Morrison

10 a.m., Thursday, August 18  
"The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks"  
by Rebecca Skloot

All of our meetings take place in the EAC Crystal Beach Room  
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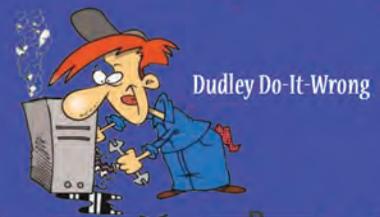
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