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### OTOW resident wins pie-making contest

# You don't have to go far for the best key lime pie in the country

By Cecile Sangiamo

Most likely, you have been to the Sunset Grill for a meal and had a piece of the best key lime pie you've ever tasted.

Or was it the best key lime pie in the country?

The latter was confirmed in April when On Top of the World resident, and Sunset Grill co-owner, Zukie Tzekas, entered her key lime pie into the national American Pie Council contest and captured first place.

The honor actually started when restaurant customers heard about the contest and encouraged Zukie to enter.

Zukie entered as an Independent and took top honors.

Amateur pie makers, professional bakers, chefs and commercial pie companies from around the country and Canada have been competing at the National Pie Contest since 1995.

Judges are faced with whole tables of different pies in a startling array of varieties, including apple, blueberry, chocolate, citrus, cream, cream cheese, cherry, blueberry, strawberry, fruit, key lime, pecan, peach, peanut butter, pumpkin, and special dietary, like gluten free and no sugar added.

It was a four-day event held at the Caribe Royal Hotel Resort in Orlando.

Zukie's pie was one of 12 entries in her division.



Pictured above is Zukie Tzekas with one of her winning key lime pie recipes. Customers at Sunset Grill encouraged Zukie to enter a national contest in April. She did and she won! The competition took place in Orlando and featured a variety of pie makers, including professionals and amateurs.

The Sunset Grill has been scratch. in family hands for 11 years and Zukie's mom, dad and sister do all they can to make our dining experience pleasant.

Zukie loves to cook and try new recipes. She is mostly selftaught following the Mediterranean tradition of preparing food from

When Zukie is not at work, she lives in the Corinthian Kapal building on OTOW's east side.

Should you ever be in the neighborhood and see Zukie, don't forget to congratulate her on having the nation's best key lime pie.

#### **Basic Ingredients** of a key lime pie

- lime juice lime zest
- milk sour cream
- graham crackers







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### **Semi-Annual Meeting**

### Make your vote count on June 12

#### **General Meeting**

Notice of the General Meeting for the On Top of the World Condominium Association to be held at. 10 a.m on June 12, 2014. at 2069 World Parkway Blvd. was mailed to residents in May.

There is a lengthy agenda as the Board reports on the status of the Association.

Your Board cannot underscore the importance of your vote whether in person or by proxy. In order to hold a meeting and conduct business, we need a quorum. So every vote counts regardless of how you vote!

Florida statutes require that the Association establish reserves, unless waived by a majority vote of the voting interests present at the meeting in person or by proxy. Please return the "yellow" proxy form to the Association at your earliest convenience in the envelope provided.

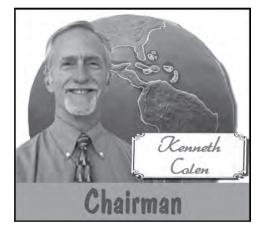
### Landscape and Architectural Controls

The Community's Declaration provides for the Association to exercise architectural control over the buildings and other common elements. Inasmuch as 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 all architectural or structural modifications in addition to making sure that contractors performing the work are properly licensed and insured.

Maintenance of landscape, and related features in the common areas, is an ongoing process. In many cases, the owner that made the original modification has moved on and the landscaping has grown out of control. At times, an owner may become irate with the management company personnel who trim back or remove plantings (in most cases made without first consulting the Association). Your Board can be sympathetic to a point in these types of matters. However, when a tree begins to scrape and erode shingles on a roof mansard, or lift up walkway or pavement, or when shrubbery encroaches into a walkway, it is time for the offending plant to be removed to protect the safety of both residents and property.

The Association has a job to do for the benefit of all owners.

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. Return it with a detailed description of the work requested and a dimensioned drawing of the affected area. A representative of the Association will inspect the area and advise the owner of approval, approval with modification, or denial.

#### Maintenance Update

We are definitely into the summer season when we really need air conditioning. If you're like most people, you never think about your air conditioning unit (AC) until it stops working or floods your unit. The condensate from a normally operating AC must be able to drain outside during normal operation.

The management company inspects and services the common AC condensate drain lines annually. Servicing entails suctioning the line and making sure it is flowing freely into the drain wet well.

Please take note that this process is not a substitute for the unit owner's responsibility of maintaining their own cooling system. It is the unit owner's responsibility to have their air conditioning system serviced EVERY year by a licensed and insured contractor.

Drain lines will not operate efficiently without the unit owner's cooperation in keeping their HVAC system serviced at least yearly. The owner's service must include the following items:

- A service check of the exterior Condenser, including a coil cleaning
- A service check of the air handler and cooling coil on the inside of your unit, including checking the drain pan for leaks or weak spots and checking the flow in the lateral pipe from the drain pan to the common condensate line.

Overflowing (backed-up) air conditioning condensate drains inside to the owner's unit is one of the most frequent causes of water damage to a unit and the adjoining units. This can become very costly and be a real nightmare to fix.

#### Painting/Waterproofing

Building 87 is scheduled to have its front façade repainted, and building 52 will have new rear waterproofing membranes applied in June. Remember, all start dates are approximate and inclement weather can affect scheduling.

Flooring replacements scheduled for the month of June include the first and third floors of building 74. Please remember that this work is affected in the overnight hours to minimize any inconvenience to the community. Please exercise caution if you find yourself in proximity to the posted work areas.

Building 22 and 11 will be undergoing handrailing improvements throughout June. The contractor will be adding aluminum components to the walkway guardrails and stairwell handrails, so please exercise caution in the areas where these improvements are being made. The majority of these railing projects are estimated to last 2-5 weeks, depending on the scope of the work and the size of the structure.

Various grass and landscaping improvements will be taking place now that rainy season has arrived in west central Florida and the grass/plants can easily take root. The crews working on these projects may need to temporarily cordon off parking spots or sidewalks while green supplies are delivered and installed. Please excuse our dust while we complete these beautification projects.

### Large scope and ongoing construction projects

The south side of building 27 will see stucco maintenance teams continuing their work from late May. This work affects the third floor façade of the structure. Keep in mind that this work requires the use of hi-reach equipment, so temporary parking lot closures will be required.

As always, we ask that residents please limit any foot traffic in and around the work area while these maintenance activities are underway. Please exercise caution and be aware of equipment operating in the area until completion of the project.

Sidewalk panel replacements will continue throughout the year, and many residents will see hi-reach equipment operating around the rear of buildings as maintenance crews focus on needed repairs before the rainy season begins.

The structural inspections and correction program (an inspection process by the management's construction department that affects repairs on headers, tower elements, walkways, sidewalks, parapets, columns, railings, center core doors, etc.) will be an ongoing process throughout this and future years.

As building's age, more detailed inspection and assessments are required. Timely reporting of maintenance matters by residents is helpful to the continuing success of this program. Residents may notice an increase in the patching and painting of center core areas as this will be the main focus in the spring of 2014. The management company asks that residents do not drill penetrations into the structures as this becomes a costly item to continually repair.

Compliance inspections by the Inspection Services division of the management company are ongoing. There is an increased emphasis on the removal of plantings located above and around the potable water meters that service the individual units. The management company is asking that all residents comply and not replant the areas. Plants or other items found in these areas will be removed without notice and disposed of as they hinder the proper maintenance of these meters in the future.

Please keep in mind that the condominium association requires a modification request for any landscape alterations. Many times decorative rocks or landscaping is installed without the advance approval of the association.

Clutter enforcement is another item which requires constant monitoring by the management company. This includes the tagging and removal of excessive furnishings placed in the center core, walkways, and end stairwell areas. Remember, much of the material placed there was unapproved by your association and may actually violate the life safety code for building access.

Awning inspections continue to take place by the Inspection services division of the management company.

The Clearwater area has seen an increase in storms and rainfall the last few years, and as a result, many of the awning attachment points have been weakened to the point where the "clamshell" style awning must be removed to halt any further damage to the structure.

The management company continues to contact owners regarding their compromised older-style awnings in disrepair or with weak attachment points. As noted in prior articles, the "clamshell" awnings do not meet building code for wind resistance. Fortunately there are new products that do. If you have an awning, please arrange for its inspection through the Community Service Office at the East Activity Center.



Kenneth Colen, Publisher • Doug Kates, Editor • Dave Hart, Asst. Editor

#### **Press Association Officers**

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\* Be aware, we may sell out all our ad space before the deadline!

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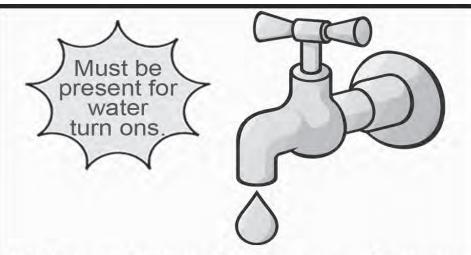
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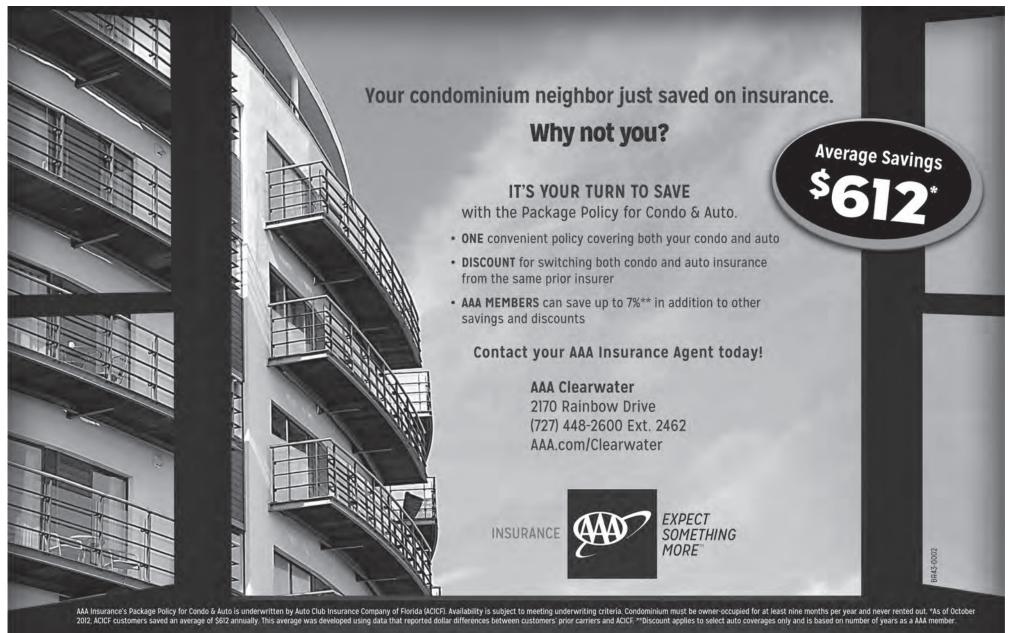
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- (4) For service after 3 PM call 799-1115. A \$35 payment (by check) will be required at the time of service.
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# On Top of the World adds another inspector to improve safety and better follow community standards

The Association has received a few letters regarding notices some of you have received from the Parkway Management Inspection Services Department.

I thought this might be a good time to review the services and educate our residents on the primary function of this important department.

The management company has added an inspector to this department to assist in the notification and resolution of outstanding violations.

The primary goal of this department is to ensure the safety of our residents and adherence to community standards. The department does this in large part by assuring that the buildings and the community adhere to the National Life Safety Code, Florida Building Code, and Florida Statutes, as well as the On Top of the World's Community Standards.

Some of the items addressed include:

- walkway, stairwell and center core egress
- ensuring new building components are wind rated or adaptable to be wind rated
- contractors are licensed and insured (proof must be included with every modification form)
- common area warranties are not impacted (specifically paint, waterproofing and roofing)
- community standards are met and that rules are not violated
- unit owner modifications are aesthetically compatible with the community.

Some units have beautiful plants, furniture, fountains sitting in the walk-ways and end stairwells. These items are a life safety code violation as they present an obstructed exit (egress) in the event of a building evacuation.



These items must be removed from walkways and stairwells that do not have a balcony landing that is out of the path of exit.

Unit owners are being notified of these violations and are asked to comply immediately.

Under stairwells and walkway overhangs, we have discovered plants growing that obstruct access to the fire extinguisher. Such plants will be removed without further notice. This is a life safety code violation. The code not only dictates the placement of the extinguisher, it also dictates the access to it.

New HVAC compressors are heavier and more efficient than the original HVAC compressors installed during original construction or even replaced in the last 8-10 years.

Due to this fact, new installations require a support frame (see Appendix A-2 of the Amended and Restated Rules) as well as tie down straps.

Owners of units with improperly installed HVAC units are being notified of this safety hazard and are given 30 days to bring the unit into compliance. The Association has approved standards for a supporting mount. This detail is available at www.otow-clearwaterinfo.com under the Service Department tab, or you can visit the Community Service Office and pick-

up a copy of the Amended and Restated Rules and Community Standards which include the specifications.

Any licensed HVAC contractor should be able to fabricate the proper supporting mount from non-rusting material and without great expense.

The Association does not endorse specific contractors for this type of work.

Due to the size and demographics of this community, from time to time unlicensed and uninsured contractors will try to gain access into the community and take advantage of unsuspecting residents. They will offer you unbelievable deals that beat the competition usually because they aren't qualified to perform the work they are proposing. The unit owner is the one who suffers in the form of leaks from improperly installed windows, doors and improperly sealed compressor penetrations into the condominium.

Trust me, the cost of repairing damage from one leak exceeds the cost of hiring licensed and insured contractors from the onset.

In an effort to save money, one unit owner experienced the installation of windows designed and manufactured for mobile homes. This is exactly the type of situation the Inspection Services Department wants to help you avoid. Such an installation is also in violation of the Florida Standard Building code. The owner is on the hook to replace the improper installation (and this pays twice). Such mistakes are so easily avoided by going with licensed and reputable contractors.

The Inspection Services Department plays an important role in not only your safety, but also in maintaining the integrity and value of your community. Due to the nature of certain violations, follow-up visits for

non-compliance may result in referral to legal counsel for legal action if the problem was not repaired by the owner/violator in the allotted time.

While this is certainly not the action the Association wishes to pursue, it simply must protect the residents and the community.

If you do not have a copy of the latest Amended and Restated Rules for the On Top of the World Community, you may access them online at www.otowclearwaterinfo.com under the Service Department Tab. You may also obtain a copy by visiting the Community Service Office. The rules will provide direction and specifications related to Community Standards.

#### Wind Mitigation Forms

Insurance agents are requesting copies of Wind Mitigation Forms in order to apply a discount to your annual insurance premiums.

You and/or your insurance agent may now access these forms online at www.otowclearwaterinfo.com under the Community Information tab.

You will need to locate the report that corresponds with your address, print the form and add the owner's name and unit number to the form.

There is no charge for this service.

If you prefer to have a hard copy mailed from the Association, please see the Community Service Office at the East Activity Center. There is a \$15 administrative fee for this service. The forms are updated as new roofs are installed or when the forms expire (5 years from the performed date).

If your insurance agent does not accept the current forms, we suggest you shop around for a new agency. Please visit www.challengemyrate.com to ensure you are receiving the best rate possible.

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### Baby Boomers learn facts behind recycling, then share their information with you



### Baby Boomers

By Rita Kress

Many of us at On Top of the World are environmentally concerned and are becoming more committed to taking action to protect the health of our planet, ourselves, and our future generations.

For Earth Day, eight members of our Baby Boomers group went on a guided tour of the Tampa Waste Management recycling facility and we learned a lot.

This facility opened in 2012 and processes 35 tons of mixed recyclables per hour. Not having to separate recyclables makes it easier for people to recycle.

Recycled aluminum cans are often processed and back on grocery store shelves in as little as 30 days.

If we could manufacture one less aluminum can, and save the energy it would have taken to make that can, that saved energy would power a computer for three hours.

If we could save the power it takes to make one glass bottle, that same energy could run a 100 watt lightbulb for four hours.

Did you know, recycling one ton of old newspapers would save 17

Thinking about throwing away a glass container? It takes one million years to break it down in a landfill. Recycling is a better alternative.

Waste Management of Tampa accepts the following materials for recycling (free of food or liquid): tin and ferrous metal cans, aluminum containers, aseptic containers (such as juice boxes), glass, empty aerosol cans, PET No. 1 plastics including (water and sports drink bottles), High Density Poly Ethylene No. 2 colored plastic or naturalcolored bottles and jugs (no caps on bottles), plastics numbered 3-7, cardboard, newspaper and mixed paper.

Probably the most important thing



In the front row are Jan Cox, Jan Stiffler, Dianne Dvorak and Valerie Martin. In the back row are Joe Santosuosso, Cheryl Reese, Rich Dvorak and Mike Martin.

that we learned is trying to recycle wrong materials can slow down the process and can render a whole ton useless. If people carelessly toss the wrong thing into the recycling bins, it really has a negative impact.

Items which should never be placed in recycling containers include plastic bags, styrofoam or package wrap, broken or sharp glass, mirrors, ceramic materials, cloth or clothing, food, liquid waste, shredded paper and scrap metal.

Also, non-recyclable plastics, electronics or hazardous items should never be placed in these bins.

The Baby Boomers look forward to someday recycling at On Top of the World, particularly since a good portion of the waste currently leaving our community is actually recyclable.

We can make a difference for ourselves and our future generations by simply recycling wisely.

The Baby Boomers are a very active group participating in many funfilled activities, including biking, kayaking, sailing, golfing, deep sea fishing, cruising, dining out, game night, dancing, potluck dinners, holiday parties and picnics. We also do outings to the



theater, museums, festivals, concerts, rent OTOW Recreation Card. There is and local day trips.

Our meetings are the first Wednesday and third Thursday of every month, at the Starlite Room in the East Activities Center at 5:30 p.m. Upcoming meetings are June 4 and June 19.

Anyone interested in joining the Baby Boomers is welcome to the meetings and should bring their curno membership fee.

Our meetings usually consist of everyone participating in creating weekly or monthly social activities. After the meeting we usually continue with a fun-filled activity such as dining out, dancing or visiting a local club for additional socializing.

Watch our ads on OTOW-TV and visit our Web page on the Box Office.

### East Activity Center swimming pool next in line for improvements

Days after the West Activity Center swimming pool reopened with a new look, the East Activity Center swimming pool is about to undergo a similar transformation.

"It's another one of our community renovations," said SCA Manager Dessa Barabba.

The EAC pool is expected to close on June 2 and will reopen in five to six weeks. In the meantime, East Side residents are more than welcome to enjoy the new look of the WAC pool.

When renovations are completed, the EAC new pool deck will look the same as the new pool deck on the West Side.

The EAC will get new, wider coping (edging around the exterior of the pool - which appears in yellow in the photo at right).

New metal fencing will line the EAC pool - the same new fencing on the West Side.

And, the EAC will also get new deck chairs - the same chase lounge chairs now dotting the perimeter of



Pictured above is the East Activity Center swimming pool before this month's renovation work began. The next time you see this pool, the yellow ledge surrounding the pool will be different, the pool deck will be different and lawn chairs will be brand new. (OTOW News photo by Doug Kates)

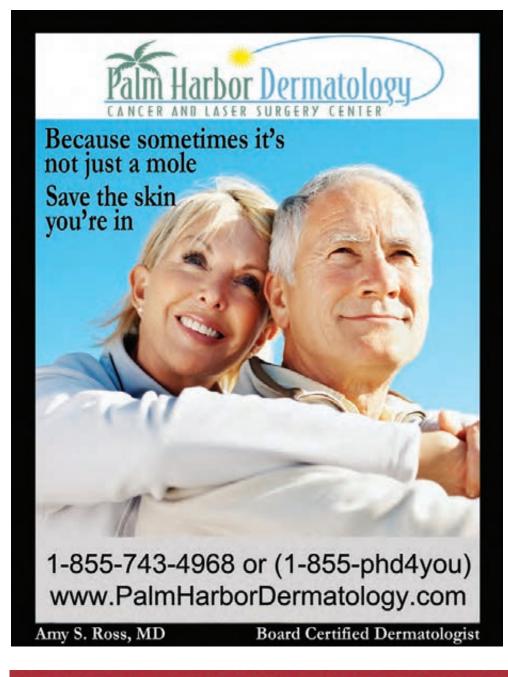
the WAC pool.

consistent look," Dessa said. "We able to enjoy for many years to come."

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Janet Stephens of New York

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We help members with hardware and software issues from 9-10 a.m., Monday mornings, no appointments necessary, or you can schedule an appointment from 9-10 a.m., Tuesday-Thursday.

We will help any member with Windows XP or Windows 7 instruction from 9-10 a.m., on Fridays. Our club offers free Wi-Fi in the EAC, and a computer equipment recycling service to members for a small, modest fee.

The computer lab is located opposite the large card room. By joining our club, you can ask all your computer questions in a relaxed, friendly environment, and your questions may help others with similar situations. You are also encouraged to share your own past computer experiences - both good and bad.



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### Press Association works on updating bylaws and redistributing duties to board members

The original Constitution for the Press Association was created in 1988.

Since then, the club and its procedures have undergone some changes.

While a few changes were scribbled down in pen and pencil, for the most part, not all changes were officially amended to the Constitution.

Currently, an effort is taking place to change this habit and create a set of bylaws, which will bring the Press Association up to standards as far as procedures are concerned.

At the May 1 Press Association meeting, editor Doug Kates recommended a review of the duties of current board members and bylaws/ constitution. The original constitution allowed for five board members - the current board has three members.

Doug provided those at the meeting with a proposed outline for the updated bylaws, including a revised duty description for each current board member - including president, vice president and treasurer.

He asked each press member to



#### **Press Association**

review the outline and also posted the outline on the Press Association Website. Feedback is needed by July 7 so plans to formally create the new bylaws can begin.

"We used to have a dedicated buildings coordinator, who was not officially a board member," Doug said. "That person has stepped down and it is now time to redistribute those responsibilities to the board members. For the past several years, our vice president had limited responsibilities. We have a chance to redefine this posident and secretary."

During the meeting, no one requested changes to the outline. The day after the meeting, a request was made to add the "Pledge of Allegiance" to the monthly meeting agenda.

Among other notable changes that need to be added to the bylaws are setting guidelines for the Appreciation Luncheon and changing the season schedule.

Originally, any member of the Press Association could attend the end-of-the-season luncheon. Four years ago the qualifications became stricter requiring a press member to contribute to at least three editions of the newspaper and attend at least three meetings over the season.

In 1988, the newspaper season was considered June to May, but currently the season starts in May and ends fittingly with the Appreciation Luncheon in April.

There were four original guidelines in the Constitution to cover the phi-

tion, as well as the duties for the presi- losophy of the newspaper. Those four guidelines will not change. They were:

> (1). To publish a free newspaper, (2). To provide community news, (3). To cooperate with all OTOW organizations, and (4) to report "Only Good News."

> On Aug. 7, at the next Press Association meeting, members will be asked to approve the proposed bylaws and amend them to the Constitution. According to the Constitution, at least 10 members must be in attendance and two-thirds must vote to approve.

> "The proposed bylaws reflect how we are currently doing business," Doug said. "Except for redefining duties of the board members, there are no major changes.

> "This would give us nice guidelines to follow while continuing to respect what our founders wanted."

> To view the proposed bylaws, visit OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com and look for the link to the Press Association Website. Once there, look for a link to the proposed bylaws.

## The end of Hollywood's glory days

What do Ava Gardner, Martha Vickers, Betty Jane Phillips, Elaine Mahnken, Barbara Ann Thompson, Marge Lane, Carolyn Hockett and Jan Chamberlin have in common?

They were all wives of Mickey Rooney.

Mickey died April 6 of this year at the age of 91. He was one of the last surviving stars that go all the way back to the silent film era. He first appeared on screen in 1926.

His parents were in vaudeville, and Mickey made his debut on stage when he was 17 months old as part of the

The family moved to California in 1925, and Mickey got a part in a Hal



Walter Balderson

**Inside Showbiz** 

Roach short.

Mickey's big break came a year later when he was selected to play the lead in the "Mickey McGuire" series of short stories that ran from 1926 to

Mickey's original name was Joe Yule, Jr., but due to the success of

Mickey McGuire, they changed his name to Mickey.

MGM made "A Family Affair" as a B-movie and cast Mickey in the role of Andy Hardy with Lionel Barrymore. The movie was a huge success and resulted in 13 more Andy Hardy films between 1927??? through 1946.

Many will remember the musicals Mickey made with Judy Garland and his classic role in "Boys Town" with Spencer Tracy.

Mickey did serve in World War II and was assigned to the entertainment division of the Armed Forces. Being away from Hollywood, his popularity had waned by the time he returned to civilian life and Hollywood.

A major turning point came when he made his Broadway debut in "Sugar Babies," a musical revue tribute to Vaudeville with Ann Miller. It opened at the Mark Hellinger Theatre in New York to rave reviews and continued to run for over 1,200 performances.

The death of Mickey Rooney is really the end of the glory days of Hollywood and the star system. His personal life was flawed and MGM had trouble keeping him in line. He was probably one of the greatest talents spanning over 90 years.

Doubtful there is anyone performing today who will ever match that success.

### May Photo Search Answers

- 1. Trunk of palm tree
- 2. Fence missing a post
- 3. Folded jacket different
- 4. Hat tassel moved
- 5. Boston to Houston
- 6. Extra cloud on T-Shirt
- 7. Extra palm tree in background
- 8. Guy missing beads around neck
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### Can my children inherit my condo?

Q. My neighbor told me that because I live in an "over-55" community, my children cannot inherit my condominium. Please comment.

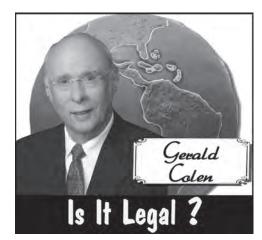
A. Not true. Not true. Not true. Not true.

Am I getting across yet?

I don't know why or how this false information is running around, but as I said, it is false, false, false.

Here's the thing: In an "over-55" community, 80 percent of the units have to be occupied by at least one person who is 55 years of age or older. Note, please that I used the word "occupied" not the word "owned."

In On Top of the World, the Association takes the view that the remaining 20 percent is for folks who inherit a unit. Thus, if someone who is not 55 years of age inherits a unit, he



or she can own it AND can OCCUPY it. However, if someone who is not 55 years of age seeks to purchase and occupy a unit, that person would not be approved.

He or she could buy a unit, and therefore own it and could, for example, lease it out to someone who is over 55 and must go through the approval process.

The Association will take legal action in the event someone who is not 55 or older sought to occupy a unit, unless he or she occupied it in good faith, with someone who is 55 years of age or older.

Let me add this. All persons who occupy a unit at On Top of the World, be it in Clearwater or in Ocala, must go through the approval process and this includes someone who is younger than age 55, but who has inherited a

There are no exceptions to the approval process.

Summary: If you live in an "over-55" community, your heirs can absolutely inherit your unit and can own it and possess it. However, in On Top of the World, be it in Clearwater or in Ocala, all persons who occupy a unit must go through the approval process.

Q. What is the difference between an advance directive and a living will?

A. A living will is an advance directive. Most often, however, an advance directive includes a portion for the living will and also a portion of language to the effect that you designate someone to make health care decisions for you in the event you are not able to do so.

Q. I am very concerned about signing a durable power of attorney because the person I choose will then have a lot of power won't she?

A. Yes, indeed. That is why I continually harp on the need for selecting an agent who you absolutely, and without question trust.

Maybe it's a child. Maybe it's your attorney or a trusted advisor. It's just my view that it is critical to have a durable power of attorney because, if some kind of catastrophic event happens to you, such as a stroke AND you survive, you will need someone to take decisions.

If you do not have a well-drafted durable power of attorney, and if it is necessary to have some bills paid or some documents signed, it is possible that a guardianship will have to be established.

It's best to avoid guardianship. That's why I believe everyone should have a durable power of attorney (and

over 55. However, the tenant must be also an advance directive) and the person you select must be completely trustworthy.

> Q. Does this come under the heading of mind my own business? The wife of a friend who lives (nearby) is engaged in an affair, or I think it's that. Should I inform my friend about his wife?

> A. Um...this does not appear to be a legal question, or if it is, I can't seem to see it. So I think I'll follow your suggestion and just mind my own

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> Please understand that if you do either of these, you are committing

> As countless of folks have learned, only time, and your effort, along with some form of legitimate personal debt repayment plan, will improve someone's bad credit.

Gerald R. Colen is an attorney who is a member of both the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys and the Academy of Florida Elder Law Attorneys. He concentrates his practice of law in the areas of real estate, elder law, wills, trusts, probate, business law and simple and complex estate planning. He welcomes your questions and comments. This column is not intended to provide legal advice, but is only intended to provide limited information on the specific matters raised in the questions and answers. You should always consult your own attorney for specific advice. Mr. Colen is available care of you and make business-type for conferences at his law office at 7243 Bryan Dairy Road, Largo, Fl., 33777. His phone number is (727) 545-8114. He is also pleased to respond to email at his email address of gcolen@tampabay.rr.com or through his Web page at www.gcolen.com. In Ocala, Fl., Mr. Colen is available by appointment for legal conferences at the On Top of the World sales office, which is located near Sid's Cafe.

### **NOTICE**

### Important bulletin for all On Top of the World residents

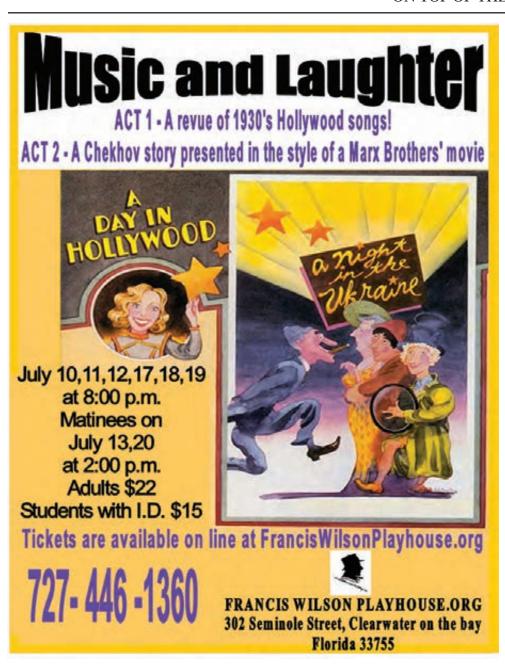
A new standard has been implemented for sealants that will affect window, awning and air conditioning contractors performing work for OTOW residents.

Residents should be aware that due to an extremely high failure rate, silicone sealants are no longer approved for use as a caulking and weatherproofing product within On Top of the World.

Failure of the silicone sealant bond has resulted in water intrusion into units. This has resulted in significant water damage and costly repairs. WATER INTRUSION is a serious issue that may damage belongings and lead to mold growth.

Protect yourself by asking your contractor in advance if they are using an ACRYLIC URETHANE or POLY URETHANE sealant recommended for use by your Association. Applying the proper sealant, in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications, may prevent water intrusion.

Detailed information is available at the Community Service Office in the East Activity Center. Thank you for your attention to this matter.





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### Now that Jim Marshall is done scouting baseball, his new favorite place to watch a game is his OTOW living room

By Marvin Maziarz

Major League Baseball scout Jim Marshall will proudly show off his 1984 World Series ring, his National League championship bat, and his 1984 National League championship watch.

And you won't have to go far to see any of them. Jim is an On Top of the World resident.

Scouting high school, college and minor league baseball prospects is a great job, but traveling throughout the northeastern United States can be brutal for a family man.

Jim retired in 1999 after 27 years as a Major League Baseball scout for the San Diego Padres and three years for the New York Mets.

"I loved the job," Jim said, "but the travel cost me my marriage, which after eight years ended in divorce."

After a short minor league career as a catcher in the Brooklyn Dodger organization, Jim coached at Kings High School in Tampa.

A friend recommended Jim to Buzzy Bavasi, general manager of the expansion San Diego Padres, to scout player prospects in the northeast U.S.

At 32 Jim became the youngest scout in the major leagues.

Scouts depend on scouting reports, coaches' notes and a good eye.

Aluminum bats were the vain of the scouts - at the college level, players the draft often helped a coach's career talented boys of summer who played are allowed to use aluminum bats and can hit farther and swing faster making a good evaluation tough. In professional baseball, only wooden bats, which are heavier, are allowed.

A seat behind any college, high school or minor league home plate was always reserved for scouts, and coaches often wined and dined the scouts. Having a prospect selected for



Jim Marshall is a former scout for the San Diego Padres. Above right is his 1984 World Series ring.

and sometimes the pocketbook.

Jim says "baseball today is sophisticated, technical and the pay is astronomical.

"Teams have fitness equipment, trainers, doctors, nutritionists and just about every support system you can

"Back in the 'old days,' players were cigar smoking, tobacco chewing,

for the love of the game and little

"These guys enjoyed a good time and maybe a little hell raising," he said.

Managers would often look the other way as long as players produced on the field.

When asked about the replay system, Jim says, "it keeps the umpires sharp and on their toes."



Don Zimmer, a friend and former roommate, is ill and the two don't communicate frequently anymore. Don was a fun-loving big guy and Jim tells a story how "The Zimmer" gave him some friendly barbing for not selecting his son for the draft.

Being in baseball, Jim always attended the Florida governors opening day banquet and tells of some escapades with Mickey Mantle, Roger Maris and Bob Uecker in St. Peters-

When asked, who he scouted who was famous, Jim replied, "catcher Mike Ivie, outfielder Billy Almon, third baseman Barry Evans and pitcher Mike Caldwell among others."

Ozzie Smith, Rollie Fingers, Steve Garvey and Gene Tennis are among some of the others whose paths intertwined with Jim the scout.

Of course Jim has some other great stories, some left best untold.

Although he has a lifetime pass for any baseball stadium in the country, Jim doesn't go to games anymore. He watches them on television.

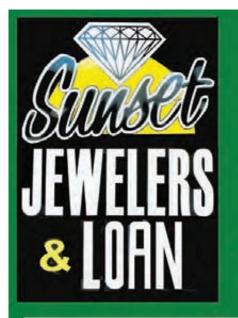
"I had my fill of stadium hot dogs, peanuts, cracker jacks and popcorn,"

But he doesn't mind talking about the business at all. When there's an opportunity, Tampa Bay Rays Scouting Director Ray Harrison can be just a phone call away.

#### West Activity Center swimming pool work completed



The West Activty Center swimming pool reopened in late May with beautiful new deck pavers, a new fence and some fresh paint. What you can't see is work done to improve the bottom of the pool. (OTOW News photo by Doug Kates)



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## Want bananas? Go to a jungle Want coffee? Visit our corner!

By Paul Miller

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So come visit your Coffee Corner. Enjoy the latest gossip and meet some of your neighbors, while helping this community be a greater place for your retirement years.

**Italian American** 

# Italian-American Club reports increase in membership

By Jerry Kaplano

The Italian-American Club board will remain the same for another season.

Taking on another term will be co-presidents Maryann Fontaine and Pete Marchetti; Treasurer Tony Sulmonte; secretaries Cecile Marchand and Jerry Kaplano.

We had a very good year. Membership was up about 10 percent. All events had a great turnout.

Tickets for upcoming events will

be on sale Mondays and Thursdays starting Sept. 25.

Oct. 19 will be an ice cream social followed by bingo. On Nov. 19 we'll have a Welcome Back Spaghetti Dinner.

Claire Mauro and Dottie LaPorta are planning a Christmas party for some

Thanks to all the members who helped out during the past season. I hope everyone has a wonderful summer. See you in the fall.

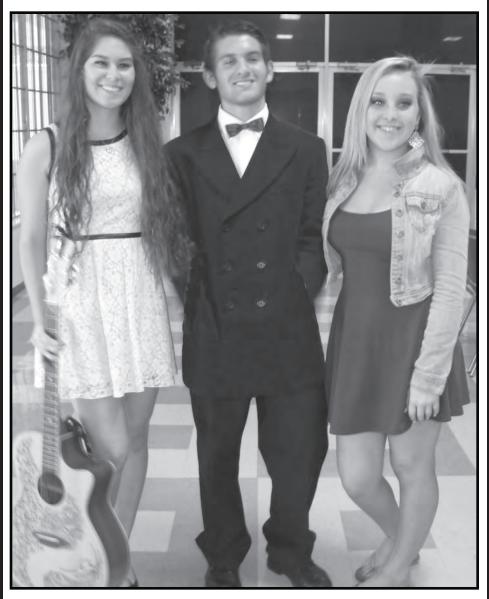


The next

AAA Driver Safety Course
is scheduled for 9 a.m. to noon,

June 19-20, in the

East Activity Center Starlite Room.
Cost is \$15. There is a form on page
51 you may fill out to register.



At the Get Acquainted Thursday meeting in May, performers included singers from the Dunedin High School chorus, including the three students above. In July, residents are asked to join our own chorus in a partiotic sing-along.

(OTOW News photo by Mary Lou Wall)

# Next meeting set for July 10

The Good Neighbors meeting for Thursday, June 12, is canceled.

On Top of the World's management is holding their business meeting in the auditorium that day.

The next meeting will be Thursday, July 10. We plan on

Good Neighbors



President Doris Paino

having a sing-along. The chorus will be singing patriotic songs, and the audience is invited to join in. Hand-outs will be provided with the lyrics.

Anyone interested in getting involved in Good Neighbors, please contact me, Doris. You will find me in front of the Gift Shoppe on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

We plan on keeping the Gift Shoppe open for normal hours 9 a.m. to noon, Monday to Friday, except for Friday, July 4.

See you at the East Activity Center.

### Line dancers practicing what they've been taught

By Julie Narancich

On Top of the World line dancers wish to thank all of our instructors and those who help set up equipment on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

We especially want to thank Doug Erickson and Carol Wharton for taking the time to bring new dances to us this winter and for making it easier for us by using "hold" and "and" correctly.

One of our cherished line dancers recently sent us a letter. It said, "I'm looking across the lake and can see the skyline of Toronto, 25 miles away. Also, the waterfowl migration is in full swing and flocks of northern ducks



spend up to two weeks in front of our place feeding on fish and getting ready for the next leg of their trek to the far north."

The writer also said they are line dancing three times per week in Can-

For those of us still in Florida, line dancers will continue to work on their dance skills through the summer.

Mary Becker is still collecting the annual membership fee of \$5. Please present your On Top of the World Recreation Card along with \$5 to Mary.

Remember, those of you who are full-time residents here at OTOW, the Line Dance Club keeps dancing through the summer months, therefore, please join us as any time is a great time to learn line dancing.

We have wonderful individual instruction and provide patience and

moral support, so please join us every Tuesday at 1 p.m. and Saturday at 8:30 a.m. for two hours of fun and fitness in the East Activity Center auditorium.

Beginner lessons start at 1 p.m. on Tuesday and 8:30 a.m. on Saturday for 30 minutes. The beginner lessons are extremely helpful.

We welcome everyone and invite you to bring your friends. Line dancing is great for men and women of all ages.

For any questions regarding Line Dance Club, please contact Mary Becker at 253-4874 or Julie Narancich at 574-323-4100. Hope to see you

### Tickets on sale for Christmas in July

The New York-New Jersey Club held a successful Wine and Cheese Meet-and-Greet in April.

More than 50 people showed up for this event and had a great time. Good wine, cheese and grapes complimented the rest of the fun evening.

Jane Lee, who President Jack Casey has named the nurturer and greeter of the club, organized a meet-and-greet game. Everyone had time to do a write up of themselves and share their information with others. It is always fun to find out if there is someone you might have something in common with, such as geographic or personal backgrounds.



Jack received great feedback on this mixer. There was also time to play bingo, with white elephant gifts for prizes. Thanks to everyone who volunteered to help during this fun evening.

I hope that you have been picking up flyers or checking them for future events. No events are planned during June, but this will give us time to sell tickets for upcoming events beginning with the Christmas in July dinner and dance with a favorite DJ, "Denise with a Twist."

Please stop by the auditorium on Mondays from 8:30-10:30 a.m. during June for tickets. Beginning in July, tickets will be back to the original schedule of Mondays and Thursdays at the same time and place.

Remember to check out the New York-New Jersey Web page on the Box Office Web site. We are also on OTOW-TV. Hope you all had a great Memorial Day celebration.



#### **Singles Club**

### Wine and cheese party set this month

By Mary Widman

Now that our tropical summer season is upon us here at On Top of the World, we have some cool activities planned.

At our Saturday, June 7, meeting, we will have a wine and cheese party. Tickets are \$3 and can be purchased on Mondays and Thursdays from 9-10:30 a.m. in the East Activity Center.

In July, we will have an "indoor picbe \$6 per person. Don't miss this fun

In August we are planning a ladies' more motivated when working and high tea. Plan on bringing your favorite learning new techniques in the East china tea cup for this event. Tickets for this afternoon social will be available in

> Keep tuned for more specials coming up, such as a mystery lunch trip.

Remember, our meetings are held Room between the Starlite Room and the first Saturday of each month at 6:15 p.m. Come join us and make new You can see what types of art we are friends and meet some old friends, too.

If you know of any member who is ill or needs some cheering up, call If you have questions, please call our sunshine lady Mary Widman, 796-1184. She will send a greeting from all of our members.

### Don't paint at home - learn something new on Wednesdays or Thursdays

By Cheryl J. Reese

The Art Guild's official meetings are in session from October through April. However, there are enough residents to continue our Wednesday Painting Pals, 1-3 p.m., and we are still getting together to do our favorite art mediums.

We also have meetings 1-3 p.m. on Thursdays. Instead of the drawing lessons on Thursdays, we each bring in our artwork and continue working on, or experimenting, with other art mediums. Occasionally, there are special programs on Thursdays.

Our next program is on Thursday, June 12, 1-3 p.m. Wendy Colquhoun will demonstrate Oriental art techniques. She has been working on her Chinese painting on Wednesdays. Several members have asked her to do a



#### Art Guild

class for them because they are quite intrigued and interested in learning the

If you are a member, feel free to join us on June 12 or any other Wednesday or Thursday 1-3 p.m.

For members the special program is \$2. For non-members the cost is \$10. It is still \$15 to join the Art Guild, and you have the priviledge of using our art library and art room on Wednesdays and Thursdays 1-3 p.m..

You also get a chance to make new friendships before the new season nic" to be held in the EAC. Tickets will

Many people who have designated art areas set up at home said they are Activity Center.

Everyone is very helpful should the EAC. you want to partake in our summer unofficial art sessions.

Feel free to look into the Art the Gift Shoppe on the main floor. working on that might be of interest

Margie McClure, president, at 386-



Pictured above is a fictional magazine cover the Polar Bears created to honor their founder, Elsie Jane Anderson.

### Polar Bears make it through another winter

By Fran Fairfield

The Polar Bears season has ended once again.

Twenty-seven Bears surprised our founder and leader, Elsie Jane Anderson, with a luncheon hosted by Dotty Ott at First Watch.

wonderful magazine above. The magazine cover was created by Patti Darby.



Elsie Jane put the Bears

through their paces with her water aerobic exercises every weekday morning. The classes took place if the water was 62 degrees or more, rain or shine, from November to May.

Thanks to Elsie Jane we have forged friendships and many happy memories. ...now if only we could all look as good as Elsie Jane.

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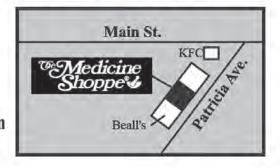
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# From giraffes to Christmas, Travel Club has the rest of the year covered

By Pat Zorland

By the time you read this article, about 30 of our club members have gone on the Starlit Princess out of Clearwater Beach for a two hour narrated luncheon cruise.

I will cover this trip in the July edition of the newspaper.

Later this month, the club will be taking a trip to Savannah, Ga.

The next trip on the agenda will be a day trip on July 15, Adventure at the Mosi by van or bus.

Then at the Aug. 1 meeting, President Audrey Jones will make a presentation of a freighter trip she took a few years ago.

Yes, she actually rode aboard a freighter!

Something special will take place on Sept. 12. We will be going on a day trip to the Giraffe Ranch in Dade City.

Next there will be a day trip to the Florida Botanical Gardens on Oct.

Also, from Oct. 18-26, we will be on the road to San Antonio, Texas, for a nine-day adventure.

On Nov. 15 we plan a day trip to the Gamble Mansion and shopping at the Ellenton Mall.

Then, from Nov. 9-15, there will be a seven-day trip to Myrtle Beach, S.C., for fun and shows.

From Nov. 30 to Dec. 5 we have scheduled Christmas at the Biltmore, in Ashville N.C..

Our own Christmas Party will be at Island Way Grill.

Please remember that all meetings are on the first Friday of each month. Also remember, don't put off making reservations for the day trips, as well as our longer trips.



2014 Agenda

#### **JUNE**

23-27 - Savannah, Ga.

#### **JULY**

15 - Trip to Mosi

#### **AUGUST**

1 - Monthly meeting and presentation by Audrey Jones

#### **SEPTEMBER**

12 - Day trip to Giraffe Ranch

#### **OCTOBER**

1 - Visit to Florida Botanical Gardens

18-26 - Nine days in San Antonio, Texas

#### **NOVEMBER**

9-15 - Myrtle Beach, S.C.

15 - Gamble Mansion and Ellington Mall

#### **DECEMBER**

(Nov 30)-Dec. 5 - Christmas at the Biltmore in Asheville, N.C.

5 - Christmas Party at Island Way Grill



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### Snowbird Club

By Ed Foland

"What'cha got goin" and "what's new" are two questions we hear a lot at the Snowbirds Club sales desk because we always have a lot going on.

When we were young and adventurous, we liked to experiment and try new things, but as we age, we like to stick to the tried and true things we know we enjoy.

That's why the club repeats events that have proven successful in previ-

Eddie Fletchers Early Bird Dinner Theater, Show Palace, and Ruth Eckerd Hall are proven favorites for professional live entertainment. They are on the schedule of events again next season.

In the "what's new" category are two famous sources of entertainment, Florida Orchestra and a trip by air to Branson, Mo. Both of these events have been suggested by members this past season.

Many Snowbirds recognize that, when it comes to relaxing travel, cruising gets you the most bang for your buck. For northerners, a major cost



Ninety-six members of the Snowbirds Club enjoy good food and good entertainment at Eddie Fletchers Early Bird Dinner Theater. (Photo by Ed Foland)

of cruising is the airfare to the cruise terminals, so the best time to go on a cruise is during our time in Florida. For full-time Floridians, it's a great time to re-acquaint ourselves with our northern friends.

We have scheduled three cruises for season six. Right now is the best time to book cruises while the prices are low and cabin availability is high.

Most of the activities for season six are now in place and posted on our Website at www.snowbirdsotow.com. Click on the big blue events button to view and print out our two-page schedule of events, or take a look at

and print our color flyers. Our Website is continually being updated and improved, and you will be surprised by how much info you can get about the Snowbirds Club – your place for travel, adventure and fun!

The date for our next member meeting is Oct. 6.

### Club making positive effort to reorganize

By Charlie Christ

Thanks to "Mac," we are now in the process of developing an accurate members list.

This is vital to maintain necessary communication and contact with each other. This means you may expect a call to ascertain that we have the correct information regarding your location, phone, mail, etc.

Should you prefer to give your address only, other arrangements may be OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com, click made to communicate with you, such as mail or through a club friend.

The best way to get information is by attending club meetings, e-mail, a club friend, or calling a number provided in the OTOW Democratic Club articles in the monthly OTOW news-

Mac has also updated our Box Office Website and TV information.



### Democratic Club

We are listed on OTOW-TV channels 96 and 732. For the Website, go to on "Box Office," then "Come On I," "Club Pages" and finally, the donkey

Another problem that confronts us is collection of dues from members who have either not attended meetings or not responded to our requests in OTOW News. Should you desire to help us with this problem, by paying your dues or making a

### **Contribution To Democratic Club** paying my 2014 dues of \$12. making a contribution to the club in the amount of \$ Checks should be made out to the OTOW Democratic Club. Cut out this form and mail with your check to: James Schelling, 2361 Jamaican St., Apt. 9, Clearwater, Fl., 33763

Would you like to volunteer for our club? Check a box below and a club member will contact you.

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Our treasurer informs us that we require sufficient funds to operate effectively. You may contact him at 797-0793 for more information regarding dues or finances.

Our annual indoor picnic in May was an effort to get everyone together, have a good time, and raise funds for expenses. We hope to report in July that good results came from this event.

Finally, a motion was tabled to hold our meetings on the first Tuesday of each month to allow us to get information out in a more timely manner. More discussion on this topic will take place later.



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# For six months, staying active was No. 1 goal, but for one luncheon, food was most important

The goal of the 8 a.m. Exercise Class in the East Activity Center is to keep active and strive towards a healthy lifestsyle.

But each year, before the departure of the Snowbirds, this wonderful group of ladies gets together for a luncheon and celebrates a season of getting fit, making new friends and participating in great activities.

This past March we celebrated at the First Watch with more than 30 ladies in attendance.

Thank you to each and every one of you beautiful ladies for your gift, luncheon and support.

Our exercise classes are held Monday through Friday all year long. We mix up our routines what is called cross training - so we can work different muscles and challenging a variety of muscle groups. You are more than welcome to join.



Seated in the front row, left to right, are Sue Queary, Dolly Newcome, Pat VanHise, Vickie Merkle and Constance Wallace. Standing are Barb Sundberg, Brid Mitchell, Sue Mellot, Carol McAllister, Theresa Bosio, Nancy Reid, Ute Scheibe, Norma Bastidas, Marty Griffin, Karen Beaver, Kim Stockpoole, Taeko Tucker, Susan Cotton, Gloria Mitchell, Verna Privitera, Maureen Smith, Jeannie Pier, Candice Peace and Julie Narancich. In the very back are Joanne Ring, Mina Osborne, Donia Stadler, Connie Giudice, Chris Norris, Carol Babini and Edie Ryczek. Missing were Sheila Bonomo, Pierrette Coutu, Annisa Dickey, Jeong Dinello, Rose Fiore, Margaret Forde, Myrna Oakley, Diane Pouliot, Karin Swain and Joanne Wallend.



### Jesters set board, begin making 2015 plans

By Donna Ryan

The Jesters recently installed its new Board of Directors.

They are pictured from left, President Donna Ryan, First Vice-President Pat Sprouse, Second Vice-President Tony Baker, Treasurer Mike Kaplan, Assistant Treasurer Joanne Marick, Secretary Sue Calinski, and Assistant Secretary Stormy Pickering.

The Jesters held its first meeting at the East Activity Center on May 14. On the agenda was the formation of the creative team that will begin work on next year's show.

Pat Sprouse, selected as the director for the upcoming show, made some exciting suggestions. Her idea of telling



a story of our country in song, dance, and humor, was warmly received by the

Anyone with questions about our club, or seeking any information about upcoming Jester meetings or events, should contact Donna at 797-5341 or check out our Web page on the Box Of-



Pictured from left are President Donna Ryan, Assistant Secretary Stormy Pickering, Secretary Sue Calinski, Assistant Treasurer Joanne Marick, Treasurer Mike Kaplan, Second Vice-President Tony Baker and First Vice-President Pat (OTOW News Photo by Mary Lou Wall) Sprouse.

### Summer articles will prepare you for return trip

By Rick McLauchlan

With no club activities during the months of May through November each year, items for this article are not all that obvious as they would be during the rest of the year.

So, as I tried to do in articles during last summer, I will share with you some information that I hope will be interesting and helpful to our members.

Those who have been coming to On Top of the World for longer than I have will already know that one should arrange for doctor and specialist appointments soon after your return to Canada. This will allow for any testing or procedures that you may need to undergo, prior to your return to Florida.



Also the premiums for travel insurance plans may be affected based on procedures or changes in medications. If anything has changed with your health care, or if you are not quite sure, contact your travel insurance representatives early to ensure your eligibility for this very important protection.

In future articles, allowable days of absence from your home province in order to still be eligible for health care coverage will be discussed. Websites and telephone numbers for more information will be listed.

The information given here is general in nature and our readers are cautioned to contact their local representatives to get advice on particular situations.

Canadian Club Registration Night is Saturday, Nov. 15 at 5:30 p.m. in the East Activity Center auditorium. Membership is open to anyone, Canadian or not, who is in possession of a

valid OTOW Recreation Card.

Renters wishing to join the club or share in other clubs and activities of OTOW, are reminded that they must be in possession of an OTOW Recreation Card.

Our annual Christmas dinner and dance is Wednesday, Dec. 10 at 5:30 p.m. in the auditorium. Please look in the November newspaper for an announcement about a special ticket selling day.

Remember, during the summonths, you low our club news by going to OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com and click the "Press Association" link to read the monthly newspaper or click the "Box Office" link for our own Web page.

### Celebrate your pride with our club on June 28

By Dave Beaven

June is known for many things: the beginning of summer, end of the school year, weddings, and also the celebration of gay pride.

Actually, the way things are going, I figure that we will start seeing gay weddings in our state sometime soon.

Locally, the Tampa Bay area is home to a large pride festival in St. Petersburg which takes place this year on June 28. We'll be going down to watch.

Here at On Top of the World, our June monthly social will be a Pride Party. You are invited to wear your rainbow beads and come on down to the East Activity Center Large Card

#### Lambda

Room on June 13 at 7 p.m.

Have a cup of Pride Punch with us and listen to some disco music. Catch up with your old friends or meet some new ones.

If you're not into parties, you can join us for a mall walk. Every Thursday night, some of us gather at the food court at the Countryside Mall. LGBT residents in the OTOW com-We walk around the mall and chat for about an hour - certainly beats the heat this time of year. I've been doing it for five years now. I've managed to keep my weight down and gotten to know people at the same time. That's winwin.

How about you?

If you don't already know, Lambda is a social club for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) residents of OTOW. We are an informal group that gets together for various activities. Regular events include monthly socials, dine-outs, and coffee klatches.

We look to expand our circle to all

munity, and we also welcome participation by other OTOW residents who would like to meet their gay neighbors.

There are people from many different backgrounds and areas here at OTOW. Lambda Club is just one more reflection of that fact.

If you are interested in finding out more about the club, visit our Webpage: lambdaclearwater.blogspot.com. Or visit us on the Box Office by going to OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com and click the Box Office link.

You can contact us by e-mail at: lambdaclw@yahoo.com or call Dave at 727-410-7566.

# Santa may be resting, but wood shop and friends are already making toys



#### **Fixers Club**

By Steve Stiffler

Before the On Top of the World wood shop was created, residents had the desire to make toys for needy, underprivileged and handicapped children.

Today, the same desire remains at the wood shop, as well as giving members the opportunity to do wood working and make related crafts.

The toy makers include both men and women. First, they lay out patterns on wood and then cut the patterns out. After considerable sanding and routering, the edges are made nice and smooth.

Toys are then sent to Caring and Sharing for painting.

So far this year, more than 400 toys have already been made to get an early start on the holiday season. Those con-



#### Noland Shade helps make toys in the wood shop and Mary Pheasant helps paint them.

tributing include Earl Shettel, supervisor; Lee Catalfomo, Dick Collins, Carla Dunlap, Penny Page, Bob Patrick, Nolan Shade, Steve Stiffler, Steve Sutton and Ray Tabor.

The ladies of Caring and Sharing have been painting and making beautiful work of the toys. They have been involved with the toy project ever since toy making was implemented. These ladies make the bedding and blankets for the beds, plus rocking chairs and high chairs. They purchase dolls that are placed with the beds and chairs before distributing them. They make all the clothing for the dolls as well.

Those contributing include Jeanette Grant, supervisor, Jessie Collins, Connie Dansezen, Kathleen Hunter, Teresa Mayne, Virginia Noce, Mary Pheasant, Janet Shettel and Althea Stanfield.

If you would like to get involved

and help make toys, stop by the toy shop any morning between 9 a.m. and noon. The gals and guys will be happy to talk with you.

The ladies are in the Craft Room every Tuesday morning from 9 a.m. to noon.

The joy of making and painting toys can be seen in the faces of the workers. The shop is always a fun place to spend your mornings.





### Audrey Jones: artist, author and explorer

By John Koning

Audrey Jones' home is a gallery of colorful art. Her paintings and drawings say a lot about her creativity, but there is a large map of the world on Audrey's sun-room wall that has the most to say about this adventurous and indomitable woman.

Audrey uses the map to track her odysseys using brightly colored stars. Those same stars can also be seen twinkling in her eyes when she recounts her trips into all parts of both hemispheres.

Recalling so many experiences with crystal clarity can sometimes be a chore, so Audrey decided to condense a lifetime of love and adventure into 230 pages of her autobiographical book, "A Journal of Journeys."

It is an entertaining and enlightening read.

The book was first organized on a 45-day, around-the-world, freighter cruise. It was distilled from 40 years of Christmas letters and audio taped messages that Audrey sent home to her parents while she lived abroad.

When you think about it, what better time is there to organize thoughts and feelings than on a freighter cruise?

After all, this kind of sea travel doesn't offer theatrical shows, belly flop contests or Karaoke nights to distract the serious author.

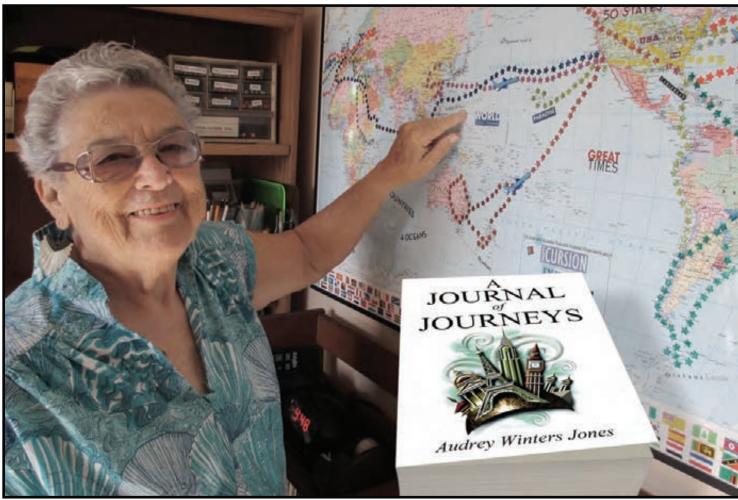
The book was further refined at home and on another 54-day, around-the-world cruise, before being published in 2011.

Audrey's penchant for exploration began in 1964 when she lived in Bitburg, Germany, with her husband, Jones, who was serving in the military.

If you're an astute reader, you are probably wondering why Audrey's husband's first name is the same as her last. Well, Norman (his given name) wanted to name his son after himself but didn't want the lad to be saddled with the moniker, Junior. Nor did he want the confusion of duplicate names around the house so he adopted his last name as his first. Thus, Norman (the first) became Jones.

Back to Bitburg.

Audrey and five other military wives decided to explore Europe while



Audrey Jones has stepped foot in all 50 states, plus 58 different countries. It's too much work to recall all her trips, so she uses stars and a map to tell the story for her.

(OTOW News photo by John Koning)



their husbands were pursuing military duties. They chose London, England, as their first destination and headed across the English Channel.

On that first trip, Audrey and friends discovered more than just a historical city. They found a shared love for travel, and so the Bitburg Bunch travel group was formed. It has thrived for 40 years since then.

Audrey learned something important on that inaugural trip. She discovered the importance of having a decision maker on the team. That decision maker was, by necessity, Audrey Jones. She's OK with that.

Now, as she enters her 80th year perience to good use as an Elderhos-journey, Audrey.

of life, Audrey leads the On Top of the World Travel Club, a vibrant and growing group of travelers who share a mutual taste for adventure.

Audrey brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the club. Her previous trips are too numerous to list here, but they are as diverse as our planet. She has traveled from the Arctic to the Antarctic and has circumvented the globe. She has visited 58 countries ranging alphabetically from Argentina to Wales. She has set foot in several Canadian provinces and in all 50 American states.

Audrey puts her life and travel experience to good use as an Elderhos-

teler. It is the world's largest travel and educational program for seniors. She has participated in all three main components of the program – domestic, international and inter-generational.

If that's not enough activity for one lifetime, Audrey earned her Associate of Arts degree at the tender age of 68. Over a decade later, all signs indicate that the happy wanderer is not ready to close up her suitcase just yet.

So, as the journey continues, it seems appropos to use Audrey's own words, borrowed from the finale of her book to summarize this article:

"I stand on the stern and watch the wake of the ship slowly disappearing back into the sea as we move further ahead. I cannot see where we are going, I can only see where we have been. I have spent countless hours working on this Journal of Journeys. I have enjoyed reliving the memories and remembering the friends."

Bon voyage on the rest of your journey, Audrey.



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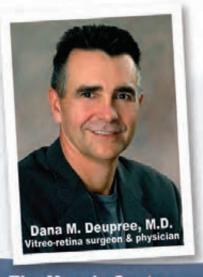




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  - non-electric can opener
  - cooking tools / fuel
  - paper plates / plastic utensils
- Blankets / Pillows, etc.
- Clothing seasonal / rain gear/ sturdy shoes
- First Aid Kit / Medicines / Prescription Drugs
- Special Items for babies and the elderly
- Toiletries / Hygiene items / Moisture wipes
- Radio Battery operated and NOAA weather radio
- Telephones Fully charged cell phone with extra battery and a traditional (not cordless) telephone set

- Cash (with some small bills) and Credit Cards Banks and ATMs may not be available for extended periods
- Important documents in a waterproof container or water tight resealable plastic bag, including insurance, medical records, bank account numbers,

Social Security card, etc.

- Flashlight / Batteries
- Keys
- Books and Games
- Tools keep a set with you during the storm
- Vehicle fuel tanks filled
- Pet care items
  - proper identification / immunization records
  - medications
  - ample supply of food and water
  - a carrier or cage
  - muzzle and leash

## Hurricane Tip Page

June is the start of the hurricane season and the time to start thinking seriously about dealing with the risk and inconveniences that may be encountered during and immediately after a storm.

Your Association makes every effort to prepare for storm events by securing potential hazards, protecting buildings and Association related assets, and making sure we have an up-

dated recovery plan.

Key personnel are on-call before and after a storm. Tarps (in limited supply) are kept on hand to secure roofs in the event of damage. Despite all of our efforts, much of your own safety and comfort depends entirely on you. With that in mind, this page contains key points to help you prepare for a storm event:

### Prepare for the possibility of a hurricane

- Designate as a "post-disaster contact," a relative or friend who lives outside the danger zone. Make sure each family member has been given this person's address and phone number, and agrees to contact him or her following the hurricane.
- Keep on hand at least one week's supply of bottled water and nonperishable food items. You should also have available a manual can/bottle opener, a flashlight, and a battery operated radio or television (with an extra set of batteries for each). Make sure these items are readily accessible, so that you can

quickly pack and evacuate.

- Maintain an up-to-date inventory of everything in your home. Taking photos and/or making videotapes of these items may help support the value you place on them. Also, consider storing valuable items at a secure location away from the house.
- Remove furniture from porches or patio, and secure hoses so that these objects do not become dangerous or lethal projectiles during a storm.
- Stock up on items you may need to protect your home or to prevent it from being further dam-

aged after the storm has passed. These items may include, but are not limited to, tarps or plastic, hammers, nails and plywood.

- Make sure your family is trained on how to turn off damaged utilities.
- At least once per year, review your insurance coverage to make sure it is adequate and up to date
- Don't forget about your pet. Some evacuation centers do not allow pets. Making arrangements before a storm reduces the anxiety for both you and your pet.

#### After a storm

- Don't venture outside until local authorities have issued an "all-clear."
- Continue to check the radio or TV for post hurricane updates.
- If you have evacuated, don't return until authorities re-open your area. Remember, you may need proof of residency to return.
- Use a flashlight to look at damage. Allow only those people who have been trained, to turn off damaged utilities (e.g. gas) and disconnect damaged appliances.
- Beware of downed power lines and other debris.
- Wear sturdy shoes and clothing to protect yourself. People are oftentimes hurt more frequently after the hurricane than during it.
- Use only bottled water. Unless otherwise advised, assume tap water is contaminated and sewer lines are out of order.
- If electrical power was lost during the hurricane, be extremely careful before consuming food taken from your refrigerator. When in doubt, throw it out.
- Use the phone only for emergencies.
- Conserve water! DO NOT WASH DRIVEWAYS OF DEBRIS. If the power is out and you still have water pressure it is only because the water plant is running on auxiliary power.

### During a hurricane

- Stay tuned to a battery-operated radio or television for weather bulletins and important information.
  - Follow the orders of local authorities.
- Stay indoors in an interior room without windows (even if you have evacuated, inland locations may still be at risk). If conditions worsen, take shelter in a closet or bathroom and use mattresses to protect yourself
- Don't assume the hurricane is over when the wind subsides. The calm may be the eye of the storm, and the worse part may still be on the way.

### The insurance process ...

Proper insurance coverage can help reduce the financial burden you may suffer as a result of a hurricane. Here are some additional tips that will make the claims process easier for you and your claims adjuster.

- Don't alter the condition of the damaged property. Take whatever steps are necessary to protect your property from further damage.
- Contact your insurance agent as soon as possible. Provide your agent or insurance carrier all information pertaining to your claim.
- Make a list of damaged or destroyed property. Your adjuster will be able to work more quickly if he or she has a written list to work from. Photos of damaged property may also be useful.
- Keep records and receipts for ALL expenses you incur. Supplies purchased to protect damaged property, or the costs incurred while staying at a hotel while your home is being repaired, may be recoverable.
- Try to be patient. Once you report your claim, your claims adjuster will respond as quickly as possible. Delays may be likely, as hurricanes often uproot signs and deposit debris on highways, severely impeding traffic.

# As a hurricane approaches

- Refill prescriptions.
- Make sure your car has a full tank of gas as power outages may force gas stations to remain closed for several days following a hurricane.
- Store important documents and other valuable items in waterproof bags.
- Bring inside any loose items that can be found around the home. Firmly tie down loose items that cannot be brought indoors
- Tape, board or shutter windows.
- Have enough cash on hand to last at least a full week. Banks and ATMS may be closed for several days following the storm.

### If your electricity goes out

- Use a flashlight not a candle or match as this is a fire hazard.
- Open your refrigerator only when absolutely necessary. This will help keep food fresh for as long as possible.

### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

National Hurricane Center http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/

Hurricane & Storm Tracking http://hurricane.terrapin.com/

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http://www.weather.com/index.html

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As always, our classes are free. If you have any questions, please contact Barb Sundberg at 847-946-4214, or Julie Narancich at 574-323-4100.

#### Stamp club resumes January 2015

By Jim Sundberg

Great friends, new acquaintances and many collections were enjoyed for the last five months.

May 20 was the last stamp meeting for the 2014 season. If you are a serious collector like myself, you know the work never ends when you are having fun or helping others research, learn and fill

We start up again in January 2015 when the Snowbirds return. So, if you have any questions for me or need my help, call on my cell 847-951-2284.

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**Philosophy Club** 

### **Express** your views

By Bob Reis

Our club is currently enjoying presentations, which are followed by a question and answer period.

The discussions give you the opportunity to express your own views.

We also have "Open Discussion" meetings. With this format you have the opportunity to suggest a topic of special interest to you.

Join us on any Tuesday. You don't have to be a member of our club to attend. You're welcome even if you just want to listen, Tuesdays 10-11:30 AM, East Activity Center Veranda. Any questions? Call Bob Reis at 798-2443.

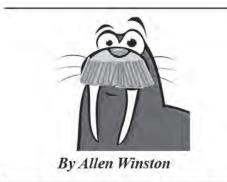
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### What's your philosophy about life? Here are at least 38 ways you can reflect

Someone once asked if I had a personal philosophy.

I have lots of them...

- 1. Confession without repentance is just bragging.
- 2. Some mistakes are too much fun to only make once.
- 3. There should be a better way to start a day than waking up every morning.
- 4. Never agree to plastic surgery if the doctor's office is full of portraits by Picasso.
- 5. Death is life's way of telling you, "You've been fired!"
- 6. Procrastination is the art of keeping up with yesterday.
- 7. Don't judge people by their covers, as most of their books are still being written.
- 8. Every story has an end, but in life, every end is just a new beginning.
- 9. Whether it's the best of times or the worst of times, it's the only time we've got.
- 10. Never regret something that once made you smile.
- 11. A word to the wise ain't necessary it's the stupid ones that need the advice.
- 12. The probability of someone watching you is proportional to the stupidity of your action.
  - 13. Adults are obsolete children.
- 14. Everything in life that I truly love is either, illegal, immoral, fatten-



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ing, addictive, or just too expensive.

- 15. Sometimes you have to forget what's gone, appreciate what still remains, and look forward to what's coming next.
- 16. Never return to a doctor whose office plants have died.
- 17. Nobody can go back and make a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending.
- 18. The things that come to those who wait will be the things left by those who got there first.
- 19. Life is the art of drawing without an eraser.
- 20. In the book of life, the answers aren't in the back.
- 21. Expecting the world to treat you fairly because you are a good person is a little like expecting the bull not to attack you because you are a vegetarian.
- 22. Health nuts are going to feel stupid someday, lying in hospitals dy-

We could all learn a lot from crayons. Some are sharp, some are dull, some have weird names, some are pretty - all are different colors.

But no matter how they look, they all exist very nicely in the same box.

ing of nothing.

- 23. You don't stop laughing because you grow old. You grow old because you stopped laughing.
- 24. If it wasn't for the last minute, nothing would get done.
- 25. Men don't get lost; they discover alternative destinations.
- 26. Laziness is nothing more than the habit of resting before you get tired.
- 27. It's not where you start bu where you finish that counts.
- 28. Have the courage to live. Anyone can die
- 29. If we were meant to "pop" out of bed, we'd all sleep in toasters.
- 30. Faith is not about everything turning out OK; faith is about being OK no matter how things turn out.
- 31. The finish line is just the beginning of a whole new race.
- 32. Worrying does not take away tomorrow's troubles. It takes away today's peace.

- 33. Falling down is part of life... getting back up is living.
- 34. Never eat more chocolate than you can lift.
- 35: The richest people are not the ones who have the most, but the ones who need the least.
- 36. Live your life and forget your age (this one I find a little difficult at times)
- d. 37. A truly happy person is one 27. It's not where you start but who can enjoy the scenery on a detour.
  - 38. We could all learn a lot from crayons. Some are sharp, some are dull, some have weird names, some are pretty all are different colors. But no matter how they look, they all exist very nicely in the same box.

Feel free to adopt any one (or more) of these as your own personal doctrine or ideology if you don't already have one of your own.

And remember, the length of a minute actually depends on which side of the bathroom door you're on.

### Key indications whether you are having a good day

So far today I'm doing all right. I haven't whined, haven't been grumpy, haven't been nasty, haven't been selfish and haven't eaten any chocolate.

I'm going to get out of bed in a minute - I'll let you know then if I'm still doing all right.

I got some coffee – I got my cigarettes. I got my computer and took my Prozac. It's gonna be a perfect day.

Today I will live in the moment unless it's unpleasant, in which case I will eat a cookie.

Wouldn't it be great if we could go in the dryer for 10 minutes and come out wrinkle free, back to our original shape, three sizes smaller and smelling April fresh?



### Marge's Humor

Forget health food – I need all the tude. preservatives I can get.

I'm old enough to make my own decisions, just not young enough to remember what I decided.

I lost my mind and I'm pretty sure my kids took it.

Age is just a number and mine is unlisted.

Age seems to be the only available way to live a longer life.

I'm not old, just been young a long time.

I'm not old, I just need some WD-40.

It's not about age, it's about attitude.

Enjoy life, it has an expiration date.

I'll never be over the hill - I'm too darn tired to climb it.

I don't think of my skin as saggy - I think of it as a relaxed fit.

Do you know what "Googleheimers" means? It's a medical condition in which you think of something to look up on your computer, but then forget what you wanted to look up by the time you reach your computer.

Middle age is when you still believe you're going to feel better in the morning.

A man without a woman is a bachelor. A woman without a man is a genius

If you don't have a sense of humor you probably don't have any sense at all.

How long a minute is depends on what side of the bathroom door you're

### ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE



### **Entertainment Committee does not** take a heat break - we celebrate summer

By Marvin Flam

Committee (EC) came into existence.

The EC was and still is an organization that provides year-round entertainment for the year-round residents of On Top of the World.



Residents had a chance to look like Mexican guitar players and dancers by standing behind this cutout.

When other clubs and groups have disappeared It started 44 years ago when the Entertainment and gone snow-birding to their northern nests, the EC has been and is still here providing entertain-

> For the year-round residents, our lives do not stop when the geese migrate north for the summer. We face summer with a cool, iced-drink in our hand, dances, a dinner-dance, and monthly Sundays-inthe-Park at the East Activity Center.

We celebrate the dog days of summer.

Yes, we are a hearty and hardy group that survives the summer and has fun in the sun. Catered dinners and dances, a summer luau at the pool, trips and Sunday evening movies were some of the many events arranged 44 years ago.

As the years passed, events were changed, added and deleted to fit the times.

In 1994, Chair Helene Parker organized the first annual August Dinner Dance as a pot luck event. This year, on Saturday, Aug. 9, the 20th anniversary of this annual event will be celebrated in the EAC.

Each month during the summer, the EC will present a free Sunday-in-the-Park event in the EAC. Professional entertainers perform, there may be interactive games, plus refreshments are provided and a 50/50 takes place.

Sunday-in-the-Park is a year-round, monthly event that is always free to OTOW residents, and was established to let residents meet and greet their friends and neighbors in a friendly, air-conditioned setting. It is also the EC monthly meeting forum, where residents can interact with the Executive Board, and learn about and provide input for future

Sunday-in-the-Park has been seen by attendees as a fun way to spend a Sunday afternoon.

Follow us next month for more of our 44-year history and please continue to support us so that we can continue to improve the facilities at OTOW for



One of the side attractions was this ring toss game. The object was to toss a ring and watch it land on one of the cactus branches. The tough part was removing a ringer.

the benefit of all the residents.

For information call 727-797-1761, or email: entcom2014@gmail.com. Don't forget to check the bulletin boards and the Box Office Web site for more information.

#### **BITTER-SWEET**



### **PREVIEW OF JULY EVENTS**

July 12 - Saturday Night "Beach Party" Dance **Music by BITTER-SWEET** 

July 13 - Sunday-In-The-Park - Cloud 9-Free at EAC



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### If you are active in our summer heat, you must take precautions, stay hydrated

By Joe Spahalski

Heat stroke can occur any time if you are not careful.

Everyone who does physical activity outdoors has to make adjustments during the summer season. It is hot in the shade and a lot hotter playing in

The heat and the rays of the sun absorb the moisture from your body. The trouble is, in a lot of instances, vou don't realize how much moisture is being lost through perspiration. When too much is going out, and not enough water is going in, you can get heat stroke is a possibility.

### **Stay Cool**

heat exhaustion.

This can lead to heat stroke.

If you exhibit any of the following: fatigue, nausea, headaches, excessive thirst, muscle aches and or cramps, weakness, confusion, slow heart beat, dizziness, fainting and agitation, then immediate attention is needed.

If the symptoms are dramatically and suddenly worse than those listed, liquids before leaving the house. Take water with you and take a sip every 15 minutes or so. Take frequent rest breaks to cool down and stay out of the sun during the rest breaks.

Basic treatment for heat exhaustion would be to get out of the heat and rest, preferably in an air-conditioned room or a cool and shady place.

Drink plenty of fluid, (avoid caffeine), remove any tight or unnecessary clothing, take a cool sponge bath, or, if possible, a cool shower, and also

Take care of yourself. Drink extra apply cooling measurers, such as fans or ice towels. See your doctor.

> During physical activity we sometimes over stress our muscles and come up feeling sore or achy. The doctor will sometimes tell us to put cold compresses on it to reduce swelling. Here is one way to accomplish that. Take a one gallon ziplock freezer bag. Add one cup of rubbing alcohol and three cups of water. Seal tight. Lay flat in the refrigerator and freeze. Well it doesn't quite freeze but becomes a thick slurry. Great from going around the shape of our bodies.

## Speed breaks tie in ninth inning

By Bob Rittner

The following is a snippet from a David Vecsey essay on softball in the New York Times (March 2, 2014).

The essay encapsulates the spirit of our softball club:

"Certainly we play to win, but that's not why we play. We play to make that one backhanded stab deep in the hole or to rip that one double into the gap - or even just to land that one good zinger and draw a laugh.

"It doesn't matter if it's schoolyard softball ... It is a universal and archetypal experience."

season:

#### **Softball**

#### Scott's Pharmacy 17 Cody's 16

With the game tied and one out in the bottom of the ninth inning, Scott's hitter Henry Santos tripled.

Doug Murray lifted a fly ball into center field that Greg Zimmer caught over his shoulder, but his strong throw to the plate could not catch the speedy Henry, who had alertly tagged up to score the winning run.

A crucial moment in the game Here are our final games of the came in the second inning when Cody's loaded the bases with no outs,

but could not score. The key play was a tumbling, shoe-top catch by Gary Burgett after which winning-pitcher Glenn Ohl fanned the next batter and induced a ground ball out to end the inning.

For Cody's, the first four hitters, Bill Arkins (four doubles), Ken Graham, Bob Rittner and Greg Zimmer, got 19 hits in 20 at bats to help erase a six-run deficit and briefly take a ninth inning lead.

Scott's heroics included four-hit days from Joe Maley, Don Dinello and Trevor Dixon, with Don hitting a long home run to lead off the ninth.

Scott's Pharmacy 3 Cody's 1 (Two innings)

Sam Macaluso put an exclamation point on the season by racing in from deep center field to make an ankle high catch of Lenny Segall's scorching line drive.

As if to applaud the spectacular play, the rains came immediately thereafter washing out the game and ending the softball season.

Lenny returned from his threeweek vacation with a bang, hitting a home run that drove in the three winning runs.

### Golf course feeling generous right now - giving away aces

By Pete Milner

It's been a very busy couple of months in our league with four - that's right four - holes-in-one by four of our very own sharp shooters.

Roger Brissette had the first one on the 130-yard ninth hole while Bill Bennett, Tony Caputo and Guy Bertuzzi looked on. He made his ace with his 8-iron.

Not too long after, Phil Smerz made his ace on the very same 130yard ninth hole with nothing but net with his pitching iron. This time, Les Whynot, Jay Schwaillie and Ed Han-

### Men's Golf

the feat that never touched the green. Nothing but net.

Les Meneilly had his minute of fame on the 118-yard 13th hole. John Lovasz, Bill Guendling and Dave Pert looked on as Les scored his ace with his driver. Who says 13 is an unlucky number? Not for Les.

Lastly, Kenny Nield put his ball in the cup on the 131-yard 16th hole with

McDonell, Rich Maxwell and Vic Ruggerio were his witnesses.

You could congratulate these guys age these days. son were the usual suspects to witness the next time you see them and maybe rub arms with them and hope that returns of the day. some of that skill rubs off.

> Another great occasion took place recently after our golf day when we celebrated the 100th birthday of Jack R. Smith. The members of the OTOW Men's Golf Association were honored to be present for Jack's celebration. All enjoyed a very nice lunch and beverages.

Floyd Thrower emceed the affair

one swing. He used his 6-iron. Greg as he and Jack are golf partners every Wednesday. Jack would agree that it has become much easier to shoot his

In an interview a couple of years ago, Jack told me that one of his secrets of his longevity is to always have something planned for tomorrow. My hope is for a full dance card and a low score card for you, Jack.

Until next month, keep practicing. Our Snowbird friends will be back before you know it.



# Rally for the Cure donation breaks \$4,500 for April tournament

By Pat Eastman

Once all the tabulating was finally finished, the On Top of the World Ladies 18-hole Golf League made a donation of \$4,500 in the name of Rally for the Cure, to the Susan G. Komen Foundation.

The Rally for the Cure Tournament, under the leadership of Linda Rice, was a huge success.

The 17th annual event was held on April 1. The weather was cool in the morning. It was sunny and warm by 12:30 when the golfing was over.

There were 216 participants who went out at 8:30 to play 18 holes of golf.

After playing, everyone met under the trees near the first tee. Doug

#### 18-hole Ladies Golf

Kates, from the OTOW newspaper, organized a picture on the 18th green. Golfers formed a rally ribbon around the flag and Tim Amdor, from the OTOW tree crew, took an aerial pic-

Golfers then entered tickets for a raffle for donated baskets.

People sat around the usual tables and some brought their own lawn chairs. Lunch was provided by A and N catering and included meatballs, sausage, peppers and pasta.

After lunch, 11 cancer survivors attending the outing were saluted and given mugs as a symbol of their victory over cancer.

The raffle of the 30 baskets, and gift certificates, took place and businesses began.

In weekly golf action, Joyce Monahan moved up from D Flight to C Flight and in her first week won low gross with an 89. She continued winning low net two weeks later. Joyce may soon be on her way to B flight.

Another player moving up is Terri Mikszenas. After winning low gross two weeks in a row, she was moved up a flight and like Joyce is still winning.

Drew and his crew have been cutting tree limbs and trees to let full sunlight onto the greens and tees. Their work is paying off with the tees and greens coming in nicely.

#### **Tournaments Winners**

Flight A -- Pat Eastman, Gloria Sayer. Flight B--Marie Belliveau, Dale McMinn. Flight C--Wendy Colquhoun, Joyce Monahan, Billie Pineau. Flight D-- Karen Beaver, Jackie Woloszyn, Dottie Meissner.

#### April 22

Flight A--Pat Eastman, Terry Kuplen. Flight B--Linda Rice, Katie Quelch. Flight C--Elaine Stretavski, Billie Pineau. Flight D--Terri Mikszenas, Boots Stanton, Dottie Meissner.

#### April 29

Flight A--Pat Eastman, Terry Kuplen. Flight B--Ada Bryant, Carol Whynot. Flight C--Arlene Hanson, Joyce Monahan, Muriel Salo. Flight D--Terri Mikszenas, Rose Mulhall.

# After 23 weeks, season ends with co-champions

The Thursday League Championship is decided by consistent play throughout the season.

Similar to the FEDEX Cup on the PGA Tour, or the CME Globe Cup on the LPGA Tour, points are awarded each week. At the end of the season, the person with the most points is league champion.

This year was unusual for us. Two people accumulated the exact same number of points and thus we have co-league champions - Clyde Hershberger and Dennis Trauffer.

The race was close and it was decided on the last day of official play.

Finishing in the top 10 were: Fred Schick, Don Baker, Gilda Gambacurta, Paul Meyers, Bill Cook, Barry Levene, Gary Ordway and Don Hunter.

chael. Tom Ramstack was second and Alan Teal took third place. Low gross honors were shared by Bill Higgins and Bruce MacPherson. Clyde Hershberger, Bill Gambacurta, Patti Cook, Fred Schick and Don Hahs all collected one skin each.

John Maloof was the week 22 champion. Jim Stewart placed second and Fred Schick was third. Gary Bronson and Jim Stewart took low gross honors. Gary Bronson and Pat-

### **Thursday Mixed Golf**

ti Cook collected two skins each. Jim Stewart, John Maloof, Jahn Lawson and Don Leamy took one skin each. Closest to the pin was won by Patti Cook and Don Leamy had the longest drive.

The final official competition was won by Dan Hyden. Roland Provost finished second and Bill Higgins was third. Low gross scored was recorded by Bill Higgins. Two skins were collected by Rich Ziembicki. Bill Higgins, Pete Dominguez, Ron Parham and Jahn Lawson had one skin each.

League play continues unoffi-Week 21 was won by Dutch Mi-cially throughout the summer. The first week of the off season was won by Jack Huerter. Gary Ordway took second place and Don Leamy placed third. Vic Ruggiero recorded the low gross score. Jack Huerter collected two skins. Ken Smith, Clyde Hershberger, Gary Bronson, Dan Hyden, Pete Dominguez and Bruce MacPherson each collected a skin.

> Week two champion was Gary Bronson. Gary Ordway followed in second and Dan Hyden placed third.

### **TOP TEN**

(End of season standings)

- 1. Clyde Hershberger
- 1. Dennis Trauffer
- 3. Fred Schick
- 4. Don Baker
- 5. Gilda Gambacurta
- 6. Paul Meyers
- 7. Bill Cook
- 8. Barry Levene
- 9. Gary Ordway
- 10. Don Hunter

Skins were collected by Dan Hyden, Gary Ordway, Bruce MacPherson, Gary Bronson and Don Sorensen.

The Thursday League is a mixed league. All skill levels compete on an equal basis using the USGA Stableford format. Our league welcomes new members and guests at any time and

all On Top of the World residents are welcome to join the league.

Players must sign in by 10:30 a.m. and play begins at 11 a.m. every Thurs-

For more information call Paul @ 727-474-2344 or email blackdoggolf@





# SPORTS





# Newcomer walks into pool room and wins every game

#### Monday Night 8-Ball

On April 21 in A Flight, there was a playoff for first place between Denny Balderson and Ed Ramirez.

Denny won out to take first place, Ed had to settle for second, with Marc Schell claiming third.

In B Flight, Herb Jordan captured first place, Howard Wilson claimed second and Dennis Balling took third.

At the April 28 tournament, Denny Balderson claimed first place once again in A Flight with Joe Doire taking second. Tony Baker, Ed Ramirez and Nick Sapienza tied for third.

In B Flight, Andy Suhar walked away with first place winning all games, but one -- which happened to be against Barb Sundberg. After a playoff between Bob Ellis and Barb Sundberg, Barb claimed second and Bob settled for third.

At the May 5 tournament, A Flight first place winner was Joe Doire. A playoff was held between Dennis Balling and Andy Suhar. Dennis edged out Andy, claiming second place. Andy had to settle for third.

In the B Flight, Gene Baranowski walked away with first place. After a playoff, once again, Barb Sundberg took second place with Bob Ellis settling for third.

On May 12, in the A Flight, Dennis Balling took first place, Andy Suhar claimed second place and there was a tie for third between Denny Balderson



The top B Flight finishers from April 28 were, from left to right, Bob Ellis (3rd), Barb Sundberg (2nd) and Andy Suhar (1st).

and Joe Doire.

In B Flight, new member, Dave Williams, walked away with first place winning every one of his games. There was a playoff between Mario Rodriguez and Barb Sundberg for second or third place. In regular tournament play, Mario ran the rack on Barb making three high balls on the break. Barb never got to the table, but in the playoff game, Barb edged out Mario claiming second place. Mario had to settle for third.

On May 19, in A Flight, Joe Doire captured first place, Ed Ramirez was a close second with Marc Schell and Dave Williams tieing for third.

In B Flight, Nick Sapienza took first place. No playoff game was played between Terry Wittman and Barb Sundberg for second or third places.

#### **Scotch Doubles**

On April 17, doubles became singles with Joe Doire taking first place in the A Flight and Mario Rodriguez claiming second. In B Flight, Dennis Balling captured first place and Herb Jordan took second.

On April 24 doubles was back. The team of Bob Ellis and Ed Ramirez

captured first place, Tony Baker and Joe Ventimiglia took second, with the husband and wife team of Joe and Maureen Doire claiming third.

At the May 8 tournament, singles returned with Tony Baker taking first place in the A Flight and Joe Doire settling for second. In B Flight play, Nick Sapienza claimed first place with Bob Ellis taking second.

#### Nine-Ball

At the April 22 tournament, Howard Wilson ran away with first place. After a playoff between Herb Jordan and Ed Ramirez, Herb captured second place.

On April 29, Tony Baker claimed first place with Joe Gora settling for second.

On May 6, Bob Eads took first place with Tony Baker settling for sec-

At the May 13 tournament, once again, Bob Eads took first place after a playoff with Joe Ventimiglia.

On May 20, Ron Blaettner walked away with first place. After a playoff between Howard Wilson and Dave Williams, Howard edged out Dave to capture second place.

Nine-ball meets 1 p.m., Tuesday afternoons in the West Activity Center Billiard Room. Bring your recreation card, get in on the action and have some fun in this heavy competition. We use the round robin format.

# A great way to learn pool is by watching, listening to your competition

By Reva Heymann

The greatest benefit about playing in the Que'T Billiards Club is getting to know the members and sharing time with them in the Billiards Room every week.

It is easy to start playing billiards. but, like anything complex and worthwhile, you need to work at getting bet-

When you play, you compete with a different partner every game. While you are developing new skills, you are also interactive and enjoying the company of others.

Very often, your opponent is the one cheering you on and making sug-



# Que' T Billiards

gestions to help you improve.

For the second year, Que'T members have decided to go as a group to a baseball game. Some of the women are baseball fans, but others, the majority I think, go to be part of the group and have a fun trip.

This year, we left from the West ficult shots during most regular games. Activity Center and car-pooled. We stopped at Bob Evans for dinner and then went on to the game.

The Rays were playing the Minnesota Twins and their best pitcher (David Price) was pitching.

The Rays won, and, to top that, David got more than 10 strikeouts, which meant everyone with a paid ticket got a free pizza. So, not only did we see the game and have fun together, but we also won pizzas!

#### **Tournament News**

Our instructors are very helpful and give advice on how to make dif-

Once a month, we play a tournament and we are on our own to sink

For April, there was a tie for first place in the tournament between Elizabeth Asselta and Becky Balderson. The whole tournament crew surrounded the table and watched the ensuing playoff.

It was exciting and we saw some

Becky won the playoff and cinched first place. Elizabeth came in second

Jean Doane and Agnes Doyle tied for third place.



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Rocky Balboa enjoys long walks with his people, loves to make new friends and never forgets anyone, especially those who feed him.

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Rocky has traveled to at least 23 states and his favorite destination so far is Key West, where dogs literally get to go almost everywhere.

One of his favorite toys is an empty 2-liter water bottle, which he can crush in under a minute and remove the cap in under two minutes.

Cairn terriers are very active and are brave. They were bred to eliminate vermin (rats, mice, etc) from the stone walls in the British Isles. If this breed looks familiar to people, it's because Toto in the Wizard of Oz was a Cairn.

Rocky and his people, Kate and Dennis Gagne, call Brazilia Drive home here at On Top of the World.



Rocky Balboa

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

# OTOW NEWS PHOTO SEARCH

Find 10 Differences In The Two Photos Below (answers will appear in next month's newspaper)







# Austrian Alpine resident rises before the sun so challenged-adults can take care of horses

Virginia Donlon doesn't wake up at 5:15 in the morning because she loves horses. She wakes up that early twice a week because challengedadults love horses.

Virginia, an On Top of the World, Austrian Alpine resident, is one of a handful of volunteers, who bring challenged-adults and horses together at a farm owned by Jennifer and Jim Tresh of Odessa.

Every Monday and Wednesday morning, a white van bumps down a partially paved road and when it comes to a stop, nearly a dozen adults from Adult Day Training (ADT) pile out and are eager to begin a day's work.

Unlike dogs who are trained to work with challenged or disabled adults, the horses at the Tresh farm are not trained to work with special people.

"The horses are not therapytrained, but seem to sense that these young adults have special needs," Virginia said. "They are gentle and patient with them."

There are eight, large, full-grown horses, and one miniature horse named "Peppercorn."

Virginia says Peppercorn always gets the most attention.

"She is often groomed several times a day," Virginia said. "She struts around with some very unusual hairdos."

The entire adult group enjoys lunch together, games, art and crafts.

"Even those adults with tactile difficulties smear their hand in paint," Virginia said.

Among some special accomplishments, Virginia has seen young adults lead horses into a stable and lead them out again. To most farmhands, this would be very basic, but one morning a young man successfully brought a horse in and led the horse out again.



Virginia Donlon keeps a horse calm during its daily grooming.

This feat was followed by an "I did it!"

Virginia is proud to tell that story.

A lady, who rarely spoke nor asserted herself, recently proclaimed herself "custodian of the tack room" and is now speaking in sentences.

A boy, with cerebral palsey, once struggled just to carry one bucket. Today, he carries four buckets at a time.

"Those with behavioral problems have made great strides in controlling themselves because no one wants to miss a day at the barn," Virginia said. "We have seen many other examples of growth in motor skills, social interaction and improved confidence.

"The special bonds they have with the horses is incredible."

Virginia has a special bond as well. By late afternoon, the adults board their van and head out for their return trip home. Only then do Virginia and partners realize how tired they are from the day.

"My partner Shirlee and I collapse," Virginia said. "We are not so young anymore."

But they are not about to give up their Monday and Wednesday mornings, either.

"For the three years we have been volunteering with this group, the sense of pride and achievement we get each week could not be matched," Virginia said. "The funny and tender moments are an added bonus.

"We get so much satisfaction from this. We see these young adults grow in so many ways."

When Virginia started working with this farm three years ago, she said some of the adults were limited in what they could do.

Today, the same adults are grooming horses, pitching hay, cleaning stalls, giving the horses treats, and someday ... everyone hopes ... will even learn how to ride a horse.

"We hope to have them riding very soon," Virginia said.

That would be a worthy celebra-

But before the challenged-adults can learn how to ride horses, the farm needs someone to build a special riding block suitable for mounting.

There is also room for more volunteers. Anyone who wants more information can stop by the OTOW newsroom and get Virginia's phone number.

(Story by Virginia Donlon with assistance from editor Doug Kates)







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# Family visitors enjoyed our OTOW spring

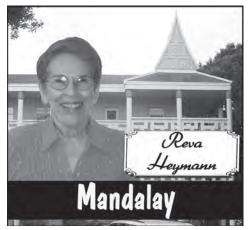
There has been some moving in and moving out this month. I regret to say that Jim and Terry McHugh have sold their apartment and are in the process of moving.

Jim was the wing captain on the northwest side, has an adorable little dog and was friendly and well liked.

New neighbors moved in to the apartment Vance Williams had. They seem like a very nice couple. I only met them for a second (just long enough to say "welcome" and to find out their last name is Hamilton).

Marion Scott had been looking forward to a visit from her son, who lives in Calgary and plays in the Calgary Philharmonic (he is a graduate of Juilliard). He was here for a week and they enjoyed each other's company, going to church together and eating out.

They each celebrated a birthday while he was here (good timing).



My son and my beautiful, warmhearted daughter-in-law also visited for several days. He had business in Florida and managed to arrange the time to come and see us, bringing his wife along. They stayed at a luxury hotel on the beach. The view from the balcony was spectacularly beautiful, with the water, the boats, the bridges, and the people on the beach and in the water.

We ate in some great restaurants

and enjoyed the lively atmosphere (their hotel was near Pier 60).

While there, I saw something unusual that looked like a great deal of fun, particularly for younger people. There was a sports store that had a glass enclosed setting (I think it was called "Flow Rider") in which gallons of water fell rapidly from about four feet up and people used surf boards to try to stay upright.

If they fell (many did), the water was so swift and the return flow was so powerful, it swept them up the hill! They couldn't get hurt because the underneath was a trampoline material so they just bounced.

Has anybody been looking at local birds lately? We always saw some ducks (sometimes with ducklings) and often saw a few storks and roseate spoonbills but, lately, only the ever-present white ibis are the only ones that seem to be around.



# Hard work pays off for granddaughter

Congratulations to all of the May and June graduates. They have studied hard and achieved their dream of a diploma. Many of these hard working students have earned degrees.

Pictured below is our granddaughter, who graduated from the University of South Florida with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management.

She worked her way through high school and college with employment in seven different restaurants. Her last employer, at the Bahama Breeze restaurant in Brandon, elevated her to management status.

She has finally left the restaurant business and has found employment in an office with regular weekday hours. All of that hard work has paid off with a job in the office using her business management skills.

Perseverance has its rewards. The world is at her feet. We love her and wish her the best that life has to offer.

"Till We Meet Again"

# Siboney marks successful flagpole project

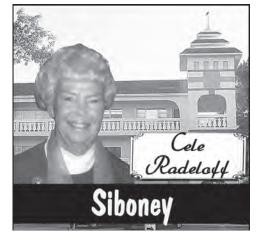
Our building had its third Easter dinner in the Sunrise Room and it was a huge success.

Many thanks to the committee: Audrey Jones, Mary Jane DeVoe, Rita Tombari, Audrey Decker and this reporter. We thank them for the planning, setting up the tables and chairs, participating in the dinner and then cleaning up.

Thanks also to those who joined in the Easter "Parade of Hats." It was much fun. The big winners were: Most Creative, Lillian Fox; Most Beautiful, Cele Radeloff; Funniest, Mary Jane DeVoe; Only Man, Mike Fox (brave enough to strut his stuff!).

Each dish was delicious, and it was a food fest fit for a king! A special "thank you" to Ralph DeVoe for all his help.

Joyce and Ray Ronningen have a different outlook on life. They consider themselves "Sunbirds" as they take some sunshine back to Minnesota



(where it is badly needed) whenever they visit there. That's their purpose in life. Way to go!

At one of our Siboney meetings, Audrey Jones suggested we purchase a flag and flagpole for each side of the building. She started a fund to finance the project, and everyone jumped on the bandwagon.

At our building meetings, winners of the 50/50 drawings donated their cash winnings. Several residents made individual donations.

Laura Evans had a bright idea to raise money for the project. She initiated dinners at her home, with patrons paying \$8 each. Neighbors cooked and served the meals. Susan Rausch was the hostess for one of the dinners, held in her back yard.

Our flagpole project mission has been accomplished, permission has been secured, and the new flags have been installed. Many thanks, Audrey, for a job well done in only four months! (See related story on page 56.)

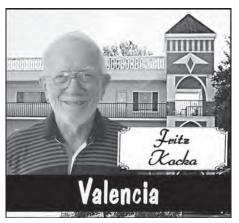
Mario and Dolly Gonnello had visitors from Italy last month. Mario's niece and her husband spent time in Kentucky first, and then went to Daytona following their visit here. Mario hasn't seen his niece (his sister's daughter) in nearly 18 years.

"show the colors" on Flag Day.



Reporter's happy granddaughter at USF graduation. (Photo by K-la Jo)

# Flag Day ceremony set for June 14



at O'Keefe's on Clearwater/Largo Road. The food and service were outstanding. A cold beer also added to the enjoyment.

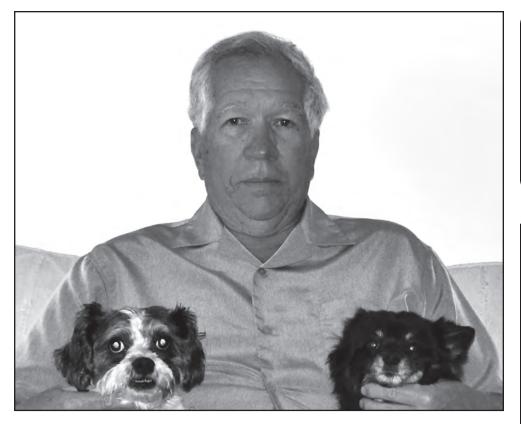
The ladies' monthly luncheon was held at the Oriental Super Buffet on Gulf-to-Bay on May 8. The ladies had a fun time sampling.

I will report on our annual Philippe Park picnic in the next

Our building dinner was held issue. At the time of this writing, we are looking for a good turn-out on May 28. Games of chance will follow our KFC lunch.

> the Flag Day ceremony the morning of Saturday, June 14.

> cars. If you miss one, another will be by in a few minutes (1945).



Shown above is Gary Drake, the husband of Viking building reporter Pat Drake, along with their two pets, Bubbles (at left) and Little Bit.

# New Viking reporter fills a need expressed by residents

Hello. I'm the new reporter for the Viking Building. I'm going to take this opportunity to tell you a bit about myself.

I have been married to Gary (he's in the photo above) for 36 years, and have lived in Colorado my entire life. We bought our condo in July 2011, after coming to visit Gary's mom and dad, Theresa and Donald, and his brother, Don. We rented it out for a time, and used it for vacations until now. Gary retired last August.

Back in Colorado, we sorted through everything we had gathered after living in the same house for 35 years to decide what we were getting rid of and what was coming with us. Gary got the house ready to sell.

We left Colorado on Dec. 13 and flew to Ft. Lauderdale. We then went on a Caribbean cruise, which ended on Dec. 28. We call it our "transition cruise." We were Coloradans when we started the cruise and Floridians when we docked!

When we got here we received a nice greeting from our neighbors, "they're here!"

Since we arrived, we have met a lot of very nice people. We have joined the Baby Boomer and the Snowbirds. We prepare the clubhouse for concerts and dances, and I'm now a reporter.



Each month after the newspaper came out we would read it online. The first thing I did was see if there was anything about our building. There never was, and some long-time residents of Viking say they can't remember the last time we had a reporter.

So – here I am. I hope to meet and get to know many more of our neighbors as they share their stories with me for the paper.

A bit more about us: We have two dogs, Little Bit and Bubbles (see photo). We like to travel, and I've been to every continent except Africa. I like to read inspirational fiction and true stories. I also like to crochet. I've always worn slippers, and am trying to get used to going barefooted.

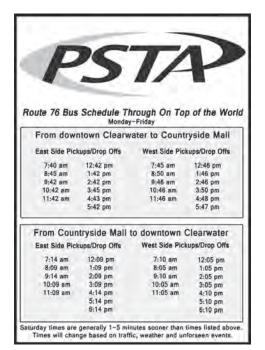
And now – some of my neighbors are lizards!

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# Have a safe and enjoyable Father's Day

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- Remember to make a complete stop when you come to any stop sign within the OTOW community. The other cars and pedestrians around you are depending on it, even though you may not see them. A "rolling stop" places you and others at risk of an accident. Stop, look both ways, and look in front of you. Thanks for being a cautious and safe driver!

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# Summer is here — let's all practice safe sunning

Some call these "the lazy hazy days of summer" because our lives are supposed to slow down. Actually, retirement seems to be as busy if not busier than when we worked full time.

There are so many things to do with more hours of sunlight. The activities around On Top of the World hardly slow down as well! Remember to check the OTOW newspaper for clubs and events.

Some of our residents have returned to their northern abodes and many of them arrived home to find cold and even some snow! My friends who returned to Newfoundland woke their first morning home to a fresh cover of snow.

Last week while at the pool with some friends, I realized how easy it is to get a sunburn. Therefore, here are some reminders of which might prevent and protect you and your loved ones from the harmful effects of the sun:

- Use sunscreen labeled SPF30 or higher, also should be labeled Broad Spectrum. Broad spectrum sunscreen should have UVA and UVB blocking ingredients.
- Apply sunscreen generously to your entire body 30 minutes before



going outside and after swimming or sweating.

- Look for SPF-rated clothing as it offers protection from the sun.
- Reapply sunscreen every two to four hours.
- When appropriate, wear hats, caps, sunglasses or use umbrellas to block direct sunlight.
- Use tanning creams instead of tanning beds to get a safe summer glow.

So be careful, and if you are uncertain about any skin moles or spots, consult a dermatologist.

The hotter it is, one important reminder is to keep hydrated. Seniors



Going to the pool soon? The safe sunning tips outlined in this article will help insure a fun, comfortable, safe time during any outdoor activity. (Photo by Kathy Hovelman)

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usually do not drink enough water! It is the key to overall health and wellness. Water is a simple substitute for any unhealthy beverages already being consumed. Water is great for our skin. So next time you have a soda craving, try water with lemon or lime for a flavorful hydrator.

On May 6, some 20 Rio Riviera residents went for their monthly night out to Kally K's for dinner. A good meal and lots of fellowship was enjoyed. Thank you Rene Holley for arranging these monthly outings.

That's it for now — be sure to send some news my way!

# Resident gets expert help during her first golf game

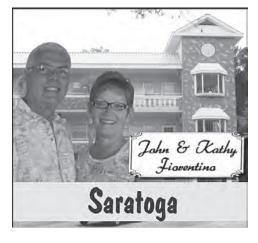
The news from the Saratoga Building will be rather limited this month. It has been very quiet and seems that nothing is really happening. Maybe it's the 90-degree heat that has everyone staying inside enjoying the air conditioning.

I do see people sitting on their porches later in the day enjoying the cool evening breeze, but during the day it is like a ghost town.

Jane Turnbull had some exciting news that she wanted to share. She was pleased to have played her first-ever 9-hole game of golf. The Baby Boomers Club has groups called "Golf for Non-Golfers" that meet and play the 9-hole course.

They are considerate enough to include a skilled and seasoned player in every foursome, who guides the newbies through the course. Jane says she had a blast, but can certainly see the need for additional golf lessons!

Jane Turnbull has also been enjoying On Top of the World Tai Chi classes, especially since her alma mater, Ohio State University, published a brief questionnaire called "SAGE" as a predictor for dementia and Alzheimer's. It asks the question: "Do you have balance problems?"



(There are other things, however, that cause an occasional misstep.) If anyone would like a complimentary copy of SAGE, contact Jane. Tai Chi is known to improve stability in walking, and the OTOW Tai Chi class was just featured in the May issue of this paper.

One of our building neighbors enjoyed a cruise from April 20–27. Roger Nicoll and some friends left out of Tampa and enjoyed a seven-day cruise on Carnival Cruise lines.

They visited many different ports and he said they had a great time. Seems like cruising is the thing to do in our building.

Hope all of you had a satisfying Memorial Day weekend and will enjoy the upcoming summer months.



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# Visitors from Ireland were treated to a great time

Hope all you mothers were treated to a special day in May. Now this month all our fathers will be honored.

Mike Cooper had some special days last month. Two sisters from County Donegal in Ireland visited for a month. They went to the beach, to Tarpon Springs, Treasure Island, Dunedin and other interesting local places.

While they were here, two nieces from Minneapolis visited and were able to stay in a friend's condo. With all those women, Mike made some trips to take them shopping. Of course, he had to go back hours later to pick them up!

Be sure to fly your American flag on Flag Day, June 14.

Even though summer officially begins June 21, it's already been plenty warm. I hope your air conditioner is in good shape!

Have you done anything interesting lately yourself, or had visitors, etc.? Let me know by phone 724-5909, personally at my condo or by note in the white box by the bulletin board.



# Fun fishing trip yields 65 lbs. for cookout

In May we celebrated Mother's Day and Memorial Day. Our mothers are our personal heroes that shaped our lives in a thousand different ways.

Mothers set the way we combed our hair, initially how we worshiped, and introduced us to a culinary style called "Mom's cooking" that would make our mouths water just thinking about it years after we left home. Mom always has our love and richly deserves a special day.

The departed heroes that we remember on Memorial Day sacrificed their lives in service to our country and to protect the freedoms that we enjoy. These were sons and daughters thrown into conflicts not of their own making, but giving their best, just as their moms had taught them. We honor them also with a special day in May.

Here at the Azores we had our spring fishing outing. Our fishing team this year included Gerald Smith, Jim Williams, Tom Pirrello, Don Kislyk and John Parham. The fishermen got started at the crack of dawn with a trip to Tarpon Springs—time to "bait-up" and climb aboard.



The Captain made a mad dash out to his favorite fishing grounds, dropped anchor and the fishing began — lots of good catches with the "shorties" returned to grow a little.

John Parham had his pole suddenly bend double. He fought whatever was on his line. He tired out, but the catch didn't!

The other guys took over and the fight continued. Finally, after most of the team members were exhausted, the boat's mate pulled up the catch beside the boat. Wow — a 250-pound loggerhead turtle! The line was cut and

the big fellow swam away (with the bait, of course!).

The team finished up with 65 pounds of fish, a great cook-out and a wonderful adventure to share with the rest of us.

The Azores ladies went to tea at The Royal English Tearoom in Dunedin. On the same day the ladies were out, the Azores R.O.M.E.O.s lunched at Abe's Place.

Gordon Fowlie shouts out a big "thank you" to all those that showed concern for his wife Jean. She is doing great.

We have new owners here at the Azores, Jo and Lou D'Auria, from Ronkonkoma, N.Y. Lou was in sales with Meade Paper. His wife Jo was with the Probation Department of New York for some 20 years.

They have three children and six grandchildren. They enjoy racquetball and tennis. Lou says he plans to check out our Tuesday evening poker game.

I see the Whack-a-Ballers have a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board, but no news in my box. Keep watching the bulletin board for upcoming activities.

# Easter visitors included family from Brazil

If you are wondering where the May article was, I forgot to send it in. My fault I just plain forgot. Don't know why I thought I submitted it. Unfortunately it contained information about the day at the races event. Sorry about that.

Happy Fathers Day: My hair is thin, I can't hear so good, my belly is big, I forget to zip my pants, I talk loud and I am old, but I am glad I'm a dad!

Happy birthday to Capistrano resident Phoebe Spain on her 90th birthday.

Karen Johnson served as Faculty Marshall leading the faculty entrance at the State University of New York (SUNY) University College at Buffalo graduation. Karen was a longtime employee of that institution.

The Snowbirds have pretty much completed their migration back to the north, so there are plenty of parking places and there is no line at



the laundry facility. It is pretty quiet around Capistrano and we do miss our friends and neighbors.

It was nice to see Thelma Wishnek at the Capistrano picnic in April. Thelma was enjoying herself talking to Frank and Pat Massaro, Janet Stafford, Lillian Santiago and many other neighbors. Speaking of Lillian, I made a mistake. Lillian is not a masseur, she is a massage therapist. Sorry for the error, Lillian.

Capistrano residents had a lot of visitors over the Easter holidays. Karen Johnson's daughter visited from Slidell, La., for Easter dinner and to celebrate Karen's birthday. Also, Ruth and Walter Mazelin's daughter and her husband visited for a few days.

Isis Ashworth's brother Carlos from Brazil, his wife and daughter, her husband and three children along with a daughter-in-law visited Isis in late April. The family spent 12 days at Disney before joining Isis at Capistrano.

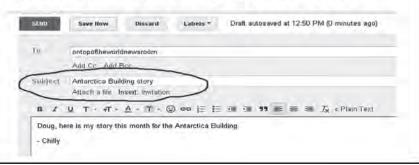
Isis's daughter and her husband provided lodging for some. The daughter lives near Clearwater Beach, enabling the visitors to enjoy the nice sunny beach weather.

Isis was very happy to entertain her brother and his family. When I interviewed her for this article, I could feel her excitement as she talked about their visit.

Hope you all enjoy the summer.

# **Attention OTOW News writers**

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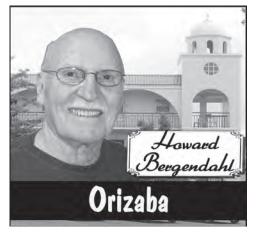


# Some interesting facts about June holidays

Happy Fathers Day! I have a bit of a problem believing that we are halfway through the year already. The temperature is rising and the sun is feeling hotter each day.

I have been keeping an eye on the progress at our pool and feel confident that by the time this is published we may be soaking up the cooler water in our newly refurbished "swimming hole."

June 14th is Flag Day and I hope that there will be a great display of the American flags here at On Top of the World. There are many rules associated with flag displays, and those rules are posted in various places. Anyone with a computer can easily search for flag display rules. George Washington commissioned Betsy Ross to create the original flag. Woodrow Wilson issued



a presidential proclamation establishing June 14th as Flag Day.

President Lyndon Johnson issued a proclamation in 1966 establishing Father's Day as an official national holiday. President Nixon signed a law making it permanent in 1972. Thanks go out to Jim Anzalone for his work on the outside water hose on the south side of the building. The unit needed repair and Jim stepped right up.

I met Jack Soll and the lovely Charla Fogel at the Eight O'clock Theater for the presentation of "Grease," a toe-tapping musical that featured a huge cast. My school wasn't like the one in the play, but I still give a cheer for Rydell High.

Watching a television show recently, I heard that most doctors believe that the best medicine for almost all illnesses is exercise. So keep walking and dance your way to health...

One good way to clean a dishwasher is to run the cycle empty and put a cup of white vinegar in the soap tray.

Have a happy day!

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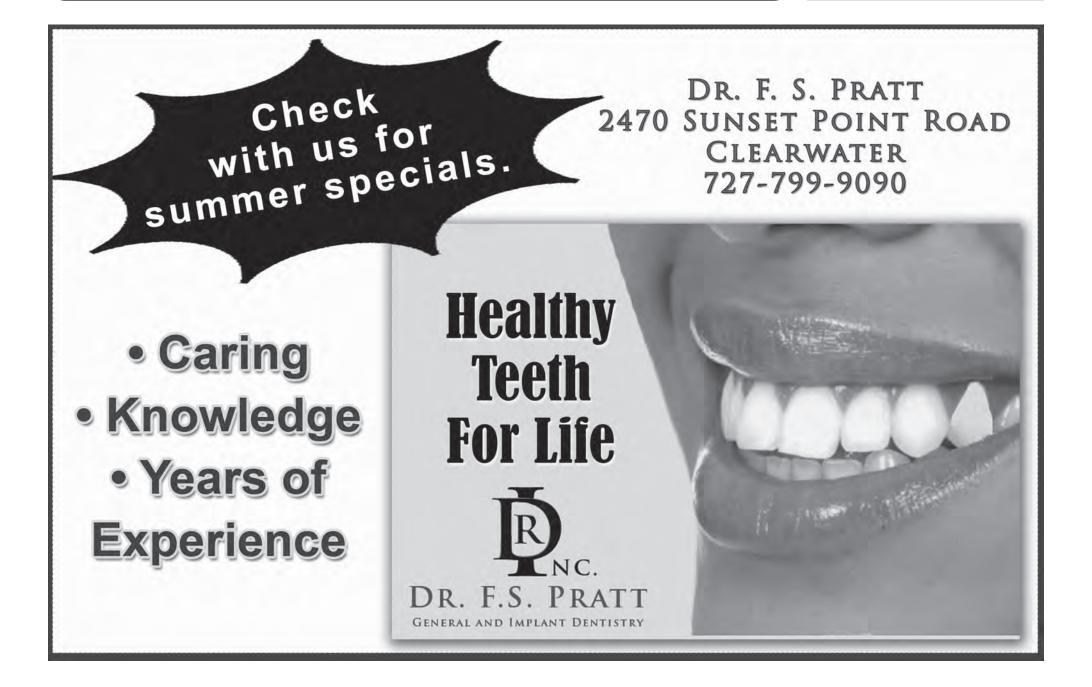
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Be sure to bookmark the link. You may want to send the link to your family and friends up North so they can keep up with all the happenings at On Top of the World.





The Kawalecs celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary May 3 at Courigan's Irish Pub in St. Pete with family and friends. Theresa can be seen at left rear, peeping around her husband, John.

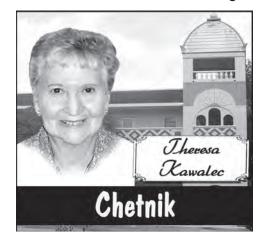
# Reporter and husband celebrate 56th anniversary

The April building luncheon at Perkins on Curlew Road was enjoyed by 16 attending. Former Chetnik Mary Kearney, who is now settled in at Mease Manor, joined us. Vince and Linda Zayek were there, and Linda brought two guests – Lil Riis and Mary Balduc.

Most of us had family and friends visiting for Easter. Joan Berta had a guest from Mexico City, Elke Solm. Elke also has a place in Ocala. The star of our gathering was our 3-monthold great-granddaughter.

John and I celebrated our 56th wedding anniversary on May 3 at a party hosted by our daughter at Courigan's Irish Pub in St. Pete (see photo, above). Family and friends also enjoyed watching the Kentucky Derby while there.

I highly recommend the movie "Heaven Is for Real." It is a true story, beautifully portrayed and true to the



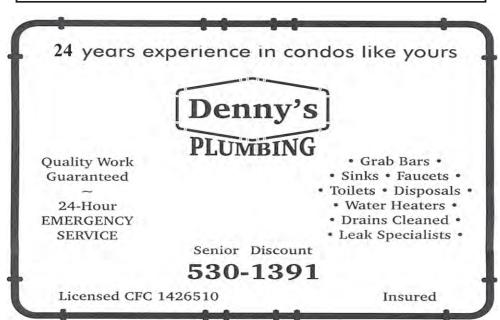
book that was a best seller. Although I love to see movies, I don't go very often because many are not family-oriented.

Within two weeks I saw two movies, the one aforementioned, and "God Is Not Dead" which my friends and I found most interesting. I am now reading the book.

Happy Father's Day to all you dads and granddads!



Flag Day is Saturday, June 14. Fly it proudly!



#### THE WAY WE WERE

# A look back at the *OTOW News* (Part 61, June, 1976)

By Dolores Burm and Elaine Gotler

- Asolo Theatre of Sarasota presented "Music Man" on June 18. Transportation and admission were \$10.50. Dinner at Red Lobster was on your own.
- All fathers past and present were honored at a dance on June 19 from 8-12 p.m. Only \$1.50 with prizes included.
- Some exciting future trips were announced: The first was the Great Northwest which departs on June 27 for 16 days only \$1,290.
- Western Canada and The Inside Passage were available for Aug. 22 to Sept. 4 (14 days). \$1,150 per person includes breakfast and dinner on this land and cruise tour.
- Already planning New Years in June? It's never too early. How about California and Hawaii on Dec. 30, 1976 to Jan. 15, 1977? Enjoy a Rose Bowl game and a four-island Hawaiian tour. Dine and dance at the Palladium with Lawrence Welk to welcome the New Year.

See you next time!

# Reporter has hankering to once again plan a wedding

As June is bursting out all over, I turn to thinking of June weddings.

The mother of the bride is in charge Of all decisions, small and large. The mother of the groom is controlled; She smiles and does as she is told.

Having been on both sides of these weddings, I prefer being the groom's mother. Especially since my daughter was at that time living across the state and I got lots of calls, "Did you do this or that, Mother?" But looking back over the years, I now would like to plan another wedding.

The Melbourne monthly dinner was at the New Frenchie's Outpost in Dunedin. But the deadline is coming up too soon for me to get news in this issue. Tell you about it next month.

Carol Futej's granddaughter's cheerleading group came in 34th out of 87 in the Cheerleaders World Competition in Orlando last month. That is good in today's competitions. Carol flew to Ohio to attend the same granddaughter's high school graduation on May 24. She will be going to Ohio State next fall. She has a scholarship from the cheerleading competition plus two other scholarships. This will be a big help for her education.

Connie Valentin's granddaughter was married May 17 in St. Augustine, on the beach. Her daughter came over and rented a car so they could ride over to the wedding.

Micki Cobb's son, daughter-in-law and grandson were here for a week, leaving the Saturday before Easter.



Micki then ended up in the hospital for her birthday the following week. She says it was really a great birthday with lots of people stopping in. The kitchen even sent up a birthday cake and some of the staff sang Happy Birthday to her. She is back home, doing well, even driving her car again.

Bonnie White enjoyed her Mother's Day birthday with her son and daughter-in-law in Palm Harbor. She even brought me a piece of yummy cake, Oh, to have my son living close by He's in Michigan.

I went to a disappointing Tampa Bay Rays game. I thought that after losing three in a row they couldn't lose again. But they did! Next night they won big... why didn't they do that for us?

The building seems empty with all the Snowbirds flying back up North. Enjoy the extra place at the pool and the normal roads. Celebrate Flag Day, honor your Father on his day and bask in the first day of summer on the 21st.

# Enjoy a Suncoast Trolley ride along the Pinellas beaches

Bavarian Chalet is delighted to welcome our new neighbors, Winnie and Chuck Robbins from the Orlando area, David Williams from Clearwater, Karen Tannahill, formerly of Texas, and her Mom from Oklahoma, Patricia Tannahill. Wishing them much happiness at On Top of the World!

What a treat for those of us lucky enough to be chatting outside with May Genuso, when her son stopped by to drop off some tomatoes from his garden. May sliced some up and dressed them with olive oil and mint for us all to sample. Nothing like fresh, home grown tomatoes! Delicious!

Cathy Stevens joined 50 other guests as her granddaughter and her husband renewed their wedding vows. It was a beautiful ceremony at Clearwater's North Beach, officiated by their pastor from Calvary Baptist Church.

The bride's mother, a graphic designer, made up the program, decorated with daisies, which was the overall theme. The groom hand-built a gorgeous daisy design bamboo arbor for the ceremony.

Their two oldest daughters read biblical verses and their four year old contributed with her solemn "Amen" in all the right places.



Fourteen other family members flew in from Massachusetts to share in the festivities. A lovely reception followed on North Beach.

Joanne and Bob Wallend shared a wonderful fun-filled adventure with friends on May 9. Better known as the "Seven Amigos," the Wallends, along with Fran and Bob Lux of Norwegian Drive and Marie DiImperio of Denmark Street, as well as Jan and Reverend Joe Diaz of Clearwater, boarded the Suncoast Trolley, which travels from Clearwater along Gulf Blvd. to St. Pete Beach (see photo).

They really enjoyed the scenic 45-minute ride to John's Pass Village, where they had a delicious lunch at the Friendly Fisherman Restaurant.



The "Seven Amigos" (Joanne and Bob Wallend and friends) on their "Suncoast Trolley Adventure" excursion along the beaches on a recent sunny day. It included a stop at John's Pass Village for lunch, touring and shopping.

The afternoon was spent touring the various village shops and watching the fishing boats bring in their catch of the day. You should try it if you can.

Joanne says of their outing, "It was really a picture-perfect day with the

sun shining and a cool breeze coming in off the water. Days like this make you realize how much we have available to us living here at On Top Of the World. We all just need to get moving

# Englander dwellers host visitors, take trips and more

It's always nice to be here for the Mother's Day weekend. We see lots of flower deliveries, families young and old visiting their moms and grandmothers, and more recently the fruit-floral bouquets too pretty to eat.

Grandmother Joyce Metcalf enjoyed a visit from her grandsons, both college students. And just like they might have when they were kids, they took Grandma for a walk down towards the lake with their toy remotecontrolled helicopter — and promptly got it caught up in the tree! It was fun watching the rescue, which included jumping to shake the limbs, climbing



the tree and finally hitting it down with a baseball. Just proving that boys will be boys even when they are in college!

It's that time of year when we all try to remember to go see the nightblooming cereus on the big tree near the dock of Lake Arbor. It usually happens the first week of June. Remember that it takes two people to take a photo - one to operate the camera and one to hold a flashlight so you can find the bloom on the tree in the dark.

Chickie Brophy's grandson, a United States Marine, has been deployed to Okinawa, Japan, for the next two years. Experienced in helicopter maintenance and repair, he has already completed two tours in Afghanistan. We extend our appreciation to him for his service and will keep him in our prayers for a safe return.

Our siblings are the window to our past, so Bucyrus, Ohio, was the first stop on Ron and Polly Irwin's spring travels. Polly enjoyed a visit to catch up with two of her sisters and many nieces and nephews, most of whom she hadn't seen in several years.

push from the big wheelers, the next you do, laughter will follow!

stop was Waymart, Pa., where Ron was guest speaker at the Sunday worship for a 50th reunion of Salvation Army officers. Ron, who was on their teaching staff when they were cadets, said it was a great event for sharing memories and reminiscing.

Fueled with warm thoughts of friends and family, Lancaster, Pa., was the last stop for more reminiscing and visiting with dear old friends before completing their warm and wonderful 3,080 mile journey.

Life can be a very serious matter for most of us, yet more than ever we need the healing effects of humor. It's a known fact that you'll reduce your blood pressure while increasing the oxygen in your blood if you laugh or chuckle.

Try smiling — then laughter will not be far behind! If you're having trouble getting started, a good place to start is by reading Marge's Humor, On the road again and with a little a monthly column in this paper. Once

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It's quiet since all our Snowbirds left to enjoy their other life up North. We look forward to a nice summer (hoping that no hurricane will come our way).

Bonnie Eaton is happy that she found her place on the first floor. No dependence on the elevator anymore, and a parking spot right in front of her condo!

Jo and Brenda Mauro moved into Bobbie Fissgus' apartment. They are both from Brooklyn and came down to Florida in 1986. When they moved from Hollywood to On Top of the World, their son came from California to lend a helping hand.

Haens Richards and Peter Wieczorek took an exciting tour by boat via Miami to the isle of Madeira, then to Barcelona and then by plane to Hamburg, Germany.

If you plan a trip this summer, it doesn't have to be exotic — let me know and I can write about it when you return.

June 15th is Father's Day. Let's think of the ones who are (or were) so important in our life.



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# Couple's 'bucket list' included balloon ride

Up, Up and Away! What is on your bucket list? Although you may not have identified your list as such, I imagine you've had some wishes along the way that give you a sparkle in your mind, and that you would simply love to have come true at some point in your life!

For Shirley Crowder and Ray Scott (Scotty), one of those wishes recently came true after Scotty gave a gift to Shirley of a hot-air balloon ride. After having the date postponed a couple of times, due to inclement weather, they finally headed out in the wee morning on April 25 to north Tampa for the ride of their lives!

"It was fascinating to watch the whole process", Shirley commented. The captain carefully prepared and inspected the balloon before takeoff. The next hurdle (literally) was to climb into the basket. Success! Along with another couple they anxiously awaited the lift. Boom! The gas was lit and the next thing they knew, "We gasped and our jaws dropped.... We're up, we're up!"

"It was a quiet beauty beyond belief," Shirley described. The unobstructed view from above in a balloon is like nothing else. The cares of the world drift away and the heavens open up above.



Shirley and Scotty are still on cloud nine. The delight of the experience stays with them and they encourage all to take a leap and do the things that give you this type of satisfaction, fun and fulfillment!

Speaking of fulfillment, seeing a child or grandchild succeed is one of the most wonderful things we can experience.

Charlyn Miller told me a story about her grandson, age 14, that is worth sharing. He was a close friend of a boy named Reat, who was recently a shooting victim in Kansas City, Mo., and lost his life in this terrible incident.

The grandson made wristbands in honor of Reat and gave them away for donations that were then presented to



Ray Scott (front left), and Shirley Crowder prepare for liftoff in a hot-air balloon.

Reat's parents to establish a scholarship in his name.

He also sent some to President Obama, knowing he denounced this terrible deed. This boy hero has been commended by his city, the school officials and local radio.

We need to be grateful for young people like Charlyn's grandson, who are so caring. We commend him and his family for raising such a thoughtful young man.

# As Snowbirds depart, visitors arrive

This is a sad time of year for us as our condos are only half full of residents. This means fewer "tree people" at our favorite "getaway," which is a shame because the weather as I write this has become most warm and balmy.

Reta and Gene Carney enjoyed a visit from their daughter as well as a favorite niece. The family enjoyed a long weekend at Fort De Soto Park.

Judy Boley spent the Easter holiday with her sister-in-law Eunice in Bradenton. I am sure that Eunice is most happy to have her to celebrate whatever the occasion.

My reporter pad (which I now carry with me to make up for my very poor memory) had a number of jottings all about our friendly, vivacious, very outgoing resident Gin Upton.

Her daughter came from San her. Gin drove her daughter to Orlando to catch a flight home but while there was fortunate enough to get a quick few hours with her grandson who happened to be visiting at the same time.

Then to fill her time with other happy goings-on, she and a close friend Carole sailed on a five-day cruise to Cozumel. This was her first cruise on a big ship, and she found everything to



her happy expectations.

Not to be outdone, Donna Cameron welcomed her daughter and her hubby, who after a few days of rest at her condo, made room in their vehicle to take her on a short vacation to Alabama and then on to Illinois, her home state.

As you read this, Clay and Susan ntonio, Texas, to spend a week with Witters will have moved into their newly renovated condo, which once belonged to Julie Werkheiser. If Susan is half as friendly as her husband, we here at New World French will be most happy.

> We had only eight charming women attend the monthly luncheon at the Acropol, but despite the small group, it was a most enjoyable day. Thank you, Ellen Feldman, for making all the arrangements each month.

Our "chairman of the chairs" Ralph Wells has a birthday on June 13. He has to be the most generous, kind resident here in our building. We can't thank you too often or too much for all the times you come to our rescue and help us out. Happy Birthday and many more to come!

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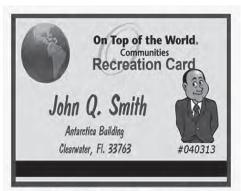
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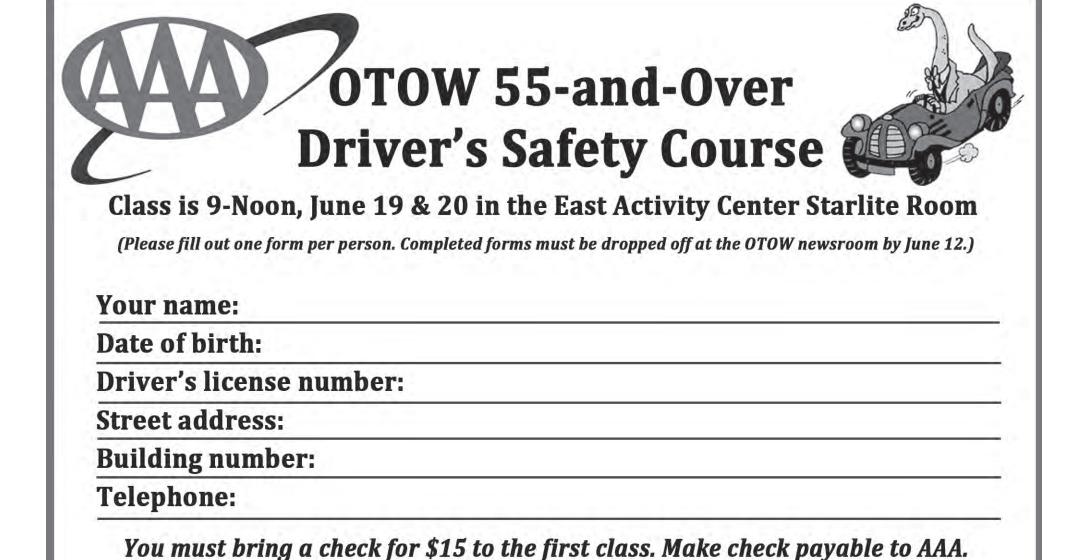


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### Walking group is growing; now features beach walks

Sue Branham enjoyed watching the dolphins play while she dined at her daughters in Tarpon Springs on Mother's Day.

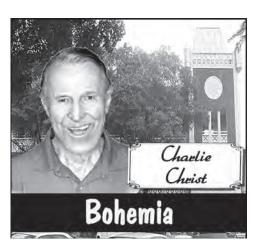
Sandy and Jim Ropp made a quick trip to Texas and back to attend their granddaughter's wedding.

Quite a large group gathered under the old oak tree to celebrate Cinco de Mayo. The Sangria and beer seemed to blend well with the conversation, making it a truly festive and memorable occasion. Not bad for an event that wasn't even planned.

Paula participated in the Kimberly Home Run, which raises money for single moms.

The Walking Group is now doing weekly beach walks. See Paula to join in on the fun.

We'll be reporting on our Memorial Day festivities in the next issue. It's reported there will be a super effort to take the Frisbee trophy away from the Christs — last year's winners. Really? See you then.



Fran Leichhardt returned from her cruise and commented that it was a wonderful experience. "I rested, enjoyed the food, saw all the shows, and simply loved the ocean breezes."

Jerry DeLeslie flew to Normal, Ill., to participate in the induction of his nephew into the Illinois Basketball Hall of Fame.

Afterward, he enjoyed a party given by the nephew's wife and three of his buddies.

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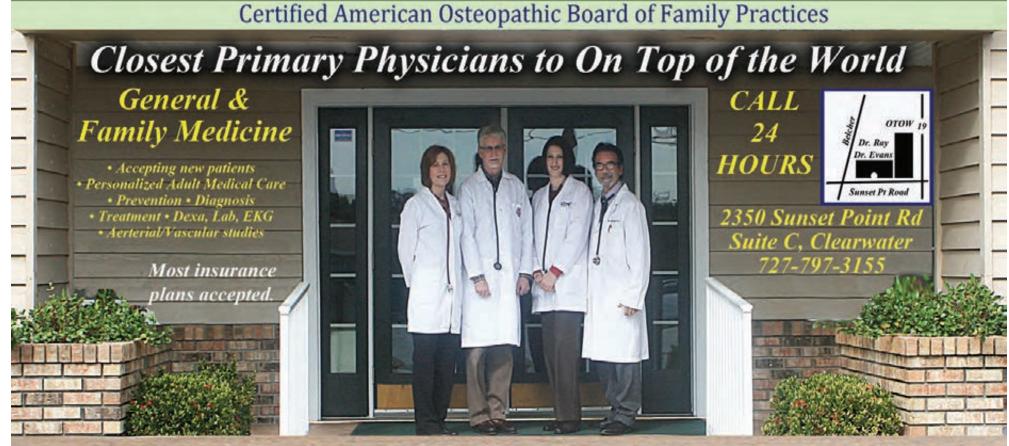
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Dad does not want a new saw for Father's Day. He wants avocades and cucumbers!

# Friends, relatives gather to mark couple's 50th anniversary

Hello from Rila Renaissance. This reporter recently celebrated a milestone in her and her husband's life.

Last month, my husband William (Bill) and I celebrated 50 years of marriage. I cannot believe 50 years are here. It seems like yesterday that we were planning our wedding.

I met Bill at Banking School in New York City. One of my classmates introduced us and it was instant attraction. I remember as a Brooklyn girl how I never left the State of New York. My first date was in New Jersey at Palisades Park. It was a memorable day, especially the Tunnel of Love!

Bill worked at Chase Manhattan Bank. During our third year of marriage, he was drafted into the Army due to the Vietnam escalation. He served one year in Colorado and one year in Vietnam. Thank God, he returned safely and with no injuries. After his return to the United States, Bill continued to work at Chase Manhattan until he took a buyout. He then worked as an Independent Insurance Representative.

I worked at two different banks over 12 years and then went to Hoffman La Roche in New Jersey. After 11 years of marriage, I left Hoffman La Roche when we adopted our son. He was only 20 months old. What a joy he has been in our lives. He is now married and works in the computer field.

When our son started kindergarten, I volunteered at St. James School in New Jersey. When he was in the eighth grade, I started working fulltime at the school. After more than 20 years, I retired in 2006.

I began visiting our best friends, who retired to On Top of the World, and always came home raving about the development. We retired here in 2007.

We love what OTOW has to offer. The variety of stores and restaurants





Bill and Arlene Bergen cutting their wedding cake in 1964.

in the area is plentiful. How about the beaches! It is wonderful to only have to drive 15 minutes to Clearwater Beach. When we wanted to go to the beaches in New Jersey, we would spend hours on the Garden State Parkway in traffic.

We had a luncheon with 15 friends and relatives at Kali-K's Restaurant in Dunedin to help us celebrate our 50th anniversary. We are looking forward to many more years of celebrations.

We wish all our fathers and grandfathers a Happy Father's Day.

If you have any information on a trip you recently took or special anniversary, please leave a note in the white mailbox under the bulletin board in the core.



Bill and Arlene Bergen cutting their 50th Anniversary cake in 2014.

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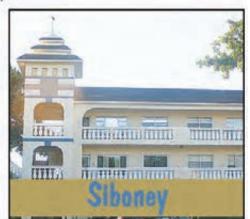
# **Community invited to Flag Day celebration**

Thanks to a building-wide effort, the Siboney Building is expecting to get a new flag and flag pole this month, just in time for Flag Day.

Now, Siboney residents would like to invite other residents to share in their celebration by attending a Flag Day ceremony at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, June 14. There will be no parking available at the building, so the invitation is primarily to any west side residents who can walk to building 89.

The ceremony will be brief, but for anyone who likes to see a flag raised for the first time, the experience will be memorable.

"I am amazed Patriotism is still alive," said building resident Audrey Jones. "Everytime I see flags flying, I am grateful to all the veterans who made and still make our freedom possible."



Back in January of this year, Audrey presented fellow co-residents with the idea of installing a new flag.

"I told them the estimated cost would be between \$500-600 to do it on property," Audrey said in a statement to residents. "Donations poured in. The response was amazing."

It took only four months to raise enough money.

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Next, Audrey contacted Rich Biggs with Inspection Services to make sure purchasing and installing a flag would be done according to all community policies. After filling out a building modification application, Rich proceeded to help with the plan.

Permits were properly obtained. Rich helped find the perfect place to install the flag pole. A contractor with proper credentials was found. Building reps even decided to purchase solar lighting so the flag could remain up at night, but lighted from above.



# Unit turnover is seen as a positive at Loch Lomond

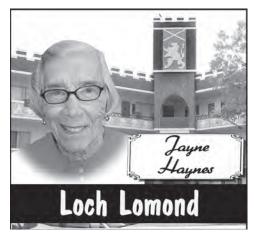
Congratulations to Loch Lomond for the generous contributions to the annual Postal food drive. This is such a worthy activity, and it is made most convenient since residents receive a plastic bag inside each mailbox on the day before the drive. Thanks for the fine response, neighbors.

Another positive occurrence has been the recent sale of at least two apartments and the plans of relatives/ heirs to occupy recently vacated ones.

Several new occupants-to-be are spending the summer back at their "other homes" but will become occupants in October or November. By then I hope to be able to introduce our new occupants by name, interests, plans, and activities. When new faces show up, make their acquaintances right away.

Several friends have mentioned their itineraries for vacations. Please give us details of your summer adventures and any great pictures you get.

Those of us who will be present for most of the summer will find lots of occasions to have fun as we socialize, exercise, and use the pool and golf course together. Don't hesitate to volunteer, either.



All, have a special time. Take care, and keep in touch. An example of keeping in touch is the nice card posted on the bulletin board from the family of the late Mary McCann.

Mary's apartment is one of those recently sold to a lovely couple and one of her sons and daughters-in-law. Rory and Kathy McCann, who live in Dunedin, addressed their card to the many friends that Mary had enjoyed when she lived here.

Mary was a very outgoing, friendly, helpful neighbor who loved plants and her yard. And it's great to know that her family was aware of her happiness here. Thanks to Rory and Kathy.





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# Calendar of Monthly OTOW Activities — June 2014

02 Monday	10:30 AM	Entertainment Committee Meeting	Veranda
02 Monday	6:00 PM	No. 82 Capistrano Building Meeting	Sunrise Room
04 Wednesday	5:30 PM	Baby Boomers Meeting	Veranda
		Travel Club Meeting	
07 Saturday	6:00 PM	Singles Club Meeting	Starlite Room
09 Monday	2:00 PM	German Interest Group Meeting	Sunrise Room
12 Thursday	10:00 AM	OTOW Association Meeting	Auditorium
13 Friday	7:00 PM	Lambda Club Meeting	Large Card Room
14 Saturday	8:00 PM	Entertainment Committee Dance	Auditorium
15 Sunday	2:00 PM	Entertainment Committee Sunday In The Park	Auditorium
15 Tuesday	5:00 PM	Bible Study Potluck	Kitchen
16 Monday	9:30 AM	Good Neighbors Free Eye & Ear Testing	Auditorium
19 Thursday	5:30 PM	Baby Boomers Meeting	Veranda
23 Monday	9:30 AM	Brazilian Embroidery	Art Room
25 Wednesday	7:00 PM	No. 89 Siboney Building Meeting	Sunrise Room
26 Thursday	2:00 PM	Democratic Club Meeting	Starlite Room
28 Saturday	6:00 PM	Lambda Club Social	Large Card Room
30 Monday	9:30 AM	Brazilian Embroidery Crafts	Art Room

Flag Day Saturday, June 14

Fathers Day Sunday, June 15

First Day of Summer Saturday, June 21

#### Daily Calendar -

1:00 9-Ball Tournament ......Billiards Room

MONDAY
7:30 Tennis (Womens) Outdoors
8:00 Bonesavers ExerciseLarge Card Room
8:00 Ladies Exercise East Side Gym
8:30 Exercise Class West Side Gym
8:30 Ent. Comm./Clubs Ticket SalesAuditorium
9:00 Zumba ExerciseLarge Card Room
9:00 Water Exercise Class East Side Pool
9:00 Slimnastics Exercise East Side Gym
9:00 Photo IDs East Activity Center
9:00 LibraryLibrary
9:30 Brazilian Embroidery Class Art Room
10:00 Aerobics Exercise East Side Gym
10:00 Mens Exercise Class West Side Gym
11:30 Contract BridgeYellow Room
12:30 Mahjongg GameRainbow Room
1:00 CanastaSmall Classroom
1:30 Tai Chi Beginners East Side Gym
2:30 Tai Chi Advanced East Side Gym
5:00 Mahjongg GameRainbow Room
6:00 BingoAuditorium
6:30 8-Ball TournamentBilliards Room
6:30 Contract BridgeLarge Card Room
TUESDAY
8:00 Ladies Exercise East Side Gym
8:30 Exercise Class West Side Gym
9:00 Caring and SharingCrafts Room
9:00 Water Exercise East Side Pool
9:00 Slimnastics East Side Gym
9:00 Photo IDs East Activity Center
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9:00 Zumba ExerciseLarge Card Room
10:00 Philosophy Club Meeting Veranda
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11:00 Yoga Exercise East Side Gym
12:00 CeramicsCrafts Room

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1:00	Line DancingAuditorium
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6:00	PinochleLarge Card Room
7:00	Bible Study MeetingVeranda
WED	NESDAY
7:00	Coffee CornerAuditorium
7:30	Tennis (Womens)Outdoors
8:00	Bonesavers ExerciseLarge Card Room
8:00	Ladies Strength Training East Side Gym
8:30	Exercise Class West Side Gym
9:00	Good Neighbors CraftsCrafts Room
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1:00 Drawing Class	Art Room				
2:00 Chess	Rainbow Room				
5:00 Pinochle	Large Card Room				
6:30 Billiards Tournament	Billiards Room				
FRIDAY					
7:00 Coffee Corner	Auditorium				
7:30 Tennis (Womens)	Outdoors				
8:00 Bonesavers Exercise	Large Card Room				
8:00 Ladies Strength Training.	East Side Gym				
8:30 Exercise Class	West Side Gym				
9:00 Pinochle	Small Classroom				
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9:00 Ceramics					
9:00 Slimnastics Exercise	East Side Gym				
9:00 Photo IDs	East Activity Center				
10:00 Mens Exercise Class	West Side Gym				
12:00 Library	Library				
1:00 Chess	Rainbow Room				
1:00 Mahjongg Game					
6:30 Hand & Foot Canasta	Small Classroom				
SATURDAY					
8:30 Line Dancing	Auditorium				
8:30 Computer Club Meeting.	Large Card Room				
11:30 Duplicate Bridge	Large Card Room				
1:30 Tai Chi Beginners	East Side Gym				
2:30 Tai Chi Advanced	East Side Gym				
SUNDAY					
1:00 Pinochle	Small Classroom				

# Wedding was almost a non-event due to accident, injuries

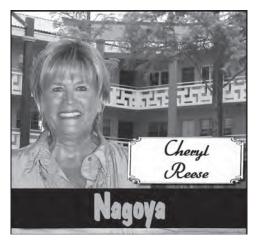
Miracles Do Happen! Max and Judy Meith's granddaughter got married on May 10 at the Valle Vista Resort in Greenwood, Ind. It was truly an awesome wedding, beautiful day, and a powerful message to have hope in the most dire circumstances.

Five months prior to the wedding, the couple were broadsided by a drunk driver who had no insurance. The car accident happened on Thanksgiving eve while on their way home from a family gathering. Both were severely injured. Unfortunately, most of their savings were used up to help pay for medical costs.

Many in this small town in Indiana pitched in to help with the finances.

Judy made all the flowers for the bridal party. The reception hall voluntarily charged less than normal to accommodate them on a Saturday, since their earlier wedding date had to be postponed.

The beautiful ending to this wedding story is that the bride and groom, all the parents, grandparents, and many others always believed in and prayed for a miracle. The wedding pictures show a most joyful and thankful couple, who thank God for blessing them (see photo at right.)



We need a building captain. Max Meith has retired this past December after 10 wonderful years on the job for us at Nagoya. We are in need of someone who will be the intermediary to get things accomplished for us. Please step forward and volunteer, if possible. To have a successful, enjoyable, and maintained building it does "take a village." Max will teach the next volunteer the duties. Contact him, please, if you are interested.

Many of us — especially the Baby Boomers generation — are very interested in recycling for the sake of future generations.

On "Earth Day" last month, I had the privilege of being one of eight from On Top of the World to



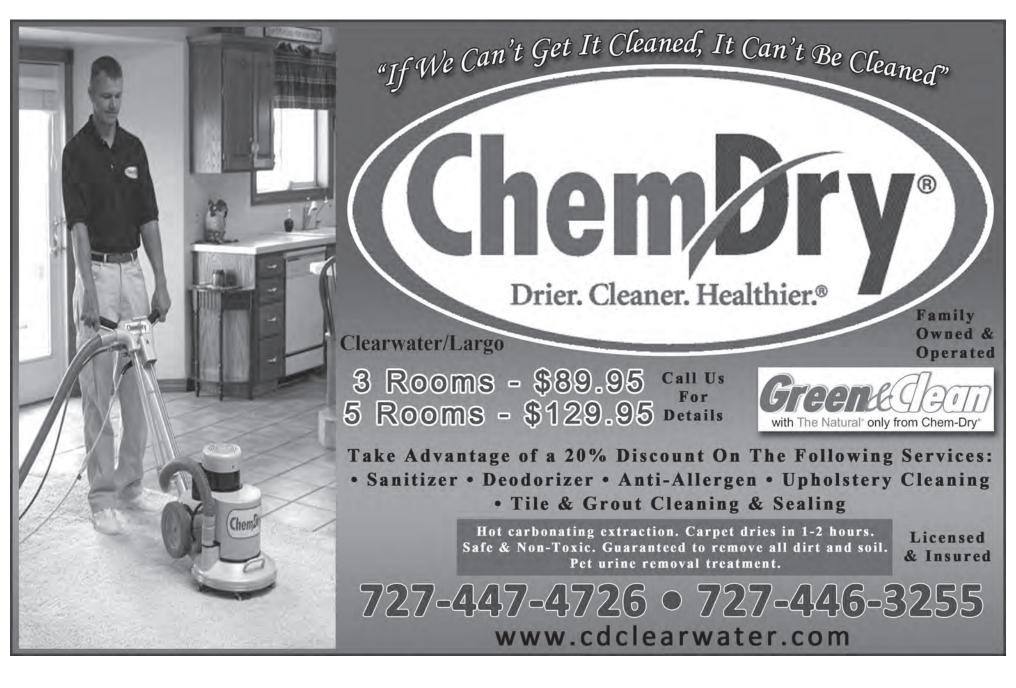
This Indiana wedding party is grateful for the assistance of many townspeople to make the affair a lovely success. The bride is Nagoya resident Judy Meith's granddaughter.

tour the Florida Waste Management of us and our next generations to Recycling Plant in Tampa. What an education! I could go on and on with facts I have in front of me, but that would be another time and place.

It is so very important to all place here at OTOW.

make use of waste materials instead of filling landfills.

Please be open minded to future recycling projects we hope will take





### A multitude of activities await summer residents

Welcome to summer, with so much to do. We have the swimming pool: water exercise in the morning, then a whole day of enjoying the pool. There are plenty of people just sitting in the shade to talk with.

How about our library? We have lots of good books. Check for times on the door of the library. Maybe you would like a snack or something to eat. Try the Karma Café right by the library. So get out and try something different.

Bob and Shirley Livingston had a visit from Shirley's daughter and her fiancé. Shirley and her daughter went shopping and bought many good deals, enjoyed the pool, and both got good tans. Bob and the fiancé spent plenty of time on the golf course. Then all four enjoyed every evening exploring new places.

Sharri Anthony was able to



get away from work and enjoyed a very nice visit with her mother in Chicago.

Our building enjoyed a night out at Cody's for dinner. So watch that bulletin board for more happenings in our building.

To all you fathers, have a Happy Father's Day.

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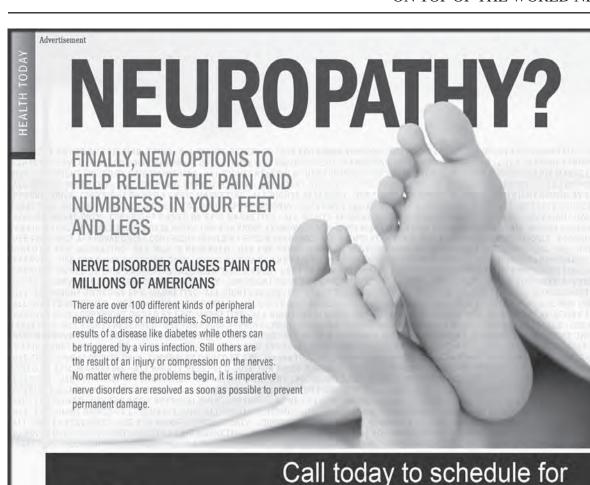
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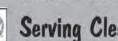


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# Recent activities included picnic, golf day and Derby party

We have a new resident on the south side of our building. Her name is Marion Knutson. She has lived at On Top of the World for 17 years and for those years she lived in the Malagueña Building just north of España. Prior to retiring and coming to Florida, Marion was a school teacher in Chicago. She taught several arts classes. Marion was originally from Sweden. She is a member of the Salvation Army and has many friends here in España. Marion, we welcome you!

As usual, the España Building Association had a picnic at the end of April to say 'bye to our Snowbirds (see photo). More than 30 residents gathered on the patios of the Fiers, the Meneillys, the Browns and the Rices.

The assortment of foods made by the residents proved that the España residents are marvelous "cookers."

For the first time in several years, games were played and once again Aldo Delu was in charge of the games. One of the games was the balloon toss. I understand that one of our youngest couples, Vicky and Mike Payne outlasted all the other participants.



People were pleased to visit with past España residents Bob Gorsky and Doris and George Edwards who came to the picnic. Bob was an original España resident. In addition to the fun and games, delicious food and good conversation contributed to everyone having a good time.

España had its first Golf Outing Day at the OTOW golf course. The Rices, Meneillys, Fiers, and the McMinns, all from España, participated and eight other friends joined in. After the exhausting day, the golfers joined a cocktail party on the Meneilly's patio.



The annual Espana Building picnic, which includes a fond farewell to Snowbirds, was attended by more than 30 residents. (Photo by John Fier)

At various times of the year, some of our residents have celebrations. This year the Fiers hosted a Kentucky Derby Party where the entrance fee was a "Derby Hat" worn by the ladies.

Prior to the party, Don Rice went to Tampa Bay Downs and purchased "win tickets" for the race.

The person who had the winning ticket was Ellen Fier.

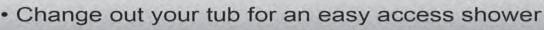
In a major change to our meeting schedule, the España Building Association will now hold only two meetings a year: February and October. The meetings will be on the second Tuesday of the month.

Copies of the OTOW News are available in the lobbies of the East and West Activity Centers.

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The club meets each Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. in the Veranda Room of the East Activities Center. Occasionally we use a third Tuesday evening for refreshments, music and singing.

We welcome everyone to our club. You do not need to have any knowledge of Scripture to join, and there are no club fees required. We are not a church; those attending are from a variety of denominations.

Every first-time guest receives a complete copy of the Bible to keep as their own.

For more information, call either Bob Reis, 798-2443, or Woodie Tully, 399-1773.

### Seasonal Residents-Temporary Address Change

To ensure timely delivery of On Top of the World mailings, please use this change of address form. This form will allow for a temporary change of address as you move to your seasonal address. You will still need to make a temporary change of address through the U.S. Postal Service for your regular mail service.

# **OTOW Change of Address Form**

Building #	Apartment/Unit #	Today's Date	
Unit Owner Name:			
Current Address:			
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Forwarding Address:			
Forwarding Phone Nu	mber:		Snowbird
Date Leaving OTOW H	lome:		ZI ZI
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#### THE OTOW BUS COMES DIRECTLY TO YOU!

For reservations, call 799-3417, then press #7 of the voice menu. Seating is limited. Make reservations 24 hours in advance.

Reservations for transportation to and from the East and West Activity Centers will be accepted following the schedules listed below.

#### **Tuesday Morning Specials**

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Paradise/West Side......9 to 9:20 a.m.
East Side............. 9:25 to 9:45 a.m.

#### **Tuesday Afternoon**

#### Wednesday Morning

Publix (Sunset & Belcher)
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East Side......8:25 to 8:45 a.m.

#### Wednesday Afternoon

Publix (Sunset & Belcher)
Paradise/West Side....11 to 11:20 a.m.
East Side.....11:25 to 11:45 a.m.

#### Thursday Morning

Publix (Sunset & Belcher)
Paradise/West Side......8 to 8:20 a.m.
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#### Thursday Afternoon

Publix (Sunset & Belcher)
Paradise/West Side....11 to 11:20 a.m.
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#### Friday Morning

Super Walmart

Paradise/West Side......8 to 8:20 a.m. East Side...... 8:25 to 8:45 a.m.

#### Friday Afternoon

Super Walmart

Paradise/West Side....11 to 11:20 a.m. East Side......11:25 to 11:45 a.m.

#### Guidelines for Riding the Bus

- The OTOW bus service is for the exclusive use of OTOW residents with a valid recreation card.
- This service is provided to our residents at no charge.
- Thank you, but the driver is prohibited from accepting tips.
- The bus driver picks up passengers with reservations only.
- You must be able to transfer on your own to ride the bus.
- Medical devices may be restricted due to passenger load.
- Eating and drinking on the bus is prohibited.
- Shopping bag limits and size restrictions are at the driver's discretion.
- If space allows, residents with current recreation cards may catch a one-way ride home on the bus.
- If you create a safety hazard or cause

- unsafe distractions to the driver, you will not be permitted on the bus.
- Shopping time is 90 minutes and begins at the first drop off.
- Due to limited seating, we cannot accept multi-day reservations.
- Reservations are first come, first served, and may only be made 24 hours in advance.
- The reservation phone number is for seat reservations only. Please leave your name, trip request, building and unit number, and phone number.
- If you live on the second floor of a two-story building, or if your building's elevator is out of service, the driver will carry your bags to your front door. The driver is strictly prohibited from entering your unit.
- The SCA staff takes their directions from SCA management. Please refer all questions and concerns to the Community Service Office.

#### **2014 ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE**

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#### **PREVIEW OF JULY EVENTS**

July 12 - Saturday Night "Beach Party" Dance Music by BITTER-SWEET

July 13 - Sunday-In-The-Park - Cloud 9-Free at EAC





# Kudos to crew for successful roof repair; parking lot is next

Wow, what a month of activities May was: May Day, May 1, Cinco de Maya on the 5th, Mother's Day the 11th, Armed Forces Day the 17th and Memorial Day the 26th. And let's not forget the beautiful weather May gives us. Kind of gives us a few days of spring.

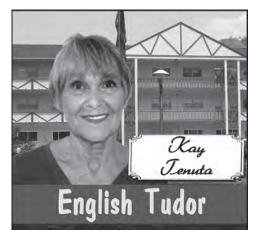
It's a good thing our residents like "large orange things" because a couple of them were parked for a week in front of our building doing maintenance on our mansard roofs. The two pieces are called "High Reach" (aptly named because they reach three stories high). They work efficiently in teams of two.

It's hard to watch the crew working up in the buckets (you can't have vertigo). The crew cleans up wonderfully every night.

We are expected to have our parking lot resurfaced starting May 30.

Since I last reported, we have been to Farmer Boy's for breakfast, sort of a last outing with the Snowbirds. We caught a couple but most had already left. JoAnn Dameron, our activities director offered a big bag of candy for attendees to draw from.

The accompanying photo shows our residents dining at Molly Goodhead's at an early-bird dinner on May 14. Molly Ozona but actually seems to be in Palm



Harbor when driving. They are noted for their fresh fish and beers.

They have been around for about 30 years and are supported by the locals. JoAnn, second from left, entertained us with a local trivia game. We now all know what Ozona means. Also, JoAnn showed pictures of what is planned for Christmas decorations for our building.

Even though this is only June, residents are being asked for help in securing Christmas wreaths, 28" around and 18" around. We have located some at church sales and top price paid was \$2 a wreath. So when you stop at a garage sale or community sale, please check for wreaths.

Enjoy our quiet summer months Goodhead's physical address is in and stay well. Also watch the bulletin board for news.



This crowd of English Tudor residents enjoyed a fine time at Molly Goodhead's in Ozona.



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Carroll Harris is the new building treasurer and Bill Carey is the new building captain.



Minnie and Dom Bucela went to New York to welcome this handsome fellow to the family.

# Say hello to new building captain and treasurer

Happy Father's Day — a toast to all dads, along with birthday and anniversaries celebrants.

Bill Carey and Carroll Harris (see photo at top left) have settled into their respective roles as captain and treasurer of our building. It was an easy transition, thanks to their predecessors Jim Sheppard and Connie McDonald.

Rosalie Borselli recently enjoyed time with family in Sarasota. That pretty lady is always on the go.

Chris Tuttle planted some pretty flowers on the Ecuadorian side recently. They are of the easy-care variety.

We want to welcome new neighbors to our building: Dave and Jerrie Lance, from Dover, Fla. Glad to have you aboard!

Minnie and Dom Bucela were in New York to welcome the newest member to their happy family. The handsome baby boy can be seen in the photo at top right. Congratulations!

The cocktail hour instigated by Jim Carey is an enjoyable time to catch up



with neighbors as well as learn the latest building news. Watch for the posting in the core and elevator.

I understand that the storage rooms maybe tackled come fall.

That's all for this month, boys and girls. Now go enjoy every day in Paradise! Please remember to e-mail me at fresca@maine.rr.com with news.

Hint of the month: This time from Maine, where the blackfly is the "state bird." A fan or fans on your porch or patio works like a charm for anything that flies.

### **CLASSIFIED ADS**

This Classified section is a service to the OTOW community. There is no charge to residents for this service. Items must be priced under \$500 and copy must be 20 words or less including phone number. Submitter's name and building name must be included, but will not be published. If the submitters's name and building is not included with the ad, it will not be accepted for publication.

Please note: We do not accept ads for automobiles, firearms, yard/building sales, apartments for sale or rent, or employment. Ads must be placed in the boxes marked OTOW News in the East and West Activity Centers or dropped off at the newspaper office. We cannot accept ads over the phone. Ad deadline is the 15th of the month preceding publication date. Ads received late will be placed in the next available issue. Only one (1) ad per person per month will be accepted.

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Wood table with glass insert and bottom shelf. Use as end or coffee table, 30" x  $23-\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $19-\frac{1}{2}$ " \$60. 725-3046 after June 10.

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