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New York-New Jersey Club pays tribute to our community veterans

By Doug Kates

On May 30, we recognized Memorial Day - a tribute to the service men and women we lost in the armed forces.

Also in May, the New York-New Jersey Club held a memorial tribute service, but for the second consecutive year, its ceremony not only centered around those we lost, but also paid tribute to the survivors who still call On Top of the World home.

"Memorials, like the New York-New Jersey Club service, give credit to where credit is due" said resident Mike Kaplan, a veteran of the U.S. Air Force.

"It is always nice to be recognized," said Air Force veteran Paul Miller. "Always nice when someone walks over and says, 'we appreciate what you did.'"

Overall, 11 of our own residents stepped forward to get recognized at the May 25 ceremony. There were many others who chose not to be there for their own personal reasons.

Jim Smyth, one of the organizers for the New York-New Jersey Club, said this will become an annual event and each year the club plans to recognize the new veterans who move into our community.

"As long as I am able, I will be there," Mike said. "I think, what the New York-New Jersey Club is doing, is



Pictured above, Pat Hayes and Marge Sutton of the New York-New Jersey Club prepare for a memorial tribute to recognize service men and women. The event took place on May 25. (Photo by Doug Kates)

wonderful."

Each World War II veteran attending the evening service received a honorary plaque from the club.

Also honored were David Bowman, Charlie Coffman, Gerard Lamothe, Carl Leiby, Alfred Higgins and James Richute from the Navy. Fritz Kocka from the Army, Sidney Roth from the Coast Guard and Ken Roberts from the British Army.

For Paul, who flew in combat missions over Italy, the true memorial service takes place once a year when he is reunited with former service personnel from around the country.

Many years ago, his reunions included many, many fellow Air Force veterans.

But last October, during a reunion in New Orleans, there were only six left who attended.

Paul flew in B-25 bombers. At the reunion in New Orleans, he was privileged to fly in a B-25 once again, where he was reunited with his former pilot.

"To hear the engines roar, definitely a thrill," Paul said. "I flew in 60 missions. My pilot got me back every-time."

Mike said he attends memorial services in respect to his own military career, but even more so, to those who never made it back home.

Mike tells a story which emphasizes the need to thank our World War II veterans now and not later.

Recently, Mike attended a show with more than 2,000 people in the crowd. The show was also a tribute to service men and women from across the country.

At the end of the show, everyone who had served in the most-recent Iraqi war was asked to stand and be recognized, of which Mike looked around and saw many young people get honored.

The recognition continued from war to war to war with the most recent battles first.

Then, finally, it was time for the veterans of World War II to be applauded.

When WWII service men and women were asked to stand, Mike was the only

one in the entire theater who left his chair.

After a brief moment of feeling alone, Mike said he realized he wasn't by himself - he was also standing for those who couldn't be there.

"Memorial Day publicly remembers those who laid down their lives for us," he said. "I lost dear friends overseas. For me, this day is personal."

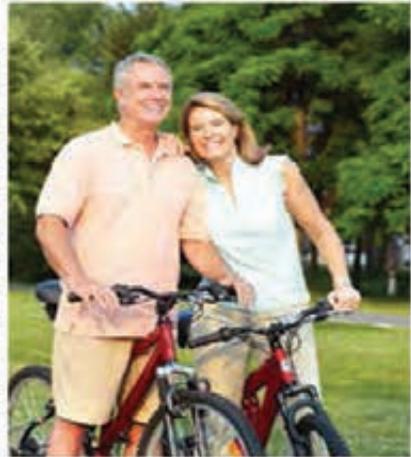
The New York -New Jersey Club tribute was attended by family, friends and other OTOW residents.

If a community veteran would like to be recognized next year, all they have to do is talk to someone from the club.



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The large photo above is how the new auditorium stage curtains looked just minutes after work wrapped up in late April. The small photo with line dancers is a reminder of how the maroon and pink curtains looked during this past winter season.

Auditorium gets new curtains

In case you didn't already know, the East Activity Center auditorium stage was the recipient of a major color change in late April.

The former, maroon, main curtain, along with pink, back curtains, were all replaced in a span of one morning and afternoon.

The new, stage curtain is now beige. It is fire resistant, meets safety codes and is much safer than the previous curtain.

The former back curtains were

replaced with black curtains - a more traditional color for major theaters around the world.

Originally, the Entertainment Committee proposed taking the old curtains down and getting them cleaned, but according to Entertainment Committee President Marvin Flam, the cleaner said the curtains were in bad shape and would have fallen apart during the cleaning process.

It is estimated the old curtains were nearly 20 years old.

So, the Entertainment Committee came up with a plan to purchase new curtains and Coffee Corner came aboard to help. But there weren't enough funds available for both stage and back stage curtains.

Marvin approached On Top of the World for help and the end result was three parties working together to financially meet the goal.

OTOW required the stage curtain be beige so it would match the color scheme for a future repaint project in

the plans for the auditorium.

The whole process started in January, but only three months later, Hile's Curtain Specialties Inc. of Odessa, Fla., had the new curtains installed.

Marvin said residents and talent love the new curtains.

"That '70s Show" was the first band to perform with the new curtains and Marvin said they were very impressed. Moreso, talent scouts, who visit OTOW, have been raving, too.



One of the new backdrop curtains is hung in late April. This black curtain replaces a former pink curtain.

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When you sign a deed at OTOW, you agree to follow the rules

I receive many letters each month on various topics. The majority of correspondence is related to general questions that arise from condominium living.

While many residents have lived here 20-plus years, we also have many residents who are new to condominium living.

Condominium living is community living at its best, but for a few, maybe not. Living in any multi-family community requires respect, understanding and the spirit of fellowship in order to be successful.

The majority of reports tend to arise from either rules violations or perceived violation of rules for residing in our community.

When each unit owner purchases their condominium and accepts their deed, they are bound to abide by the rules for residing in the On Top of the World community.



The rules do not pertain to specific residents or only those residents who wish to follow them. The rules apply equally and fairly to everyone.

This political year has brought with it very emotional responses to the issues at hand and to the presidential candidates. The Association respects not only the political process in our country, but also each individual's per-

sonal views regarding their party or preferred candidate. The community, however, has strict rules regarding advertising and posting signs.

The Association rules prohibit the display of all signs, including political, as well as for sale/rent, vehicles and estate sales. We ask that you refrain from displaying signage in the community. Signage posted in the community is collected and disposed of.

A review of Association correspondence this year reflects a record number of positive comments regarding the Association and work performed by the management company and their staffs, as well as the staff at the activity centers and golf course.

One letter, about the Belcher Road entrance, stands out as the resident states, "I thought you had lost your collective minds, but the finished product looks stylish, expensive and I believe has greatly added to the value

of my 'property.'"

The letter ended, "it doesn't get any better or easier to grow older and healthier than at OTOW, Clearwater, thanks!"

The Association shares each positive letter received with all departments and personnel. I can't tell you enough how much those words of encouragement and recognition positively impact the work groups.

We appreciate those residents who have taken the time to recognize a job well done.

While renovations at the Belcher Road gate and the large, downstairs room at the East Activity Center are not complete, I do want to thank the residents as we work through Pinellas County permitting, code upgrades and requirements, remediation and renovation.

We anticipate the completion of these projects by mid-summer.

Memory Care Seminar set for June 15

The Community Service Office, in conjunction with the Alzheimer's Association and Brain Fitness Centers, will be hosting a memory care seminar on Wednesday, June 15, from 10 a.m. to noon in the East Activity Center auditorium.

The One Blood mobile unit will also be available in the East Activity Center North parking lot on June 15, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. All donations are appreciated!

You can sign up for either event by seeing Nancy Rogers in the Community Service Office. Sign up forms can also be found on page 17 of this On Top of the World newspaper.

Light refreshments will be available and One Blood will be giving away ice cream for a blood donation.

Seating is limited, so make sure you sign up early for this important event. The deadline for registration is Monday, June 13.

Additional information will be posted on the OTOW-TV station, on page 17, in the activity centers and in your building center cores.

F.L.O.W Bus

The Florida Licensing on Wheels Bus, or F.L.O.W., bus provides a convenient method to renew a driver li-



cense, obtain a replacement driver license, change a name or address on a driver license, get an identification card, renew a vehicle registration and purchase a specialty license plate.

The F.L.O.W. bus is scheduled to be in the community on Tuesday, June 28, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the East Activity Center North parking lot.

2016 Senior Expo

This year's Senior Expo promises a variety of vendors, food, music and fun!

Mark your calendar to attend Saturday, Nov. 5, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Any clubs interested in participating must contact Nancy Rogers in the Community Service Office to reserve

your table. Please register as soon as possible as space is limited. If you have already done so, we appreciate it and will contact you with your table assignment as soon as it is available.

Additional expo information will be provided at a later date and posted in the newspaper, activity centers and building center cores.

Important Phone Numbers to Remember

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

For a life threatening emergency, please dial 911.

The OTOW phone number to submit a service request over the phone is 727-683-6981. Please call this number to submit a work order, such as general building issues in the common area only.

Please do not leave emergency information on this line as this will delay the amount of time it takes us to respond to your request.

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

Office.

Recreation Cards

When renewing your recreation card or getting a brand new one issued, please remember to bring with you a government issued ID, such as driver license or passport, and a current piece of mail indicating your name and property address.

You must bring your valid recreation card with you when using SCA facilities and be prepared to show it upon staff request. All guests must be accompanied by a resident anytime they plan to use the SCA facilities, including the pool.

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

SCA Staff

As always, I would also like to thank the SCA staff for their hard work and assistance in maintaining our beautiful facilities. We think they do a great job and if you think so, too, please write a note and drop it off at the Community Service Office. We like to recognize their good deeds and will announce them in our safety meetings.

Annual Meeting is June 10

General Meeting

Notice of the Annual Meeting for the On Top of the World Condominium Association to be held at 10 am on June 10, 2016, at 2069 World Parkway Boulevard East 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 (1) to one of the drop boxes located at the East or West Activity Centers, (2) in the envelope provided by U.S. Mail, or (3) scan and email to clearwaterinfo@otowfl.net.

Awnings and Wind Speed

Many times I've written about collapsible awnings and the risk they pose in high winds. Once again we are on the cusp of hurricane season and many of the existing awnings mounted in past years do not meet current Standard Building Code for wind resistance (wind rating). In fact, many such awnings are showing signs of becoming detached or have become detached from the building.

A word to the wise: don't wait for your awning to be ripped from the building in a wind event, possibly causing property damage from wind driven debris or even causing a potential loss of life. Contact the Community Service Office to arrange for removal.

The Inspection Services Division is continuing to find many awnings with compromised connection points to the common element. In response, they have been reaching out to affected unit owners to have the awnings removed and limit any further damage to the community.

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.



Maintenance Update

Painting/Waterproofing: Building 65 will have the rear of the structure coated with a waterproofing membrane while the front of Building 46 will be painted in June. Please keep in mind that all start dates are approximate and inclement weather can affect scheduling.

Construction, Roofing and Large-Scope Projects

Building 30 will be the next structure to have its railings improved as work is anticipated to start by June 1, pending permits from Pinellas County.

As with other railing projects, a licensed contractor will affect the complete removal and replacement of the aluminum components in the second and third floor balcony walkways, center core and end stairwells.

The improvements are estimated to be complete in 5-7 weeks from the start of the project. Notices will be posted in advance of the start date so residents should keep an eye on their bulletin boards for updates.

As with all other improvements, please exercise caution in the areas where this work is taking place.

Reminders

The management company would like to remind residents that all water softening equipment installations require advance association approval via a modification permit.

A permit application package may be obtained by visiting the Community Service Office in the East Activity Center.

Residents are also reminded that only resin-style, not ion exchange, or salt, water softeners, are permissible in the community.

Please make sure you apply for a permit and receive approval prior to contracting with a service to avoid a compliance visit by the management

company. Thanks for your advance cooperation.

Inspection Services Division

The Inspection Services team, in conjunction with the Parkway Construction Department, will continue prepping buildings scheduled for new paint coatings in the current improvement cycle.

This has been an ongoing endeavor throughout the community over the last few years and encompasses the removal of all association unapproved plant hangar brackets and holiday lighting hooks that are affixed into the masonry block. This also includes hose reels and other wall and ceiling penetrations.

In keeping with association rules, these items will be removed without notice.

Residents are kindly asked to seek association approval before affixing anything to the common element in the future.

Inspection services representatives will also be reaching out to residents of buildings that are scheduled for new paint and waterproofing coatings during the 2015/2016 improvement cycle. The purpose of their contact will be to advise residents that the painting vendor will be color matching all external doors to the majority building color as is required by the condominium association rules.

This will usually require no action by the unit owner other than to allow access to the entire door surface for the coating to be applied. If for some reason you were not at home when this work takes place, you may contact the Community Service Office and schedule a follow-up visit by the coatings vendor.

We appreciate your cooperation in making this project a success across the community.

Many first floor unit owners will be receiving notification from the Inspection Services Department over the coming months as the management company works towards the removal of all unapproved decorative stones throughout the community. Stones are not only an unapproved item for use in landscaping, but has the propensity to damage association and personal property alike.

To keep all residents in the community aware of this compliance issue, the notice will be published in upcoming editions of the OTOW newspaper.

The management company asks that if you receive a notification requiring action on your part, please remove the stone at the earliest convenience.

More Reminders

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

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

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

Walkway coating improvements will continue across property. These improvements involve preparation of the surface (and occasionally sub-surface) concrete, the addition of acrylic fortified materials to stairwell surfaces, and then the application of a quality slip-resistant barrier coating.

The end result is intended to provide longevity to the balcony walking surfaces, as well as returning the look to its original conveyed color scheme.

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

The removal of plantings located above and around the potable water meters that service the individual units is also ongoing. 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, and the removal and disposal of these items becomes the responsibility of the violator.

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Please, always apply for approval before you install.

Inspection efforts are focused on the tagging and removal of personal furnishings and belongings placed in outside stairwells of buildings. These obstructions present a fire concern, block egress, or are of a nature that they do not comply with written community

standards. The management company would like to reiterate to residents that barbecue grills be it propane, charcoal, or electric, are not permitted on any balcony areas, as they pose a fire risk to the structure and residents.

Clutter enforcement has always been one of the most reoccurring compliance issues at On Top Of the

World, these efforts make for an overall safer community in which to live. If you receive notification that an item is out of compliance, please correct the issue immediately. If you have a question and were not able to speak with a compliance representative at the time of the notification, please stop by the Community Service Office and re-

quest an appointment. Someone will be glad to contact you.

Please remember that items tagged in common areas may be removed and disposed of without further notice. Please help make your community safer by complying if you receive a violation tag/door hanger. Your continued cooperation is appreciated.

Be prepared for summer storms

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 updated recovery plan.

Key personnel are on-call before and after a storm. Water and Wastewater personnel are moved on-site to make sure that essential utility services are protected and the chance of interruption is minimized.

Tarps (in limited supply) are kept on hand to secure homes in the event of roof damage.

Despite all of our efforts, much of your own safety and comfort depends entirely on you. To that end, I am reprinting key points to help you prepare for a storm event:

- 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 damaged 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.

When a hurricane threatens immediately take these steps

- 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.
- Protect 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.
- 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.

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.

If the electricity goes out

- Use a flashlight – not a candle or match. You do not want to risk starting a fire.
- Open your refrigerator only when absolutely necessary. This will help keep food fresh for as long as possible.

After the hurricane has passed

- 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 and disconnect damaged appliances.
- Beware of downed power lines and other debris.
- Wear sturdy shoes and clothing to protect

yourself. People are often times 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.

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.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

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

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Our own charity golf specialist will soon become a Connecticut state hall-of-famer

By Terri Mikszenas

Criteria for any Hall of Fame should include great people, great careers and the ability to look past what's "good enough" while focusing on making everything "better than it is."

Frances "Fran" Zaloski has done just that, and now is being recognized by the Connecticut Field Hockey Hall of Fame.

She is scheduled to receive a very prestigious achievement award for her work as a high school coach.

Fran, a resident at On Top of the World since 1994, learned of this honor in a recent letter which stated, "You have distinguished yourself through excellence and have helped to bring acclaim and honor to Connecticut Field Hockey."

The awards ceremony will be held in September in Connecticut in the New Milford area where she taught.

Fran earned a Bachelor's Degree in health and physical education from the University of West Chester and a Masters Degree in guidance from the University of Hartford.

She taught in the New Milford, Connecticut, public school system from 1959 to 1992 and was the chairperson of the high school's physical education department for 12 years.

Field hockey wasn't Fran's only coaching position. She also was head softball coach, basketball coach, volleyball coach and track coach during her 30-plus years of teaching.

Her field hockey teams qualified for the state tournament every year, achieving state runner-up four times and state semifinalist three times, while league championships occurred repeatedly for her softball and basketball teams.

Fran is proud to say that many of her students went on to play sports at Yale, Dartmouth, University of Connecticut and other prestigious colleges, and several have also returned to coach at New Milford High.

Understandably, her ca-



To date, Fran Zaloski and friends have raised nearly \$80,000 for local charities.

reer awards, both in college and at the high school level, are significantly noteworthy. For three years she was named Coach of the Year in the state, was named West Chester University's distinguished alumni in 1992, and was American Heart Association's Volunteer of the Year in 1983.

On Oct. 14, 1991, New Milford proclaimed the date as "Fran Zaloski Day."

Today, Fran continues to stay active and focused on making things better than it is. She is a past president and current member of the OTOW Ladies 18-Hole Golf Association and also a current member of the Chi-Chi Rodriguez Ladies Golf League.

In 1998, Fran established the first annual Susan G. Komen Rally for a Cure Golf Tournament at OTOW, which has raised more than \$54,000 in the 16 years of participation by the Ladies 18-Hole Golf League.

When Fran's husband of

50 years was facing end-of-life-issues, she saw firsthand the care and support of the Suncoast Hospice Foundation of Pinellas County. With this in mind, and her pattern for making things better, Fran changed things up and structured the league's charity golf event to support Suncoast Hospice. The event raised \$7,600 the first year and \$8,137 the second year.

It seems that community service and fund raising has always been a part of Fran's character. She's also been a Special Olympics volunteer, has participated in the American Heart Association's golf marathon, ran "Jump Rope for Heart" for the American Heart Association, and was honored for having raised the most amount of money in Connecticut high schools for two years.

At the golf marathon, she played 75 consecutive holes in one day.

So, what's next for Fran?

She says, "It's time for me to retire. It's time for me to concentrate on my golf game, read more and get out and do some traveling."

Fran has already joined the OTOW Travel Club and joined fellow OTOW residents in visiting many interesting places, both local and far away.

So far, she's been to Plains, Ga., to visit the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site, St. Augustine, Amelia Island, Jacksonville, the Everglades and most recently the Kennedy Space Center.

In November, the Travel Club is off to see San Antonio, Texas, but before Fran does that, she will be riding the rails on a train from Florida to Montana and then visiting the magnificent beauty of the west with stops in Salt Lake City, Utah, and six National Parks, including the grand staircase of color in Bryce Canyon, Zion National Park, the Grand Canyon.

Even her traveling is getting better and better.



Coach Fran Zaloski



At left, Ben Farrell from the OTOW wood shop, sharpens a blade for bowl making. At right, 'Julian' eats ice cream from a bowl he made himself. Below, Zoie, Madison and Kyle work on their own bowls under supervision from volunteers.



On Top of the World wood shop volunteers visit youth ranch to teach bowl-making and raise funds

By Les Stoller

Last month's article discussed how the Fixers, Fiddlers and Fumblers Club is active with two charity programs.

This month I want to tell you about "Bowls for Good."

Bowls for Good is a little complex because it involves people of all ages and various needs. It starts from just turning a wooden bowl on a lathe.

Ben Ferrell, an On Top of the World resident, organized this charity to help raise money for food while introducing young people to wood working.

Bowls are turned on lathes and then sold at fundraising dinners, generating money.

It is said that the sale of one bowl can generate enough money for 140 meals.

These funds are then donated to "Feeding America / Tampa," a nationwide organization, which provides meals through food banks and meal programs.

In March of this year, the Fixers Club and Ben Ferrell visited the Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranch, located in Safety Harbor. Youth Ranches provide a stable home for boys and girls in a residential setting.

There, we introduce youth to wood working by turning their own wooden bowls.

Volunteers from our club, and others, worked with the youth, one-on-one, making bowls. There were two incentives: the challenge, and once the bowls were turned, the kids could use the bowls to eat ice cream.

Lathes and tools from our shop were transport-

ed to the ranch for use by our members and Ben. The event was a great success and was even covered by channel 9.

The Fixers Club intends to be involved with "Bowls for Good" next fall. It has been suggested we expand the activity to making toys and wall plaques.

Those interested can come to the Fixers shop for more information.

"Tools for Missions" is a charity discussed in the April newspaper. It has gotten off to a good start with many tools already donated to date. We are asking you to continue participating by donating those tools you no longer want or need. Tools can be dropped off at the OTOW wood shop Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 pm.





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OTOW JUNE CALENDAR

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DAILY/WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

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

ART/CRAFTS

CARING AND SHARING
Tuesdays, 9 am, Craft Room
CERAMICS
Tuesdays, 12 pm, Craft Room
Fridays, 9 am, Craft Room
CHINESE PAINT BRUSH
Tuesdays, 12:30 pm, Art Room
PAINTING PALS
Wednesdays, 1 pm, Art Room
GOOD NEIGHBORS CRAFTS
Wednesdays, 9 am, Craft Room

ATHLETICS

PING PONG
M,T,W,F, 10 am, Sunrise Room

BILLIARDS

EIGHT BALL
Mondays, Tuesdays, 8:30 pm, Billiards Room
NINE BALL
Tuesdays, 12 pm, Billiards Room
Fridays, 1 pm, Billiards Room
SCOTCH DOUBLES
Thursdays, 6:30 pm, Billiards Room
QUE'T LADIES
Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, Billiards Room

CARD/BOARD GAMES

BID EUCHRE
Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Art Room
BRIDGE LESSONS
Thursdays, 3 pm, Yellow Room
CHESS
Tuesdays, Thursdays 2 pm Rainbow Rm
CONTRACT BRIDGE
Mondays, Thursdays 11 am, Yellow Room
DOMINOES
Tuesdays 5 pm, Small Card Room
DOUBLE PINOCHLE
Sundays, Wednesdays, 12:30 pm, Small Card Room
DUPLICATE BRIDGE
W, S 10:30 am, Yellow Room
HAND & FOOT CANASTA
Fridays, 6 pm, Small Card Room
MAHJONGG
Mondays, 12:30 pm, Rainbow Rm
Mondays, 4:45 pm, Rainbow Rm
Tuesdays, 6 pm, Rainbow Rm
Wednesdays, Fridays 1 pm, Rainbow Rm
Thursdays, 1 pm, Small Card Rm
Wednesdays, 11 am, Craft Room
PINOCHLE
Tuesdays, 5 pm, Starlite Room
Thursdays, 5 pm, Small Card Room
SAMBA
Thursdays, 6 pm, Kitchen
Mondays, 12:30 pm, Small Card Room
SCOPA
Mondays, Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, Craft Room

CARD/BOARD GAMES

TEXAS CARD GAME
Don: Wednesdays, 6 pm, Rainbow Rm
Ron: Mondays, Thursdays, 6 pm, Yellow Rm
Carol: Wednesdays, Fridays, 6 pm, Yellow Rm
Bob: Tuesdays, 6 pm, Yellow Rm

CLASSES/LESSONS/EDUCATION

COMPUTER CLASS
Saturdays, 8:30 am, Kitchen
COMPUTER CLUB
M,T,W,H,F, 8:30 am, Craft Room
COMPUTER CLUB WINDOWS 10 WORKSHOP
Saturdays, 8:30 am, Craft Room
HEALTHY LIVING CLUB
Chronic Disease Mngmnt, W, 10:30 am, Art Room

DANCING

DANCE WITH NOLAND
Mondays, 1 pm, Art Room
JAZZ & TAP DANCE
Wednesdays, 10:45 am, Auditorium
SOCIAL DANCE LESSONS
Thursdays, 1 pm, Sunrise Room

EXERCISES

BONESAVERS
M,W,F, 8 am, Art Room
CO-ED EXERCISES
M,W,F, 10 am, East Gym
M,W,F, 10 am, West Gym
DANCERCIZE
Fridays 12 pm, Sunrise Room
FUN FITNESS
Tuesdays, 9 am, Yellow Room
LADIES EXERCISES
M,T,W,H,F, 8 am, East Gym
SLIMNASTICS
M,T,W,H,F, 9 am, East Gym
TAI CHI
M,W,F, 1 pm East Gym
T, H 6 pm, East Gym
WATER AEROBICS
M,T,W,H,F, 9 am, East Pool
YOGA
Tuesdays, Thursdays 11 am, East Gym
Wednesdays, 11 am, Veranda (Sun Moon)
ZUMBA
Fridays, 9 am, Kitchen
Mondays, 9 am, Craft Room

LAPIDARY HOURS

Tuesdays, Thursdays, 9 am - 12 pm (members only)

LIBRARY HOURS

Mondays, Wednesdays: 9 am - 12 pm
Fridays: 1-3 pm

WOOD SHOP HOURS

M,T,W,H,F, 8 am-4 pm (members only)

SUNDAY	MONDAY
05	06 Ent. Committee & Clubs 8:30 AM - Auditorium Bingo Bingo 6:00 PM - Auditorium Ent. Committee. Board 10:30 AM - Veranda
12 Ent. Committee. Sunday In The Park 2:00 PM - Auditorium	13 Ent. Committee & Clubs 8:30 AM - Auditorium Bingo Bingo 6:00 PM - Auditorium German Interest Group 2:00 PM - Sunrise Room Health Screenings Bloc Screening 8:30 AM - Veranda
19 Lambda Club Luncheon 1:00 PM - Art Room	20 Ent. Committee & Clubs 8:30 AM - Auditorium Bingo Bingo 6:00 PM - Auditorium Health Screenings Free Testing 9:30 AM - Auditorium
26	27 Ent. Committee & Clubs 8:30 AM - Auditorium Bingo Bingo 6:00 PM - Auditorium

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Office by June 15 to appear on this calendar in the July newspaper.

DAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		01 Baby Boomers Meeting 5:30 PM - Sunrise Room Knitting Group Knitting 9:00 AM - Veranda	02 TOPS Meeting 9:30 AM - Art Room Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales 8:30 AM - Auditorium Coloring Book Club Art 1:00 PM - Art Room	03 Travel Club Meeting 2:00 PM - Starlite Room	04 Pray For America Meeting 10:00 AM - Small Card Room Line Dancing Line Dancing 8:30 AM - Auditorium
Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales Meeting	07 Line Dancing Line Dancing 1:00 PM - Auditorium Philosophy Club Meeting 10:00 AM - Veranda Bible Study Meeting 7:00 PM - Veranda	08 Knitting Group Knitting 9:00 AM - Veranda	09 TOPS Meeting 9:30 AM - Art Room Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales 8:30 AM - Auditorium Coloring Book Club Art 1:00 PM - Art Room Democratic Club Meeting 2:00 PM - Starlite Room Good Neighbors Get Acquainted Coffee 9:00 AM - Auditorium Ent. Committee. Show 7:30 PM - Auditorium	10 OTOW Association Meeting 10:00 AM - Auditorium Lambda Club Social 7:00 PM - Art Room	11 Pray For America Meeting 10:00 AM - Small Card Room Line Dancing Line Dancing 8:30 AM - Auditorium Ent. Committee. Dance 8:00 PM - Auditorium
Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales Meeting and Pressue	14 Line Dancing Line Dancing 1:00 PM - Auditorium Philosophy Club Meeting 10:00 AM - Veranda Bible Study Meeting 7:00 PM - Veranda	15 OTOW Special Event Healthcare Advice 10:00 AM - Auditorium Knitting Group Knitting 9:00 AM - Veranda	16 TOPS Meeting 9:30 AM - Art Room Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales 8:30 AM - Auditorium Coloring Book Club Art 1:00 PM - Art Room Classroom Volunteers Meeting 9:30 AM - Starlite Room Baby Boomers Meeting 5:30 PM - Sunrise Room	17	18 Pray For America Meeting 10:00 AM - Small Card Room Line Dancing Line Dancing 1:00 PM - Auditorium
Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales Eye & Ear	21 Republican Club Meeting 6:00 PM - Kitchen Line Dancing Line Dancing 1:00 PM - Auditorium Philosophy Club Meeting 10:00 AM - Veranda Bible Study Meeting 7:00 PM - Veranda	22 Knitting Group Knitting 9:00 AM - Veranda	23 TOPS Meeting 9:30 AM - Art Room Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales 8:30 AM - Auditorium Coloring Book Club Art 1:00 PM - Art Room Procrastinating Quilters Crafts 7:00 PM - Starlite Room	24	25 Pray For America Meeting 10:00 AM - Small Card Room Lambda Club Social 7:00 PM - Art Room Line Dancing Line Dancing 1:00 PM - Auditorium
Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales	28 Travel Club Board Meeting 1:00 PM - Rainbow Room Line Dancing Line Dancing 1:00 PM - Auditorium Philosophy Club Meeting 10:00 AM - Veranda Bible Study Meeting 7:00 PM - Veranda	29 Knitting Group Knitting 9:00 AM - Veranda	30 TOPS Meeting 9:30 AM - Art Room Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales 8:30 AM - Auditorium Coloring Book Club Art 1:00 PM - Art Room	<p>JUNE 2 New Club - First Meeting Coloring Book Club JUNE 10 OTOW General Meeting JUNE 15 Healthcare Seminar - Memory Care</p>	

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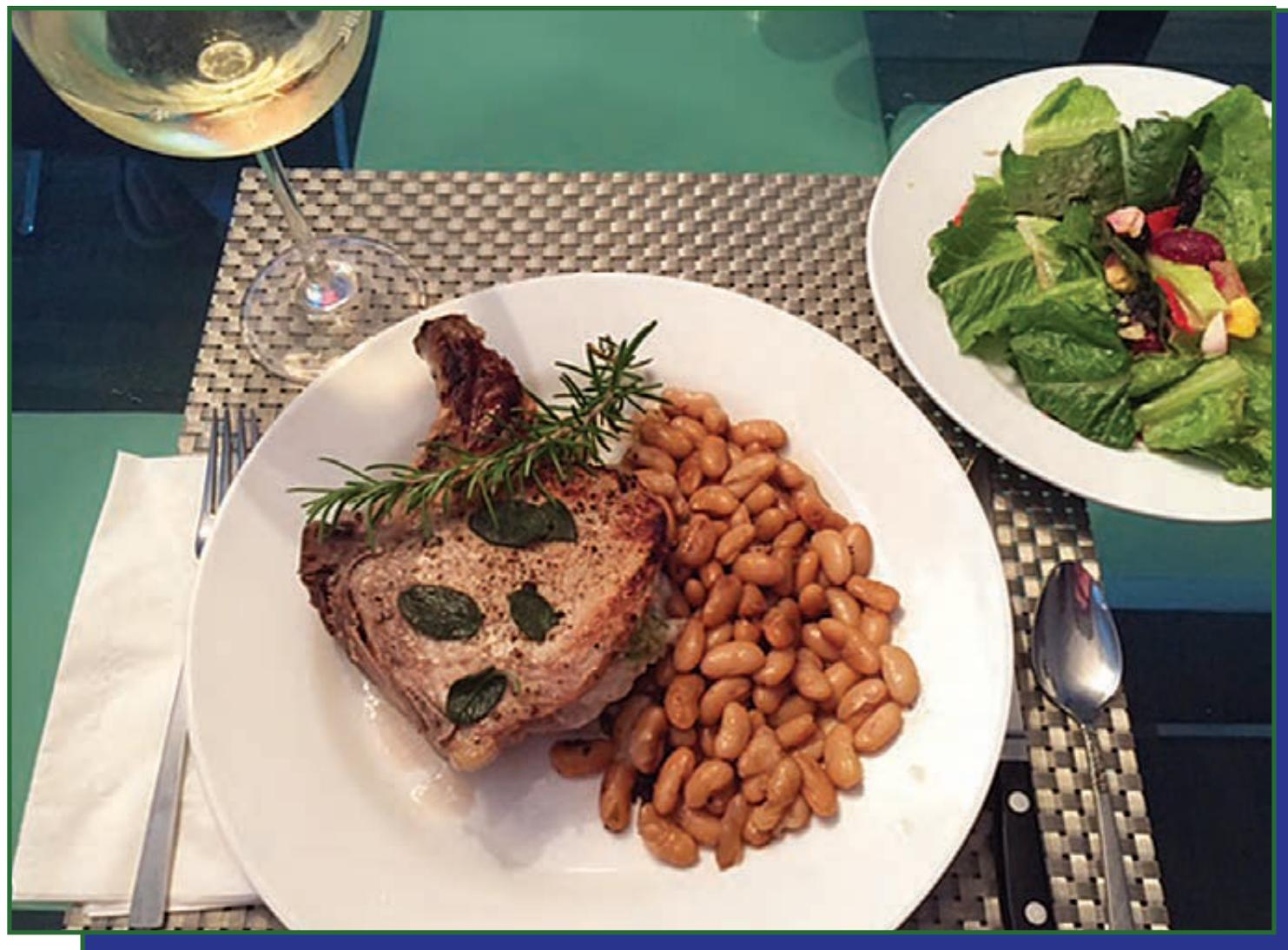
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Freshly ground pepper

2 slices pepper jack cheese

4 fresh sage leaves, chopped

1 (15.5 ounce) can cannellini
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Directions

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Meanwhile chop the basil and garlic. Toss with 2 tablespoons of olive oil and salt and pepper to taste.

Remove the chops from the apple juice and pat dry. Fold each cheese slice and tuck into the pocket of the pork chop, then stuff with the basil/garlic mixture. Brush the pork with olive oil, sprinkle with half of the sage and season with salt and pepper. Heat the remaining 2 tablespoons of olive oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Sear the pork chops, turning once, until browned 3-4 minutes. Transfer to a plate. Add the beans and 1/3 cup water to the skillet, scraping up any browned bits. Season with salt and pepper. Return the pork to the skillet, place the remaining sage on top of each pork chop, cover and cook over medium heat until no longer pink, 8-10 minutes.

Serve the pork chops with the beans.

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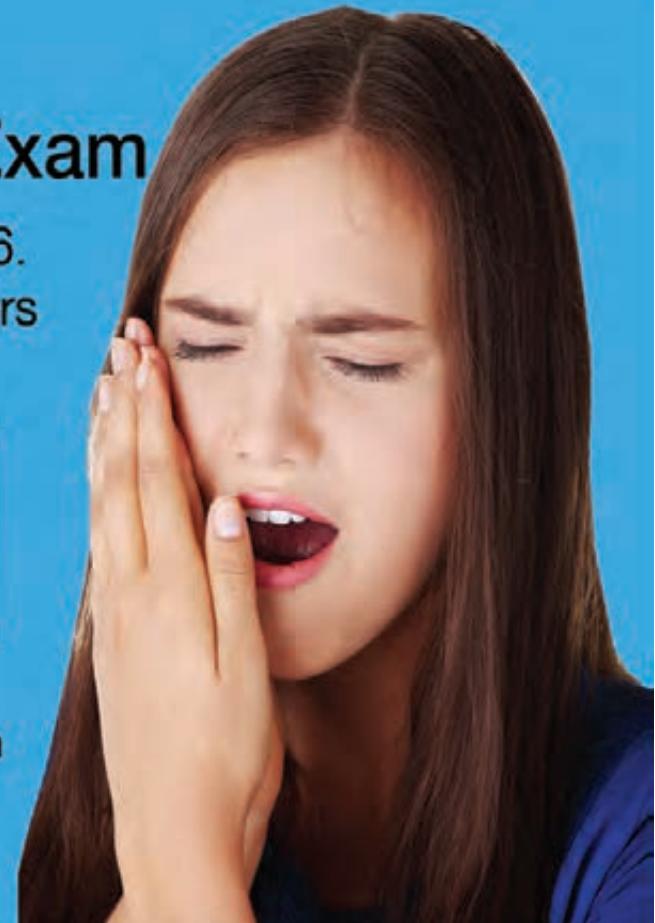


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Community Service Office hosts memory seminar June 15

Just the thought of experiencing memory loss can be an emotional issue, but medically speaking, there are ways to confront it.

On Wednesday, June 15, the Community Service Office, in conjunction with the Alzheimer's Association and Brain Fitness Centers of Clearwater, is hosting a Memory Care Seminar in the East Activity Center auditorium from 10 a.m. to noon.

Several topics will be discussed, including treatment and ways to improve memory loss. There will be an emphasis on how to reduce hospital visits, improve functionality, amplify courage and increase confidence toward better socialization and happiness.

Lisa Hrenko from Brain Fitness and Cyrena Duncan of the Alzheimer's Association will be our guest presenters.

Cyrena will go over Alzheimer's Disease statistics and related dementias.

She will make us aware of the early signs of Alzheimers, the different types, risk factors, stages and more.

Lisa will teach us how the brain works and how cognitive improvement therapy can help.

The presentation also includes how the brain affects your overall health.

The event is free and residents will be able to ask questions.

Anyone interested in attending must preregister with Nancy Rogers in the Community Service Office during regular business hours. The registration form below should be clipped and filled out before seeing Nancy. Registration forms are also available in the Community Service Office.

Seating is limited. Light refreshments will be served. Registration will close on Monday, June 13.



Lisa Hrenko of the Brain Fitness Center and Cyrena Duncan (with microphone) of the Alzheimer's Association will present a Memory Care Seminar June 15 here at On Top of the World.

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Jerry's comments: I am pretty much at the point where if I see an email from some company that's advertising a product or a service (and I never asked to be contacted by that company) I just delete the email without ever reading it.

And certainly, I never click on any link in an email unless I first contact the sender. Even then, I might not open a link or attachment without checking further with the company that sent it.

Q. What is your favorite type of estate planning method for folks who are retired?

A. I don't have a favorite type of estate planning method for folks who are retired. For that matter, I don't have a favorite type of estate planning method, at all.



My view is that first and foremost, it is necessary to plan reasonably and rationally based on the particular facts that one has in his/her/their lives.

Usually, all that is needed is a Will, durable power of attorney and Advance Directive, but having said that, there are, indeed, many estate planning situations that require different estate planning methods.

In a newspaper column like this, it is not possible to list the various methods that exist, other than to say that my strong advice is to meet with an attorney who handles estate planning matters, explain what your goals are and see what he or she suggests.

Q. What is a codicil?

A. It's an amendment to a previously executed Last Will and Testament.

Frequently, I am asked to change something in a Will. If it's a small change, like deleting a previous benefi-

ciary or perhaps changing an amount of a bequest, then it might make sense just to do a codicil.

However, many times, folks do not want a codicil because they don't want anyone to know what they have done with their Wills in the past. If so, then it's best just to do a new Will that automatically revokes the previous one.

Q. Can I amend the durable power of attorney that I did a year ago? I want to change my agent from one child to another.

A. You cannot amend a durable power of attorney. You would have to execute a new one. The same is true for your Advance Directive.

Q. Can I delete one of my children as a beneficiary of my Will?

A. I've answered this before and the answer is "Yes."

But if you are going to do that, I always recommend that you explain to your attorney why you are doing that so he/she can make notes about it in his/her file.

Also, I strongly suggest that language be included in your Will (or your Trust for that matter) that in some form or other says that you are intentionally making no provision for anyone other than the persons specifically named.

Q. I am a single person with no close relatives and no one in particular

that I want to leave any part of my estate. Your thoughts please.

A. You need to think through how you want to have the assets of your estate distributed at your passing. Then you need to discuss those thoughts with your attorney and get his or her advice on how to accomplish your goals.

You also need to think who you want to be the personal representative in your Will and the agent in your durable power of attorney and the health care surrogate for your Advance Directive.

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Flip Wilson known for his funny characters

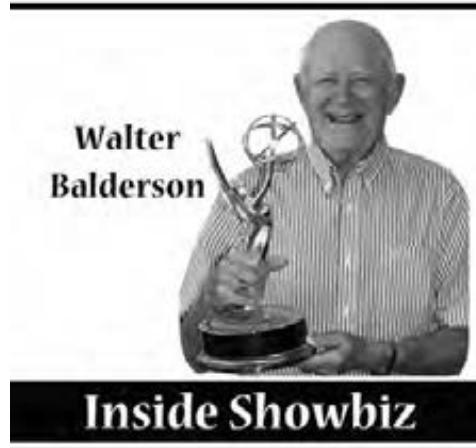
Flip Wilson was scheduled twice on the Tonight Show and was bumped.

He finally made it the third time and a new comedian was on his way.

On that third date, Flip did his "Ugly Baby" routine and when the camera cut to Johnny Carson, he was doubled up with laughter and later said, it was the funniest bit he had ever heard.

Flip had a dark side that was deep rooted in his childhood. When he was 7 years old, his mother ran off with another man and cleared out the bank account.

Lying about his age, Flip enlisted in the Air Force when he was 16 years old.



Returning to civilian life, appearances on the Tonight Show and the Ed Sullivan Show began the career of one of TV's most popular comedians.

For five seasons, The Flip Wilson Show on NBC-TV was among the top 10 rated shows.

He created several characters that became classics. He was Rev. LeRoy, the pastor of "The Church of what's Happening Now" and most famous of all, Geraldine Jones, the dress-wearing, trash-talking street girl.

Later in his career, Flip said Geraldine carried me longer than my mother did.

Behind the happy screen personality, however, was a man in constant struggle. He distrusted everyone. He drank and smoked pot heavily.

Before "Hello Dolly" closed on Broadway, the producer, Dave Merrick

wanted Geraldine to play the final role of Dolly. However, Flip was under contract to NBC and was unavailable.

After the 1974-75 TV season, Flip abruptly left his weekly variety show while it was still among the top 10 shows on television. During the next few years, he starred in several NBC specials.

He said, "I have accomplished what I set out to do. I wanted the whole cookie and I got it. The fat lady has sung and there is a standing ovation"

Flip Wilson was definitely one of a kind. He died of lung cancer at his home in Malibu, Calif., at the age of 64.

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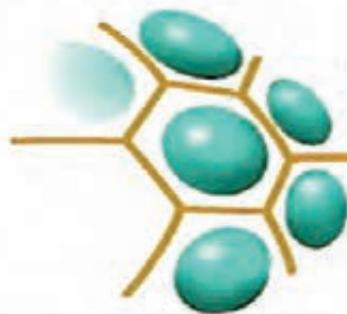
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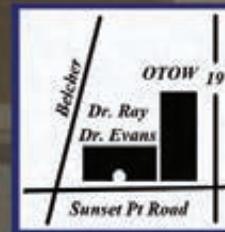
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Cameron Decker performed at Good Neighbors Get Acquainted Coffee in May. He sang a variety of popular tunes, including Frank Sinatra songs, and accompanied his singing with a little saxophone playing. If you missed him, there is a chance you might get to see him again at On Top of the World. The Entertainment Committee has invited him back in December and he may get his own show next year. Follow OTOW News for updates. (OTOW News photos by Doug Kates)

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Get Acquainted Coffee in June



Thursday, June 9, 9-10:30 am, EAC Auditorium

Good Neighbors Get Acquainted Coffee will welcome the VOICEexperience to its Thursday social event on June 9.

VOICEexperience is an opera outreach program specializing in vocal training, performance and career development.

According to its Website, the mission of the program is to “pass on the tradition of great singing and develop new audiences for

opera.”

VOICEexperience was created in 2000 and during the past 16 years has helped thousands of potential singers with big dreams.

Today, VOICEexperience enhances its workshops with intensive performances, including the one this month in our own East Activity Center auditorium.

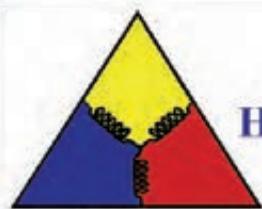
Coffee and doughnuts will be served at 9:30

a.m. with VOICEexperience coming on stage about 10 a.m.

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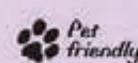
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ACTIVITY REPORTS



Dewey Carr Portrait Collection on display throughout summer



Art Guild

By Judy Mills

During the summer months, the On Top of the World Art Guild will be displaying portrait artworks of Dewey Carr in the Art Room.

Dewey moved to OTOW in 1998. He was a consistent award winner in the OTOW Art Shows and served as president of the Art Guild for the 2007/2008 season.

In addition, Dewey formed a portrait class of his own, where he not only taught portrait drawing and painting, but also recruited OTOW residents as live models.

As you view the display of his work, don't be surprised to find a painting of your own likeness.

Dewey passed away in 2009 and is dearly missed by those OTOW artists who had the opportunity to know and learn from him.

Well, officially, our season is over and we are in the hot summer months, but we still have plenty of fun for the Sandbirds.

On Tuesdays, Wendy Colquhoun is teaching Chinese Brush Painting, which is a beautiful ancient Asian art. These



John Fier, of the Art Guild, hangs up portraits drawn by former resident Dewey Carr.

classes are in the Art Room from 12:30 - 4:30 p.m. The cost of this program is \$5 for members. Please call her in advance so she brings enough supplies. Her number is 723-7504.

On Wednesdays, we continue to have Painting Pals/Open Workshop,

which meets from 1-3 p.m. in the Art Room. All are invited and encouraged to join us with your current project.

Membership in the Art Guild is \$15 a year which starts in November. Dues are used to pay presenters, expenses for the annual art show and refreshments at

our meetings. There are a lot of new and exciting things coming up for our next season. You won't want to miss out!

The Art Guild welcomes new members of all skill levels. Feel free to call me if you have any questions at 773-6788. Come join us!

Painting Pals 1-3 pm, Wednesdays, Art Room



NEWCOMERS



(OTOW News photos by Doug Kates)



Karen and Charles Hill of Florida



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Roger Faulmann of Michigan

Wednesdays through June

Healthy Living Club introduces new class for residents struggling with chronic disease

By Kathleen Santosuosso

A new, cost-free course, Chronic Disease Self-Management, began on Wednesday, May 25, from 10:30-noon in the Art Room.

The course meets every Wednesday until June 29.

This course was developed at Stanford University and is designed for those who have diabetes, arthritis, hypertension, respiratory problems, heart disease and other chronic diseases.

Attendees receive a complimentary copy of "A Time for Healing" relaxation CD and "Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions," which is a book used in this class.

Some of the topics include pain management, nutrition, medication use, emotions and communicating with doctors.

Individual participation is encouraged. Come to a class if you are interested.

Healthy Living Club meetings will resume in October. We will send out emails for specific events. If you are not on our mailing list, we will add your name if you go online to the Healthy Living Club site on the OTOW Box Office Website. Write your name and email address in the "Comments" section.

Remember, all exercise classes at On Top of the World are open to all residents. A listing of all exercise



classes is in the OTOW newspaper on pages 12-13.

From the comfort of your home, you can join the Better Balance Class on OTOW-TV every day at around 7 a.m. and noon. Cammy and Jessica, from On Top of the World in Ocala, teach balance and posture, two important areas for aging adults.

Have you ever considered LED lights for your pet?

Pictured at right, Abe sports his the LED walking lights he uses during his early morning and evening walks. The Walk Lights illuminate human walkers too!

LED Walk Lights are now available from the Good Neighbors Gift Shoppe in the East Activity Center auditorium. Hundreds of the lights have been sold so far. The price for each light is only \$1.25.

Be Safe! Be Seen! Wear a light when you walk!



For residents who want to feel safer while walking their dog, the Good Neighbors Gift Shoppe is now selling flashing LED lights, which attach to any leash. The flashing lights are easily seen by approaching motorists.

Knitting creates friendships, fellowships and warmth

By Phyllis Butler

The Good Neighbors Knitting Group will continue to meet during the summer months.

We will meet every Wednesday morning from 9-11 a.m. in the East Activity Center Veranda Room.

We knit and crochet, and make both shrugs and lap robes, which are distributed to various nursing homes and the VA Hospital.

We don't teach, but we do help each other with problems and/or patterns.

Last month we delivered 48 lap robes and 21 walker caddies to one of our nursing homes, and this month we are planning a delivery to the Veterans' Hospital.

So even though our numbers are down for the

summer, we are still producing comfort for those we care about.

Last month, we received several donations of yarn and we want to take this time to say "thank you."

These donations help us produce our lap robes and shrugs for patients. While the products we make and distribute help cheer up residents, we mostly enjoy the friendships and fellowships.

We operate under the auspices of Good Neighbors, and receive financial support from them, as well as from the Coffee Corner. We really appreciate their help.

If you knit or crochet, we would love to have you join us.



Before an afternoon of dancing, Line Dance Club makes sure it can help a family put food on table



Line Dancing

By Antoinette d'Oronzio

As you would expect, line dancers come to the line dancing sessions at On Top of the World to go over their favorite dances, learn new ones and socialize with other members.

But every Tuesday, there is also a charitable aspect to the gathering.

Members donate cans, boxes and jars of food for a local food pantry.

The purpose of this activity is to gather food items for people in the community who are struggling to put food on the table - what is known as "food insecure individuals."

Line dancing member, Pat Van Hise, is in charge of this activity for our club.

She collects food, stores it at the East Activity Center and delivers it to the Helping Hands Food Pantry, a local distribution center run by Country-side Cares for all Pinellas residents.

Pat started the food collection for the Line Dancing Club because she saw a need.

"So many people are living borderline," she said. "I wanted to do something."

Pat knows from personal experience what it is like for a family to struggle to put food on the table. She grew up in Dublin, Ireland, during bad economic times. There were few jobs, and many of the men in her neighborhood, including her father, had to leave Ireland to find work.

Pat's mother died when Pat was 6 years old, so she and her three siblings went to live with their grandmother.

Eventually, Pat left Ireland to work



Pat Van Hise, right, receives food donations from various Line Dance Club members prior to a Tuesday afternoon session in May, Pat then takes the collecting and gives them to a local food pantry. (OTOW News photo by Doug Kates)

in England. There, she met and married her husband, who was in the United States Air Force.

She moved to the U.S. and raised two children.

As the children grew older, Pat took advantage of the opportunity to be trained in electrolysis and opened up her own business. She is now retired and divides her time between Massachusetts and Florida.

Pat enjoys the OTOW line dancing

sessions, and states that she gets more than fun out of them. Learning the steps and doing them to music stimulates her brain as well as exercises her body.

The OTOW line dancers meet and dance at the East Activity Center on Saturdays starting at 8:30 a.m. and on Tuesdays starting at 1 p.m.

Line dance at home videos are on the OTOW-TV channels 96 and 732 at about 7 p.m., Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. You can

dance along in the privacy of your own home.

You can also visit our club page on the Box Office Website or you can visit our official site where step sheets for the dances are available.

The Box Office is OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com and our official site is sites.google.com/site/otowlinedancing.

For more information, call Mary Becker at (727) 253-4874.



On June 15, One Blood will be available in the East Activity Center North parking lot from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. All donations are appreciated and each donor gets free ice cream.

If you can sing in harmony, join us for rehearsals starting Oct. 11

ON TOP OF THE WORLD CHORUS

By Ilene Bargerstock

Another successful Chorus season culminated as 44 members and guests enjoyed dinner together at the Paradise Restaurant in Safety Harbor.

The food was good and the conversation uplifting.

It's fun to share with each other the positive comments that we receive from audience members as they exit the building following a concert. My personal favorite this time was the sweet gentleman who said, "I can't believe there are so many people living here who know how to sing harmony."

Believe me, we cherish every kind, encouraging word and pass them on!

Director Beth Kendall installed officers for 2016-17 as follows:

President Mary Ann Mercer; First Vice President Les Ermold; Second Vice President Janice Wisinski; Secretary/Past President Julia Galpin Contella; Treasurer Rita Tombari; Stage Manager Rod Bargerstock; Publications Dana Garlick; Members-at-large, Carol Ann Futej and Sandra Richarme.

If you attended our spring concert, you may have noticed our newest member, Tom Portsmouth. He was front and center in the bass section.

Tom has resided in Florida since 1976 and moved to On Top of the World just two years ago. He was a high school athlete and did not have time for musical activities.

Tom found his singing voice when he and wife, Vicky, began participating



Photo of officers, left to right, are Rod Bargerstock, Carol Ann Futej, Sandra Richarme, MaryAnn Mercer, Janice Wisinski, Beth Kendall, Rita Tombari, Les Ermold, Dana Garlick and Julia Galpin Contella.

in karaoke, which led to his interest in playing the guitar. Tom also performs with Theater Workshop and Jesters. We are happy to welcome Tom into the Chorus family.

We are truly grateful for the generous support we receive from Friends of the Chorus, other On Top of the World organizations, and the residents who purchase tickets and graciously listen and participate in what we love to do!

Thank you all!

We will be resting our voices until October 11 when we begin rehearsals for our holiday concert. Watch for details in the September OTOW News.

I have a feeling there are many more residents here who also "know how to sing harmo." If you are one of them, please give some thought to joining us in October. We would be delighted to welcome you!

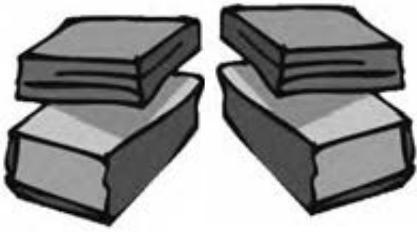


(At right, MaryAnn Mercer welcomes newest Chorus member Tom Portsmouth)



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Library News

By Katy Gerritt

As we head into summer, you'll be sure to find something at the On Top of the World library to fill the long, hot days.

We have added 14 new books in the past few weeks and there should be something for everyone.

Many readers enjoy series.

Stuart Woods has written No. 37 in the Stone Barrington series, "Family Jewels."

Susan Wittig Albert released "Blood Orange," the 24th China Bayles mystery.

Colleen Coble's new "Mermaid Moon," second in the Sunset Cove series, is about a mysterious death that brings Mallory back to Mermaid Point.

"The Last Mile" is the second Amos Decker mystery by David Baldacci. Amos has a condition that gives

him perfect recall of his own life.

J.A. Jance has No. 11 in the Ali Reynolds series, "Clawback," with Ali's parents swindled in a Ponzi scheme.

Linda Lael Miller has started a new series with "Once a Rancher". The series will be called the Carsons of Mustang Creek.

Fern Michaels' new book is "No Safe Secret" and Nora Roberts has "The Obsession" to add to her long list of popular books.

Prolific Mary Higgins Clark has a new title, "As Time Goes By," a story of a news writer trying to find her birth mother just as she is assigned to cover a high profile trial.

In "Glory Over Everything" Kathleen Grisson continues the story of "The Kitchen House." Jamie Pyke is grown up and becomes involved in the Underground Railroad.

Helen Simonsen has a new book, "The Summer Before the War" a story of the eve of World War I in the town of Rye, on the southern coast of England.

Viola Shipman writes a story of three generations of women connected by a grandmother's charm bracelet in "The Charm Bracelet."

We also had two new suspense novels, "The Widow" by Fiona Barton and "Darkness" by Karen Robards.

We currently plan to be open this summer, 9 a.m. to noon on Mondays and Wednesdays, and 1-3 p.m. on Fridays.

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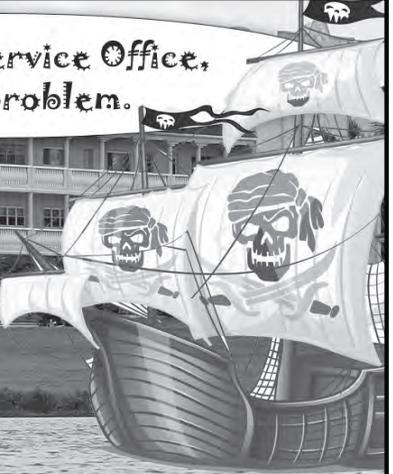
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Press Association asks all contributors to fill out information for directory



The Press Association kicked off its 2016-17 season by re-electing officers to its board.

Yvonne Courtney will return as president, Jackie Dooley as vice president and Arlene Bergen as secretary.

All three were unopposed.

Over the summer, the Press Association is going to begin a new project - creating a directory of every reporter and staff member who contributes to the newspaper.

Starting immediately, the board is asking everyone on staff to visit the Press Association Web Site and click the link for the 2016-17 directory.

Once inside, all you have to do is type name, email and phone number.

This data will be compiled into a helpful directory and will only be used by the board and editors.

So, if you have time this week, please go to:

[ontopoftheworldnews.com/
clearwater/news.php](http://ontopoftheworldnews.com/clearwater/news.php)

Look for the staff directory link and please provide the information requested. The entire process will take less than one minute.

The Press Association is now in its summer season. Editor Doug Kates said it will be a little more challenging



Arlene Bergen, Yvonne Courtney and Jackie Dooley take an oath to lead the Press Association through the 2016-17 season. (OTOW News photo by Dave Hart)

to come up with story ideas for the next five months, but cautioned everyone not to get frustrated.

"Don't feel you have to submit a story every month," Doug said at the meeting. "If you need to take a month off, then do so. We only want quality stories, so don't turn in something at the last minute just to avoid being left out for a month."

Doug also reminded reporters that we do not write emotional "good bye" stories about Snowbirds, nor will we

run emotional "welcome back" stories about Snowbirds in the fall. There are about 80 stories in each edition of the newspaper and the staff tries its best to write 80 unique stories. In past years, too many writers wrote about Snowbirds leaving or coming back and it created unnecessary repetition in the newspaper.

"Yes, we are sad our Snowbird friends are gone and we wish them a great summer," Doug said. "But we don't need 20-40 stories all starting out

the same way."

The Press Association will not meet in June or July, but will continue to produce newspapers.

The next meeting is 1:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 4, in the Veranda Room. Anyone who contributes to the newspaper is welcome to attend and the meeting counts as one requirement toward the end-of-the-season Appreciation Luncheon. You must attend three meetings during the season to qualify.

Good Neighbors sets dates for autumn activities

By Jim Bjorgo

The summer months have started and we see that activities have slowed down. This is a time for us to contemplate the results of our events from last year.

Your Good Neighbors Association is constantly preparing for approaching events.

On Oct. 21 and Oct. 22, we will host our annual Clothing Drive.

On Nov. 5 will be the annual Senior Expo, which is a combined effort with the Community Service Office.

On Nov. 19, will be our combined Flea Market and Craft Show. Vendor tables will go on sale Oct. 10.

Good Neighbors will continue to host Get Acquainted Thursdays right through the summer. Each day falls on the second Thursday of the month with free coffee, free entry and free entertainment. There will be raffle prizes, vendor tables and community information updates.

The Good Neighbors Association plate is never empty and at times is overwhelming for the few of us who keep it running. We could use some dearly-needed

help with monthly events and day-to-day operations.

If you are interested in helping, please see any Good Neighbors board member, including Jim Bjorgo, Maureen Bjorgo, Roger Nicolls or Sue Salmieri. Or, stop by the Good Neighbors table outside the Gift Shoppe on any Monday or Thursday from 8-10:30 a.m.

If you live at On Top of the World - as an owner or a renter - full-time or Snowbird - you are a member of the Good Neighbors Association.

We have no dues and no sign-ups, but we do need volunteers.

You cannot understand Pride Month unless you realize having an identity is worth celebrating

By Dave Beaven

It's June.

We're halfway through the year, which means Christmas is just around the corner.

Wink.

More apropos, June happens to be Gay Pride month.

Every June, people wear skimpy, colorful outfits and march in parades to celebrate who they are.

The Lambda Club will do its own celebration at our monthly social on June 10, at 7 p.m. in the Art Room. Join us to celebrate Pride at On Top of the World.

We'll have disco music going. The bar will be serving Rainbow Punch.



Lambda

Sample some of the tasty treats prepared by our Lambda chefs. Chat with old friends and make new ones.

Dress code: Proud.

Over the years, Pride celebrations have helped show the world that gay people have an identity worth celebrating. These days, there are any number of TV shows and movies with gay

characters as normal everyday people.

Most Americans now probably know a family member or friend who is gay. But coming out as gay can still be a nerve wracking experience.

So, it remains important to keep June as Pride month.

On June 25 and 26, there will be a Pride Parade and street festival in St. Petersburg along Central Avenue. I will be there.

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, game nights, etc.

We look to expand our circle to all

LGBT residents in the OTOW community, 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 official Webpage: <http://lambdaclearwater.blogspot.com>.

You can also visit our page on the Box Office: OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com.

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summer months.

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Our workouts change daily to keep you motivated.

We also have a Co-Ed Fun Fitness Class. With the Large Card Room in the EAC still under con-

struction, Fun Fitness meets at 9 a.m. on Tuesday mornings in the Yellow Room.

In addition to the above, we have added a co-ed step class on Fridays at 11 a.m. in the EAC gym.

As always, our classes are free. If you have any questions, please contact Barb Sundberg at 847-946-4214.



Philosophy Club

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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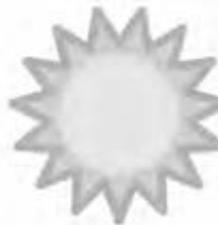
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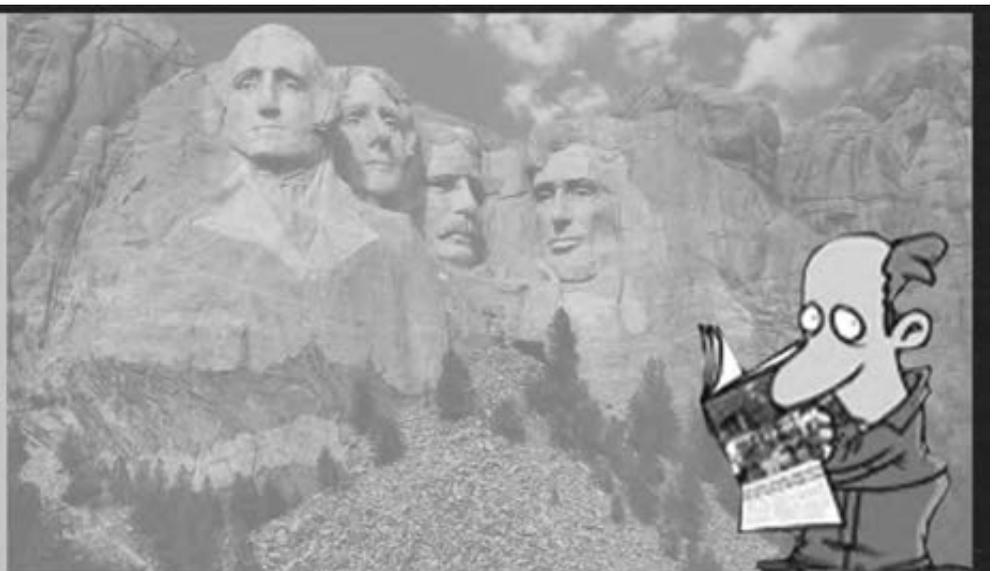
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Diane Nelson is here June 21

Election candidates providing valuable information at Republican Club meetings

Pinellas County Tax Collector Diane Nelson will be our featured speaker for the month of June.

Diane has been with the tax collector's office since 1969. She was elected Pinellas County tax collector in 2000, her first run at public office.

Under her leadership, her office has won many prestigious awards for performance excellence.

Diane is actively involved in community efforts, such as food banks, relay for life, and military troop supply drives ... just to name a few.

It is our honor to have Diane Nelson, CFC, speak at our June 21 meeting.

The Republican Club continues to grow. Heavy rain and wind didn't stop six new members from joining in May and three visitors also sat in.

Altogether, more than 40 "brave souls" listened to Pinellas County Sheriff Bob Gualtieri, who spoke for 30 minutes and also answered questions. He filled us in on many issues pertaining to crime prevention, fire-



arm prevention and the difference between carry a concealed weapon and open carry of a weapon. He told us about the consequences of each.

The sheriff also gave us facts about the rising crime rate of car theft and burglaries by juveniles, and what we can do to prevent some of the issues.

Wherever you are, be it shopping or at home, be sure to lock your vehicle doors and do not leave items openly displayed to entice a break-in.

The sheriff also touched on some

important information on new drugs used by kids and the danger of the mixtures. Be wary.

Walter Steiner, who is looking ahead and readying for the National Election in November, is working on an initiative to get out the vote.

He is involved with the Republican Leadership Committee and has 50 years national security experience. He asked for those interested to volunteer to speak to him.

We had a chance to speak with him after the meeting to receive information and ask questions.

Mike Twitty was another guest speaker who discussed his desire and experience to run for Pinellas County Property Appraiser. Primary voting is in August. For more on Mike, go to www.MikeTwitty.com

This election cycle is the most "unique" in the 50 plus years that I remember. Join us at monthly meetings to hear from candidates.

We have many ways of communi-

cations with our more than 120 club members: including email updates, newsletters and bulletin boards.

We are constantly updating our OTOW Box Office Webpage, listing current and future speakers.

Our Facebook page, Ronald Reagan Republican Club of OTOW, gives not only local, county and state news, but the latest national information. Naturally, you are always welcome to call Susan at 727-239-7585 for any questions.

Our meetings are held in the East Activity Center Kitchen/Craft Room the third Tuesday of each month. Meetings start at 7 p.m. and doors open at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments are served. Annual dues are \$5.

Lastly, Marvin Lazernik, president of our Republican Club, was pleasantly surprised and pleased to accept a parade participation Certificate of Appreciation Award on behalf of the club. The award was presented by Mike Cooper, parade chairman of the OTOW Irish Club.



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Canadians should know U.S. Income Tax guidelines

By Rick McLauchlan

As I sit to write this communication, my thoughts are centered on the hope that those of you who have traveled away from On Top of the World have reached home safe and sound without any major problems.

Remember, as Canadians, who winter in the U.S., we are technically subject to U.S. income tax if we exceed a specific number of days (based on a calculation on the form 8840) in the U.S. in any one year.

To avoid U.S. taxation, IRS form 8840 (Closer Connection Exemption Statement for Aliens) needs to be filed annually with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. You can obtain the form at



www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f8840.pdf

The form, in essence, acknowledges that you met or exceeded the "substantial presence test" but are not going to be filing a U.S. income tax return due to the fact that you maintain "a closer connection" to a foreign country, such as Canada, where you will be paying annual income tax.

You will be considered to have a "closer connection" with a country other than the U.S. based on the location of your permanent home, your family, your personal belongings, (such as cars, furniture, clothing and jewelry), your current social, political, cultural, or religious affiliations, your business activities (other than those that constitute your tax home), the jurisdiction in which you hold a driver's license and the jurisdiction in which you vote.

It does not matter whether your permanent home is a house, an apartment or a furnished room. It also does not matter whether you rent or own it. It is important, however, that your

home is available at all times, continuously, and not solely for short stays.

Canadians should proactively complete and file a new 8840 form each year with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service, usually by the end of June.

This summer, please be sure to stay in touch with your OTOW Canadian Club by following us on the OTOW Box Office:

www.ontopoftheworldnews.com/clearwater/news.php

on our own Website:
otowcanadianclub.com/index.htm

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Heard a good joke lately? Bring to our next meeting

By Charlyn Miller

The Rosy Hattitudes met at Fletchers Dinner Theatre for a luncheon show on the first Saturday of May.

Twelve members attended. All enjoyed the luncheon and play.

There were no birthdays this month, however we have a few members in physical rehab and we sent them cards for a "speedy recovery."

Monthly and annual dues were collected.

Some Hattitudes have returned to their summer homes and we look forward to seeing them this fall (or when it gets "cold").

A new idea was promoted - a Joke of the Day. Each meeting we will listen to several jokes and determine the



Rosy Hattitudes

"special" joke for a reward.

I have ladies calling and wanting to join. We are a growing club.

Our next meeting will be at The Sunset Grill the first Saturday in June.

We hope every veteran had an honorable Memorial Day.

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Democratic Club prepares for county elections



Democratic Club

By Donna Lukas

Do you know the date of the next Pinellas County election?

It may be sooner than you think.

The ballots for the Aug. 30 election will list party primary candidates for U.S. Senate, non-partisan judicial retention, non-partisan school board candidates and a solar amendment.

The topic of discussion at our next meeting on Thursday, June 9, at 2 p.m. in the East Activity Center Starlite Room will be updating information on candidates for the Aug. 30 election.

School Board candidates will be guest speakers presenting their reasons for requesting your vote. Come listen to them and ask your questions.

As you may know, we have had recent redistricting in our U.S. Congressional and Florida State Senate districts. The Supervisor of Elections office will be mailing out new voter registration cards to 630,000 registered voters. At the rate of 100,000 per week, it will take 5-6 weeks and your card should arrive in June or early July.

The cards will include information about voting districts, precinct numbers and polling places. When you receive your new card, check for correct



Josh Gillin of PolitiFact talks to the Democratic Club about political campaign materials. PolitiFact actually researches facts used in political statements to make sure what is said is legitimate.

information on your name, address, and party affiliation.

At our May meeting, guest speaker Josh Gillin from PolitiFact told us how analysts research political statements to provide unbiased facts.

News reporters may question if a political statement is accurate. Or people may submit current political items for research.

Research is then done in a thorough, non-partisan manner. The PolitiFact analyst starts by making several attempts to contact the person who made the statement.

Unlike some fact-checking groups,

PolitiFact identifies the sources used in their research. If you review an item on their Website, you can see what contacts were made in pursuit of the research.

PolitiFact uses a six-rated system:

- True
- Mostly True
- Half True
- Mostly False
- False
- Pants on Fire

Examples of the research are usually published in the Tampa Bay Times twice weekly. Sometimes the research

leads to separate stories.

The main take-away from Josh was, "If you disagree on an issue, you should still be able to discuss it."

It was nice to see some new faces at our May meeting. We hope to see you again in June.

If you'd like to become an official club member, you may pay your \$12 annual dues at any meeting.

Have you seen our new pictures on our OTOW Box Office Website? Why not log on to www.ontopoftheworld-news.com and check us out? Click on the club pages and then click on the Democratic donkey.

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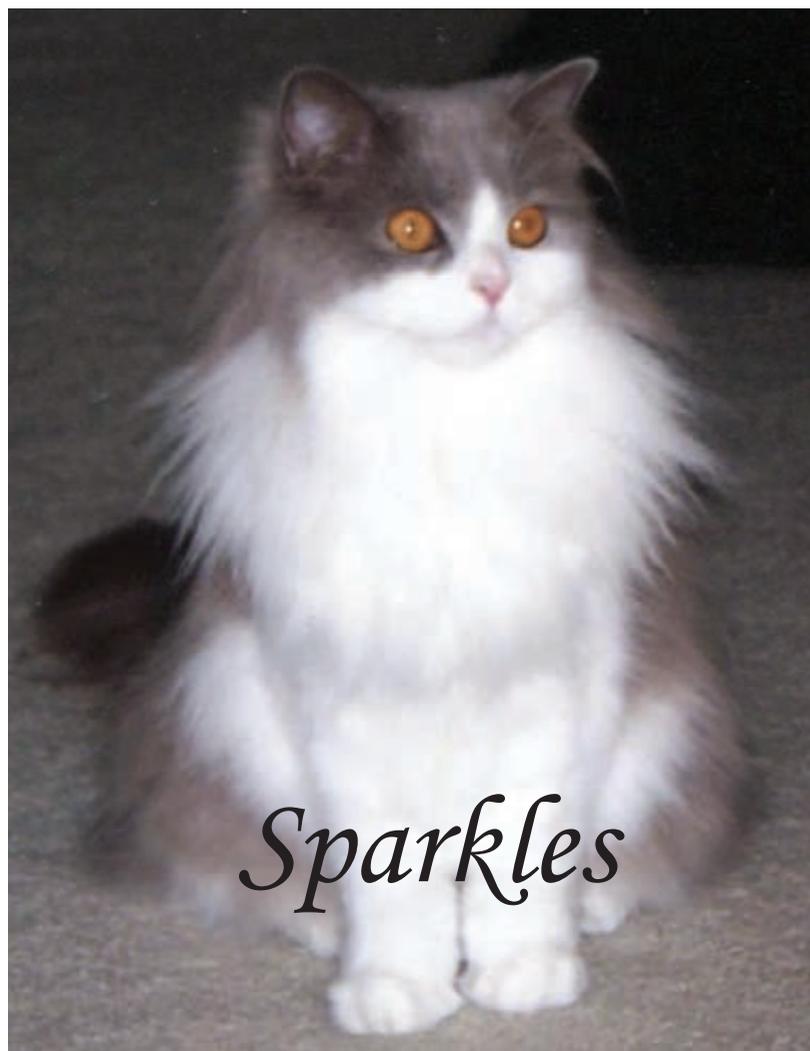
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Pet of the Month




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Sparkles is very alert and likes to chase after reflections from a small mirror.

Her lineage is a non-standard, long-haired Napolelean Cat with copper eyes.

Sparkles likes to talk and will give you a “thank you” after eating.

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 bootss@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 entries, so if you've never entered your pet in the contest, now is the time to do so! Good luck!

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Large mouth bass

Just in case you ever wondered if there were fish in our ponds, here's proof. Michael Grapp, son of On Top of the World resident Dawn Rubio, caught this 9 pound, large mouth bass, on the West Side. The fish was released for someone else to catch another time.

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Our club had lunch with an astronaut



Travel Club

By Terri Mikszenas

Have you ever had a private lunch with an astronaut?

Well, our club members have!

NASA Astronaut Bob Cenker joined our travelers for a private luncheon while he described his experience of the training process and living in space.

Following the opportunity for personal photographs and autographs with the astronaut, club members enjoyed a tour of the visitor's center, particularly enjoying an earth-shaking Apollo 8 rocket launch simulator, two fabulous IMAX movies and the thrill of walking beneath the 383-foot Saturn V rocket.

As an added surprise, and because there's so much to see, everyone was

pleased to receive a one-day free pass to return within the year.

The trip also included a stop at the Police Hall of Fame and Museum, which is the nation's first national memorial museum dedicated to law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty.

My goodness, our sales this past month have been spectacular! Many of our trips are almost full, but there might still be time for you to buy tickets. And, if they are full, we'll be happy to put you on the paid waiting list in case there are cancellations.

If you love art, you won't want to miss seeing the private art collection of Raymond James. This Aug. 9 trip will also include lunch and a stop at the HSN Retail Outlet in Largo.

Sorry, but the shopping, bargain discovery and purchase will be at your own expense.

Later this month, 34 club travelers are looking forward to enjoying a gourmet luncheon inside the Fort Harrison Hotel in downtown Clearwater and a personal tour of the facilities by the Church of Scientology.



Members of the Travel Club show off where they went on a trip.

We're looking for eight more travelers by June 30 to guarantee our bus trip in November to San Antonio, Texas. The cost is only \$739 per person/double occupancy for this eight-night agenda packed with exciting visits to include the Alamo, River Walk District tour and cruise, Lyndon B Johnson Ranch, National Museum of the Pacific War and more!

Why not stop by the East Activity

Center on Monday or Thursday mornings, where we'll be on duty to answer any questions you may have, give you a list of upcoming trips or to sell you a ticket or two.

Even if you are not a member of the club, you are welcome to join us on our trips or sit in on our monthly meetings the first Friday of each month in the EAC Starlite Room.

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Secrets between husbands and wives

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Second, he said we can have as many babies as I want because making babies is free.

Third, he promised to never get on my nerves because he would never be home.

Once upon a time I gave my husband the silent treatment for a whole week.

But at the end of the week, he said to me, "Hey! We're getting along pretty good lately!"

A couple is on the couch, sharing a bottle of wine and watching TV when the woman says, "I love you."

The man turns around and says "thank you Honey."

"Not you," the woman says. "I was talking to the wine."



Marge Mayer

Internet Humor

A woman caught her husband standing on a scale while sucking in his stomach.

The woman laughed and said, "That's not going to help you."

The man said, "sure it will. It's the only way I can see the numbers."

A husband and wife were married 60 years and the husband thought they never had any secrets.

Unknowingly, his wife had a secret shoe box in the closet.

One day, with the wife very ill and on her death bed, she finally gave her husband permission to see the shoe box and open it.

The husband picked up the box, opened it, and saw a crocheted doll along with \$95,000 in cash.

"What is this?" the husband asked.

The wife said, "my mother always taught me that the secret to a happy marriage was to never argue. Every time I got angry, I was to keep quiet and crocheted a doll."

The husband looked into the box, looked at the doll, and was touched that only one time in 60 years his wife wanted to argue with him.

"This is wonderful," the husband said. "But I don't understand all the cash."

"Oh," the wife said. "That's the money I made from selling all the dolls I made."

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– Norman Ford

"Never trust a man when he is in love, drunk or running for office."

– Shirley Maclaine

"Never board a commercial aircraft if the pilot is wearing a tank top."

– Dave Berry

"Never be in a hurry to terminate a marriage. You may need this person to finish a sentence."

– Erma Bombeck

Now on OTOW-TV

Revisit your favorite Jesters and Theater Workshop shows from the past. OTOW-TV is airing shows from the 2000s, 1990s and 1980s on Friday nights about 8 p.m. on channels 96 and 732. Each month, new shows will be added to the lineup. The 2015 Jesters and Theater Workshop shows have also been added to the mix. Watch for them and enjoy the memories!

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ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE



On Saturday, May 7, the Entertainment Committee presented a Luau Dance in the auditorium. As the group 'Bitter-Sweet' watches in the background, some of our best male dancers put on their grass skirts and tried very hard to make the audience feel like they were on a tropical island.

Just because the Snowbirds are gone, doesn't mean the entertainment will stop

By Marvin Flam

For the first time in years, the Entertainment Committee will be presenting shows in June, July and August.

The opening show of the summer season in May played to an enthusiastic, almost sold out audience.

The remaining summer season includes a dance and Sunday-In-The-Park each month.

Remember, both our shows and dances feature reserved table seating. It's BYOB and snacks, and the Entertainment Committee provides decaf coffee and ice.

And, of course, great fun and entertainment is always included.

Please note that during the summer months, the Entertainment Committee will have a reduced ticket sale

schedule at the EAC as follows: We will be there on Mondays except for May 30 and July 4. We will be there on only the following Thursdays: June 9, July 7, July 14 and Aug. 11.

We will be back to full schedule in September. The hours are still 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

In addition, you may call 727-797-1761 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. for ticket information and sales for any of the shows and dances.

This is a good time to select your ticket packages for the rest of 2016. Tickets are available for the summer ticket packages, (May thru August), and fall ticket packages, (September thru December). The ticket packages insure that you will have a reserved seat for future shows and dances at a

discounted price.

Tickets are also now available for the annual New Year's Eve party and they are still only \$25 each with reserved seating.

"The British Are Coming" on Thursday, Oct. 13 at 7:30 p.m. for a return engagement! This show has been added to the schedule by request through the "Wishing Well Program." Tickets are now available for this show. It is not included in any ticket package, but if you have bought a ticket package, you can get the same reserved seat for this show for \$14 - otherwise it is \$15.

We wish to remind everyone that the Entertainment Committee has a policy regarding both the physically challenged, (wheelchairs, walkers, etc.)

and licensed service animals that is in compliance with the ADA regulations. When purchasing tickets, please let us know if you need seating assistance.

In the event of an emergency situation at any Entertainment Committee event, please follow the emergency team's instructions. These policies have been developed to insure that all Entertainment Committee events are safe and enjoyable.

We thank everyone for their cooperation.

Follow us on bulletin boards in each building and at the Activity Centers, on OTOW-TV channels 96 or 732, and at the Box Office at: OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com.

Visit us at the EAC auditorium on Mondays and Thursdays, 8:30-10:30

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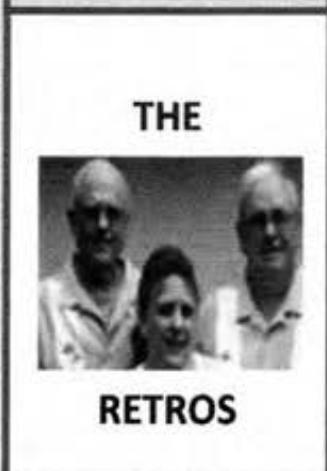


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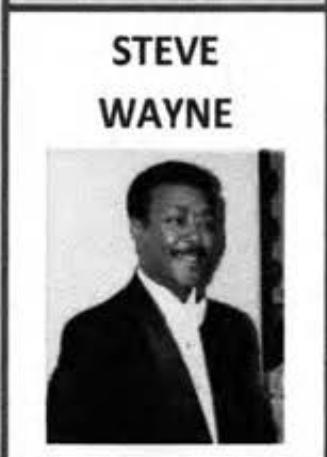


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SPORTS

According to OTOW softball stats, anyone who plays is guaranteed to go home with at least one hit

By Bob Rittner

A successful season, with 10 new regular players, ended on April 7.

Look for the announcement of opening day in this newspaper this fall. The league is getting older and younger at the same time. We are always getting better.

The league batting average was .582 and the league slugging average was .806.

What does this mean?

It means, if you join our league this fall, you are guaranteed to get nearly six hits every 10 at bats.

At least, that's what the average says.

Quantum Leap Farms 10 Scott's Pharmacy 7

A joyful element of senior softball is the momentary recapturing of youth, such as when Duane Anderson reached high behind him, tumbling to the ground to nab a soaring fly ball.

More impressive is that he immediately bounced up unhurt.

In a competitive game, homers from Gene Osmond and Jim Kemp one-upped a homer by Lenny Segall.

Joe Maley led off the game with a

Softball

hard single that sparked a three-run inning, and Allan Bendert and Ken Graham each had perfect three-hit days for the Farm, while as part of his flawless day at first base, Joe Farrell speared a screaming liner just behind his ear.

Quantum Leap Farm 16 Scott's Pharmacy 11

The Farm outscored Scott's 7-4 over the last three innings to open up a close game.

Lenny Segall and Gene Osmond homers kept the game close, but Dan Puopolo's four-hit day included a homer, and Paul Fice, also had a perfect 4-for-4 day, which led the Farm to victory.

For Scott's, Joe Maley and Joe Farrell snared hot liners to momentarily keep the Farm in check.

Quantum Leap Farm 19 Scott's Pharmacy 15

The Farm's murderer's row of Guy Bertuzzi, Lenny Segall, Paul Fice, Jim

Tiano, Gary Burgett and Tony Caputo combined for 23 hits to overwhelm Scott's.

Only Scott's last gasp, six-run rally in the bottom of the ninth inning, brought the game close.

Scott's did get two homers from Jim Kemp and five hits from Gene Osmond, but after the fourth inning, could never overcome an eight-run lead that grew to 10 runs by the last inning.

Scott's Pharmacy 15 Quantum Leap Farm 11

Scott's was powered by Paul Fice and Guy Bertuzzi with four hits each and Bill Lepping with five hits.

The game was very close when Lenny Segall's homer helped the Farm jump out to a five-run lead before Scott's crept back and went ahead by one.

The clinching runs came courtesy of RBI singles from Bill Edwards and Glenn Ohl in the bottom of the eighth.

Quantum Leap Farm 13 Scott's Pharmacy 9

A five-run rally in the ninth inning

obscured the dimensions of the rout as the Farm pummeled Scott's behind Gene Osmond's two homers and five hits by leadoff batter Roger Hebel.

Clutch hits by Joe Farrell, Paul Fice, Allan Bendert and Tony Caputo accounted for numerous runs.

For its part, Scott's continually short circuited incipient rallies by hitting into three double plays or failing to deliver key hits. Lenny Segall did his best by homering and going 4-for-4.

Quantum Leap Farms 14 Scott's Pharmacy 13

In his last game of the season, Gene Osmond's grand slam put Scott's up by five, a lead that grew to six after four innings, but the Farm roared back behind five hit games from Lenny Segall, Paul Fice and Bob Rittner and four hits (two doubles) from Ken Graham.

Protecting a slim one run lead in the bottom of the ninth, the Farm put Scott's down in order, highlighted by a brilliant grab of a hot grounder by Paul and an over-the-shoulder, back-to-the-plate snow cone catch by Lenny for the third out.

The water aerobics class returned to the East Activity Center swimming pool in May. Exercises will take place Monday through Friday, from 9-10 a.m.

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President Elect Jackie Woloszyn, left, accepts the golden golf club from outgoing President Ellen Fier.

Keep those clubs swinging

Summer golf taking place on Tuesdays

By Mary Ann O'Neil

Our season came to a close on May 10 with a pizza party after golf.

All our Snowbirds have left, however, we still have dedicated members who live down here in Florida year round. Just because it gets rather hot here during the summer, doesn't mean you should stop swinging those clubs.

If you know of anyone who would like to join our league in October, remember they can establish their handicap during the summer, as long as they golf with a league member.

Ladies 9-Hole Golf

The Ladies 18-hole Golf League once again has invited the Ladies 9-hole Golf League members to join them for summer golf, Tuesday mornings. If you have any questions, please call Mary Ann O'Neil at 449-9243.

Weekly Awards

April 19: Flight A – Jean Norris & Ann Stewart, Flight B – The-

By Pat Eastman

At the Ladies 18-Hole Golf Association spring luncheon, Ellen Fier started a new tradition.

As in a relay race, the baton is passed to the next runner, so now a golden golf club will be presented to the president elect.

The golden club is to bring wisdom and good fortune to our new leader.

The ladies held a special tournament in April called "Alpha and Omega."

The scores for holes 1-6, plus holes 13-18, were added together for a total score.

After the event, there was a tie for first place between Betty McKay and Kim Norried.

Second place went to Rosemary Sabatino.

Trish Burch will be handling our summer golf league. Twelve holes are played on Tuesdays throughout the summer. The cost is \$5 to join for the summer season.

If you want to compete in the closest to the pin contest on hole No. 15, the weekly cost is 25 cents. The

Ladies 18-Hole Golf

prize will be awarded each Tuesday.

Contact Trish if you are interested in playing summer golf.

Some great rounds of golf were played in April. Joyce Monahan had a career low round of 79. Katie Quelch had a 77. Pat Dalziel had a nice 58 net. Dale McMinn and Jacqui Dolan both had 60 nets.

Tuesday tournament winners

April 26, Flight A - Pat Eastman, Terry Kuplen, B - Joyce Monahan, Pat Dalziel, C - Jacqui Dolan, Ellen Fier, Natsue Dawson, Arlene Hanson

April 19, Flight A - Pat Eastman, Kim Norried, B - Katie Quelch, Terri Mikszenas, C - NatSue Fawson, Sheila Meneilly, Rose Mulhall

April 12, Flight A - Pat Eastman, Dale McMinn, B - Betty McKay, April Glenn, Nancy Lo, Joan Yorkery, C - Judith Weaver, Jacqui Dolan

resa Gates, Pat Murray & Lee Sciarra, Flight C – Romy Brady & Ginny Tufano, Flight D – Nancy Palatore, Lorraine Davis & CC Shaughnessy, Birdies: Pat Murray & Wendy Colquhoun

April 26 Flight A – Ginny Chilcote & Jean Norris, Flight B – Linda Graff, Marje Sivek, Theresa Gates, & Pat Murry, Flight C – Romy Brady & Carroll Harris, Flight D – Nancy Palatore, Birdies: Ginny Chilcote & Jean Norris

May 3 Flight A – Ginny Chilcote & Jean Norris, Flight B – Linda

Graff, Madeline Nawrocky & Marge Jacobs, Flight C – Nancy Schifferle & Ginny Tufano, Flight D – Nancy Palatore & Maureen McGuire, Birdies: Ginny Chilcote & Wendy Colquhoun

May 10 Flight A – Anna Hyden, Ann Stewart, Ginn Chilcote, Flight B – Theresa Gates, Marge Jacobs, Carroll Harris & Madeline Nawrocky, Flight C – Elaine McDonald & Romy Brady, Flight D – Maureen Doire, Birdies: Anna Hyden

Enjoy your summer and remember stay healthy and safe.



Thursday Golf crowns a champion

By Paul Meyers

The Thursday Golf League season has officially concluded and we now have a champion.

Fred Schick, with steady play, garnered 45 points over the course of the season, and that was enough to edge out Ron Parham, who finished in solo second.

Overall, 79 different golfers, men and women, competed at least one week during the season, which starts in November and just ended in May.

Points were accumulated over 26 weeks.

Don Baker was third, and Steve Yauk and Paul Meyers tied for third. Don Leamy and Bill Michael tied fourth. Patti Cook, Ken Smith and Allan Teal placed fifth.

Another great competitive season with a worthy champion.

Final standings are available at OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com, click the Club Pages link and look for Thursday Golf League.

We will continue to play every Thursday until the new season begins in November. This summer, the league plans to try some new formats and competitions. Suggestions are welcome.

Bill Cook has something to celebrate, also. He made his first hole-in-one on the third hole using a 5 hybrid club. Congratulations, Bill!

Week 22 winner was Ron Parham. A tiebreaker was needed to decide the next two places and Ken Smith edged out Bill Cook. Bill Higgins shot the low gross round for the week. Don Sorensen, Rich Ziembicki, Don Leamy, Clyde Hershberger, John Maloof and Bill Cook all collected one skin each.

The league took to the road for week 23. We played at the Tarpon Springs Golf Course. We are always treated well when we visit their course and it is a pleasure to putt their well-maintained greens.

Dan Hyden had the hot hand and took first place. Angelo Santucci was second and Jack Huerter was third. Angelo also carded the low

gross round and collected two skins. Don Dorris, Jack Huerter, Don Hahs, Don Leamy, Rich Muchler and Don Sorensen all collected a skin each.

A rare May downpour made it necessary to play a shortened OTOW course in Week 24. Len Howell had no problem with conditions and took first place. Allan Teal was second in a tiebreaker with Ken Smith, who took third. Bill Higgins had low gross honors. Jim Stewart, Ron Parham and Joe Wisinski collected one skin. Bill Cook's skin was a result of his hole-in-one. Long drives for the day were: Patti Cook, John Maloof and Paul Meyers. Closest to the pin went to Allan Teal.

The final official week of the season saw some great rounds played. Bruce MacPherson returned to form taking first place and low gross honors. Steve Yauk placed second and Fred Schick cemented his hold on the league championship by placing third. Angelo Santucci took two skins. Steve Yauk, Ron Parham, Bill Higgins and Jim Cawley had one skin each. The closest to the pin competition was won by Ada Culbertson. Long drivers were: Joyce Monahan, Jim Cawley and Don Baker.

The Thursday Golf League welcomes new members at any time and all On Top of the World residents are welcome to join the league.

Players must sign in between 10 and 10:30 a.m. and play begins as soon as groups are selected.

Weekly play is not mandatory and guests are welcome. There is no prior week sign up. If you show up, you play. If you are interested in playing competitive golf using USGA rules, our league is for you.

We play the course to a Par 67 using the USGA Stableford format. Men play from the blue tees where available. Women play from the red tees and yellow where available. For information call Paul @ 727-474-2344 or email blackdog-golf@aol.com.



Fred Schick won the league title, where points are accumulated from week one of the season. Last year, Fred was sixth in the standings.

Season recap: Bill Higgins wins club championship

Here we are at the halfway point of 2016.

Our Club Championship has been won by Bill Higgins, our awards banquet has been held and all of our champions have been recognized for their accomplishments.

Doug Kates, the editor of our very own newspaper, On Top of the World News, was kind enough to interrupt his busy schedule to come to our banquet and take a great picture of our champions for the May edition of the paper.

Men's Golf

In case you missed it, Gary Sandine was crowned A Flight champion, Marc Schell the B Flight champion, Don Rice the C Flight champion and John Lovasz the D Flight champion.

Our numbers were down this season, but our members continue to play great golf. Now is the time where

I urge you to make sure you stay hydrated during your summer rounds of golf.

Players continue to score holes-in-one and Ed Hanson is the most recent one. He scored his ace on the ninth hole amid wild swirling winds. Pat Smith and Tom McMinn witnessed this feat and say they think the wind blew it into the cup. Great shot, Ed.

Another hole-in-one was scored by Les Whynot, but unfortunately, I didn't have the stats by my May dead-

line. That's another story for another time. It's not Les' first and it won't be his last.

I'll finish with another caution about hydration. It's a very serious matter. Make sure you make a full and complete stop at all stop signs in OTOW. Make sure you watch your speed. Keep it at 20 MPH. Our Sheriff's Office will be more visible in our community during this month. Just a couple of words of warning. Have a good, SLOW summer.



Even newcomers can end day with three wins

By David Williams

What a great shuffleboard season we have had these past seven months.

There were so many new folks showing up each week. We were constantly in training mode, but everyone picked it up quickly.

One of our very improved new players is Rashanee Turner. She is pictured here, between our long-time hosts, Marge Sivek and Bob Rittner.

On our last day of competition, Rashanee won all three of her games, gaining honorable mention below.

Rashanee is working full-time as a nurse at a long-term care facility in downtown Clearwater. When she has a day off, she enjoys shuffling with us.

We have enjoyed getting to know her and watching her improve throughout this spring.

Much thanks to our weekly hosts, Marge and Bob, for making shuffleboard possible and fun. We now take our summer hiatus, as it gets too hot to play in the summer afternoon heat.

We look forward to seeing everyone back on the courts in October.

Players who won all three daily games over the past month are Bob Rittner, Barb Lenzi, Debra Champ, Jose Periera, Maureen Doire, Rashanee Turner and Dave Williams.

Shuffleboard



Shuffleboard hosts Marge Sivek, left, and Bob Rittner, right, congratulate newcomer Rashanee Turner on winning three games during the last day of the season.

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Billiards players learn how to hit at Threshers game



Que'T Billiards

By Claudia Carroll

Play ball!

That's what we do in the women's Que'T Billiards Club.

The Que'T players are off to a good start, or warm-up, as they say in baseball. Our club attended a Clearwater Threshers minor league baseball game at the Bright House Field last month.

After all, baseball and billiards have a lot of things in common.

Billiards uses many balls. Baseball uses many balls, especially when several dozen get fouled out of the stadium.

Billiards has a cue stick. Baseball has a bat stick.

Billiards players need a perfect hit to put a ball in the hole. Baseball needs a perfect hit for a home run.

Billiards players can "run" the table. Baseball players can "clear" the bases.

Both are fun and good exercise.

Our trip to the park was enjoyed by all who attended. Thank you Denny Balderson for organizing us.

Each week the Que'T ladies try different tournaments to create a variety of challenges and keep high interest.

At times we play with partners. In the final tournament of the month, each player competes one-on-one. When the individual game is over, we then rotate to the next table for a new competition. The winner is the player with the most wins.

Our April winners were Liz Asselta, first place, Helen Crombie, co-second place and Claudia Carroll, co-second place.

Come join us on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the West Activity Center Billiards Room. We have great teachers to get you started, so arrive early. Hope to see you there.



Pictured above are the On Top of the World billiards players who spent a day at the ballpark. The site was Brighthouse Field and the event was a Clearwater Threshers minor league baseball game. Below are the top players from our April end-of-the-month tournament. In first place was Liz Asselta, center, and in a tie for second place were Claudia Carroll, left, and Helen Crombie, right.

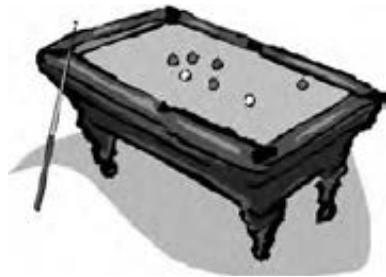


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Newcomer, Charlie Cronk, wins tournament on first try

Ron Blaettner captures four consecutive nine-ball titles



Billiards

On almost any given afternoon, you can find the die-hard billiards group, pictured at right, practicing pool.

If you are interested in having fun, learning something new or sharpening an old skill, come to the West Activity Center Billiards Room to watch or meet some of your neighbors.

Maybe even learn the game?

EIGHT-BALL

Back on Monday, April 18, in A Flight, Tony Baker captured first place with Denny Balderson claimed second place. No playoff was held for third.

On April 19, in B Flight, Henry Champman and Joe Ventimiglia tied for first, however, no playoff was held. There was a four-way tie for third place between Terry Forbes, Bill Griffith, Vinnie Martinez and Ray Quirion. No playoff was held.

On April 25, in A Flight, Joe Gora took first place, Joe Doire claimed second and Denny Balderson settled for third. In B Flight, Joe Wisinski captured first place, Terry Forbes claimed second place and Tony D'Amico settled for third place.

On May 2, in A Flight, Joe Gora took first place again, Denny Balderson claimed second place with Terry Forbes settling for third.

On May 3, in B Flight, Maureen Doire claimed the first place slot. There was a five-way tie for second between Ron Baltrunas, Phil Perez, Ray Quirion, Nick Sapienza and Joe Ventimiglia, however, no playoff was held.

On May 9, in A Flight, Joe Doire claimed first place, Denny Balderson took second place and Joe Gora set-



Pictured above are members of the Billiards Club during a recent practice session. From left to right are Andy Suhar, Phil Perez, Terri Wittman, Eddie Ramirez, Tony D'Amico, Nick Sapienza, Joe Ventimiglia and Ed Way.

led for third place.

On May 10, in B Flight, new member Charlie Cronk captured first place, Vinnie Martinez took second place. No playoff was held for third between Gene Baranowski, John Fier and Phil Perez.

On May 16, in A Flight, Joe Gora took first place, Craig Burnette second place and Joe Wisinski third place.

On Tuesday, May 17, Nick Sapienza walked away with first place, Joe Ventimiglia took second place and Phil Perez claimed third place.

NINE-BALL

On Tuesday afternoon, April 19, Ron Blaettner edged out the field taking first place with Howard Wilson claiming second place.

On April 26, there was a playoff for first and second places between Eddie Ramirez and Howard Wilson. Howard took first place this week with Eddie settling for second.

On May 3, repeat performance

with Ron Blaettner walking away with first place and Howard Wilson taking second.

On May 10, Ron Blaettner once again took first place with Bob Eads claiming second place.

On May 17, Ron Blaettner captured first place again with Eddie Ramirez taking second.

SCOTCH DOUBLES

On Thursday, April 21, the team of Gene Baranowski and Vinnie Martinez took first place, the team of Joe Doire and Terri Wittman claimed second place, and the team of Joe Gora and Joe Wisinski settled for third place.

On April 28, the team of Gene Baranowski and Henry Chapman captured first place, the team of Joe Gora and Phil Perez took second place with the team of Eddie Ramirez and Joe Ventimiglia settling for third place.

On May 5, the team of Craig Burnette and Nick Sapienza captured first place, the team of Gene Baranowski

and Dave Williams took second place and Phil Perez and Joe Wisinski settled for third place.

On May 12, the team of Eddie Ramirez and Dave Williams edged out the field to capture first place. After a playoff, the team of Gene Baranowski and Craig Burnette claimed second place with the team of Tony D'Amico and Nick Sapienza settling for third.

Members in the A and B Flights will play eight-ball on Monday evenings, both A and B Flights will play 10-ball on Tuesday evenings, with Scotch Doubles on Thursday evenings.

These tournaments start promptly at 6:30 p.m.

There are nine-ball tournaments Tuesday and Friday afternoons at 1 p.m.

Bring your recreation card, get in on the action and have some fun in these heavily competitive tournaments. We use the round-robin format, which does not favor any one player.



SPORTS



Bowling league announces award winners

By Mary Beth Hufty

The On Top of the World bowling league recently celebrated the end of this season with a luncheon at Outback Steak House.

Prize money awards were distributed.

Top bowler honors went to Shirley Bowers, whose average was 143.

First place scratch game went to Marge Jacobs and second place scratch game to Karen Phipps.

First place scratch series went to Shirley Bowers and second place scratch series to Donna Smerz.

First place handicap game was awarded to Jan Jankowski and second place to Mary Beth Hufty.

Team winners for first place scratch game were Sherry Ohl, Loni Bentley and Geri Corcoran.

First place team winners for scratch series were Isabel Huston, Sally Shevlin and Karen Phipps.

Handicap series winners were Patty Dominquez, Maureen McGuire and Marge Jacobs.

On Wednesday, Oct. 5, our new season will begin. Openings are available to new bowlers.

We meet each Wednesday at Countryside Lanes on US Highway, 19N.

We bowl three games starting at 9:30 a.m. and ending about 11:30 a.m.

Play continues October 2016 through April 2017.

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This month's highlighted events include:

- Cocktail of the Month with Chef John — White Russians — Wednesday, June 1st at 2pm
- Chef John's Cooking Demonstration — Wednesday, June 8th at 2pm
- Alzheimer's Education Workshop — Monday, June 13th at 5:30pm
- "Fiddler on the Roof" Friends & Family Dinner Party — Thursday, June 23rd at 5pm

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In May, several Baby Boomers went to Lake Tarpon and paddled their kayaks. Just as luck would have it, the current took them to a restaurant, but no one complained.

Baby Boomers never settle for lemons

By Ron Clement

The lights went out and so did the Baby Boomers.

So was the case on the evening of our first Wednesday meeting in May. Just as we were about to start, thunder rolled, lightning struck and out went the lights.

Ousted from the dark indoors, we braved the rain and headed to the Varsity Club. There we skipped the agenda and went straight to having fun.

By the time we finished our dinner, drinks and a lot of conversation, we walked out to clear skies and a glowing sunset.

That is how it is with the Baby Boomers.



Baby Boomers

We make the most of a given situation, and on the other side, things always seem better for the experience.

They say "when given lemons,

make lemonade."

Who needs lemons?

In mid-May, a bunch of us jumped into our kayaks, rowed across Lake Tarpon to the Tarpon Turtle Grill and Marina, where we sipped ice cold lemonade on a hot Friday afternoon.

Earlier this spring, we took "a walk on the wild side" of Walsingham Park. To chart our route, we used the GPS on our smart phones. By doing so, we were able to encircle the lake and complete a three and a half mile walk without turning back.

Dunedin was a favorite destination this month, beginning with the Cinco de Mayo celebration.

Some Boomers ventured out to

"sip and stroll" at Dunedin's Second Friday Wine/Art Walk.

Others enjoyed a sunset and free concert at Weaver Park's Sunset Music Series.

"Blast Friday" in downtown Clearwater was just that.

As the summer heats up, we will continue to make the most of it, staying active and moving forward.

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Pizza party made successful by residents' contributions

On Tuesday, May 10, Malaguena residents enjoyed their first-ever pizza party.

Organized by the building wing captains (Anna Hyden, Dolores Burm, Arlene Mansfield, Jean Norris, Larry Charchol, Sylvia Leubking and Phyllis King), the party was a smashing success with over 40 residents enjoying pizza and chatting with their neighbors.

Because the Malaguena does not have one central core, but rather two wings, each with a lobby, we alternate locations for events between the north and south wings.

This party was held in the second floor lobby on the south side of the building where we had lots of room to mingle. A light breeze kept us comfortable.

The pizzas arrived hot and were delicious! They were paid for out of the building dues that residents pay each year, so all that the residents needed to bring was their chair and a beverage.

A number of residents contributed cookies, brownies, lemon tarts and other goodies, so we had dessert as well. Thanks to everyone who made this party a success!

Several residents mentioned that they were pleased the event was in the building lobby rather than outside. We hope to have similar events throughout



the year. Please watch the bulletin boards for news of upcoming events.

If you haven't paid your dues for 2016 (\$10 per unit per year), and would like to, contact out building treasurer, Arlene Mansfield.

On another note, Malaguena is home to several writers. I have finished my "Middle Grade" adventure novel about living in Libya in the 1950's and hope to sign with an agent soon.

James Castagno began The Fugitive Series with "Witness to Terror." His new novella, "Out of Tunis," the second book in this international mystery and crime series, was published on Amazon on May 8 and can be ordered for the Kindle or as a paperback.

Remember to contact me if you have news, adventures, cruises, hobbies, etc. that you'd like to be reported in Malaguena building news.



Arlene Mansfield and other residents check out the array of fresh hot pies during a recent Malaguena building pizza party. (Photo by Phyllis King)

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U.S. flag is displayed on its new pole

The American flag now flies proudly at our building.

Thanks to our building captain, Don Drake, we are now proudly flying Old Glory in the northeast corner of our building (see photo).

Don asked residents if they were in favor of adding a flagpole and flag to our building and the majority of us loved the idea.

Don quickly went to work to get the appropriate approvals, obtained the lighted pole and flag, and had it installed. He accomplished all this in less than one month. Don, your Capistrano neighbors sincerely appreciate your efforts!

Being a custodian of an American flag requires us to be knowledgeable of the subject. While most of us already know this information, it is worth reiteration.

In December, 1942, Congress enacted the Federal Flag Code. Its purpose is to ensure proper respect for the American flag. Compliance with the code is purely voluntary. One of the guidelines is to properly illuminate a flag that is flown at night. Also, Section 6d of the code, specifies days on which the



flag should be flown at half-staff. The code includes other helpful information and can be accessed on the Internet or at the public library.

On April 6, Don Dorris and a companion got their fishing thrill of the year. In a secret location somewhere in the Tarpon Springs area, they caught their limit of snook and redfish. Mind you, this was in the same month that Don won a Match Play golf tournament title. I'd say that Don had a very successful April!

Our building is getting a spruce-up soon. In mid-April, our sidewalks were power washed. And, the front of our

Capistrano building captain Don Drake was the prime mover behind efforts to add this flagpole at the northeast corner of the building. (Photo by Joan Baptist)

building should be top coated soon. With our front maintenance completed and our new flag, our curb appeal will be greatly improved.



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From left to right: Dan Hooper, Robert Condiff, and Robert Anderson at Mr. Anderson's Sons of the American Revolution induction ceremony.

Resident inducted into Sons of the American Revolution

Fellow Brittany Farmhouse resident Robert Anderson was recently inducted into the Clearwater Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) by their secretary/treasurer, Dan Hooper (see photo above).

Robert Condiff, the president of the organization, officiated at the ceremony April 20 at the Dunedin Golf Club.

Thanks to Bob's interest in genealogy, he was able to trace his family tree back to a point of having an ancestor who fought for the American Independence during the years 1774-1783.

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Maybe it inspires some of you to research your family history to find out if your ancestors also fought for or actively supported the cause of American Independence during the years 1774-1783.

Happy Father's Day to all fathers among us!



A look back at the OTOW News (June, 1991)

By Cele Radeloff and Esta-Lee Schwartz

- The OTOW Press Association officers for 1991-92 were installed at the May meeting. Their photos were featured on the front page of the On Top of the World News. (It was nice to see Mr. Sidney Colen's photo there, as well as those of Jan Tipton, Leo Teske, Al Ackermann and Leslee Colen.)
- The Mandalay Bridge at Sumatran Drive was designed by resident Roger Riha, who also constructed the bridge with the help of Tom Lawson and the OTOW woodworking shop. Others who assisted in painting and hauling lumber and stones, etc., were Morris Michaels, Warren Raucher and Bob Bishop.
- Seven churches advertised in our June, 1991 issue, showing addresses, times of worship and directions to their locations. They were of various denominations. St. Michael the Archangel advertised itself as the "Catholic parish for On Top of the World."
- A handy map of OTOW was featured in the newspaper for the convenience of residents and their guests. It also showed the bus stops for tours and day trips.
- The "OTOW Joy Group" entertained AARP's Chapter 46 in Dunedin. Grace Galella was a great mistress of ceremonies, while Nick Del Vacchio played the music for the dancers. The OTOW Line Dancers opened the show, followed by the OTOW "TOW Tappers," made up of Joyce Beurkens, Millie Hopper, Cele Radeloff and Mary Allen. They were a big hit!

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It's difficult to say 'so long' to a popular 31-year resident

In the four years I have lived here, one of the hardest things to get used to is when a resident comes to you and says, "I'm moving back north to live with my family."

I heard this from one of our longest-term residents, Dorothy Carpenito. After 31 years here at On Top of the World — six years on Rhodesian Drive and 25 years at English Tudor — she was moving. She will be closer to family in Pennsylvania.

Dorothy always has a smile on her face and her shoes on and her purse in her hand when the OTOW bus came by in the morning. I don't think she ever missed a planned event.

This is a neat homily I read about leaving friends, "the only reason we're saying goodbye is so that we get a chance to say hello again." We surely hope this is true.

On her last week here, resident Cecile Sangiamo put together a good-bye lunch for Dorothy at Our Place on Main Street across from Kally K's



(see photo at right). Attending was guest of honor Dorothy, Cecile, JoAnn Dameron, me and my niece Karen, who was visiting from Metamora, Illinois.

Dorothy will surely be missed. A lot of English Tudor years were represented at that table: Dorothy's 25, Cecile's 23, JoAnn's 20 and my four.

My niece Karen was quite the workhorse. This woman pressure-washed the front and back patios and cleaned the patio rug, washed the



Left to right JoAnn Dameron, Cecile Sangiamo, guest of honor Dorothy Carpenito, reporter Kay Tenuda and Kay's niece Karen enjoy a good-bye luncheon for Dorothy.

chairs and cushions, laid seven bags of mulch and the next day washed all the windows and trimmed all the potted plants. People were calling me for her phone number so she could work for them, too!

Our event planner JoAnn Dameron is working on a breakfast or early bird

dinner sometime around the middle of June. We have several new residents and maybe we can meet them at a group outing. Check the bulletin board for the date.

Have a wonderful June and watch out for the children on the roadways as they will be out of school.

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Long-time Nagoya couple leaves a legacy

Good-byes are not easy. Friends gathered at Queen's Pizza on April 30 to bid farewell to longtime Nagoya residents, Max and Judy Mieth.

Judy's soft spoken voice and Max's wave from his third floor overlook are very much missed.

Judy and Max have been a foundation of our building for 13 years. Max took on the many duties as building captain alongside their close friend, Norman Workman, for 10 years. The couple has always been among the first to welcome newcomers, organize fun times, troubleshoot problems, and make Nagoya home sweet home.

Family has beckoned them back to Indiana. Two children, eight grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren are happy to have them close by again.

Thirteen years ago, the Mieths made a visit for one week to On Top of the World. They fell in love with the community. Max knew right away he wanted the third floor unit with his treetop view of the sky's changing colors.

When asked to reflect on favorite past memories, Max and Judy looked back over the years with Norman's help. The three friends remembered many events and each prompted memories of many friends. "It was the people," Max said. "We knew everyone." Friends were like family.

Judy described a building that was constantly active. Tables of card games in the hallways, ice cream socials, and oven-baked pizzas made right in the core, and countless parties and meals.

There were many outings, but she particularly enjoyed the stay-at-home fun they all put together.



Decorating for Christmas was a highlight. In the past, as many as 20 Nagoya elves decorated a festive building each year. Judy laughed as she remembered her first holiday at OTOW. One of the older residents said to her "how nice to have you young people helping." "Well, we aren't the young ones anymore," Judy smiled. New elves are needed.

"We are animal lovers," Max said. Favorite memories include helping out their late friend, Bill Sharpstein, with his remarkable work with numerous adopted greyhound dogs. They walked dogs. They chased dogs. They looked for dogs that strayed.

Bill's memorial service touched Max. When they arrived, they saw the church welcomed humans and greyhound dogs to their dear friend's service. "There were open spaces between the chairs where the greyhound dogs sat. I knew I wanted to attend that church." Max and Judy became members of the Countryside Community Church.

Max and Judy were among the founders of the Hoosier Club. They are proud to see their club continue today.



Nagoya featured residents Judy and Max Mieth, who are departing OTOW for Indiana after many years here. A farewell party was held in their honor on April 30.

They were active members of the set-up committee for dances and programs for many years.

As we talked, Judy was busy returning many keys they have safeguarded for neighbors in case of emergencies and lockouts. She also had a long list of neighbors' phone numbers kept year after year.

Max and Judy have led by example. They encourage other Nagoya residents to enjoy what they have experienced. "Enjoy friendships. Get to know each other," Judy encouraged. "Take time to be involved. Be involved, be involved."



Residents' son hosts visit and tour of NYC

The parking lot on the Ecuadorian side of the building was recently repaved. We are all very thankful as it looks great.

Chuck and Dot Wingo are in the process of remodeling their condo. Chuck's parents were the original owners. Over the past year, my husband, Wally, and I have gotten to know the Wingos on a more personal level.

We joined them for lunch at Longhorn a few weeks ago. The four of us were able to learn more about each other's birth places, schooling, hobbies and children.

Chuck and Dot's son was married last year. Their son went to college in New York City and met his future wife while in school.

Their son grew up in Georgia. Moving into a tiny expensive New York apartment was culture shock. But the heart wants what the heart wants.

The Wingos took a trip last month to visit with their son and daughter-in-law. The family enjoys visiting museums and site seeing.

The last time we went out for dinner together, Chuck shared information about one of the site-seeing trips they took. The trip included the history of the New York tenements. There are actual records that were kept by the city that revealed the names of some of the first immigrants that lived in the buildings. It was quite interesting.

Their trip was not long enough to visit the World Trade Center Memorial. Perhaps the next time they are in New York, they will be able to see the memorable tribute.

"Till We Meet Again"

Fun but exhausting: visits by young-uns

Since the last issue of the newspaper, we had a couple of social gatherings to wish our Snowbirds a safe journey north.

Our monthly luncheon took place at the Outback and the May "birthday bash" was held at Ozona Blue. Twenty-two well-wishers sang the birthday song to seven celebrants of the month. We hope their special day was a happy one.

I had the pleasure of having a visit from my daughter, her two children, her husband and two great-grandchildren, ages 4 and 2. They had been vacationing at my other daughter's time share in Orlando. They came for the day.

We had a great lunch at Sunset Grill and then the fun (?) began. The boys blew and caught bubbles, explored every nook and cranny of my condo. I had forgotten how much energy young ones have.



Diana Bendert can relate and attest to young ones' boundless energy as she volunteered to fly to Michigan to care for two young grandchildren so that her daughter and husband could have a weekend get-away to celebrate a wedding anniversary. She commented that it took her two days to recover!

There were several residents who

had visitors for Mother's Day. I believe that there were six or seven mothers who answered the doorbell to see Pat Volheim offering them a cupcake to celebrate the occasion. Thank you, Pat, for the fine gesture.

"Thank-you" also goes to Ralph Wells and Judy Boley for organizing and setting up our farewell "get-to-gathers." The people who brought snacks and goodies for these affairs also deserve a pat on the back. Gin Upton and Reta Carney are two others who are always helping out some way or another. Their specialty lately has been to cut and serve the birthday cakes.

As always, I remind you to check the bulletin boards for notices and dates to remember. The "birthday bash" is always on the first Wednesday of the month and the ladies' luncheon is slated for the third Monday of the month. Hope to see you all there.

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Here's a switch: Daughter was a resident before her mom

By Kathleen Santosuosso

Just how many current On Top of the World residents are second or third generation? More than you think and this column will highlight them each month.

Candice Peace

Candice Peace and her mother, Carolyn Hendrickson, travel together, walk together, and lunch together. But Candice, the daughter, was at On Top of the World first.

Candice and her husband, Fred, grew up in rural Kentucky and just across the state line in Tennessee. When they were first married, they lived in Brandon, Fla. They loved the beach and hoped to live closer to the ocean one day.

Although they moved back to Tennessee, they still considered buying a condo in Florida. In 1999, Fred drove through OTOW and told Candice it was wonderful. Best of all, dogs were allowed.

So, they bought a one-bedroom and renovated it. Since that time, they sold that and bought a two-bedroom/one-bath unit. Finally, two years ago, after Candice retired, they sold that unit and bought the nearly 1,700 foot Grand Model in Malaguena. This is the keeper!

Sadly, in 2011, Carolyn's husband Max passed away. At Candice's insistence, Carolyn bought a unit on the first floor of the Melbourne building.



Living at OTOW reminds Carolyn of her childhood in Kentucky. When she sits on her front porch, the neighbors stop by and chat, just as they used to visit her on her front porch swing.

Carolyn and Candice recently picked organic blueberries, and Carolyn made blueberry preserves, just as she had done in Kentucky and Tennessee. The difference is there is more to do here, more social activities and very little yard work.

Carolyn is a member of Clearwater New Neighbors, a women's group that enjoys fashion shows, speakers, singers and musicians along with lunch in area restaurants. She also tries her hand at OTOW crafts and makes kiln-heated bottles for original gifts.

An exercise devotee, she uses her FitBit watch to confirm how many miles she has walked. Carolyn feels



Candice Peace and her mother, Carolyn, pause during a walk along the Lake Arbor path, near Candice's condo.

safe within OTOW while walking or biking.

Candice and Carolyn recently went to Cuba together with the OTOW Travel Club and joined the Safety Harbor Lunch Bunch (Safety Harbor Community Center) that goes to new restaurants in Tampa, Sarasota, and elsewhere for a \$5 private bus fee and the cost of lunch.

They also walk together with the OTOW Sisterhood Team in the St. Petersburg Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk that takes place every October.

Candice volunteers as an usher at Ruth Eckerd Hall, exercises with the Ladies 8 a.m. Exercise Class, and rides her recumbent bike on some of the area bike trails.

For a mother and daughter, there's always plenty to do at OTOW!

If you are a second or third generation OTOW resident, call us at 727-470-2989 and we'll interview you for this column!

Keeping busy with trips and get-togethers

It has been very busy at the Flamenco, as parties, trips, visitors and get-togethers are all very common at this time of the year.

The ladies gathered at the "Rumba" for our monthly luncheon with 13 ladies and two guests, who included Dawn Rubio's son and Don and Jeri Hunter's nephew.

Jeanne Grant hosted a "Get Acquainted" party so she could meet all the new residents of our condo.

Shirley Crowder joined her daughter and granddaughter on a trip to Asheville, N.C., where her granddaughter competed in gymnastics. They also visited the Biltmore Estate, and attended a retreat with her daughter for three days.

Debbie Allen visited her son up North. She and Elaine Whaley drove a beautiful new auto all the way to New Jersey for a baby shower! And we want



to welcome Sheila Alonza back after her trip north to visit relatives.

Many things are being planned for this summer and that means we will be busier than ever—but having a great time!

Live, laugh and love for today—it might be the best day you will have!

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A look at Loch Lomond's solutions for storage room issues

In April, there was a volunteer coordination meeting held in the Craft Room of the East Activity Center.

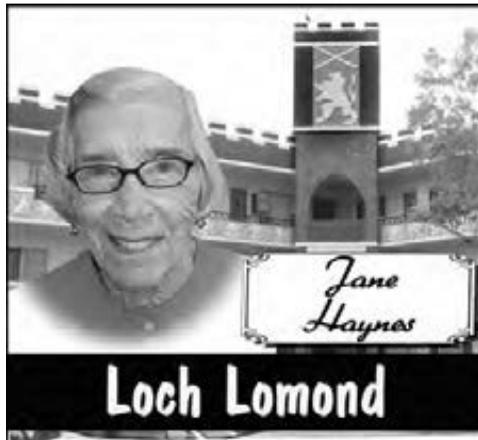
The meeting was called to share suggestions for organizing functionality of building to encourage residents to be ready to smooth over any problems that may arise whenever 50-90 people from various places and ways of life find themselves in what may be a new experience.

Our building no longer has any original residents, but we do have many with long memories of give and take.

About four years ago we decided the storerooms were almost hopeless, but several residents suggested that we advertise a coming Saturday as an organization day. Many showed up early on that cool day, supplies in hand and several ideas on paper.

Space was measured and marked off. All junk (lots of it: abandoned golf clubs, luggage, broken furniture, etc.), was carried away by a truck we had hired for the purpose.

Measured clean spaces were assigned a number and shelves. This has worked much better. Keys need to have an agreed-upon system and one or two people willing to assume responsibility.



The bike room — a very small space — held more rusted-out junk. Anything not working and unlabeled was hauled away.

These rooms have been workable since then, although with so many bicycles, the bike room could become a problem, but we usually foresee it and prevent it. Snowbirds are asked to store their bikes in their own units for the summer.

Remember that trash rooms can become odorous, if not properly looked after. Recycling also has some rules that need to be followed.

Management posts lists of things not allowed in common rooms and areas.



Loch Lomond residents and guests enjoy lunch at the Varsity Grill on April 25.

Monthly luncheons are convenient on-going get-togethers if a bit of planning, and a prominent, attractive sign-up poster is displayed on a conspicuous bulletin board.

It is impossible to pick a time and/or date that suits everyone, but right now we have the Woods (Linda and Phil), who do a very good job. They are very familiar with good local restaurants and usually have 18-22 people show up each month. As of now the luncheons are Mondays at

11:30 a.m. We share rides if needed and spend an hour or two getting to know our fellow neighbors. Look for the poster and sign-up sheet.

As shown in the accompanying photo, April's happy diners included Lucille Greenhaigh, Lyle Johnson, Patti Branch, Ken Gardner, Nancy and Pete Combs, Linda and Phil Woods, and Jim Jackson and his daughter Barbara (who visited for a week or so).

Enjoy the fine weather for biking, boating, travelling and try to stay safe.

Successful barbeque attracts more than 50



Would anyone like another hamburger or hot dog? This is a familiar question at our annual building barbeque (see photo).

With a turnout of over 50 people, everyone had a wonderful time. What started out to be an overcast chilly day became a sunny, memorable party! Many residents made side dishes and desserts that were enjoyed throughout the afternoon.

Thanks to our wonderful neighbors, the grills were manned, the tables and chairs were set up and cold and hot drinks were available. I know I'm looking forward to more events like this one and I hope the rest of our building activities will be enjoyed equally!



Mike Cooper takes his turn flipping burgers on the big 5-burner grill during a recent Modernage building barbeque. More than 50 residents attended the affair. (Photo by Bill Mooney)

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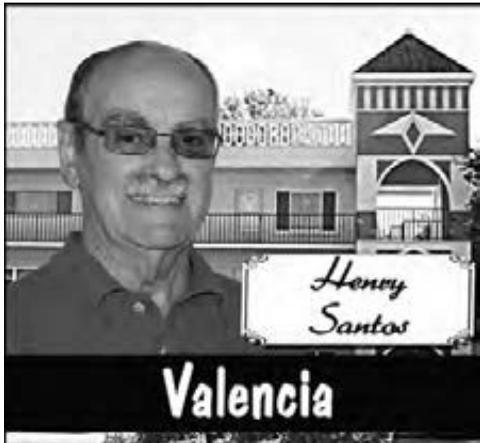
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Attendees chip in to make building cookout a success



Valencia residents enjoy a recent building cookout. Attendees brought various dishes to accompany the delicious grilled hot dogs and hamburgers. (Photo by Henry Santos)

Valencia's "Mystery Person of the Month." See story for details and clues.

Just an observation, but does it seem like it's a little quieter around here, less traffic on the road, the lines at Publix a little shorter, and the restaurants a little roomier with their prices a little lower?

Well we have just witnessed another human migration north. On the other hand, those who chose to stay behind know exactly what kind of weather to expect: hot!

The April ladies luncheon group, the Dining Divas, met at the Home Plate restaurant in Dunedin, and as usual, came back happier than when they left. I think we are missing something, guys.

The men's lunch group, the R-O-M-E-O-S, skipped the luncheon this

past April. Apparently the luncheon the month before held at Hooters was a little too much and some needed time to recoup.

We had our building cookout last month hosted by Mike Turboline with his canine buddy Morgan, assisted by Steve and Peggy DuVall along with many volunteers to help with the set up (see photo at top).

The grilling duties were shared by Phil Roth and Mike Martin who both did an outstanding job of meeting the demands of dogs, burgers (rare, well-

done, with or without cheese, etc.) Whatever you wanted, you got.

Everybody chipped in and brought something and, of course, the desserts added the nice finishing touch. Alexandra Mountrakis brought her homemade, coconut-topped cake. I don't know what you call it, but I call it delicious!

The fun part was watching Jennifer Blizin, who was able to release some inner emotions by just whacking the piñata into submission. She later put it out of its misery with a coup-de-grace

to the heart when it fell to the ground. Way to go, Jennifer!

Finally, last month's "Who's that Mystery Person?" I thought this one would fool you, but surprisingly, many figured it out. Yup, it was Fritz Kocka.

The clue to the new mystery person's first name is in the following anagram: "Launder Jan soon." Good luck!

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New Rila resident hails from Chicago



I noted in a previous article that I would start introducing our new neighbors, so I would like you to meet Karen Ashona (see photo at right).

Karen Ashona lives on the Florentine side of Rila Renaissance. Karen moved to On Top of the World after retiring. She knew about our community from visiting her aunt and uncle, who live in the Aloha building.

Karen is from Chicago. She was a nurse for years and became self-employed. She traveled often to many cities as a pharmaceutical investigator of drug studies. She has one brother.

Like most residents, Karen enjoys living here very much. She is a golfer

Featured resident Karen Ashona (left) pauses during a chat with OTOW News Rila Renaissance reporter Arlene Bergen. (Photo by Bill Bergen)

and enjoys playing golf with her uncle. She joined the 18-hole ladies golf club. She is also learning how to play bridge at the Clearwater Bridge Association.

We all welcome Karen to Rila Renaissance and are sure she will enjoy our many activities!

George Shenkel and Sherry Ivy want to thank their wonderful neighbors and friends for showing so much

kindness and help. Also, they thank you for all the wonderful cards and yummy food. From the bottom of their hearts, they again say thank you to our wonderful family at Rila Renaissance.

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

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Just in case you needed some more snow pictures

On a recent quick trip to Maine we were greeted with snow! (See the accompanying images of tulips and pansies.) We had to dig out winter parkas and cranked up the furnace. Suffice it to say that we were not pleased. North of us got seven inches of fluff.

May brings spring flowers but in Maine it can also bring plowable snow. It's a reminder of why we are here at On Top of the World!

While in Maine, husband Hal celebrated his birthday, which meant a hefty lobster feed thanks to our son Mike. Not being a lobster eater, I enjoyed spaghetti.

Our building cocktail party was attended by some 14 merrymakers. It's a nice social and fun to catch up on news. Look for next "happy hour" date posted in the elevator and core bulletin board.

Steve Mazurek got the okay to buy new flags for the building. Thanks to Steve, our building will be well-represented with Old Glory on Flag



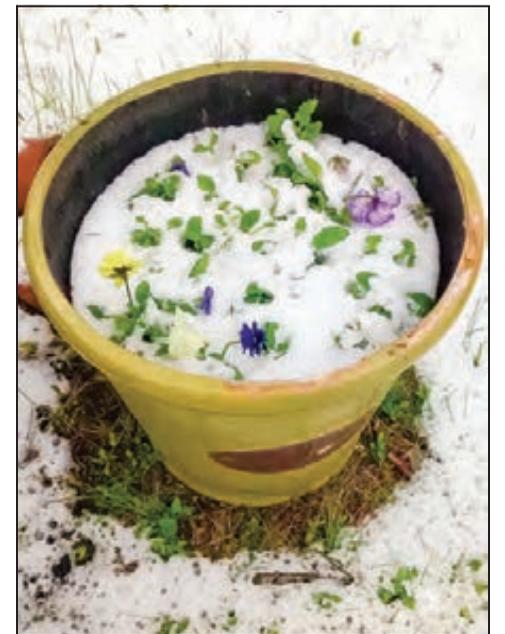
Day. Kudos to Steve and Fred Schick for being keepers of the flags.

Skipper Bill Carey left a supply of contact information sheets in the core. If you have filled one out in the past, please look it over as some information may need updating.

Also providing an e-mail address and contact phone number to your wing captain or Bill Carey is a wise idea. It's for the safety of your property and everyone else in our building in case of an emergency. Remember



Tulips ready to come up from the ground (left) and a pot of blooming pansies (right) feel the effects of an unexpected spring snow event in Maine. (Photo by Mike Leonard)



to please have someone check your place weekly in your absence. And remember to leave a set of car keys with a trusted friend in case your car has to be moved.

Birthday and anniversary wishes to all June celebrants. Happy Father's Day to all the daddies out there! Please forward any new fits to print to me at fresca@maine.rr.com.

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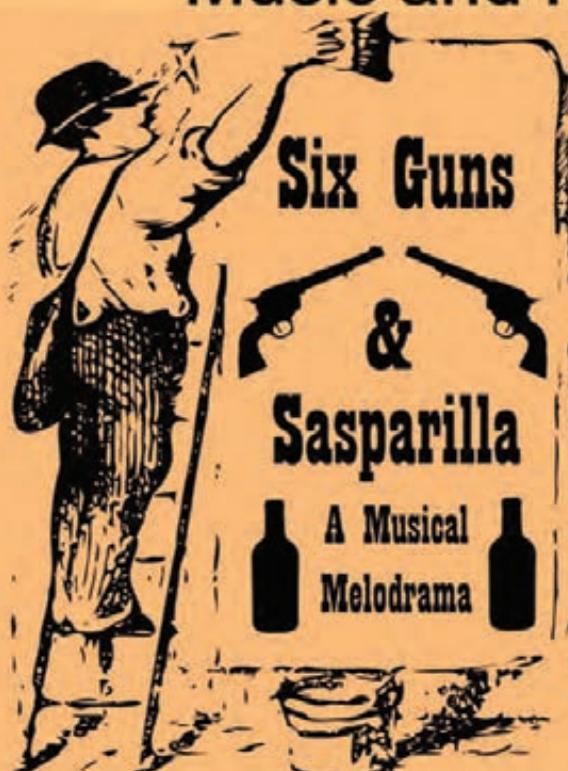
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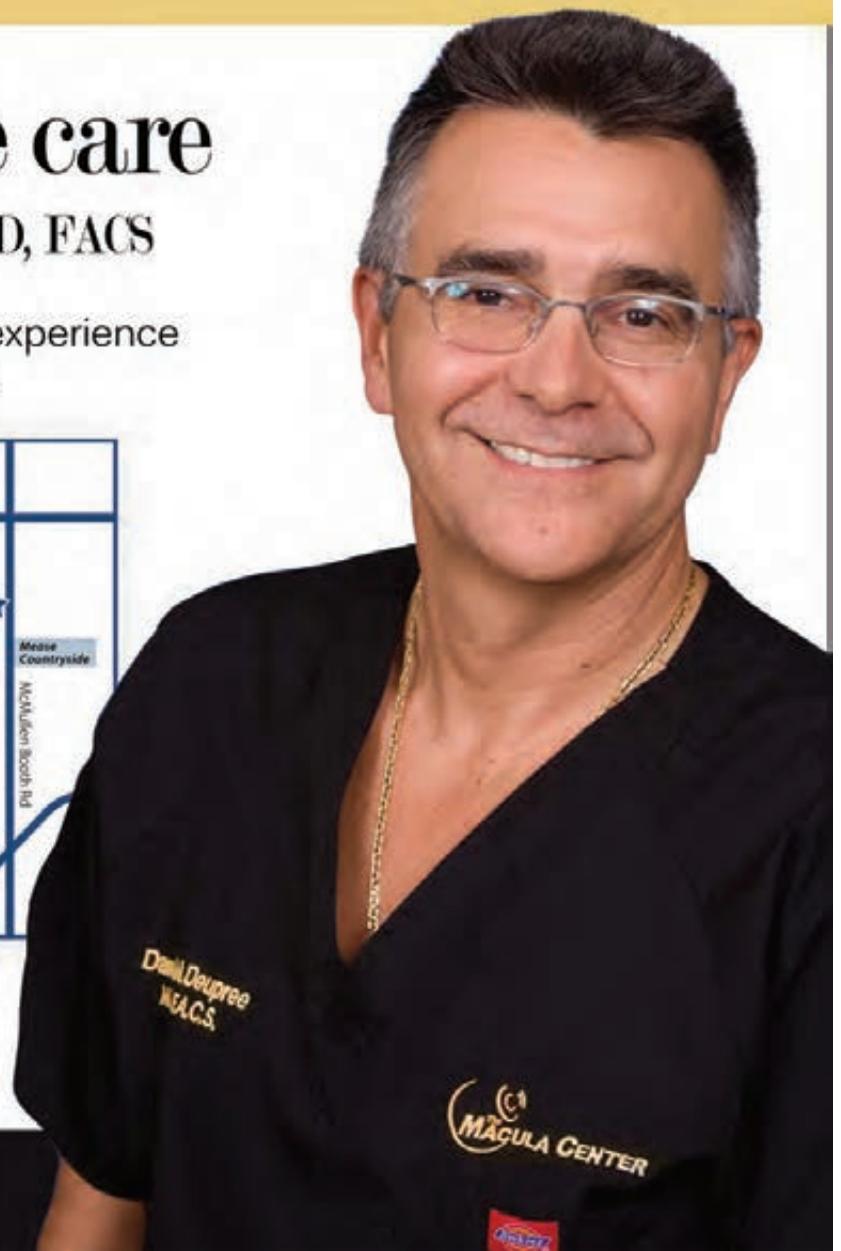
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Annual Azores fishing trip yields a satisfactory catch

We started May with Mother's Day. A day we gave special thought and attention to that lovely lady that was our hero when we were young.

Mothers were our earliest caregivers, then our guides and later our mentors. Always loving. Three cheers for our mothers and our wives, the special ladies in our lives!

The Azores has two new flagpoles, complete with flags and solar-powered lights at the top. This occurred so quickly because of the generous response of our building community. The flag poles were installed and fully functional on Earth Day. Thanks, everyone!

Most of the Snowbirds are out of here. For many of us that stay behind, it is a great time of the year to enjoy our parks. I especially enjoy a quiet picnic and walk in Philippe Park... restful.

Carmel Tomich has returned home after visiting family in Pennsylvania. She announced her return by bringing me a big helping of her cabbage roll. Great, tasty dish. Thank you.

The Azores R.O.M.E.O.s annual fishing outing was a success with 60



catches, 40 keepers and 15 whoppers that got away. The trip was designed to distract us from recent income tax payments.

Gerald Smith organized the trip, which was enjoyed by Tom Pirrello, Hugh Abner, John Parham, Don Kiselyk, Jim Williams and Bob Kelly. The fish stories will continue and grow until next year. Check out the accompanying picture and the awesome string of fish.

Memorial Day reminded us of our debt to those who fought and died to



Fishing buddies pictured left to right: John Parham, Bob Kelly, a string of "junior high school" fish, Hugh Abner and Gerald Smith.

insure our freedoms and our culture.

The Whack-A-Ballers have a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Great

weather for golf. Check the bulletin board for up-coming events and maybe stick a little something in my in-box.

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Bob and Leslie Waring enjoyed a trip to Philadelphia this past month.

They visited their son's family with whom they have two granddaughters. Their oldest granddaughter was appearing in the play "The Miracle Worker," the drama based on Helen Keller's autobiography (see photo). Their granddaughter had a lead role as Anne Sullivan, Helen Keller's teacher.

So now it is summertime and no more clubs, no more baseball, bowling and a few other sports, but there is still plenty to do. The swimming pool is now open until 8 p.m. Tennis is still being played. Golf is still played every day and some evenings. Maybe you like cards or



Bob and Leslie Waring's granddaughter (right) playing the role of Helen Keller's teacher, Anne Sullivan, in a recent three-night Northampton, Pa., production of "The Miracle Worker." (Photo by Kim Weimer, Bucks County Courier-Times)

bingo — why not try them out?

The Entertainment Committee has started for the first time having live entertainment in the summer. These shows will be one Thursday every month. Come to the activity center on Monday or Thursday and buy a ticket.

There are lots of activities at OTOW in the summer. But if you ever get tired of doing too much, just sit back and enjoy doing nothing!

We have a few people leaving our building to live somewhere else. We all wish you the best of luck.

Our building has been enjoying going out once a month to have dinner at different restaurants. Everyone in the building is invited. Just watch the bulletin board for complete information.

To those who will be traveling this summer, be safe and return soon.

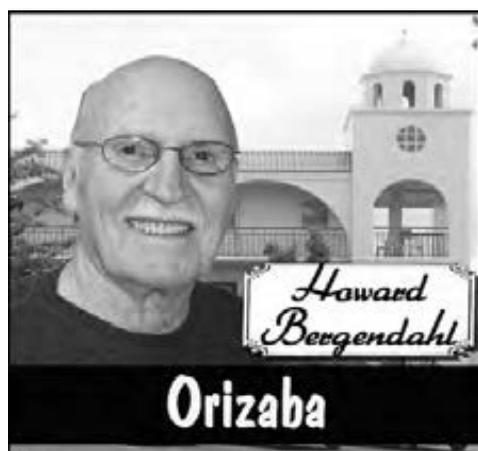


Kudos to our dedicated OTOW maintenance personnel

Happy Father's day to all the fathers, grandfathers, step-fathers, great grandfathers and all those who think they might be fathers but are not sure.

The summer season is upon us in full bloom here at On Top of the World. I took a walk around the building and it was difficult to find any residents who were out enjoying our beautiful weather.

While many of our Snowbirds are adjusting to cooler weather wherever they may be, our year-round residents are finding that the pool is more available and really relaxing this time of year, the roadways are not quite so



congested and the restaurants have plenty of seats for you.

During one of my many sojourns, I had the chance to see the OTOW maintenance people in action. The landscaping crew, the roadway repairers, the building custodians and all of their associates have to be applauded for the good job that they do while keeping our complex neat and livable.

While we may have many individual complaints about a fix that is needed, including my own, the general upkeep is nice and is improving all the time. If you notice something that doesn't look right notify the Community Service Office in the East Activity Center.

A trip to Johnnies Restaurant, sponsored by Amy Odorisio, for April was followed by Linda Ledesma hosting a trip to Cheddar's for May.

Al Corcoran reports that Louise Watkins is doing well and we all send our best wishes, as well as to Ed Fournier, whom Jackie Blair says is back to his old, lovable self!

Happy birthday to Fran Grillo and Barbara Chigos.

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Building meeting results in many signing on as volunteers

The annual building meeting for Austrian Alpine was well-attended and enthusiastic.

At the meeting, 16 residents volunteered as building coordinators, wing coordinators, treasurer, secretary, building list volunteer, storage room guru, newspaper writer and building hospitality team.

In addition, a different building event host will hold an event each month.

The building volunteers' responsibilities were clarified through the documents distributed by the Building Coordinator Project. This clarification made it easier for the volunteers to get involved in a positive way.

Norita Evans hosted the first event, a Saturday Coffee Hour (see photo at far right). Additional volunteers



helped with the set-up and clean-up of the tables and coffee pots. There were more than enough tasty treats, both homemade and courtesy of our friends at Dunkin Donuts!

The 30 breakfasters met new residents and old friends for convivial conversation and smiles.



Norita Evans recently hosted a Saturday Coffee Hour for Austrian Alpine residents. More than 30 breakfasters were on hand to partake of coffee and a variety of tasty treats.

Mark your calendars for our holiday celebration at the Island Way Grill on Dec. 5 from 4:30–6:30 p.m. A bus will pick us up at 4 p.m.

Our storage room cleanup of the first and second floors was a complete success! Jan Stiffler, our storage room

guru, supervised. Fifteen volunteers consolidated items, swept, tossed and sweated. Thank you, volunteers!

Dulci Boyce will host our June event, a luncheon, so check the bulletin board for the date and time.

Meet another accomplished Chetnik artist

Our building has some very accomplished residents — for example, Gus Smith and John Koning are published authors.

Betty McKay is another one to add to the list.

Betty was brought up on her parents' 390-acre farm in southern Indiana. The farm grew corn and oats and had fruit tree orchards. There were also cattle, pigs, chickens, and horses. Growing up, Betty and her siblings helped out on the farm.

Later, she graduated from Indiana Central Business College and worked for years as a secretary until she married. Then she became a stay-at-home mom raising her four children.

During this time, she took an adult education course in decoupage (which, simply put, is a craft or art form that entails pasting cut-outs, typically paper, to an object and then covering them with several coats of varnish



or lacquer). Betty advanced far enough in her studies to teach the craft. She certainly has artistic talent!

Another form of decoupage is repousse, which Betty mastered through extensive seminars and practical experience in her own classes.

Betty taught every facet of decoupage in adult education programs, and also taught at the Toledo (Ohio)

Museum of Art for several years.

She studied retail merchandising at Wayne State University and eventually managed her own successful shop, Deco-Craft in St. Claire Shores, Mich.

She wrote a book on how to design repousse, which was published by the Connoisseur School of Decoupage.

Betty was one of the first to qualify for membership in the National Guild of Decoupeurs and was very active in the Michigan Chapter.

Betty loves living here at On Top of the World with oodles of friends. She golfs in a league and plays bridge and pinochle. Her children are all academically accomplished, but that would be for another column.

In May, John and I took off for Candler, N.C. (near Asheville) for a week to celebrate our daughter's birthday.

Happy Father's Day to all!

Bible Study Club

Bob Reis, President

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

The club meets 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.

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They went far away to get 'bling' for their wedding

Our Englander residents are constantly on the move!

Frank McGuire just returned from one of his bi-annual visits to Avenel, N.J. Although you can never "go home," it's nice to go back to see the old neighbors and friends.

In mid-April, Jerry and Diane Kaplan flew to Long Island, N.Y., for a few days to attend their grandson's bar mitzvah in Stony Brook. This was not only a good time to enjoy the celebration and to visit with all the relatives, but also gave them a chance to stop in at some of their favorite local New York restaurants.

Later in the month, the Kaplans had a visit from another grandson from New York who'd been in Washington, D.C., on a school trip. After enjoying Clearwater for a couple of days, they all drove to Miami so their grandson could catch up with his family during their vacation. Diane and Jerry were able to enjoy a few days in Miami with everyone before returning.

We all know BettyAnn Walker's love for world travel. Not only did she



meet her match for the love of seeing the world, but she's met her special partner for life.

Congratulations to BettyAnn and Issa Jetha, who were married in a private ceremony on Sunday, May 1, in Dunedin. We've all heard the commercial boasting "He went to Jareds..." implying that is the best place to shop for jewelry. Well, Issa topped that! He took BettyAnn to Dubai, United Arab Emirates, to shop for wedding rings.

Following their search for the perfect bling in Dubai, Mr. and Mrs. Jetha looked forward to a month-long



In this fanciful double view portrait, Issa and BettyAnn Jetha are shown at their May 1 wedding in Dunedin. They are planning a long journey together, both in life and in lots of traveling they wish to accomplish.

honeymoon traveling to Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia and Thailand.

The Jethas are back at their Englander home here at On Top of

the World planning their next trip with a goal of filling up their passports in the next 10 years. We wish BettyAnn and Issa a very happy life together!

Check out our spiffy new bulletin board treatment

Have you noticed anything different about our bulletin board next to the elevator?

It seems our newest neighbor, Mary Connolly, decided she wanted to make it look special, so she bought blue burlap and placed it over the board, securing the burlap with silver thumbtacks, and then added patriotic ribbons. Mary said she plans on decorating the Irish Lane side bulletin board as well. Thank you, Mary!

Carol Futej's daughter and son-in-law went to Daytona for the college cheerleaders dance competition championship, where her granddaughter competed for Ohio State and came in 8th in their division. Carol reports the area was lovely and the weather was perfect.

Betty and Larry Hayhurst went back to Parkersburg, W. Va., for a week in March and were glad to get back to Florida because the weather was rainy, cold and windy.

Val Kastner's son-in-law was in town for a few days and helped her toss obsolete items. Val reports he did happily wear her out with all the activity. In addition, Val's son was in town to spend Mother's Day with her.

Connie Valentin reports her nephew graduates in June and has been accepted into several colleges.

There were 19 Melbournites who attended our April lunch at Rumba's.



All enjoyed the food and conversation. That was the best attendance we've had since Christmas, and it was a great opportunity to say goodbye to our Snowbirds.

It is important that we have your emergency contact information for our records. If you haven't done so, please give your wing captain your emergency contact's name and telephone number, and be sure you have provided a friend or family member with a duplicate key to your condo in case of an emergency.

As always, check our bulletin board and sign up for our monthly luncheons. This is a time to get to know your neighbors. Have you taken an interesting vacation, cruise or trip? How about special events, anniversaries? Please let me know, and I will add your news to the July column.

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Original Espana owners watched building go up

This is the second of my columns on original Espana residents. This one is the story of how Tony and Jackie Manfredi got to On Top of the World.

Tony served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, serving in the European Theater.

After the war, Tony and Jackie lived in Irvington, N.J., where Tony worked as a Realtor. Jackie was a supervisor at a Health Insurance company and for two years worked for the FBI in Newark, N.J.

Although they lived in a northern state, Jackie and Tony came to the Clearwater area on vacations. When Tony worked as a realtor, they decided to purchase property in Spring Hill, north of New Port Richie.

They finally decided that they wanted to live in Florida. They moved to Englewood and lived there for 10 years. While living in Englewood, they decided to build a new house on their property in Spring Hill and lived there for three years.

The area in which they lived had very little shopping, movies, etc. so they kept coming to the Clearwater area.

After a while, they decided that



since they kept coming to Clearwater, they would like to live here. They heard of OTOW so they came down and rented in the Siboney building.

The Siboney was brand new at the time. They loved the area, their condo, and they enjoyed looking at the orange grove and the lake.

Then OTOW began building the Espana building in the area where the orange grove was. Totally, they lived in the Siboney for six years. For their last few years there they watched the Espana building being constructed.

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East Side..... 9:25 to 9:45 a.m.

Tuesday Afternoon

K-Mart & Countryside Mall

Paradise/West Side 12:30 to 12:50 p.m.
East Side..... 12:55 to 1:15 p.m.

Wednesday Morning

Publix (Sunset & Belcher)

Paradise/West Side.....8 to 8:20 a.m.
East Side..... 8:25 to 8:45 a.m.

Wednesday Afternoon

Aldi (Sunset & Lawson)

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.
East Side..... 8:25 to 8:45 a.m.

Thursday Afternoon

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Paradise/West Side.... 11 to 11:20 a.m.
East Side.....11:25 to 11:45 a.m.

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.
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- 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.

Ken Roland: Entertainment master and OTOW resident

Ken Roland started his journey into the world of entertainment at the ripe old age of 5, when he was part of an amateur theatrical company in his hometown of Gloucester, England.

His amateur status continued until he was 12. Then, he became part of a new television series called "The Teenage Show."

At 17, Ken took on his first professional engagements. But they were interrupted with Mandatory National Service in the Royal Air Force, where he produced shows for the Service Entertainment Department.

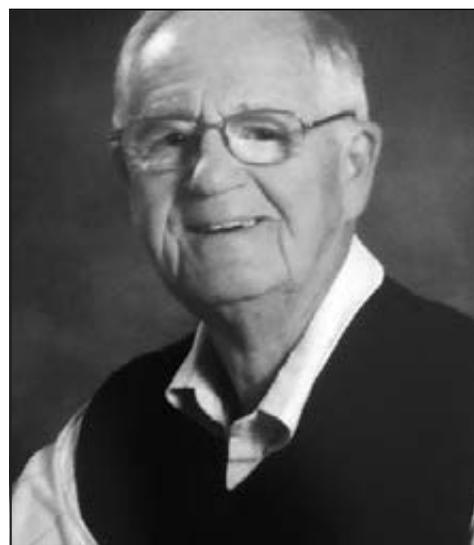
After Ken's release from the RAF, he spent the next 15 years performing in English theatres, night clubs — and as an international performer — with appearances in 56 countries.

Later, the recording industry



took notice of Ken. Both Columbia and Nevis records offered him recording contracts.

In 1971, Ken's career took another turn when he was asked to front two new dinner shows in London, which resulted in a 17-year association with The Caledonian, the same company



Featured resident Ken Roland began his show business career at the age of 5.

asking him to perform internationally, with contracts in Israel, Greece, Italy, France and Japan.

Ken's entertainment career eventually led him to the United States in 1989, where he became Director of Entertainment for Mecca Leisure, later to be Rank Leisure USA. During this time, he wrote, produced and directed dinner shows. Some of the shows included "Wild Bill's Dinner Show" in Buena Park, Calif.; a Mardi Gras show; "King Henry's Medieval Show;" and fronting the Blazing Pianos, in Orlando.

Later, he accepted the position of Senior Vice President for the company. What a career!

Ken is married to Tina, who was a dancer at the Star Dust in Las Vegas, The Folies Bergère in Paris, and The Talk of the Town in London. They have a home in Eastbourne, England, and here in the Baghdad Building.

Active month for visitors and travelers at Bohemia

Our building has had a very active month, as we have had social gatherings and residents traveling from coast to coast.

Shirley Golding traveled to Fort Worth, Texas, to visit her daughter who recently moved there.

It was her first opportunity to see her daughter's new home and to get a taste of the Old West. She was introduced to the home of chili cook-offs and Tex-Mex food.

She did consider coming home wearing boots and hat but realized summer was coming and they would be way too hot. Maybe next time.

Paula Schelling traveled to Seabrook on the west coast of the state of Washington. She relished the time there with her son, daughter-in-law and 6-year-old granddaughter. She enjoyed all the facilities the resort offered as well as delicious seafood fresh from the Pacific, and local wines.

Tradition held true as our building sponsored its annual going-away luncheon for our northern neighbors. It is an event that is held each year at Ozona Blue. This year 38 residents were in attendance.

Another Bohemia building tradition continues with its daily happy hour, weather permitting. The number varies from two to as many as 16 regulars, and 13 additional who drift in



and out, depending on what is occurring in their life and season of the year. It is informal, non-invitational with bring your own beverage.

Happy hour has its own four-legged mascot, named Brandy. She enthusiastically greets each person that attends, as well as people who are passing through and visiting. She's entertaining, happy and boosts everyone's spirits. Her owners, Carol and Jerry DeLisle, say she sits at their front door when it is close to happy hour and waits. We love you, Brandy!

Editor's Note: This column is now being written by Paula Schelling due to the fact that former writer Charlie Christ is suspending month-to-month writing of the column. The OTOW News thanks Charlie for his many years of newsy, interesting reports on the activities of Bohemia residents.

Bulletin board featured Memorial Day decor

Wow, it is June already and the flowers are blooming. What a beautiful time of the year!

Memorial Day was observed on May 30 of this year in honor of our deceased veterans. On our bulletin board in the first floor lobby Irma Torres made a beautiful memorial of pictures of family members of our residents that were veterans and now deceased. Thank you, Irma, for the great job you did.

Here is some history about Memorial Day that you may find interesting:

Memorial Day was originally called Decoration Day and was initiated to honor the soldiers for the Union and Confederate armies who died during the American Civil War. Celebrations honoring Civil War heroes started the year after the war ended.

The establishment of a public holiday was meant to unify the celebration as a national day of remembrance instead of a holiday separately by the Union and Confederate states. By the late 19th century, the holiday became known as Memorial Day and was expanded to include the deceased veterans of all the wars fought by American forces. In 1971, Memorial Day became a federal Monday holiday.

Our luncheon in April was at



the Acropol restaurant in Largo. We had 12 residents that attended the luncheon. Getting together with other residents in the building is a great way to get to know new people and enjoy good food and conversation.

At the May meeting, a cookout was discussed for the upcoming Fourth of July holiday. I will supply more information concerning the cookout in my next article. There will not be a meeting in June or July.

Also, please check the bulletin board for information for any upcoming events.

Check the On Top of the World News for the calendar of events going on at OTOW. You will find this information in the middle of the first section of the paper. Also, please do not forget to patronize the companies that advertise in our paper.

**OTOW Association General Meeting
10 a.m. Friday, June 10, EAC Auditorium**

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Basic Hurricane Preparation Tips

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

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

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

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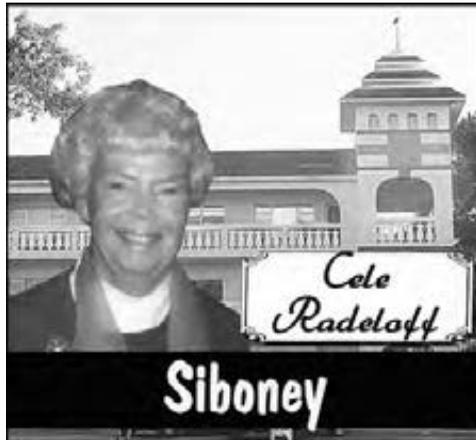
Remember the song, "Lulu's Back in Town" — only this time it's Laura!

Yes, Laura and Bob Evans made their annual visit to renew old acquaintances from On Top of the World. They live in St. Louis and were on their way to a son's home in Ft. Myers. Half their friends met them for breakfast and the rest of us enjoyed lunch with Laura and Bob at B.J.'s in the mall.

They look wonderful! Laura is still involved with various seminars at the YMCA. Laura sends her best regards to our editor, Doug Kates.

We had a wonderful turnout for our recent core party. Our neighbors come up with the most delicious dishes! The trifle in a cup filled with pound cake, mixed berries, lemon sauce and topped with whipped cream (spoon included) was a big hit with everyone! Thanks, Susan Rausch.

Our final building meeting was held in April and several issues were resolved. Audrey Jones purchased two new flags which will be installed shortly. We thank you for your support of our veterans.



At the meeting it was announced that our Christmas dinner will be on Thursday, Dec. 8, at the Island Way Grill on Island Estates. They will send two buses, each seating 11 guests. Watch the bulletin board for the sign-up sheet.

A breath of spring has crept into our lives here in the Siboney and her name is Cindy Stone, daughter of Barbara and Bob Stone. She lives in the Dorado building and has done so much for the seniors in both buildings. My friend, Ednamae Jordt, has been the recipient of Cindy's kindness several times now. Cindy will share her food

and even shred your old documents for you.

You can see the three Stones' artwork over our mailboxes. Cindy said it was her father's idea and she and Mom (Barbara) designed, sewed it, and put it up (with Dad's help). Such talent, and we appreciate your efforts to beautify our building!

Another nice gesture — Cindy held an open house on Mother's Day to celebrate that special day. We all enjoyed her hospitality.

Back in the Siboney, our neighbor, Cathy Amorello, enjoyed a two-week visit from her friend, Terry Blasie, who lives in Eastchester, N.Y. They have been friends for almost 40 years, having met at work. They attended two shows at Ruth Eckerd, enjoyed the Hard Rock Café and Derby Lane, and loved the dinner theater show.

We'll still have our monthly luncheons, thanks to Rita Tombari selecting the restaurant. Watch the bulletin board for details.

Happy Father's Day, and don't forget to fly the flag proudly!

See you next month.



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Dorothy Churchill, poses with her sister, her son and his wife in front of historic St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans during a recent family visit there.

Intrepid traveler takes a short trip to Louisiana

Our very active building traveler, Dorothy Churchill, took a short trip to Louisiana to visit her nephew and his wife in their new home.

Dorothy's sister, Ann, joined her. It was a great family reunion. They crossed the causeway over Lake Pontchartrain. At 26 miles in length, it is reputed to be the longest bridge over water in the world.

They spent the next few days visiting all the sights (see photo), enjoying all the activities, eating great food and keeping the economy going in all the cute little shops.

The next day was spent on a walking tour of New Orleans, seeing



the Mississippi River, really high due to a lot of rain. They ate at Monty's on the Square, a lovely place. Dorothy arrived home tired, but happy she went.

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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.***

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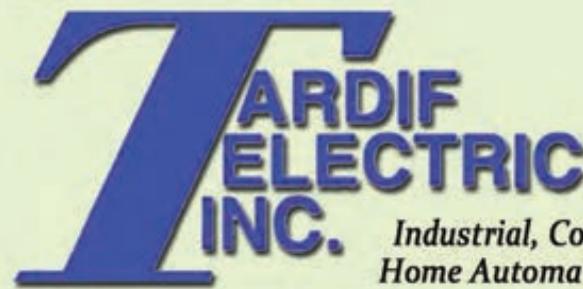
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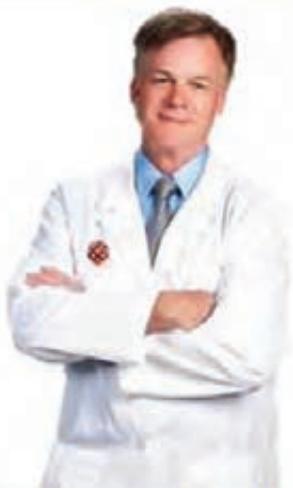
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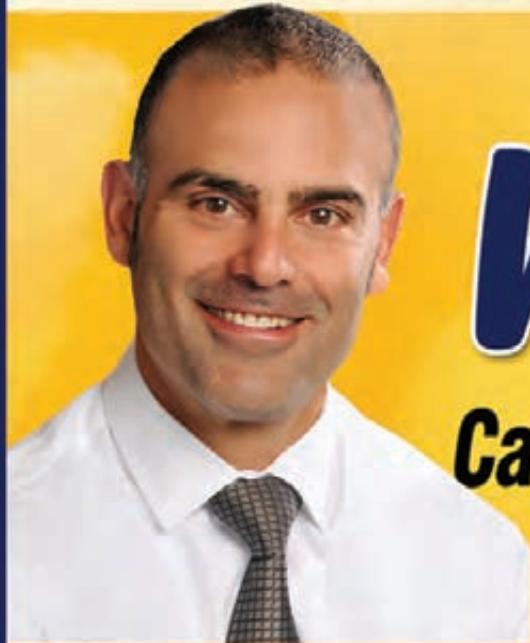
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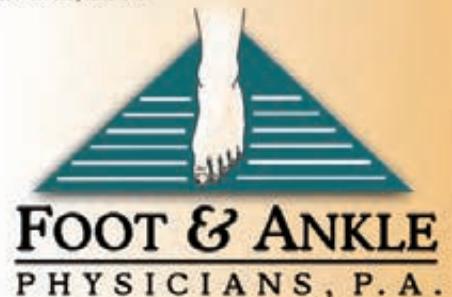
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