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Line Dance Club adds bright new faces, new sashes to St. Patrick's Day parade

By John Koning

The On Top of the World St. Patrick's Day parade is an eagerly anticipated annual event for good reason.

The parade combines traditions from past parades, like marching bands, beloved celebrities and brightly decorated floats, with delightful new entries every year.

It's nostalgic and fresh all at once.

Among the new arrivals for this year's parade are three beautiful ladies who have been itching to participate in this iconic Irish Club street party. They are symbolic of the new face of OTOW Line Dancing's St. Patrick's Day parade entry.

Madeleine Fontaine is an energetic line dancer who has been living in OTOW for two years as a seasonal resident. She recently acquired her green card and now calls our community home for most of the year, with the exception of a couple of months when she visits her family back in Quebec, Canada.

Madeleine has an incurable dancing addiction that she satisfies every weekday morning at 7 a.m. in the East Activity Center Exercise Room and then again every Tuesday afternoon and Saturday morning when the Line Dance Club meets.

She sees the parade as another wonderful opportunity to dance.

Debbie Mayo is a marine biologist, an environmentalist and an ocean swimmer. She has watched the parade from the sidelines for three years.

"Now," she says, "I have the chance to be in it! I just hope I don't mess up."

Then she adds with a mischievous twinkle, "If I don't show up for the parade it's because I got eaten by a shark while I was swimming. That's the only thing that could keep me away."

Watch for Debbie. She is the one who will be dancing with more joy than a toddler on Christmas morning.

Leila Walker and her husband, Randy, have recently moved to our sun-drenched community. Leila is a talented dancer with nerves of steel.

"I missed last year's parade," she says reflectively, "so I'm really looking forward to this year's event! I love being around line dancers because we always have so much fun. This parade will be a blast!"

Is Leila nervous about performing in



Debbie Mayo, Madeleine Fontaine and Leila Walker will be dancing in their first Irish Club parade this month. Watch for them when you see the line dancers.

this year's parade? One look in her eyes says it all, "Not for one second!"

Leila, Debbie and Madeleine were invited to perform with the rest of the OTOW Line Dancing parade performers this year, but not just because of their talent, which is obvious. It's because of their commitment to the street practices, their support for fellow dancers, their positive attitudes and great smiles. There are other dancers who have not yet been chosen for logistical reasons, but who are on the selection board's radar.

The rest of the 30-person OTOW parade dance team were invited to par-

ticipate for the same reason as these three ladies, or because they have already shown their ability, dedication and character in previous parades.

This is a single-minded group who will please the crowds at every corner and with every musical step they take. They represent the best part of OTOW Line Dancing and they demonstrate why the club has doubled in size in the last two years.

They also represent its bright future.

The club's new parade sashes are also brand new this year. They came almost as far as some of our Irish participants did to

be in the parade. They were manufactured in Great Britain and arrived within days of the parade. Their bright golden letters and green satin sheen had our dancers feeling very Irish when they posed for the photo above.

It could be said, "If you're not lucky enough to be Irish, at least you can be lucky for a day!"

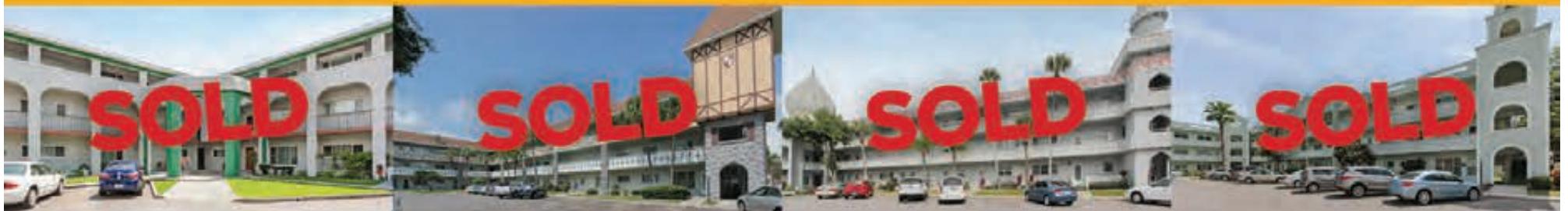
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Renovations at West Activity Center will call for temporary building closures

West Activity Centers

Ceiling renovations began in the West Activity Center Sunrise Room on Monday, Feb. 27.

The room will be closed during this time with plans to reopen on or around Friday, March 3. Notices will be posted throughout each Activity Center with additional information.

Beginning on Monday, April 17, and continuing through Friday, April 21, renovations will begin in the West Activity Center kitchen. As a reminder, the kitchen will not be available during or immediately following this time.

Extensive renovations to the West Activity Center will begin on Monday, April 24 and continue through Friday, May 26. The entire West Activity Center will be closed for resident use during this time. Vendors and employees involved with the renovation work will have access during this time.

The pool, spa and pool bathrooms will remain open during the renovations but will experience intermittent closures. Notices will be posted at each Activity Center, the otowclearwaterinfo.com Website and OTOW-TV channels 96, 98.1 and 732..

All dates listed above are subject to change based on weather, vendor delays, or other unforeseen interruptions. Notices will be posted and updated accordingly. Additional information can be obtained in the Community Service Office at the East Activity Center.

East Activity Center

As a reminder, we will be conducting spring cleaning of all club storage cabinets and closets.

Club assistance is required for this project.

Beginning now, and continuing through April 15, we ask that a club representative schedule a time for the inspec-



tion of your storage cabinets-closet(s). Please see Nancy in the Community Service Office.

Once the inspection is complete, items no longer used or broken will need to be removed and discarded or donated. Items that are necessary for current club activities may remain.

Inspections will be completed by each club and SCA staff. Be sure to designate a club member who can coordinate and represent your club during this event. A dumpster will be provided for your convenience. The dumpster is for club use only and will be located at the East Activity Center. Personal items may not be disposed of in the dumpster.

During the auditorium and adjoining room(s) repaint, it will be necessary to relocate your club cabinet(s) to an alternative location. All cabinets must be on wheels for easy transportation. Additional information can be obtained at the Community Service Office.

Save These Dates

One Blood will be at the East Activity Center North parking lot on Thursday, March 9 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. See Nancy in the Community Service Office to pre-register or for additional information.

The Florida Licensing Bus on Wheels or FLOW will be at the East Activity Cen-

ter North parking lot on April 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Additional information will be available in the April edition of the OTOW newspaper.

The AAA driving course will be held in the East Activity Center Starlite Room on April 13 and April 14 from 9 a.m. to noon. Additional information will be available in the April edition of the OTOW newspaper. The registration form is on page 61 of this newspaper.

Important Reminders

Please do not leave emergency information on the service request 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.

Important Phone Numbers

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.

Activity Card Information

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

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

Consumer Protection seminar set for March 8

March 6-10 is National Consumer Protection Week and a seminar will be taking place in the community to mark this week. The Pinellas County Office of Consumer Protection, the Community Service Office, and the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office will be sponsoring this event.

They will be coming to On Top of the World on Wednesday, March 8, from 9:30-11 a.m. in the East Activity Center auditorium.

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. The shred truck will also be here that day in the South parking lot off World Parkway Boulevard.

For more information see Nancy Rogers' column in this edition of the OTOW newspaper or stop down to the Community Service Office.

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

All guests must be accompanied by a resident any time they plan to use the SCA facilities, including the pool. As a reminder, the resident needs to remain with their guest while they enjoy the facilities. Any noncompliance matters are directed to the On Top of the World Association.



World Parkway Boulevard will be blocked

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along the parade route

Saturday, March 4, 10-11 a.m.

during the Irish Club parade.

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This is also a good time to update the Association on your emergency contacts.

Please take a moment to fill out the census information sheet on this page and return it to: 2069 World Parkway Boulevard East, Clearwater, FL, 33763 or drop the form off at the Community Service Office in the East Activity Center.

Alternatively, you may fill this form out online by visiting www.otowclearwaterinfo.com then click on the "Association" tab. Once you have completed the census form, click the Submit button and the information will be emailed to the Association.

On Top of the World Condominium Association, Inc.
Owner/Occupant Census (for Association Use Only)

Owner(s) Name(s): _____ Date of Birth _____
 _____ Date of Birth _____
 _____ Date of Birth _____

Occupant(s) Name(s): _____ Date of Birth _____
 (if not Owner(s)) _____ Date of Birth _____
 _____ Date of Birth _____

Do the occupants: Own
 (check one) Rent If rent: Lease start date _____ Lease end date _____

Bldg _____/Apt # _____

Condo Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

(If your mailing address is different from your condominium property address, please provide in the space above)

Telephone(s): (____) _____ (home) (____) _____ (cell) _____

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Do you wish to receive Association mailings, via email? ____ Yes ____ No

Email Address: 1. _____

Email Address: 2. _____

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OWNER EMERGENCY CONTACT UPDATE
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 Return completed form to the Community Service Office at
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Owner's Name: _____

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Find: The census form and emergency contacts form and fill out on your computer, mobile device or cell phone.

Click: Submit button. The information will be emailed to the OTOW Association.

Things are going to be busy around

Late March and April will be a little busier than usual around here.

Your Board is getting ready to start numerous high-profile projects around the community.

Fence replacement on Belcher Road is slated to start. Replacement will be in the same chain link material because of its functionality and cost. We considered an aluminum picket, but the cost, in excess of \$250,000, was pretty much a non-starter.

Work is also scheduled on the Belcher gate houses.

The East Activity Center (EAC) auditorium floor replacement will begin after May, as well as an interior repainting. Not to be forgotten is restoration work on the tennis courts. Sharon Licata assures me they were not constructed on a burial ground. Given the recurring challenges around drainage, I began to wonder if a poltergeist isn't at work.

We are taking this challenge as an opportunity to redesign the entire area and to reinvest into this community. The Board is working with a local Planner/Architect to create a master plan for the area, including a pavilion and a footprint for new shuffleboard courts.

Building 4

Building 4 fire restoration is on schedule for turnover to residents in late March.

Once the Association's work is completed, there should be another 60 days of resident work to return the condo to full habitability.

Safety Check-up

March is a great time for a safety check-up.

The holidays are over, family and guests are back wherever they came from, and it's just you and your home (finally!).

So ask yourself a simple question: What do I do if...?

Ask yourself, do I enjoy walking or biking in the community in the evening or early morning hours?

If the answer is yes, do you wear reflective clothing, carry a flashlight for signaling oncoming traffic, or have proper flashing red lights on your bicycle?

I enjoy walking in the community in the cooler weather and I'm the first to admit that sometimes I forget to take precautions. Note to self: practice what I preach!

Another lifesaving question to ask is: If I were to have a kitchen fire, do I have a fire extinguisher handy and could I use it?

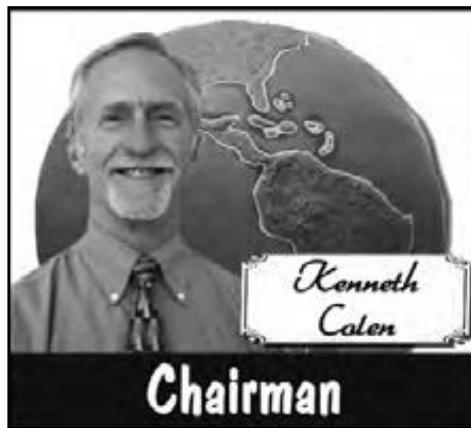
If I had a water leak into my unit, would I know what to do or who to call?

If I'm getting out of the tub or shower, is my bath mat absorbent and non-skid?

Do I have a grab rail that is properly installed in my tub or shower?

Have I overloaded any extension cord with too many plug-in items? This is much more common than you think!

If I have an after-market washer and dryer, were they properly installed by a licensed professional? If you can't answer "yes" to that question, you need to call a



licensed electrician to make sure the dryer is not overloading the electrical panel. This is much more common than most people appreciate. Is the washer draining into at least a 3 inch drain? If not, you may flood out yourself and several neighbors. Have a plumber check the drain connection.

Condominiums with dryer vent connections in the condo are the owner's obligation to have serviced. These dryer vents are considered to be a limited common element. Whether or not you have an originally built in dryer vent or if it was added in later, is it free of lint accumulation?

Lint accumulation presents a very real fire hazard. Call an appliance specialist to arrange a cleaning. Whether you have a vented or a ventless dryer, you must still clean the internal lint trap.

Do you have a first aid kit in the home? How old is it?

Do you maintain an up-to-date emergency contact list? Do you remember where it is? When was the list last updated?

The best recommendation is to keep a clearly legible list of current emergency contacts, your primary physician, and any medications you are taken in a clearly identified vial in the refrigerator. You'll also want to post a reminder on the refrigerator door that vital information is stored there. This can be a life or death difference to you should emergency responders be needed.

Community Updates

Painting/Waterproofing: As this article goes to print, residents in Buildings 23 and 39 should have seen painting crews applying new coatings to the front façade of those structures.

Due to good weather over the winter months, the contractor has been able to progress at a quicker pace than usual.

The next structures on the schedule for rear waterproof coatings will be buildings 18A, 8 and 48, and these projects are scheduled to be occurring in the month of March.

Once again, please keep in mind that the painting contractor will be operating on the rear façade of these buildings and may require residents to temporary relocate personal patio property in order to perform this work. As always, start dates are approximate and inclement weather can affect scheduling.

Construction, Roofing and large scope projects

Once again, due to favorable weather over the recent months, the contracted

roofing vendor is running ahead of schedule.

They had anticipated starting the project at Building 37 by the first week of March, but the optimal weather conditions have allowed for an acceleration in the removal and application process. By the time this article reaches the community, the contractor will already be close to completion of the project provided that the weather holds and there are no unforeseen delays in the permitting process.

Residents of Building 6 will most likely see the roofing contractor's teams by the first week of March. Please remember that the contractor will begin the staging and preparation activities in advance of the start of the work. This preparation will require the staged closure of the building's two parking lots, either partially or in their entirety, to allow for the safe and efficient operation by the contractor.

Bulletins will be posted in the building to document the contractor's activities during the project's duration. As always, please observe all cordoned off areas in the interests of safety.

New walkway lighting fixtures are slated for installation at Buildings 21, 83, and 89 in the month of March.

Residents may see Parkway Maintenance crews operating in the walkways and around unit entrance ways as this project progresses. Please watch your step around these work areas if you happen to encounter them.

Reoccurring reminders for all community residents

A reminder that renewal fees are due in March for all residents who utilize the boat/kayak stands on the shore of Lake Arbor.

Residents looking to inquiry about available space should contact the Inspection Services Division of the management company through the Community Service Office at the East Activity Center. Please keep in mind that space is limited and on a first come/first served basis. If you currently have a registered boat/kayak in this area, a representative will be in contact with you regarding the yearly renewal.

If you elect not to renew, you will have until March 7 to remove your boat from the area. Boats left in this area after the deadline date will be removed and impounded. Thank you for your cooperation.

Boat owners are responsible for securing their kayak/boat. The best prevention against loss is a good lock and cable!

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.

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 hanger brackets, holiday lighting hooks that are affixed into the masonry block, 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.

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 at 2069 World Parkway Boulevard.

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 representatives will also be reaching out to residents of buildings who are scheduled for new paint and waterproof coatings during the 2016/2017 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

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here in late March and early April

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. The stones are not only an unapproved item for use in landscaping, but have 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 stones at the earliest convenience.

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, "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.

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 are installed without the advance approval of the association, and the removal and disposal of these items becomes the responsibility of the violator. 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 request 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.

World Parkway Boulevard Closed!

**Saturday, March 4, 10-11 a.m.
during the Irish Club Parade**

Plan ahead if you have to drive to work. Do not make appointments with your plumber, TV repairman or air conditioning company between 10-11 a.m. There will be no access to World Parkway Boulevard along the parade route during the parade. You also are not allowed to drive on lawns to avoid road blocks. Please plan ahead. Enjoy the parade. Don't crash the party.



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Make your own Irish tradition



Guinness Corned-Beef and Cabbage



Ingredients

3 to 4 pounds
corned beef brisket

1 cup brown sugar

2 (12 fluid ounce) can or bottle
Irish stout beer

10 small red potatoes

5 carrots, peeled and cut
into 3-inch pieces

1 head of cabbage, cut into
small wedges

2 onions, quartered

Tip Of The Month

Space-Saving Storage for Glassware

Store drinking glasses, wine glasses and coffee mugs by arranging them rim up and rim down to fit more in a small cabinet or on a shelf.

How To Catch A Leprechaun

If you see a Leprechaun, he might give up some of his gold for food - Leprechauns enjoy nuts, potatoes, mushrooms and homemade beverages, such as dandelion tea.

Directions

COOKING DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Rinse the corned beef completely and pat dry.
2. Place the corned beef on a rack in a roasting pan or Dutch Oven. Rub the brown sugar on the entire corned beef to coat, including the bottom. Pour the beer around and gently over the beef to wet the sugar.
3. Cover and place in preheated oven. Bake 2 hours.
4. Turn the oven up to 375 degrees, add the potatoes, carrots, onions, and cabbage. Pour a can of beer and bake for 1 hour.
5. Allow the beef to rest for 5 minutes before slicing.

The Perfect Beverage

A dark beer like a Guinness Irish Stout.

**Good Karma Cafe will be serving
hot dogs after the Irish Club Parade.
Watch the parade and get a dog!**

Positive comments, great remarks, make months of work very rewarding for Jesters' cast members



By Sue Calinski

Well, folks, as they say in that old song, "the show is over."

And what a show it was!

In the 2017 Jesters production of "Thanks for the Memories," there were surprises and fast-paced scenes throughout, jogging memories, as well as tickling funny bones.

Those who were in the audiences had many wonderful remarks at the end of each show. The Jesters hope all of you had as much fun watching as we did performing!

Now it's time for us to put away all of the props, costumes and set backgrounds. The Jesters will all take a deep breath, sigh with regret that this year's show is finished, and begin the whole process again next month.

"Thanks for the Memories" will be a hard show to top, but that is our aim for the Jesters 2018 presentation.

The Jesters sincerely thank you for your patronage, because without you, there wouldn't be a show at all.

It was very gratifying to have large audiences and to hear so much positive feedback after the show, validating the hard work we put into it.



Your appreciation of what we do is a large part of what keeps us going, and your positive comments make us strive to build a show that is even better next year.

We are so glad you enjoyed the show, and hope you agree that this was the best \$5 you've ever spent!

If you missed it, watch for it on

OTOW-TV some Friday over the summer. Look for schedule announcements.

Our director, Lee Catalfomo, would like to hear from you regarding your

Al Capone will be here this month and he wants his 'dame' in the lead role of a new show

By Lilli Scheifen

This is the month Theater Workshop will be presenting its show "The Hide-away."

It is a show about Chicago in the 1920s with mobs and mob bosses. It is a show you cannot refuse to see - if you know what I mean!

The following are more facts about the fabulous '20s as we get closer to curtain time.

The Capone gang was big in Chicago and indeed around the country. They smuggled in liquor from Canada for private distribution, as well as for consumption at underground bars, called "Speakeasies."

Speakeasies came in a number of disguises, like funeral homes with secret entrances. Everyone drank 100-proof "coffee," only it wasn't coffee.



These disguises were known as fronts and often had big "gorillas" as doormen. They would wait behind a secret panel and listen for a secret password.

Our Theater Workshop show takes place shortly after that night when Ca-

A master of public relations, Capone saw to it that the press was friendly to him. He made sure the press never missed a chance to play up his big charitable donations to groups.

To Chicagoans, Capone was their big hero, who saved them from the oppression of Bible thumpers.

Capone, also known as Scarface (but not to his face), also enjoyed being a celebrity. On Feb. 14, 1929, that status was upgraded. This is the day in our history known as "The St. Valentine's Day Massacre." Capone became the undisputed "king" of Chicago mobs after the massacre of the "North Side Gang" executed by his own "South Side Gang," otherwise known as "The Outfit."

Capone felt omnipotent and could do just about anything he wanted in or around Chicagoland. He even had the power to produce his own musical!

Hint, hint.

Our show takes place Friday, March 10, and Saturday, March 11, both at 7:30 p.m. in the East Activity Center auditorium. We finish on Sunday, March 12 at 2 p.m.

It will be our pleasure to entertain you for \$5 a ticket. Theater Workshop representatives will be in the EAC auditorium selling tickets on Mondays and Thursdays, from 8:30-10:30 a.m.

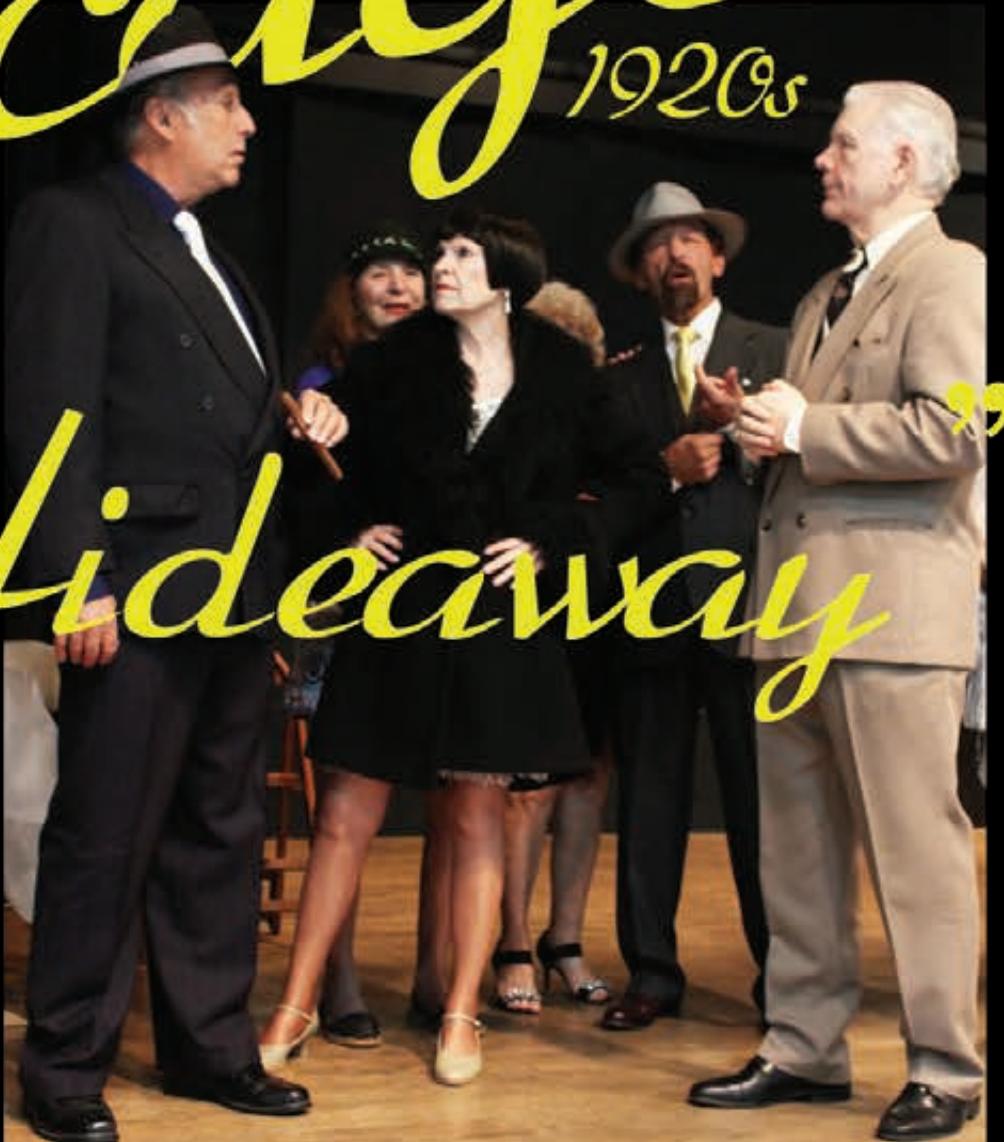
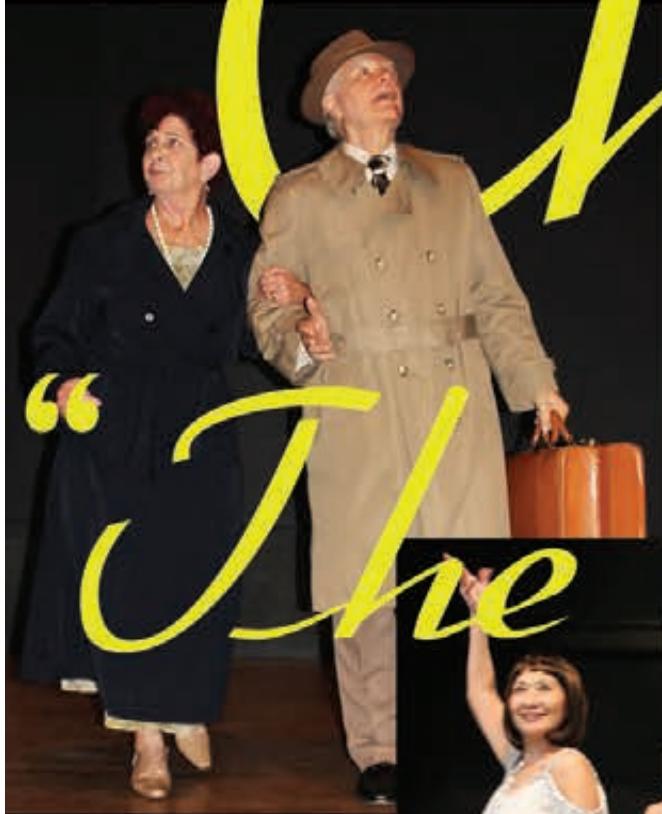
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Chicago

1920s



"The Hideaway"



Friday, March 10
7:30 pm

Saturday, March 11
7:30 pm

Sunday, March 12
2:00 pm

EAC

Tickets \$5 on sale Mondays and Thursdays
8:30-10:30 am, EAC Auditorium



Theater Workshop
presentation

March

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

DAILY/WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

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

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
DRAWING CLASS
Thursdays, 1 pm, Art Room
PAINTING PALS
Wednesdays, 1 pm, Art Room
PAINTING WORKSHOP
Mondays, 9:30 am, Art Room
GOOD NEIGHBORS CRAFTS
Wednesdays, 9 am, Craft Room

ATHLETICS

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

BILLIARDS

EIGHT BALL - A FLIGHT
Mondays, 6:30 pm, Billiards Room
EIGHT BALL - B FLIGHT
Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Billiards Room
NINE BALL
Tuesdays, 1 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 GAMES

BID EUCHRE
Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Art Room
BRIDGE FOR BEGINNERS
Thursdays, 4 pm, Yellow Room
CONTRACT BRIDGE
Mondays, Thursdays, 11 am Yellow Room
CRIBBAGE
Wednesdays, 10 am, Small Card Room
DOUBLE PINOCHLE
Sundays, Wednesdays, 1:00 pm, Small Card Room
DUPLICATE BRIDGE
Wednesdays, Saturdays, 10:30 am, Yellow Room
HAND & FOOT CANASTA
Fridays, 6 pm, Small Card Room
MAHJONGG
M, W, F 1 pm, Rainbow Room
Mondays, 4:45, Rainbow Rm
Tuesdays, 6 pm, Rainbow Rm
PINOCHLE
Tuesdays, 5 pm, Starlite Room
Thursdays, 5 pm, Small Card Room
PINOCHLE LESSONS
Thursdays, 3 pm, Yellow Room
SAMBA
Mondays, 12 pm, Small Card Room
Thursdays, 6 pm, Craft Room
SCOPA
Mondays, Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, Craft Room

COFFEE CORNER

Mondays-Fridays, 7-10 a.m., Auditorium

BOARD GAMES

CHESS
Tuesdays, Thursdays, 2 pm, Rainbow Room
DOMINOES
Tuesdays, 5:30 pm, Small Card Room

CLASSES/LESSONS/EDUCATION

CANADIAN CLUB ENGLISH CLASSES
Wednesdays, Fridays, 4:30 p.m., Yellow Room
COMPUTER CLASS
Saturdays, 8:30 am, Kitchen
COMPUTER CLUB
M,T,W,H,F, 8:30 am, Computer Room
COMPUTER CLUB WINDOWS 10 WORKSHOP
Saturdays, 8:30 am, Small Card Room
ITALIAN CLASSES
Fridays, 10:30 am, Small Card Room

DANCING

DANCING WITH NOLAND
Mondays, 1 pm, Art Room
SOCIAL DANCE LESSONS
Thursdays, 1 pm, Sunrise Room
SNOWBIRDS SALSASIZE
Tuesdays, 8:30 am, Art Room

EXERCISES

BONESAVERS
M,W,F, 8 am, Art Room
EXERCISES CO-ED
M,W,F, 10 am, Exercise Room
LADIES EXERCISES
M,T,W,H,F, 8 am, Exercise Room
SLIMNASTICS
M,T,W,H,F, 9 am, Exercise Room
TAI CHI
M,W,F, 2 pm, Exercise Room
M, 2:45 pm, Beginners, Exercise Room
T, H, 6 pm, Intermediate. Exercise Room
WATER AEROBICS
M,T,W,H,F, 9 am, East Pool
YOGA
M, W, 11:30 am, Exercise Room (Sun Moon)
Tuesdays, Thursdays, 11 am, Exercise Room
ZUMBA
Mondays, Fridays, 9 am, Kitchen

TEXAS CARD GAMES

Texas Card Club: M,W, 6:30 pm, Small Card Room
Bob: Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Yellow Rm
Tom: Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Yellow Rm
Carol: Wednesdays, Fridays, 6 pm, Yellow Rm
Mike: Wednesdays, Fridays, 5:30 pm, Yellow Rm
Don: Wednesdays, 6 p.m., Rainbow Rm
Ron: Mondays, Thursdays, 6 pm, Yellow Rm

LIBRARY HOURS

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

FITNESS CENTER HOURS

Monday-Saturday, 7-9; Sunday 9-8

JEWELRY-MAKING HOURS

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9 a.m. - Noon

WOODSHOP HOURS

Monday-Friday, 8 am-4 pm

SUNDAY

MONDAY

OLLI CLASSES

Thursday, March 9
Tuesday, March 14
Thursday, March 23

THEATRE

WORKSHOP
SHOW
Friday, Mar
Saturday, Ma
Sunday, Mar

05
Art Guild Show
12:00 PM - Auditorium

12
Snowbirds Dance Party
6:00 PM - Auditorium
Theater Workshop Show
2:00 PM - Auditorium

19
Ent. Committee, Sunday In The Park
2:00 PM - Auditorium
Karaoke Singing
5:00 PM - Auditorium

26
Chorus Concert
3:00 PM - Auditorium

06
Ent. Committee & Clu
8:30 AM - Auditorium
Bingo
6:00 PM - Auditorium
Healthy Living Club H
10:15 AM - Small Care
Healthy Living Club C
Management
11:15 AM - Small Care
Healthy Living Club H
2:00 PM - Kitchen
Stamp Collectors Me
1:00 PM - Sunrise Roo
Art Guild Paint & Sip
7:00 PM - Art Room

13
Ent. Committee & Clu
8:30 AM - Auditorium
Bingo
6:00 PM - Auditorium
Family History Meetin
12:30 PM - Computer
Healthy Living Club H
10:15 AM - Small Care
Healthy Living Club C
Management
11:15 AM - Small Care
Ent. Committee, Boar
10:30 AM - Veranda
German Interest Grou
2:00 PM - Sunrise Roo
Newfie Group Dinner
6:00 PM - Sunrise Roo

20
Ent. Committee & Clu
8:30 AM - Auditorium
Bingo
6:00 PM - Auditorium
Healthy Living Club H
10:15 AM - Small Care
Healthy Living Club C
Management
11:15 AM - Small Care

27
Ent. Committee & Clu
8:30 AM - Auditorium
Bingo
6:00 PM - Auditorium
Chorus Board Meeting
11:00 AM - Art Room
Healthy Living Club H
10:15 AM - Small Care
Healthy Living Club C
Management
11:15 AM - Small Care

DAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

<p>ER TOP S ch 10 arch 11 rch 12</p>	<p>CHORUS SPRING CONCERT Saturday, March 25 Sunday, March 26</p>	<p>01 Snowbirds Line Dancing 8:30 AM - Auditorium Healthy Living Club Balance Class 10:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Tai Chi 11:15 AM - Art Room Coloring Book Club Art 1:00 PM - Veranda Knitting Group Crafts 9:00 AM - Veranda</p>	<p>02 Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales 8:30 AM - Auditorium Canadian Club Spring Fling 5:00 PM - Auditorium Karma Book Club Meeting 10:00 AM - Yellow Room Irish Club Meeting 3:00 PM - Crafts Room Press Association Meeting 1:30 PM - Veranda AARP Tax Service 8:30 AM - Small Card Room Writers Ink Meeting 12:30 PM - Kitchen TOPS Meeting 9:30 AM - Art Room</p>	<p>03 Irish Club Dance 5:30 PM - Auditorium Healthy Living Club Balance Class 10:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Tai Chi 11:15 AM - Art Room Travel Club Meeting 2:00 PM - Starlite Room</p>	<p>04 Ent. Committee, Dance 8:00 PM - Auditorium Line Dancing 8:30 AM - Auditorium Irish Club Parade 10:00 AM - World Parkway Blvd No.48 Mediterranean Game Night 5:00 PM - Art Room Pray For America Meeting 10:00 AM - Small Card Room</p>
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<p>bs Ticket Sales g ealthy Eating d Room abetes d Room</p>	<p>28 Line Dancing 1:00 PM - Auditorium Philosophy Club Meeting 10:00 AM - Veranda Bible Study Meeting 7:00 PM - Veranda AARP Tax Service 8:30 AM - Small Card Room Tennis Banquet 5:00 PM - Sunrise Room</p>	<p>29 Snowbirds Line Dancing 8:30 AM - Auditorium Canadian Club Meeting 5:00 PM - Auditorium Healthy Living Club Balance Class 10:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Tai Chi 11:15 AM - Art Room Irish Club Meeting 7:00 PM - Crafts Room Coloring Book Club Art 1:00 PM - Veranda Knitting Group Crafts 9:00 AM - Veranda</p>	<p>30 Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales 8:30 AM - Auditorium NY-NJ Club Strawberry Fling 5:00 PM - Auditorium Karma Book Club Meeting 10:00 AM - Yellow Room AARP Tax Service 8:30 AM - Small Card Room Writers Ink Meeting 12:30 PM - Kitchen Canadian Club Social Games 6:30 PM - Sunrise Room TOPS Meeting 9:30 AM - Art Room</p>	<p>31 Healthy Living Club Balance Class 10:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Tai Chi 11:15 AM - Art Room Jesters Meeting 2:00 PM - Veranda</p>	<p>ART SHOW & SALE Saturday, April 1</p>

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Quote details: 66 married male, vehicle driven for pleasure use, superior credit, 5-year clean driving record on all household operators, 2016 Chevy Impala LT, garaged in Pinellas County, 33763, equipped with air bags, ABS and Anti-Theft device. Optional limits, coverages and deductibles are available.

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\$70,000	\$30,000	\$100,000	\$675.46
\$90,000	\$30,000	\$100,000	\$791.51
\$110,000	\$30,000	\$100,000	\$907.57
\$130,000	\$30,000	\$100,000	\$1,023.84
\$150,000	\$30,000	\$100,000	\$1,139.88

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Ricko Donovan will be first guest author of new Karma Book Club



Good Karma Book Club registration for "Sunnyville" is over, but I invite you to register for the next book selection to be announced in my April column.

Registration will begin again on May 1. Stay tuned.

March through June Club Activity Reservation Renewal

It's that time again to renew club and activity reservations for the period of March 1 through June 30.

Please see me at the Community Service Office to make your reservations.

If you have multiple dates, it's always helpful to have those dates and details typed or clearly written. I'll time stamp and process accordingly.

As a reminder, if you have not turned in your new club paperwork, you will need to do so prior to scheduling your new dates on the calendar.

Consumer Protection Day

The Pinellas County Office of Consumer Protection, Pinellas County Sheriff's Office and the Community Service Office will be hosting Consumer Protection Day on Wednesday, March 8 from 9:30-11 a.m. in the East Activity Center auditorium.

The presentations are designed to help people protect their privacy, manage money, understand credit and steer clear of fraud.

Light refreshments will be available and raffle prizes will be given out.

From 9-11 a.m., free shredding will be provided by PROSHRED Security and up to six boxes/bags are permitted. They will be located at the East Activity Center's south east parking lot off of World Parkway Boulevard (Same location as previous event).

Also on this day, Operation Medicine Cabinet will be inside the auditorium from 9-11 a.m. to collect your unused and expired medication for safe disposal.

OLLI

Osher Life Long Learning Institute (OLLI) has an exclusive offer for On Top of the World residents.

If you have not registered yet for upcoming OLLI classes, it's not too late. The March calendar and room locations are as follows:



Nancy Rogers from the Community Service Office reads through a couple of paragraphs from 'Sunnyville' written by local author Ricko Donovan. Ricko will be a guest of the new Karma Book Club on March 2 and 16. (OTOW News photo by Doug Kates)

"Recreating the Great Florida Road Trip"

March 9, 1:30 p.m.
Instructor: Cathy Salustri
Registration Number: 8005 OT
Sunrise Room, West Activity Center

"The Birth of Rock and Roll"

March 14, 10:30 a.m.
Instructor: Joshua Taylor
Registration Number: 8006 OT
Sunrise Room, West Activity Center

"The Supreme Court, So What's Next?"

March 23, 6:30 p.m.
Instructor: Michael Allen
Registration Number: 8007 OT
Sunrise Room, West Activity Center



Blood donors on March 9 will receive a black and red umbrella.

One Blood Mobile Unit

One Blood will be at the East Activity Center North Parking Lot on Thursday, March 9 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
The mobile unit will be parked at the East Activity Center's North Parking lot. Residents can pre-register at the Community Service Office. The donor gift will be an attractive red and black umbrella.

Volunteers meeting set for March 15

Good Neighbors needs help with upcoming parade, craft show, clothing drive and board of directors

By Jim Bjorgo

A moment of thanks and apologies.

The Good Neighbors Get Acquainted Coffee in February was the best-attended in recent years and we thank all of you who were in attendance.

We hope you all enjoyed Opera Tampa. It was our pleasure to bring this type of entertainment to On Top of the World for your enjoyment (See photo on page 23).

Unfortunately, due to the excellent turnout, we ran out of coffee and donuts before everyone could be served. We deeply apologize this happened. We had 200 cups of coffee and 192 donuts, but it was not enough to adequately serve you. We will take this into consideration in the months ahead so we do not experience these deficiencies again.

Our sincere apologies to those who were under served.

At the March 9 Get Acquainted Coffee, we will have talented singer Ricko Donovan, also known as Rick O'Donovan when St. Patrick's Day is near. He will be entertaining us with an Irish touch, 9 a.m., Thursday, March 9, in the East Activity Center auditorium.

After some Irish music, there will be a very short, but very special performance by a group from East Lake High School. The students will be giving us a preview to their show "Guys and Dolls."

The morning concludes with a raffle and gift prizes.

We urge you all to set aside this morning for coffee, donuts and entertainment.

Get Acquainted Coffee is just a part of a busy spring season.

Good Neighbors will participate in the Irish Club parade, which steps off 10 a.m., Saturday, March 4 along World Parkway Boulevard. The Good Neighbors Association will be assisting in the decora-

Good
Neighbors



President Jim Bjorgo

tion of a float for our community's World War II veterans. We will also have our own unit marching in the parade. It is not too late to volunteer and help us with this endeavor.

In April, our activities hit warp speed with our combined Flea Market/Craft Show on Saturday, April 1, beginning at 10 a.m.

This will be followed by our semi-annual Clothing Drive on Friday, April 7, and Saturday, April 8, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. under the EAC portico.

Our April events conclude on Sunday, April 16, with an Easter Sunrise Service at 7:30 a.m. in the EAC auditorium. The service will be conducted by our friends at the Salvation Army, together with their Citadel Band and their Citadel Songster Brigade.

Those assisting with the service include the Entertainment Committee and Coffee Corner, which provide flowers, coffee and donuts.

At the end of the service, there is a free-will offering for anyone who would like to help the Salvation Army's work in the community.

Did you know Good Neighbors operates the Veranda Gift Shoppe in the EAC?

The gift shoppe is an outlet for handmade crafts made by our residents. Vice President Maureen Bjorgo, and her volun-

Craft Workshop may be closing

The Good Neighbors Craft Workshop has made preliminary plans to cease operations.

The workshop was created 40 years ago, but currently, only two ladies are active.

Before we turn off the lights for good, we want to make sure no one else in the On Top of the World community wants to step forward and partake in what this group has to offer.

There is a storeroom filled with treasured gifts for talented crafters to make. The workshop has been meeting 9 a.m., Wednesday mornings, in the East Activity Center Crafts Room.

If someone else has an interest in keeping the workshop open, a new date and time is possible. If anyone wants more information on the workshop itself, or the types of crafts available, please stop by the Veranda Gift Shoppe in the EAC on any Monday or Thursday morning, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. A representative will be pleased to discuss your interests in this club.

teers, keep the shop running with unique items made by our neighborhood crafters. Stop by the shop and see what's available or visit the gift shoppe Web page on the Box Office for a sneak peek of what's inside. The Box Office is available by visiting OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com.

Good Neighbors will hold a special meeting for volunteers on Wednesday, March 15 at 1 p.m. in the EAC Starlite Room. We will discuss all the jobs that need to be filled to make March and April successful.

The terms of the current Good Neighbors Association Board of Directors will expire at the end of this year and

we are in need of new members to bring the board up to full capacity and to allow this organization to continue. The work of the board is rewarding in that you are helping and providing services for your friends and neighbors here at On Top of the World.

The more volunteers we have, the better we can spread the workload. The work is not difficult, but can be very satisfying.

Stop by the Good Neighbors Association table outside the Veranda Gift Shoppe any Monday or Thursday morning, 8:30-10:30 a.m., if you would like more information.

Holiday stories' deadline explained to writers

With new writers coming aboard in late fall, and new boards taking over for community clubs, a small issue popped up recently involving the On Top of the World community newspaper.

Editor Doug Kates addressed this issue at the Press Association's monthly meeting in February.

Doug said some writers were trying to turn in Christmas stories for the February newspaper. Last year, some writers tried to submit Thanksgiving stories into the January newspaper. Even further back, some writers tried to submit Halloween party stories in the December newspaper.

"February is not the time to be running Christmas stories," Doug told the Press Association. "We have to draw a line somewhere. We cannot have multiple Christmas-based articles in the February



Press Association

edition when everyone's decorations have been packed away weeks ago. It's February. Our readers expect January, February

and March news."

The problem is very simple. Many clubs, groups and buildings hold holiday parties after the newspaper deadline and then it is too late to report on this event for the next edition of the newspaper.

"If a club or building wants their holiday party in the newspaper, then they need to schedule the party before the 16th of the month," Doug said. "Then we have time to get the story in the very next edition of the paper."

"If a club or building has no choice but to schedule a party after the 15th, then have fun, relax and enjoy a good time. Just realize your event will not make the newspaper. The most important part is the camaraderie with your friends and neighbors."

The important message Doug was

trying to share with his staff was to plan ahead. If you have a big event coming up, try to schedule it before the 16th so it won't be left out.

In other news, the Press Association voted for Chicken Piccata and Beef Stroganoff as its lunch meals for the Appreciation Luncheon on April 6. The event will be catered by The Stuffed Mushroom.

Anyone who has attended at least three Press Association meetings and contributed to at least three newspapers, qualifies for the free lunch. Anyone on staff who does not qualify, can still attend by paying \$15 per person.

March is pizza month for OTOW News. Staff will be treated to pizza during the regular meeting, 1:30 p.m., Thursday, March 2 in the East Activity Center Veranda Room.



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If a stranger over the phone offers you a free vacation - just hang up

RACHEL'S DO: Do be aware of the many telephone scams that are now being used by scammers in order to get personal private information from you.

One is an offer for a free vacation. These almost always involve high pressure tactics to get you to sign up and provide credit card information.

If you get a phone call, and the caller offers you a free vacation, for whatever the reason, you must immediately assume it's going to involve you having to turn over credit card information.

Hang up the phone and do not discuss anything further with the caller.

Loan scams are another one.

One way loan scams work is that the caller says he/she is calling to discuss a \$250,000 loan -- or any loan amount for that matter -- that you are being offered.

Think about that.

Is someone is going to call you on the phone and offer you a loan out of the blue?

Puhleeze!

If the caller leaves a message, don't return the call.

If the caller reaches you because you answer the phone, as soon as you hear him/her speak about a loan being offered, hang up.

They'll call back, but don't answer!

You should never provide your credit card information over the telephone, unless you've made the call to some company that you trust from the start.

RACHEL'S DON'T: Don't be afraid to hang up your phone when someone



calls you and asks for personal and private information.

Sometimes, when someone calls us, we feel we should be polite and speak with the caller. Then, once they start with their "pitch" we don't know what to do.

Well, "what to do" is hang up the phone. I think it actually takes courage to do that. I mean, I think it's easier to keep speaking to someone with the thought you can reason with them, but if the conversation turns to yelling or demanding money, just hang up.

One client of ours was told to get an iTunes card. That's right, an iTunes card!

C'mon folks.

No one is going to call you and demand an immediate payment with an iTunes card or a credit card for that matter. These scammers are not stupid. They know how to intimidate you no matter how smart and savvy you are. Just hang up the phone.

As I said, it takes courage, but learn to say NO and learn to hang up the phone.

My partner, Jerry Colen, often hand writes out a single word to place by the phone. The word is NO. Try it.

Homestead

At this time in my column I want to discuss Homestead.

Many of us think of homestead only in terms of the homestead exemption we get when we file for it with the Homestead office in the county where we live.

However, there are other aspects of homestead.

I can't go into great depth in a column like this, but I can discuss additional aspects of homestead.

Besides the homestead exemption that we get, homestead also means that the homestead owner's property is protected from the claims of creditors, such as credit card debts or lawsuit judgments.

Of course, if we have a mortgage, or if we have work done by laborers on our homestead, then if we fail to pay that kind of debt, our homestead is not protected.

Yet, our homestead is indeed protected from judgments that might be entered against us if we are sued for something, such as an automobile accident.

Also, our homestead is even protected from claims for reimbursement for Medicaid benefits.

In other words, the common fear that "Medicaid" will take my home is baseless. Medicaid will not and cannot take your home because it's your homestead and is a protected asset under the law of the State

of Florida.

Since I am on homestead matters, let me also discuss how you should hold the title to your homestead property.

It should be in your name alone, or if you are married, in your's and your spouse's name.

I know that many folks want to add someone else to their homestead—maybe a child or close relative. Now, if the child or close relative does NOT live with you, then obviously, your homestead is not the child's or relative's homestead.

What does that mean?

It means that if that other person has judgments against him or her, your homestead may not be as protected as you need it to be.

Solution: think very carefully about adding anyone's name to your homestead.

My partner, Jerry Colen, and I, try as much as we can to persuade folks that they should NOT add someone to their homestead unless that someone is going to actually live in the home with you.

Please keep that in mind.

What about transferring your homestead to a child in order to protect the homestead from being seized for payment of debts or even from Medicaid obligations?

Please understand what I've been trying to say here. Your homestead is a protected asset. In fact, it's the single most protected asset you can have here in Florida. That's why I believe you should leave it in your name or names, alone.

Why mess with that kind of protection?



NEWCOMERS



Brendan Buchmelter
of New Jersey

LOOK FOR PEDESTRIANS

Before you turn onto Belcher Road, make sure no one is in the crosswalk. Pedestrians have the right of way.

Ethel Waters really did climb success ladder and since childhood, did it all on her own

Walter Balderson



Inside Showbiz

Ethel Waters was born in Chester, Pa., to a mother who was raped at age 13.

Because of the way she was conceived, her mother would have nothing to do with her.

Ethel lived with her grandmother and later with aunts, who were very abusive.

She never lived more than 15 months in one household.

After years of performing at local clubs and singing with the Fletcher Henderson Orchestra, Ethel played opposite Julie Harris in "Member of the Wedding" on Broadway.

Ethel won the New York Drama Critics Award for her outstanding performance.

Ethel was a favorite performer at the Cotton Club and appeared many times at the famous Apollo Theater in Harlem.

Beginning with "Stormy Weather" in 1933, she starred in five successful films in a row.

She starred in her own TV show, "Beulah" on ABC from 1960-61.

Along with a successful film career, Ethel had many hit recordings, including "Stormy Weather," "Cabin in the Sky,"

"Am I Blue," and her version of the spiritual, "His Eye is on the Sparrow."

Despite her successes, Ethel's brilliant career was fading. She lost tens of thousands of dollars in a robbery, had difficulty with the IRS and her health was failing.

Ethel married three times but had no children.

In later years, Ethel joined the Billy Graham Crusade and became a born again Christian. Her signature song became, "His Eye is on the Sparrow."

Ethel died in 1977 from cancer and kidney failure. She was 80 years old.

Irish Club Parade

Saturday, March 4, 10 a.m.

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Important bulletin for all On Top of the World residents

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

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

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

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

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



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On top, Baby Boomers share a table at an Entertainment Committee event. At right, Boomers bowl together at local lanes.



If it's Mexican, bowling, bird watching or music - Baby Boomers will do it

By Penni Telleck

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

Does this sound like you?

You don't just join the Boomers, you join in.

Once you have decided to join in, you'll be added to our Baby Boomer email list. You will then receive emails about fun events and activities.

Check out what the Boomers have been doing lately!

Did you know bowling began in 5,000 BC by the ancient Egyptians?

It's true!

And, Boomer Bowlers always have time to spare. So, if bowling is right up your alley, then join the Boomer Bowlers, which meet every Sunday morning at various bowling alleys, depending on which



Baby Boomers

lanes offer us the best deals.

This noncompetitive group values friendship over skill, and laughter over strikes. Bowling Boomers meet for break-

fast before striking out for bowling fun.

Birding Boomers often join Saturday walks and field trips offered by the Clearwater Audubon Society.

You're not going to believe this, but recently, while searching for the many amazing birds at the Circle B Bar Nature preserve, these birding Boomers discovered a scene right out of Jurassic Park: They spotted Humpback, a massive alligator nearly the size of a car, sunning himself.

Do Boomers love their Mexican food?

Oh yeah!

Recently, 20 Boomers feasted on Mexican food and then attended a hilarious play created by a local theater group, West Coast Players.

Every Monday, after our Short Strokes

golfing group finishes their 9-hole "best ball game," they meet for Happy Hours at a local Mexican restaurant.

Here they enjoy frozen margaritas and dollar tacos. The Boomers sing along with the Mexican band or bribe them to play songs from the Baby Boomer era. They sing the night away.

"Jumpin Jack Flash."

Boogie Boomers have reserved tables at Entertainment Committee dances and shows. Recently, we rocked to a Rolling Stones tribute band.

If you'd like to become involved in Baby Boomers, please join us. The next Baby Boomers meetings will be March 1 and March 17 at 5:30 p.m. in the East Activity Center Art Room.

See you there!

Looking for a new thriller or romance novel, stop by the library and take a look

By Katy Gerritt

March is upon us.

This is the middle of the winter season and with it comes a lot of good reading.

We have several new books on our shelves by favorite authors, such as James Patterson, Mary Higgins Clark, Nora Roberts and Danielle Steel.

If you're looking for a thriller, what about the latest David Baldacci, John Sanford, Michael Connelly or Stuart Woods novels?

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We also offer books on CD and movies on DVDs. We have books for sale, which include paperbacks for 35 cents each (or 3-for-\$1) and hardbound books at 50 cents each.

These sales, plus memberships and

overdue fees, are what we depend on to purchase new books for the library.

We also accept donations of fiction books in good condition, published within the past 10-12 years, for our sales shelves.

One recent addition to our library is the listing of new books on the OTOW Box Office site. Online go to OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com, "Enter" and look for the Library link in the left-side column. You will see New Books. Just click on this icon and you will see the latest 10 editions to our collection. When you go to the bottom of the page, you can see other books on our shelves. This last list includes additions in the last eight months, but there are plenty of other choices once you come in.

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Good Neighbors Get Acquainted Coffee



Opera Tampa

Jean Carlos Rodriguez, Vanessa Rodriguez, Russel Andrade and Melissa Misener perform on the East Activity Center auditorium stage when Opera Tampa visited here in February. In this scene, ‘Russel’ is in love with ‘Melissa’ and trying to win her over, while ‘Vanessa’ wants ‘Russel’ and is jealous over his attempt to win ‘Melissa.’ Meanwhile, ‘Jean Carlos’ is in dismay over the whole romance. He doesn’t want ‘Vanessa’ near ‘Russel’ and tries to convince her to stay away. Meanwhile, ‘Melissa’ is amused over the ordeal because she knows ‘Russel’ has no chance with her anyway. (OTOW News photo by Doug Kates)



Get Acquainted Coffee

Every second Thursday morning in the East Activity Center auditorium. Free doughnuts and coffee at 9 am.



Rick 'O Donovan

Rick ‘O Donovan, also known as Ricko Donovan, will get On Top of the World into the Irish spirit when he performs for Good Neighbors Get Acquainted Coffee on Thursday, March 9, in the East Activity Center auditorium. Doughnuts and coffee will be served at 9 a.m., followed by morning announcements, Irish music and raffles. This is a chance to say ‘hi’ to your neighbors.

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ACTIVITY REPORTS



March 25-26

If you like ‘Phantom’ music, you will enjoy our tribute to British composers



Chorus

By Ilene Bargerstock

Last call!

“The British are Coming!”

And we hope you are too!

The On Top of the World Chorus will be singing some of the most-loved music of Britain’s finest composers.

Performances will be Saturday, March 25, 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, March 26, 3 p.m. in the East Activity Center auditorium.

Get your tickets in the EAC auditorium Mondays and Thursdays from 9-10:30 a.m. Look for the table with the British flag poster. Chorus members also have tickets.

Featured in the concert will be a medley from Anthony Lloyd Webber’s “The Phantom of the Opera.” This includes the theme song, “Think of Me,” “Angel of Music,” “All I Ask of You,” “Wishing You Were Somehow Here Again” and “The Point of No Return.”

You will be singing along to some of the Beatle’s tunes. That promises to be fun for all of us!

Joining us for the first time will be our new accompanist, Tim Burnaman. His love of music began as a toddler banging on pots and pans. He studied piano through his school years and performed with the wind ensemble, percussion ensemble, jazz band, marching band and orchestra while attending Louisiana State University.

Tim has been an accompanist for ballet and modern dance classes at USF.



Tim Burnaman will be the piano accompanist for the Chorus show in March. He brings a wide-variety of experience to On Top of the World.

After working with a special needs piano student, he became certified in Special Education and taught students with autism in Pinellas County Schools.

Currently, Tim is assistant music director at the Unity Church of Clearwater, where he leads the Unity Singers. He is also accompanist/choir director for Temple Ahavat Shalom in Palm Harbor.

Tim’s first CD of original songs is coming out this spring.

Tim says he is “very happy to be the piano accompanist for the wonderful OTOW Chorus!”

We are so happy to have him!

His assistance to Director Beth Kendall in teaching us rhythms and notes, along with his mastery of difficult musical scores, is outstanding.

Remember – “The British are Coming” and then they’ll be gone. Don’t miss it!



“The Phantom of the Opera”

“Think of Me”

“Angel of Music”

“All I Ask Of You”

“The Point of No Return”

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Tickets on sale Mondays and Thursdays, 8:30-10:30 a.m.
in the East Activity Center auditorium

Art Show and Sale set for March 5

By Judy Mills

It's hard to believe that it's already March!

Seems like it was just New Year's Eve! Time really does fly when you're having fun. And we are having a lot of fun at the Art Guild.

Don't forget to come to the Art Show and Sale on Sunday, March 5 from noon - 3 p.m. in the East Activity Center auditorium.

We have 21 artists displaying and selling their work this year. This has always been a fun and interesting way to spend a Sunday afternoon. We hope to see you there!

At our January meeting we held a short business discussion, followed by some refreshments and cast our ballots for Artist of the Month - congratulations to John Fier! His beautiful painting will be hung in the lobby for the next month. Stop by and check it out.

After the meeting, we enjoyed a presentation by Carole Loiacono, a well known local artist, on water soluble oil paints. She completed the entire painting in less than an hour and it was fascinating to watch.

We have been keeping very busy with all of the different art class options:

On Mondays, Sharon Evans is giving oils and acrylic lessons for beginner and experienced painters, 9:30 a.m. in the Art Room. Call her at 727-442-6404 for more information.

On Tuesdays, Wendy Colquhoun is teaching Chinese Brush Painting, which is a beautiful ancient Asian art. These classes are also in the Art Room from 12:30 - 4:30 p.m. Call her at 723-7504 for more information.



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.

On Thursdays, John Fier will continue giving his popular drawing lessons from 1-3 p.m. Bring your own paper/sketch pad and pencils.

Membership is \$15 a year, which goes from November to November. Dues are used to pay presenters, expenses of the annual art show and refreshments at our meetings.

Our meetings are the second Friday of the month at 1 p.m. in the Art Room, which is on the second floor of the EAC.

At our meetings, we have a short business discussion, refreshments, a unique demonstration and voting for artist of the month. The winning project will be displayed in the lobby of the EAC for the following month.

Also, feel free to check out our new Facebook page, which is called Art Guild at On Top of the World.

The Art Guild welcomes new members of all skill levels. Come join us!



John Fier was voted Artist of the Month for March. His painting will be in the East Activity Center lobby for the entire month.

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Lambda's version of an Irish party will take place March 15 - green is required

By Dave Beaven

March is one of my favorite months due to the beginning of spring and the celebration of St. Patrick's Day.

Of the latter, everyone seems to become Irish for the day - what with wearing green, parading about and drinking beer.

And coincidentally, in this month, the Lambda Club holds its annual Green Party.

Join us for our annual Green Party in the East Activity Center Art Room on Wednesday, March 15 at 7 p.m.

You'll hear Irish music playing and folks in green milling about the bar drinking the cocktail of the night, the Shillelagh - so named after the Irish walking stick that can be used in defense, like a club.

One drink of Shillelagh will make some people start walking as if they were hit by a shillelagh.



Lambda Club

Look around our party to spot old friends to chat with and make new ones. Amble over to the buffet to fortify yourself with some of the treats brought in by our Lambda lads and lassies.

And above all, don't forget: Wear Green.

Of course, there are many Irish descendants here at On Top of the World, including myself. (My middle name is Lynch.) The Irish Club is one of the biggest groups here and they certainly know how to put on a parade.

Here are some fun facts about the Irish that you may not have known.

- The most popular Irish surname is Murphy.
- St. Patrick was not Irish. He was born in Scotland.
- There are 36 million people of Irish ancestry in the U.S. while Ireland has a population of 4.5 million.

Regardless of where your family hails from, you are welcome to join us in celebrating this month. Cheers! Or in the

original Irish: Slainte.

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

If you are interested in finding out more about the club, visit our Webpage:

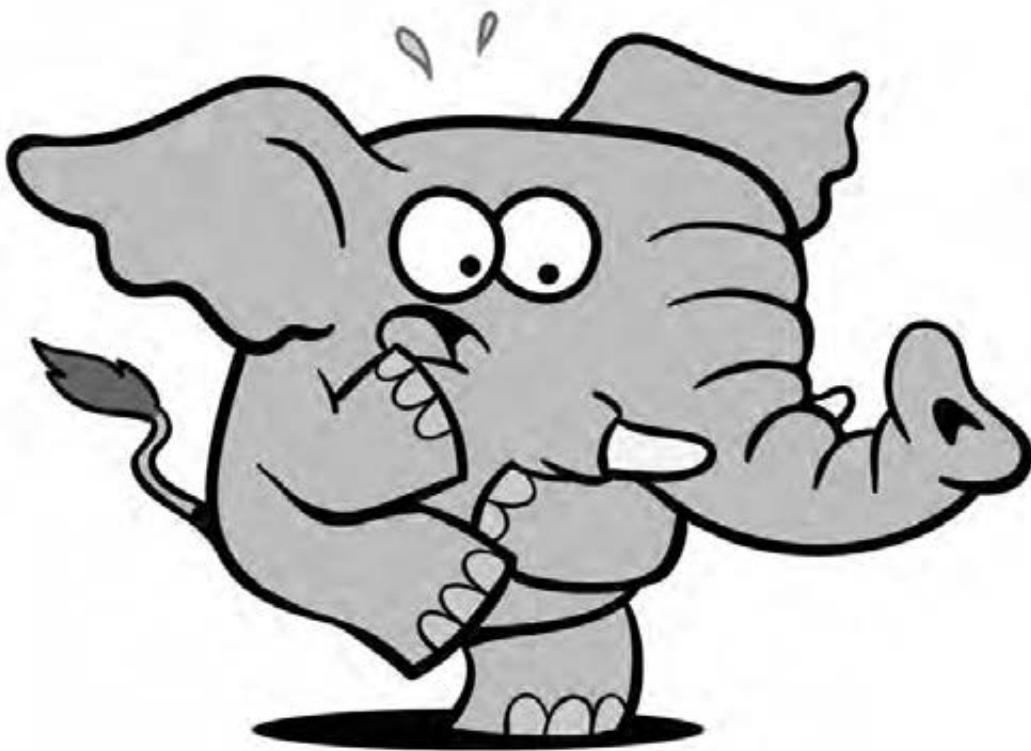
<http://lambdaclearwater.blogspot.com>.

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



Get Your Face Painted Before the March 4 Irish Club Parade!

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Senate hopeful Ed Hooper stops by OTOW Republican Club meeting



Ed Hooper at Marina Cantina Restaurant in Clearwater Beach.

By Esta-Lee Schwartz

On Jan. 10, our first meeting of the new year at the West Activity Center took place.

We were just getting reorganized with a new board and new surroundings. We have since had two board meetings and feel confident we are organized to move ahead.

Please note, we are collecting membership fees of \$5 per member for the new year.

Our club members are watching the Trump Administration get rolling. Many issues that our President promised to address are in the national spotlight.

Ed Hooper, who attended our club's February meeting, had his initial campaign kickoff on Feb. 1 for the District 16 Florida State Senate Seat. The event took place at the Marina Cantina Restaurant on Clearwater Beach.

Ed and his wife, Lee, are both supporters of our club and Lee has been an integral part in re-establishing our club here at On Top of the World.

We will continue to bring informative and interesting speakers to our monthly



Republican Club

meetings and hope you will join us each month.

If there is a particular topic of interest that you have, contact us and let us know and we will attempt to arrange for a speaker.

Next month the Honorable Mike Twitty, Pinellas County Tax Assessor, will speak on property values and issues concerning tax assessments.

Our monthly meeting is at 7 p.m. March 14. The meeting is in the West Activity Center Sunrise Room. Hope to see you there for an informative night and camaraderie with fellow Republicans.

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Democratic Club

Club needs parade walkers

By Donna Lukas

We are looking for able-bodied persons to walk with us in the March 4 On Top of the World St. Patrick's Day Parade. Please contact Donna Lucas at 727-460-4123 if you are interested in joining the festivities.

Please check our club Website on the Box Office at www.ontopoftheworld-news.com for information updates. Click on the "Box Office" and then click on "Clubs" in the left hand column, and then click on the "Democratic donkey."

Payment of our \$12 annual dues is a way of supporting our club activities and Democratic candidates. You may send a check payable to OTOW Democratic Club to our Treasurer Jack Starr at 2341 Haitian Drive, Apt 17, Clearwater, FL 33763.

'Queen' wishes Red Hatters a fun future

By Charlyn Miller

Thirteen members of the Rosy Hattitudes met at the Bahama Breeze for lunch and to celebrate Valentine's Day, as well as the changing of the "Queen."

The table was decorated with gift bags and hearts streaming down the middle of the table. A large flower bouquet enhanced the view.

Cupcakes, given by Royetta Runyon, and small valentines, were given to each person.

Cookies were passed and door prizes were won by Nancy Geyer and Marge Sutton.

A financial report was given by Charlyn Miller, the Queen, and volunteers were asked to pick the hostess for March. All materials will be given to the next hostess and passed according to their preference.

This is my final story for the Red Hatters. I want to personally thank each and every Red Hatter for the fun times we've had as a group. It has been an honor to be your Queen and I hope the tradition keeps going - especially the "We Care" mission that was initiated this year.

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Strawberry Fling set for March 30



New York - New Jersey Club

By Jane Lee

It's that time of year when the New York/New Jersey Club invites you to enjoy some strawberries.

I remember, as a kid in New Jersey, I would pick strawberries in the summer, but here in Florida, the strawberries are a winter and spring crop.

Lucky us!

A team of New York-New Jersey Club volunteers will clean and slice the strawberries the night before our fling so that the juices from the berries meld and become sweetened.

Our other team members go out the



In late January, the New York-New Jersey Club held a Chinese New Year party. Dinner was catered and there was live music.

day of the fling and purchase whipped cream and cakes to complete the menu. Others get the coffee ready, as well as decorate the tables and the room at the East Activity Center for your enjoyment.

While you are enjoying your dessert,

you have an opportunity to meet other members and to share some of your New Jersey and New York experiences.

Come to this event on Thursday, March 30, whether you have ever lived or visited New York or New Jersey or not.

The cost for this treat is only \$4 for members and \$9 for non-members.

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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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We never do floor exercises. Our classes are free.
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Co-Ed exercises resume on East Side

Co-Ed Exercises in the East Activity Center Exercise Room takes place Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10-10:45 a.m.

Classes are free for residents with a valid Activity Card and are led by Lee Catalfomo.

Co-Ed Exercises in the West Activity Center gym have been discontinued. Residents from the West Side are encouraged to join Lee on the East Side.

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Healthy Living Club members enjoy scenic 3.4 mile walk

By Kathleen Santosuosso

If Grandma Gatewood could hike the 2,050-mile Appalachian Trail twice starting at age 67, Healthy Living Club members and Baby Boomers wanted to prove they could hike 3.4 miles through the woods in Hillsborough River State Park.

And we did.

Our group recently enjoyed the sunshine and Florida's great outdoors during the annual Grandma Gatewood Memorial Walk.

Jan and Steve Stiffler organized the activity, but author Ben Montgomery led the walk.

Ben, a reporter for the Tampa Bay Times, wrote "Grandma Gatewood's Walk" and "The Leper Spy." Hikers were able to get their copies of the books signed, while Ben talked about his newest book about a man who attempted to walk around the world backwards.

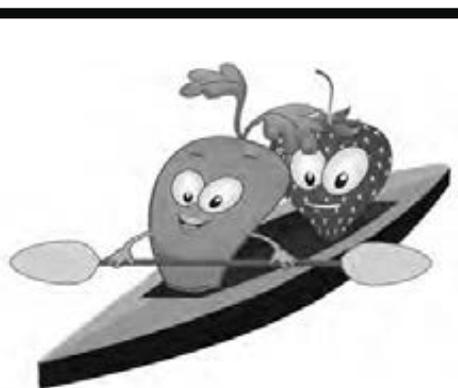
Does walking 3.4 miles put a fear into you? Then try one of our Healthy Living Club classes - just come to a class and sign up.

Information on Healthy Living Club Classes

January 4-June 16

A Matter of Balance meets from 10:15-11 a.m. every Wednesday and Friday in the East Activity Center Art Room (EAC). Participants will learn to view falls and falling as preventable. They will also learn low-impact exercises to increase strength and balance.

Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance meets from 11:15 a.m.-noon every Wednesday and Friday in the Art Room. Participants will learn movements that help develop strength and confidence.



Healthy Living Club

Participants learn at their own pace and employ gentle motions, including Tai Chi. This class is more advanced than A Matter of Balance.

January 9-March 27

Healthy Eating Every Day (HEED) meets from 10:15-11 a.m., for 14 weeks in the EAC Small Card Room. This evidence-based course helps people improve the quality of their diets and includes a pattern approach to building cognitive and behavioral skills around healthy eating.

HEED is based on current nutrition recommendations and helps people learn to use lifestyle-management skills and develop and maintain healthy eating habits.

February 20-March 27

Diabetes Self-Management meets from 11:15 a.m.-noon for six weeks in the Small Card Room. Participants will make



The Grandma Gatewood Memorial Walk with author Ben Montgomery (in hat in rear row).

weekly action plans, share experiences, and help each other solve problems they encounter in creating and carrying out their self-management program.

Physicians and other health professionals, both at Stanford and in the community, have reviewed all materials in the course and it has proven to be effective in enhancing the quality of life for those dealing with Type 2 Diabetes.

April 3-May 8

Chronic Disease Self-Management will meet from 10:15-11 a.m. for six weeks in the Small Card Room. Developed at Stanford University, this class focuses on all areas of living a healthy lifestyle.

Participants will receive a complimen-

tary copy of "A Time for Healing" relaxation CD and "Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions," which is a book used as a reference text for this program. Classes are highly interactive, where mutual support and success build the participants' confidence in their ability to manage their health and maintain active and fulfilling lives.

These classes are no cost to our residents and are provided through the Pinellas County Area Agency on Aging. Two trained coaches guide us in the classes.

Monthly Meeting

Club meetings are on the second Wednesday of every month from 12:15-12:45 p.m. in the Art Room.

Cooking Demonstration

Shannon Rozell



Shannon Rozell, the produce manager from our corner Publix, will host a cooking demonstration on March 6 at 2 p.m. in the EAC Kitchen. This cooking demonstration is brought to you by the Healthy Living Club. Come join us for a light, but hearty, kale and farro stew, plus other options. All residents are invited. You do not have to be a member of the Healthy Living Club. You may ask questions after the demonstration and the final product will be available to sample at the end.



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Mr. Showcase's Florida line dance tour makes stop at On Top of the World



By Ed Foland

Mr. Showcase stopped by On Top of the World during his annual Florida Line Dance Workshop Tour.

Several members of the line dance community took part in John Robinson's educational, informative and entertaining workshop.

Dancers took time to chat with him during a brown bag luncheon.

A Tropical Dance Party is scheduled for March 5 at 6 p.m. in the East Activity Center auditorium. Ticket price is \$5 at the door.

The dance party is open to all residents of On Top of the World. A disc jockey has prepared an extensive list of danceable songs for both couples and line dancing. Bring your own drinks and snacks.

Our line dance class on Wednesday, March 8, has been cancelled due to circumstances beyond our control. Makeup day is Friday, March 10, from 8:30-11:30 a.m.

From 8:30-9:30, Ed Foland teaches his 12-step line dance program for people who currently have, or formerly had, two left feet. New dancers are welcome, no experience necessary.

At 9:30 a.m., Dolly Foland teaches beginner and intermediate level dances.

Contact Dolly or Ed Foland at 727-417-3272 for additional information.



Pictured above are the Snowbirds Line Dance Club members who joined Chris John and John Robinson for two hours of line dance instruction in February. Below is one of those lessons in action. Mr. Showcase is up front leading the way.



Learn more about Alexander Hamilton in March



Family History

By Shirley Perry

Recently, Alexander Hamilton has received increased attention and respect due to the blockbuster hit musical on Broadway, "Hamilton: An American Musical."

Numerous people are asking if the show exaggerates Hamilton's importance during the founding era.

Our March speaker will be Rand Scholet, founder of the Alexander Hamilton Awareness Society. He will compare and rank Hamilton's contributions with seven other Founding Fathers.

Rand has a number of photos and personal anecdotes from his 3.5 year relationship with the musical and its creative genius, Lin-Manuel Miranda.

Many of us have traced our ancestors back to the American Revolution and beyond. The study of these great men shows us how they affected not only our ancestors, but also helped establish this great country and the institutions that are so vital to our existence today.

At our February meeting, Tom Richarme and Rand gave a presentation on

Hamilton's role in the Battle of Yorktown. In October 1781, with the aid of the French Fleet and troops, the colonials under General Washington defeated the most powerful military on the planet led by General Cornwallis. This was the last significant battle of the Revolution. Hamilton's role in the capture of Redoubt 10 was crucial to the success of the American forces.

We invite you to join us Monday, March 13, from 1-3 p.m. in the East Activity Center Computer Lab.

It's never too late to start something new

Class starts for people who can't dance

By Regina Burke

Many of our On Top of the World line dancers will tell you that learning to dance has challenged them in ways that are beneficial to brain health.

Line dancing involves the use of memory as our dances have steps that repeat throughout the dance.

You can actually feel your brain working as you try to remember the order of the steps.

Does this sound like a challenge you would like to take?

To help you get started, our club has several options. For those of you who are early risers, there is a 7 a.m. weekday class taught by Carol Babini for beginners and Level Two dancers. It runs every weekday year 'round in the East Activity Center Exercise Room. The only requirement is club membership.

For those of you who feel that even those classes would be too difficult for you, we have a new option. Our club president, John Koning, is offering a brand new four-week course. The focus will be basic movement using a lot of great music. You will learn to move with the beat of iconic tunes, using simple repetitive steps that will eventually be put into patterns.

The course is open to anyone at OTOW. It will run every Tuesday, starting March 14, for four weeks, from 11 a.m. until noon in the East Activity Center.

All you need is a comfortable pair of shoes.

And don't think it's just for women!

As John says, "I remember how intimidated I felt when I first started line dancing. It is difficult to get past that first learning curve sometimes. I think women are more patient, but for many men, we want to succeed immediately and we give

"I remember how intimidated I felt when I first started line dancing. It is difficult to get past that first learning curve sometimes. I think women are more patient, but for many men, we want to succeed immediately and we give up just when we're starting to make progress."

- John Koning



Line Dancing

up just when we're starting to make progress."

The club invites newcomers to its general sessions in the EAC auditorium at 8:30 a.m. on Saturdays and 1 p.m. on Tuesdays.

Each session begins with a 30 minute beginner class.

Our club also has a Web page on the OTOW Box Office Website. You can discover our latest news and watch some online videos.

You can like us on facebook and find us at our official Website:

sites.google.com/site/otowlinedancing

Dance at Home videos can also be found on OTOW-TV channels 96 and 732 at 7 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.



Carol Babini leads a line dance class weekday mornings at 7 a.m. in the East Activity Center Exercise Room.

Also, a new video is coming soon!

One final note: Classes will be cancelled March 4 due to the OTOW annual

St. Patrick's Day parade at 10 a.m. Come out to watch and cheer us on as we do an Irish line dancing jig!

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St. Joseph's Dinner Dance set for March 15



Italian-American Club

By Jerry Kaplano

At the Italian-American Club meeting in January, everyone enjoyed our pulled pork dinner.

Entertainment was provided by singer Karen Kilhaw.

Our annual St. Joseph's Dinner Dance will take place 5-9 p.m., on Wednesday, March 15. There will be a buffet and wine. Entertainment will be by Carlos. BYOB.

We are looking for volunteers to help set up the auditorium for this event. If you are free, please report to the auditorium at 3 p.m.

Cost for members is \$20 and non-members is \$25. Tickets can be purchased 8:30-10:30 a.m., Mondays and Thursdays, in the East Activity Center auditorium.

On April 5, our club will hold our



Club members dance during their dinner dance event in February.

annual picnic at noon, Shelter No. 2, at Philippe Park in Safety Harbor. Lunch will include hamburgers, hot dogs, sausage and salad. Cost for members is \$8 and non-members \$10.

On April 19, at 6 p.m., in the EAC auditorium, our club will host a pizza party with choice of toppings. We will also be playing bingo.

Last Stamp Collectors meeting of the year will be March 6

By Jim Sundberg

I was thinking, what would make our great and growing Philatelic meetings even better.

The answer ... "refreshments."

That's right. Stamp stories along with cookies, cheese, crackers and other goodies.

They all go well together, don't they?

March 6 will be our last meeting for 2017. Please join us at the West Activity Center Sunrise Room from 1-3 p.m. This meeting will keep us going for the rest of the year.

If you have any questions, please contact Jim Sundberg at 847-951-2284.



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For information about volunteering, contact SHINE Program Manager Sue Samson at sue.samson@aaapp.or or 727-570-9696 ext. 234.



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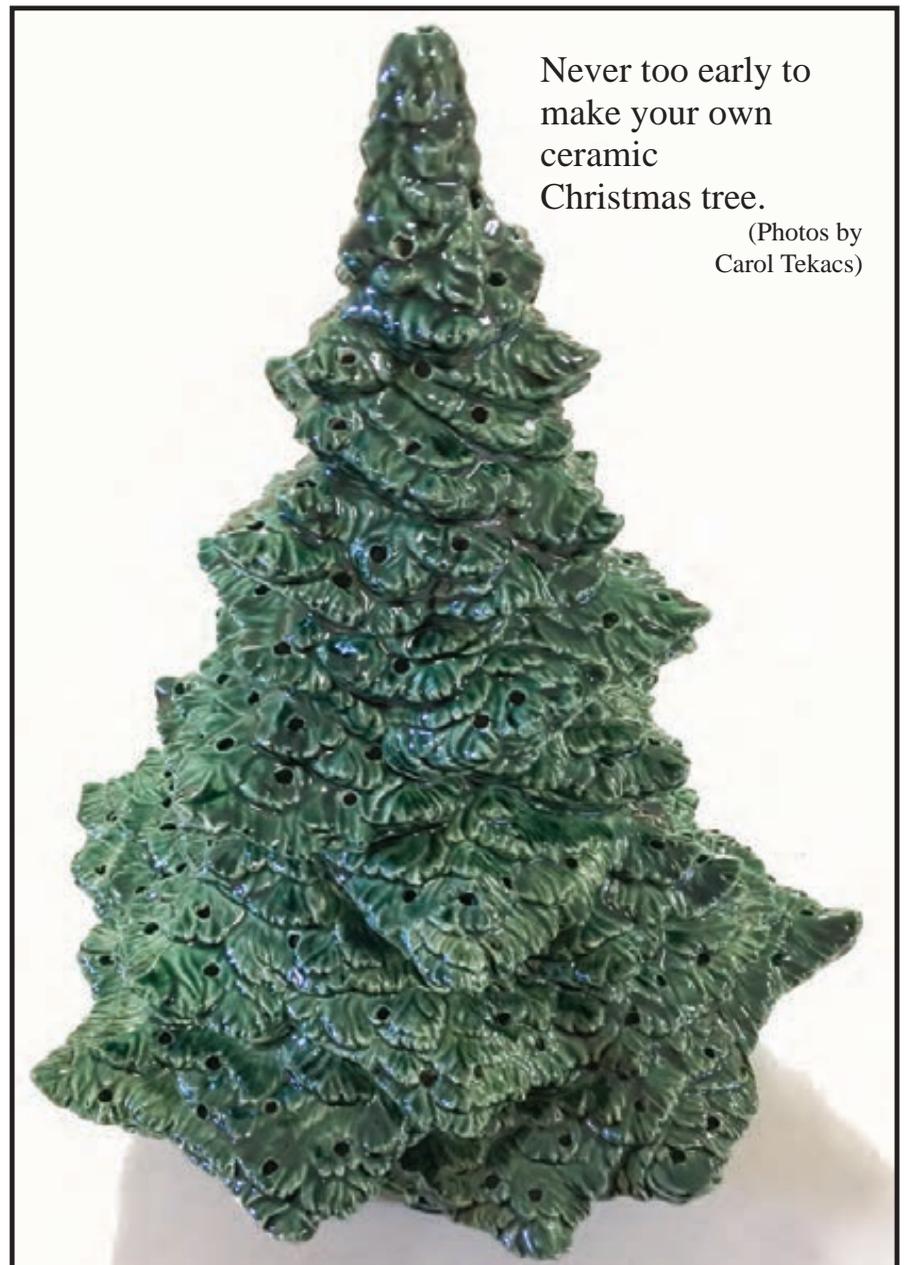
Create something special in March

Check out the On Top of the World Ceramic Club in March.

We will all be working on different projects from Christmas trees to puzzle pots. We also make tea sets and coffee cups with decals. Learn different techniques of painting, drying and wet brush, and recycling wine bottles into spoon rests or snack trays.

Ceramics meets every Tuesday from noon to 4 p.m. and Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the East Activity Center Craft Room.

Come and join us and see what's going on. Everyone is welcome. It is always a fun time and you will be making new friends.



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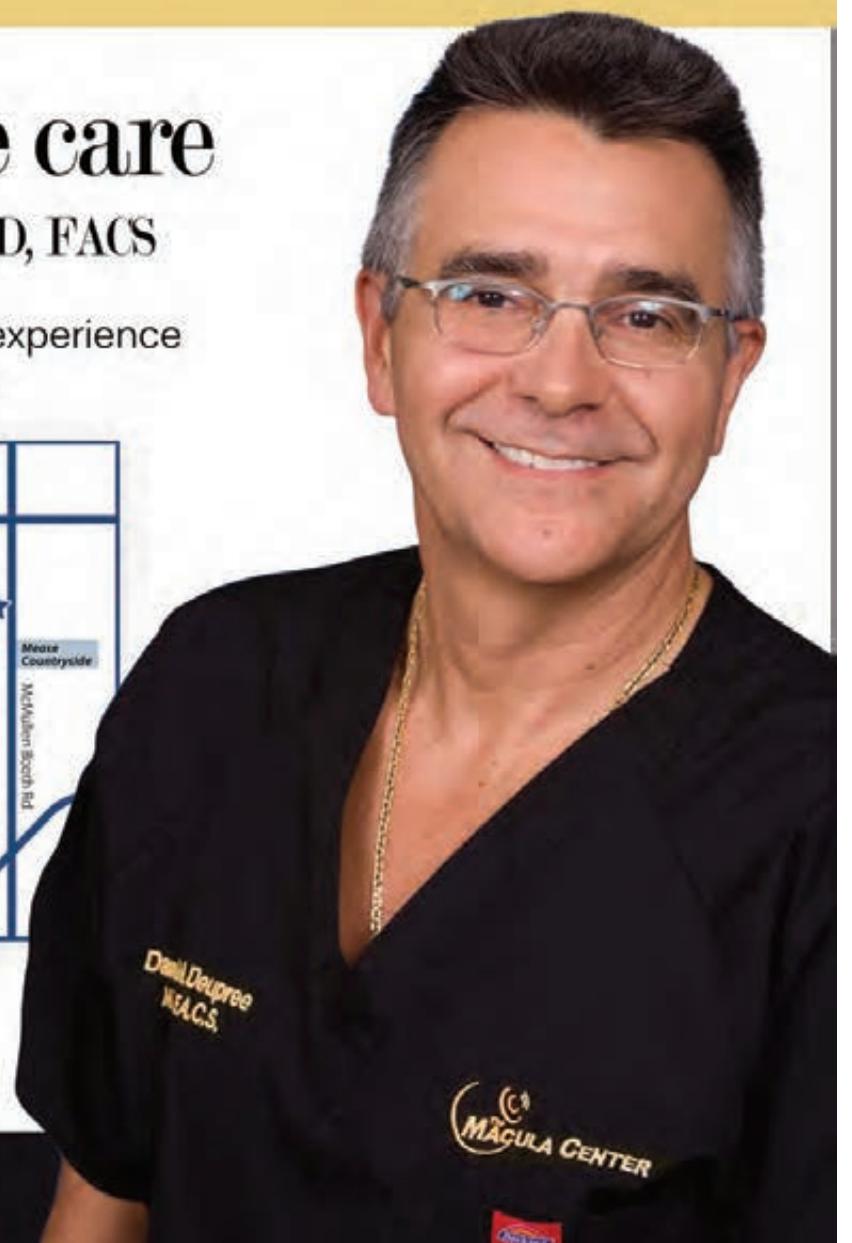
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Pet of the Month




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Surprise! This month's Pet of the Month is Irish and so is her owner! Introducing Joy, who was abandoned on a Brooklyn, N.Y., street many, many years ago, until her current owner, Mike Cooper, took her in. Mike and Joy moved to On Top of the World in 2004 and both love it here. If there is a building meeting, Joy sits through it from start to finish. She is available for greetings and petting. She sometimes helps with the Irish Club Parade. Maybe next year she'll be in it? On a sad note, Joy had a doggy friend named Lucy, but she has since moved away. If Lucy is reading this, Joy wants to say "hi."

Each month, OTOW News, Walgreens and Pet Supplies Plus are featuring a Pet of the Month in this newspaper. Any pets living at On Top of the World are eligible. To enter your pet, email one clear, color photo to otow.newsroom@gmail.com and tell us what makes your pet special. If you don't have email capabilities, drop off your photo and information to the newsroom. You must include pet's name, owner's name, building and age. 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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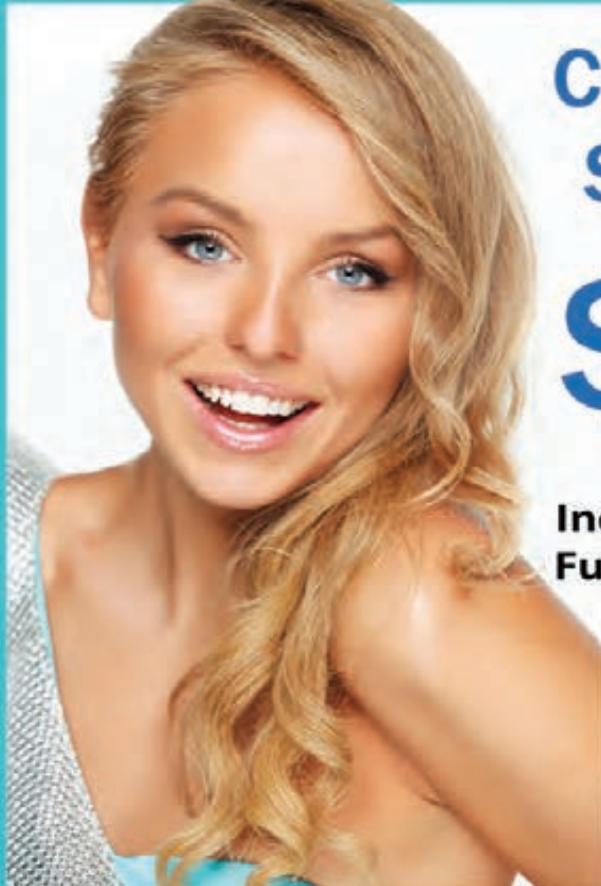


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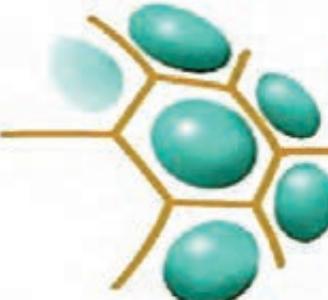
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Getting to Know You

A monthly
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about the people
in your
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community

by
John Koning



Marilyn Pashowsky at the Tropicana Hotel in Las Vegas.



Marilyn teaching a triangle pose to her yoga students.

OTOW Sun-Moon Yoga instructor got her start dancing in New York City and Las Vegas

Marilyn Pashowsky is a lean, lythe and fit On Top of the World resident who will be turning 70 years young next month.

If you're wondering what her youthful secret is, read on.

Our story begins in 1965. Marilyn had just graduated from high school in Connecticut and decided to move to New York City to pursue a career as a Broadway dancer.

Sounds like a familiar teen story, doesn't it?

Marilyn's dad gave her two months before, he predicted, she would be home with her proverbial tail between her legs, ready to begin a normal, sensible life.

More powerful words were never spoken.

Life in New York City is hard for anyone aspiring to become anything. It is a tough task master and Marilyn's story is no different from countless others.

Whenever things got tough – and they did – she would remember her dad's ominous prediction and work that much harder, that much longer. She studied dance at Luigi's Jazz center and at the Ballet Russe School of Dance while slogging from audition to audition.

Marilyn hadn't come to The Big Apple as a naive greenhorn. The year before she had performed at the Ted Shawn Theater in the Berkshire Mountains at Lee, Mass. This was under the tutelage of Ruth St. Dennis and Ted Shawn in their production of "Whipporwill" and in Bill Miller's "Golden Girls."

But, green or not, Marilyn was forced to support herself as a waitress most weeks because paying gigs were too few and far between.

In 1966 she began dancing in the chorus line in the Follies de Paris at the Tropicana Hotel in Las Vegas and in 1967 she landed a spot in the chorus line for "Music to Watch the Girls Go By" with Andy Williams and Henry Mancini.

In 1973 Marilyn moved to Pomona, N.Y., to get married. A year later she and her husband welcomed a son into the world. Then in 1977 she began life as a single mother.

Marilyn continued to support herself and her son as a waitress and attended New York City's Kree Institute of Electrology. She graduated in 1978 and became self-employed as a licensed electrologist until 2004.

She continued to add skills and certifications like reflexology, shiatsu, Thai massage and Reiki to her impressive arsenal of personal services.

In 1993 Marilyn began her first yoga instructor training. Since then, she has amassed more than 2,000 hours of instructor training in yoga and there is no evidence that she is ready to quit this healing part of her life and career.

To use her own words, "it is a loving addiction."

In 2005 Marilyn's life took a warm turn. She left the wintry northeast, migrated south and went back to school in Fort Myers to become a licensed massage therapist at the Florida Academy of Massage and Skin Care. She spent the next 10 years on staff at the Ritz Carlton Beach Resort in Naples serving up non-stop massages to their well-heeled clientele.

Marilyn bought a condo in OTOW in 2013, spruced it up and moved here in 2015. The next year she began teaching hatha yoga.

Her impressive list of yoga certifications are too numerous to include in these few words. Sun-Moon Yoga, the name Marilyn chose for her classes, expresses

the sanskrit name of this "postures" style of yoga. It is a 5,000 year-old cross between science and medicine that promotes natural healing, alignment and the release of the body systems to a state of wellness and balance.

You might wonder why Marilyn chose yoga as a profession?

Well, in a small way, it was self-serving. She found that after doing massage and electrolysis for so many years, it was time to align her own body. She also found yoga to be an effective method to manage her anxiety and panic attacks. That's what's called a win/win.

Now Marilyn is passing on this healing medicine to members of our OTOW community. You can join Marilyn and her students on Mondays and Wednesdays in the East Activity Center gym from 11:30 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. for Sun-Moon Yoga.

Marilyn also provides home massage service and mobile massage for those who are in need of some deep tissue work or simply some relaxation massage for those aching muscles.

If you need more information, call Marilyn at 239-464-9421.

Travel Club members love cruising



By Tom Jamrozy

Yes, we are going places and having a marvelous time.

On Jan. 10, 52 people sailed on the Calypso Queen for a two-hour cruise through intercoastal waters touring the harbor off St. Petersburg, enjoying a buffet and watching dolphins jump in the wake of the ship.

Our monthly luncheon was held at Ozona Blue and was well attended with 42 guests. Each month we get together at various restaurants, catch up with each other and enjoy a meal together.

Recently, 34 of us returned from a seven-day cruise on the Rhapsody of the Seas from the Western Caribbean with stops in Roatan, Belize, Costa Maya and Cozumel, Mexico.

If you have never cruised, you really should try it. This is a wonderful way to



Guess what country Barb Jamrozy, Donna Mae Wilson, Ralph Wilson, Tom Jamrozy, Doug Laviolette and Gloria Laviolette had this picture taken in? Did you cheat?

travel, be pampered with great service, great food, great entertainment and just relax.

We have two cruises available right now - Alaska in August 2017 and the Eastern Caribbean in January 2018.

As a club, our goal is to save money by offering trips at group rates. Stop by our sales table Mondays and Thursdays

8-10:30 a.m. for information on these and other trips that are available.

President Jacqui Dolan is encouraging everyone to attend the March 3 meeting held in the East Activity Center Starlite Room. We will vote on an issue regarding those setting up and running trips.

She also wants to thank those who volunteer and those who go on the trips

and make them successful and memorable.

Show up early for the 2 p.m. meeting to sign in, shop the sales table, get a raffle ticket for the "share the wealth" drawing and pay your 2017 dues.

Please bring your Activity Card with you.

A touch of Irish humor

What do you get when you cross poison ivy with a four-leaf clover?

A rash of good luck!

What do you get if you do an Irish jig at McDonald's?

A Shamrock Shake.

Why can't you borrow money from a leprechaun?

Because they're always a little short.

How is a best friend like a four-leaf clover?

They are hard to find and lucky to have.

What do you get when you cross a pillowcase with a stone?

A sham rock.

Why do people wear shamrocks on St. Patrick's Day?

Really? Regular rocks are much too heavy.

Marge Mayer



Internet Humor

How can you tell if a true Irishman is having a good time?

He will Dublin over with laughter.

Why did St. Patrick drive all the snakes out of Ireland?

He couldn't afford to fly them out.

An Irish priest is driving from Clearwater to St. Petersburg and gets stopped for speeding in Largo.

The deputy smells alcohol on the priest's breath and then sees an empty bottle of wine on the floor of the car.

The deputy says, "Sir, have you been drinking today?"

"No," the priest said. "Just water."

The trooper says, "Why do I smell alcohol?"

The priest picks up the bottle and takes a deep breath.

"Good Lord, he's done it again."

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Computer Club members got the chance to find out, 'who is Alexa?'



On Top of the World Computer Club member Marc Schell teaches club members about 'Alexa,' Amazon.com's hands-free personal assistant.

By Joe Wisinski

The On Top of the World Computer Club recently heard two presentations about "Alexa," which is Amazon.com's "intelligent personal assistant."

Alexa is a hands-free speaker controlled by the user's voice. "She" begins working as soon as she hears her name. The device then carries out whatever command you direct her to or answers any question you ask.

"I talk to her and she does what I bid," guest speaker Jody Johnston told club members.

What can Alexa do?

She can tell you the weather, check your daily calendar, read the news and much more.

In the mood to listen to some oldies? Just say, "Alexa, play Beatles' music."

Club member Marc Schell said Alexa can create a to-do list, help you learn a foreign language, and teach you what happened on this day in history.

Alexa owners get a text message from Amazon every week with an updated list



Computer Club

of tasks she can perform.

Alexa can also be programmed to work with smart devices in your condo. For example, you could be sitting in your easy chair and tell Alexa, "Turn on the fan."

Functions like that could be invaluable to seniors facing mobility issues.

Alexa also works with your smart phone. Just say, "Alexa, send a text message to Jim."

Alexa, alas, isn't psychic. Before the Super Bowl, club members asked her who would win the game.

"I can't see the future," she replied.

The Computer Club meets every Saturday morning at 8:30 in the basement of the East Activity Center.

Club members may come to the EAC Small Classroom from 8:30-10 a.m., Monday through Friday, for free assistance with computer issues.

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

Anyone who wants to learn how to improve their OTOW club or group page on the Box Office may get a password from Doug Kates in the newspaper office and then see Joe Wisinski at the Computer Club.

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Canadian Club past presidents line up for recognition at a party in February.

Canadian government sends representative to Canadian Club's Past Presidents Party

By Rick McLauchlan

On Feb. 2, the East Activity Center auditorium was awash in red and white from decorations to attire as 239 people gathered to celebrate Canada's 150th birthday.

The occasion also recognized past presidents of the On Top of the World Canadian Club.

Joining the revellers was Laurent Morel à l'Hussier, Canadian Consul, Foreign Policy and Diplomacy Service, who brought greetings from the Canadian Government.

He emphasized the close relationship that Canada has with the State of Florida, not only from tourism, but also the positive economic effect our country has with Canadian businesses that bring dollars and employment to the Sunshine State.

Each Canadian Club past president in attendance was presented with a certificate recognizing their "devoted leadership and promotion of Canada and her Values" during their term of office.

The certificates were signed by the Canadian Consul General Susan Harper.

To remain successful, your club depends on volunteers. This year, we need a first vice president, second vice president, secretary, publicity manager and coordinators for A Day at the Races, our annual golf tournament and the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

The future is in your hands, so please contact Brenda McLauchlan at 727-238-3657 for more details.

Our Spring Fling is on Thursday, March 2 at 5 p.m. in the EAC auditorium. Bring your appetite for pizza and salad and also BYOB and dancing shoes.

Tickets are available on Feb. 16, 20 and 23 in the EAC. Cost for members is \$12 and guests is \$16.

Canadian Club revellers are needed for the Irish Club Parade. Be at Mexican Way wearing red and white and a dash of green on March 4 at 9:30 a.m.

Remember, you can participate in the parade and always watch it on OTOW-TV channels 96, 98.1 and 732 the week following the parade.

Our Happy Hour/Cabaret continues on Friday, March 17 from 4:30-7 p.m. in the West Activity Center Sunrise Room.

The Toronto Blue Jays play the Minnesota Twins at 1 p.m. on Monday, March 20. Call Tom McKee at 727-470-9161 for tickets.

Our annual General Meeting for the club will be held on Wednesday, March 29 at 7 p.m. in the auditorium.



Next Bingo Marathon coming soon

By Brad Day

Thanks to all you folks who attended our Bingo Marathon last month.

A great time was had by all. Good food. How about those cakes again?

Thanks to Lu for her creations. A big thanks to all the volunteers who helped throughout the whole day.

We had fun and were happy that every one did, too.

Bingo is planning our next marathon for later in the year. So please keep checking our On Top of the World newspaper for updates on the next one. Don't forget to check our fine TV station Channels 96, 98.1 and 732 for announcements.

Enjoy life now. We only get one time around.



Good Neighbors Volunteer Meeting

1 p.m., Wednesday, March 15
East Activity Center
Starlite Room

*We have a very busy season ahead.
If you have any free time, please attend
and find out what you can do in our community.*

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Sold out shows one reason to purchase your tickets in advance

By Marvin Flam

In February, the Entertainment Committee had its third sold out show in the last few months.

Even the shows and dances which have not sold out have been very well attended and many On Top of the World residents have told us how much fun they have all been.

Our shows, dances and special events will sell out from time to time, because we have a limited number of seats for our shows and dances. The number is determined by the Fire Safety Code requirements, which we follow.

When the reserved seats for each event are sold out, there will be no further ticket sales for that event either in advance or at the door. This insures that all our events will be safe and in compliance.

The Entertainment Committee has a designated safety team in attendance to further insure that all

guests will be safe while having a fun time.

Tickets for all remaining shows and dances through Dec. 2017, including New Years' Eve, are on sale right now at the East Activity Center on Monday and Thursday mornings, 8:30 -10:30 a.m. Individual show tickets are \$15 each and individual dance tickets are \$10 each.

New Years' Eve Dance tickets are \$30 each.

Discounted ticket prices are available to anyone who books tickets for four or more shows or dances. Another discount is available for anyone who buys tickets for a full table of eight for any show or dance.

Check our show and dance schedule for the rest of 2017 and select the events you and your friends want to attend.

Unfamiliar with our seating arrangements? Check out our page on the Box Office for a seating chart for each show. Get familiar with the table arrangement and then see a ticket salesperson.

Come in and purchase the reserved seats for these events right now! That way you will not miss the shows or dances you want to attend.

These tickets make great gifts. Bring snacks and beverages of your choice. We provide ice, coffee and fun! Check the dress code for each event.

Sunday-In-The-Park events in the EAC auditorium have open seating and are free, no tickets required. We provide professional entertainment and for March our Horse Races along with snacks and soda. Tickets can be bought for a cash raffle drawing.

Buy your tickets now.

Check out our schedule on OTOW-TV channels 96 or 732; on the OTOW Box Office, (OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com); and on all the bulletin boards in the EAC, WAC and all buildings.

For more information call us direct at 727-449-9243 or email us at entcom2014@gmail.com.



Atlantic City Boys



Pictured here are the Atlantic City Boys performing live at On Top of the World in February. The show was a sellout. At left, the singers pull 'Celeste' out of the audience and make her famous!

(OTOW News photos by Mary Lou Wall)

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

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APR 16 - SATURDAY DANCE - EARTH DAY - FLASHBACK

APR 20 - THURSDAY SHOW - LOLA AND THE SAINTS

APR 23- SUNDAY-IN-THE-PARK - HUGH TURLEY -MAGICIAN





Crittendon, Satterlee, Eastman and Kuhl shoot low round at annual charity golf tournament

Ladies 18-Hole Golf

By Pat Eastman

The 18-hole Ladies Golf Association held their annual charity golf tournament under the direction of Becky West, Gloria Sayer and Sharon Hackenmiller.

This event marked our 20th year.

The tournament was a four-person scramble. Teams were divided into three flights.

Two teams in the First Flight ended tied with a low score of 53. On a match of cards the team of Mike Crittendon, Kay Satterlee, Pat Eastman and Herb Kuhl beat out Mike Tomaselli, Andrea Jones, Arlene Hanson and Ed Hanson.

The winning team was backboned by the fantastic putting of Herb Kuhl. Herb would putt from up to 20 feet off the green. That was Herb's wheelhouse. He would consistently put the ball inches from the cup just missing eagles, but leaving tap-in birdies.

The best birdie was on No. 17 with Mike Crittendon sinking a long putt.

The Second Flight was won by the



Pictured above are recent First Flight winners: Mike Crittendon, Kay Satterlee, Pat Eastman and Herb Kuhl, and Third Flight winners Richie Woloszyn, Jackie Woloszyn, Karen Beaver and Tim Beaver.

team of Jane Hanley, Patrick Hanley, Carole Lacey and Maureen Stewart. Their score was 60.

The second place team was only one shot behind. The team was Gilda and Bill Gambacurta, and Terri and Dick Mikszynas.

The Third Flight was another match of cards. The winning team was Richie and Jackie Woloszyn and Karen and Tim

Beaver.

Coming in second with the same score of 63 was the team of Sharon Hackenmiller, Dan O'Sullivan, Gwen Lemke and Norbert Mercier.

After the tournament, lunch was served and raffles were sold. All money collected was donated to Suncoast Hospice - the real winner, receiving a check for \$6,000.

This is the third year with Suncoast Hospice as the recipient charity with a grand total of \$21,200 donated.

Upcoming Events

March 13, 14, handicap tournament rain date March 21.

March 29, spring luncheon at Clearwater Country Club.

Donation to Suncoast Hospice



The 18-Hole Ladies' Golf League hosted their annual charity golf tournament on Tuesday, Jan. 24. Through generous donations and gifts from our golf league, surrounding community supporters and the golfers themselves, our club was able to raise \$6,000 for Suncoast Hospice. In the photo above, left to right, are Brooke Boccacino, corporate philanthropy director of Suncoast Hospice Foundation; Becky West, co-chair of the tournament; Kathy Rabon, executive director of the Suncoast Hospice Foundation and Gloria Sayer, co-chair of the tournament. Becky presents Kathy with the check.



Irish Club Parade on OTOW-TV

Go ahead and join your club, group or building in the Irish Club Parade, 10 a.m., on Saturday, March 4.

On Top of the World TV will be at the event to videotape the entire parade.

You won't miss a thing!

You can participate in the parade and still watch the whole event on St. Patrick's Day, and throughout the later-half of March.

OTOW-TV appears on three community channels - 96, 98.1 and 732.

Watch OTOW-TV in March for more details about showtimes.



SPORTS

Bill Higgins defends Club Championship title

Bill Higgins successfully defended his title in the Men's Golf Association Club Championship tournament in February.

Bill shot a low gross round of 134, beating his own winning score of 138 set last year.

The low net champion for the tournament was Phil Smerz, who actually tied Bill with a gross 134, but Phil's net 115 was the best score in the handicap division.

Men's Golf Association

In Flight A, the low gross champion was Daniel Morey with a 141 and runner-up was John Lewis with a 140.

In Flight B, Phil was the champion with his 134. Ed Fox was the runner-up with a 146.

In Flight C, Phil Roth took the title with a 155 and won via a tiebreaker. Bill Gambacurta also shot a 155.

In Flight D, George Goldstein took top honors with a 160 and Tim Beaver was runner-up with a 163.

The tournament started on Feb. 9 and concluded on Feb. 15, covering 36 holes.

The Men's Golf Association annual awards banquet will take place at noon, on Tuesday, March 7, in the East Activity

Center auditorium. Lunch and awards will take place at this time.

Members of the Men's Golf Association, as well as all golfers who use the course, are reminded to please observe and comply with proper ball mark repairs.

If your tee shot leaves an indentation on the green, please take care of it. Don't ignore it. It would be unfair to other golfers if your shot had an effect on someone else's roll.

Lawn Bowls Club celebrates nine different winners in three tournaments

Lawn Bowling

By Bob Laplante

The Lawn Bowls Club continues to enjoy a great year with outstanding weather that has cooperated for most of the year to date.

Games are played each morning at 9:30 on the greens just behind the East Activity Center.

We love to have On Top of the World residents stop by and watch the play. As the game is unique, members are always pleased to explain what is happening so that spectators can better appreciate the sport.

Although the objective of the game is to have bowls stop as close as possible to the target ball, the game is much more challenging than one would expect at first glance. The greatest challenge is that it is nearly impossible to bowl in a straight line. Equally difficult is to intentionally put spin on the bowl as happens in alley bowling. The reason for that is that the bowls have a built in bias that has each set of bowls curve as a natural result of their construction.

Having a clay-type surface magnifies this curve as the surface is very flat and bowls travel with very little effort needed by the bowler. Even the wind has an effect, pushing the bowls up to four or more feet, making the target very difficult to be hit. Come out and watch just to see how challenging the game can be.

We have held three tournaments since the last edition of OTOW News: the Canadian Club Triples, the Robbie Burns, and the Valentine triples.

The Canadian Club sponsors its own annual triples tournament with the overall winners John Williams, Linda Middleton and Gabriel Taillefer. The coordinators



From left to right are Valentine Tournament coordinator Wendy Colquhoun, Bill Swain, Ray Allard and Dave Murray, and coordinator Margo Smith. (Photo by Gabriel Taillefer)

for the play were the mother and daughter pair of Dot Graham and Cathy Mills.

The Robbie Burns tournament was coordinated by Betty McWhirter and Jerry Cotton and Nicole Pelletier coordinated the luncheon. First place went to the team of Barb Thomson, Greg Middleton and Barb Lenzi; second place to Marj Kells, Chris Paine and Bill Swain; with third place to John Wigle, Bonnie Hewitt and Mima Pollock.

The Valentine tournament was coordinated

by Wendy Colquhoun and Margo Smith with the luncheon coordinated by Jocelyne Laplante and Nicole Pelletier. It is amazing how important luncheons add to the club spirit.

First place went to the team of Dave Murray, Ray Allard and Bill Swain. Second place went to the team of Pauline McKinnon, Barb Thomson and Shirley Hunter. The third place team consisted of Rick Carr, Denis Rosendale and Margo Smith.

As teams are often made up by ran-

dom draw, any member of the club is capable of winning or placing in the club tournaments. The luck of the draw enables any given player, on any given day any team, to be on a winning team.

The list of winners reflects this by having so many different members succeeding.

Congratulations to all and thanks to the coordinators who make the tournaments possible.



Two male champions, two female champions in recent Thursday Mixed Golf League action

The Thursday Golf League is enjoying an outstanding season with new members joining weekly.

The competition has been spirited and fun. Course Superintendent Dale Reash and his hard-working staff have the greens in great shape making for a great golfing experience.

We would like to thank Harry Barbin, On Top of the World's resident PGA instructor, for providing our golfers with several free short game clinics. Harry's easy-going demeanor and teaching skills have received glowing praise and has improved the games of many of us.

Hopefully, we will be able to lure him away from the East Bay Golf Club for future teaching clinics.

Our league's week 11 champion was CJ Messina. Don Baker placed second. Doug Oleksy took third place and shot the low gross round. Jim Stewart was able to take the only skin of the day, a rare occurrence. The long drive competition winners were Patti Cook, Bill Gambacurta and David Rogers. David also hit the closest to the pin shot.

Clyde Hershberger turned in a fantastic round in week 12 to take first place, low gross and two skins. Rich Ziembicki placed second and Len Howell was third. David Rogers, Don Leamy, Dutch Michael, Don Baker and Bruce MacPherson all took one skin each. Pat Eastman, Angelo Santucci and Doug Oleksy were the long drivers. Mike Marsh was the closest to the pin winner.

Gina Yoon played very well in week 13. She took first place, one skin and closest to the pin. Ron Reeves took second

Thursday Golf

place and Bo Craddock was third. Clyde Hershberger had the low gross round. Bo Craddock took two skins, both with eagles. Mike Tomaselli and Jim Cawley took one skin each.

The most exciting skin winner was Richard Yoon, Gina's husband. He made a "hole in one" on the third hole, his first ever. Pat Eastman, Gina Yoon and Jackie Woloszyn were there to witness the feat.

Jackie commented, "There is something to be said about playing with the women."

Long drives were hit by Andrea Jones, Bo Craddock and Clyde Hershberger.

Pat Eastman played an outstanding game in week 14, taking both first place and low gross honors. Len Howell finished second and John Adkins placed third. Skins were taken by Garry Patrick, Jack Huerter, Ron Parham, Mike Tomaselli and Clyde Hershberger.

The Thursday Golf League will hold its third annual Golf Equipment Sale and Trade Day on Friday, March 17, from 10 a.m. to noon at the golf course. All On Top of the World residents are welcome to bring their spare golf clubs and accessories. The league will also be accepting unwanted clubs that will be donated to local golf programs and charities.

Our league is open to all OTOW residents. All you have to do is show up between 9:30-10 a.m. any Thursday. Women and men compete in our league using the



From left to right are Gina Yoon, Pat Eastman, Jackie Woloszyn and Richard Yoon.

USGA Stableford format, which gives each player a quota. Players in this format do not compete directly against each other. They try to post a score better than their quota. This insures that players of all skill levels have an equal chance of winning.

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. Men play from the blue tees where available. Women play from the red tees and yellow where available.

Getting a 10 much better than visiting the kitchen

By Bob Rittner

According to Charles Haslam, author of "How-To Book of Shuffleboard," it is an ancient game that appeared in various forms over the centuries, including one played on the deck of ships.

Shuffleboard was introduced into the United States at Daytona Beach in 1913 and over the years evolved into the current version.

Among the first players was W.N. Britton, who came to St. Petersburg in 1922 to suggest the game as a tourist attraction. By 1924, after two courts were built in Mirror Lake Park, a Shuffleboard

Shuffleboard

Club was organized. The game spread rapidly establishing standardized rules and forms.

In essence, shuffleboard as it is currently played, is a Florida product and more specifically a Pinellas County product.

Hot Shots

Rookie Carol Mortensen demonstrated remarkable aptitude for the game by

doubling and getting two scores on one shot. She hit a disc on the board and both scored.

Gary Smith played an impeccable game, scoring at will, and avoiding blocks to knock his opponent out of scores and into the kitchen, where you lose points.

Phyllis Williams came from 20 points down to 20 points ahead in one round en route to victory.

Charlie Coffman overcame a 19-point deficit to win his game.

Betty Dowe used two caroms to score a 10 with her hammer (last shot of the round).

Angela Helton's brilliant double carom landed in the 10 and put her opponent in the kitchen.

Claudette MacNeil had two discs in the kitchen, but knocked both out with one shot.

Winners of three games in one day: Wayne Litfin, Bob Kurdt, Bev Turgeon, Phyllis Williams, Debbie Champ, Karen Ulmer, Bob Rittner, Paul Santacrocce, Rick Helton, Marge Sivek, Phil Henne, Barb Lenzi, Rodger Hillier, Kasy Linkevich, Virginia Butler, Dan Iocovelli, Claudette McNeil, Gerry Gibson.

Live music in East Activity Center back parking lot following the March 4 Irish Club Parade

SPORTS

Que'T Ladies Billiards

Four winners in February billiards tournament

By Claudia Carroll

The Que'T Ladies Billiard League had a great tournament last month with the stakes rising higher.

We had four, first place winners!

During any week, you can find the Que' Ts practicing in the Billiards Room.

On Saturday afternoons, Ed Solivan gives lessons.

Our newest member, Linda Baker, has been learning very rapidly from Ed. Want proof the lessons work? Already, Linda has learned to play very well.

The Que' Ts meet on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. and begin official play at 6:30 p.m. We meet in the Billiards Room located in the West Activity Center.

We have que sticks and great teachers to help get you started. Come out and join us.



Four shooters finished tied for first place in the Que'T tournament for February. From left to right are the winners: Claudia Carroll, Mary Spearman, Terry Drake and Linda Baker.



Pictured above are some of the 50 people who took part in the recent On Top of the World tennis barbecue party. There was great food, socializing and even a little tennis.

Annual tournaments in February

The month of February was an exciting time at the tennis courts. Our annual tennis tournaments were under way.

Prior to the start of the tournaments, a BBQ rally was held. More than 50 members were in attendance to express their bragging and or eating rights. The food was great and the fellowship was even greater.

Singles started the first week of February with doubles being played during the following weeks.

The winners to date are: Ladies' Singles: Karen Phipps. Men's Singles Round Robin Play: Dan Puopolo. Men's Singles Elimination Play: Woon Young Ryu. La-

Tennis

dies Doubles: Jane Collins and Diane Connelly. Men's Doubles Round Robin Play: Vic Collier and Joe Spahalski.

It was a little difficult to get all the games in with only two available courts and the games lasted well into the afternoon. All the winners will be made official at our annual Tennis Awards Banquet to be held on March 21. Each will receive a trophy and their names will be added to the tennis memorial plaque, which is lo-

cated in the Sunrise Room.

Even though the tournament matches are finished for this season doesn't mean tennis is over. We play 52 weeks of the year, therefore, we welcome all new members.

Get a taste of great exercise along with a lot of fun thrown in.

Women's play is on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8-9:30 a.m., with men following immediately afterwards. Men's play is also Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 8-11 a.m.

Don't be bashful and we will see you on the courts. Just introduce yourself and we will take care of the rest to make you feel welcome.

9-Hole Ladies

Birdies everywhere in 9-hole league

By Ginny Chilcote

Turnout has been great this season for the Ladies 9-Hole Golf Association.

There have been 20-30 ladies golfing each week.

New members since November are: Patty Aden, Kathy Ahrens, Maggie Callahan, Patti Fleig, Gilda Gambacurta, Marilyn Lisbon, Joyce Metzger, Shirley Silver, and Shawn Welsch.

Golf has improved as well. During the first two weeks of February, there was an increase in the number of birdies. Seven different women had birdies, and on Tuesday, Feb. 7, there were nine birdies in all.

Fantastic!

Our Flight Tournament was held on Feb. 21 and Feb. 28. Winners will be announced at our spring banquet on April 6.

The next tournament will be the President's Tournament on March 21. Ladies must sign up to play by March 14. Again, the winners will be announced at the spring luncheon in April.

Anyone interested in joining our group should stop by on Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m. or by calling Pat Murray (725-9053) or Mary Ann O'Neil (449-9243).



SPORTS

All OTOW softball players traded!

By Bob Rittner

We have a trade!

Only a short time into the 2016-17 season and everyone in the On Top of the World softball league has been traded.

Instead of the Marlins and Rays, we now play for the Dunedin Blue Jays and Farmer Boy Restaurant.

The Blue Jays and Farmer Boy Restaurant have provided us with funds and shirts, so now we are playing with class.

If you stop by and watch one of our games, you'll see our new uniforms.

Dunedin Blue Jays 3 Farmer Boy Restaurant 1

A remarkable thing happened.

After the first triple play in memory was recorded last month, the feat was duplicated by the Jays this month - this time a more traditional third base (Guy Bertuzzi) to second base (Bob Stoddard) to first base (Don Kutchinski) play. On a scorecard, this looks like 5-4-3.

A sliding catch by outfielder Trevor Dixon, as well as Duane Anderson's grab of a rising liner, held the Farmer Boys at bay while the Jays squeezed out runs on Dan Puopolo's four hits and Guy Bertuzzi's two RBIs. The third run came in after Tony Caputo doubled and Bob Stoddard drove him in.

Dunedin Blue Jays 17 Farmer Boy Restaurant 8

The score belies how well the Boys played. Outstanding defense from shortstop Jim Kemp was complemented by a four-hit day from Guy Bertuzzi and Tony Caputo, each of whom doubled.

But the Jays were relentless.

After falling behind 6-3 in the third, they scored 11 straight runs over the next four innings, led by Dan Puopolo's five doubles, and Paul Fice and Allan Bendert with four hits.

Farmer Boy Restaurant 13 Dunedin Blue Jays 7

Having been traded to Farmer Boy just before the game, Ray Woolsey proceeded to wreak havoc on the Jays, stroking four long hits to drive in five runs.



Ray Woolsey models a new shirt donated to On Top of the World softball from the Dunedin Blue Jays.

Not to be outdone, Dan Puopolo launched the Boy's comeback from a 5-1 deficit with the season's first over-the-fence homer on his way to another four-hit day.

Dunedin Blue Jays 4 Farmer Boy Restaurant 5

Each team dodged bullets with spectacular defensive plays.

For the Jays, outfielder Bill Edwards made two sliding catches and third baseman Henry Zussman snagged a bad-hop grounder with men in scoring position.

But the web gem play was shortstop

Jim Kemp's stab and grab of a one-hopper behind him just before the outfield grass.

For the Agrarians, Bob Fields was impeccable at second base, his excellence punctuated with a backhand running catch of a liner.

Ken Graham smashed six hits, including a double.

Dunedin Blue Jays 10 Farmer Boy Restaurant 7

In the 1960 World Series, Bobby Richardson won the Most Valuable Player award although his team lost.

Softball

Today, Rick Metzger duplicated that feat with his fielding (three putouts and three assists in the outfield, one of which was a one hop throw to first that Hugh Quirk scooped for the out) and hitting (three hits with a double and two RBIs). He was assisted by Paul Fice's four hits.

But the Jays murderer's row of Jim Tiano, Frank Brown, Guy Bertuzzi and Tony Caputo, each of whom doubled and together had 10 hits, overmatched the Farmer Boys.

Farmer Boy Restaurant 9 Dunedin Blue Jays 3

An early 2-0 Jays lead disappeared as every Farmer Boy player hit. Rick Metzger, Dan Puopolo and Joe Maley each had perfect three-hit days.

Dunedin Blue Jays 6 Farmer Boy Restaurant 4

Home runs and three hits each by Dan Puopolo and Ray Woolsey drove in all six runs for the Jays and established an early five run lead.

Four hits from Joe Maley and Lenny Segall, as well as doubles by Jim Kemp and Ken Graham, threatened the lead. A two-run rally in the ninth fell short however.

Farmer Boy Restaurant 12 Dunedin Blue Jays 9

Down 7-2 early, the Jays rallied behind four hits by Tony Caputo and Joe Maley, each of whom doubled, to outscore the Boys over the next few innings to create a 9-9 tie.

But three runs on Guy Bertuzzi, Lenny Segall and Jim Tiano doubles, and Bill Edwards' RBI sufficed. Pitcher Bob Rittner snagged a head-high liner at the mound and doubled a runner off first to close the game.

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BUILDING REPORTS



We love to knit things green!

By Cheryl Butcher

With St. Patrick's Day looming, the green yarn has been coming out of our cabinets and projects are being worked in shades of emerald green to lime green.

One of our members, Marie Orlando, has been making baby bonnets in those shades and in various sizes to fit the newborns at Mease Countryside Hospital.

Marie came to our Knitting Club in late March 2016, having just bought her condo in February. She returned to her home in Buffalo, N.Y., last summer, plans to sell her house this summer, and make On Top of the World her permanent home.

It seems like every week she is telling us about the latest improvement she is making to her condo to make it her perfect retirement home.

Marie has two sons, one in Tampa and one in Rochester, N.Y., and two granddaughters in Rochester.

She was a teacher's aide for Special Education in Buffalo. A girlfriend's mother taught Marie how to knit and crochet when she was 12, and she has been doing it since then, although not on a regular basis. So she has to consult YouTube at times to refresh her memory.

One long-standing member of our club, Phyllis Butler, has been keeping a count of our projects going back to 1998. So - be prepared to be amazed - the club has donated 5,113 lap robes, 1,803



Knitting

walker caddies, 624 baby hats, 548 scarves, 322 hats, 294 baby blankets, 199 shrugs and 13 slippers.

Many thanks to all past and present members who have so generously contributed to these numbers. Thanks also to all of the friends and neighbors who bring in yarn donations.

The Good Neighbors Knitting Group operates under the auspices of Good Neighbors and receives financial support from them, as well as the Coffee Corner.

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

If you knit or crochet, we would love to have you join us. While we do not teach, we do help each other with patterns and/or problems.



Marie Orlando and several varieties of baby bonnets.



Don't miss the annual OTOW Irish Club St. Patrick's Parade Saturday, March 4, at 10 a.m.

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THE OTOW NEWS "SECOND GENERATION" COLUMN

How many current On Top of the World residents are second or third generation (or more)? Many more than you might think. We run a frequent column to highlight these folks. If you are a second or third generation OTOW resident, call 727-470-2989 and we'll be glad to set up an interview with you!



No column this month. Watch for our column in a future issue.

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Plant City pasture, decorated barn is ideal wedding venue

Hello from Rila Renaissance. Our neighbor, Nancy Gentry, recently experienced a very special occasion.

Nancy's grandson recently got married. His new wife is a school teacher. The bride wore a pin that was her grandfather's, a photo of her other grandfather, and both grandmothers' rings which were on a safety pin inside her pocket.

The bride said, "Since I don't have any grandparents left except one, I thought it would be a great tribute to them."

It was cool the day of the wedding, but sunny. The wedding ceremony was held in Plant City, Fla., in a pasture next to a barn. After the ceremony, the bridal party and guests proceeded to the nearby barn for the reception.

The barn was beautifully decorated and they had many heaters to warm up the room. Nancy said, "It was a wonderful buffet dinner and a great DJ. Everyone enjoyed listening and dancing to the music."

The whole bridal party, including the



flower girl and ring bearer, wore cowboy boots as part of their attire.

Nancy's son and one daughter live in Florida and her other daughter and son-in-law flew in from South Carolina for the wedding. Congratulations, Nancy, on your grandson's wedding!

Our building recently went to Johnny's Italian Restaurant for a get-together. It was great to see everyone. We all had a good time. Look for more information on a



Rila Renaissance resident Nancy Gentry attended her grandson's wedding in Plant City.

get-together dinner at the end of March. It would be great to see our neighbors before they go back up North.

From our building captain, Gerri Jaeger: You are now able to discard electronics at the North County Satellite site on Highway 19 just south of Curlew Road. It is on the road next to the GTE

Credit Union. It will be held every month from 9-2 p.m. Check the bulletin board for more information and dates.

We hope all our neighbors have a great St. Patrick's Day celebration! Don't forget to check out the Irish Club parade on Saturday, March 4.

If you have any news, let me know.

Siboney looking forward to St. Pat's festivities

About 20 Siboney residents enjoyed breakfast at First Watch in honor of Valentine's Day. This is a yearly celebration, and we all wear red. The food and service is terrific. It's also nice to meet and greet our neighbors.

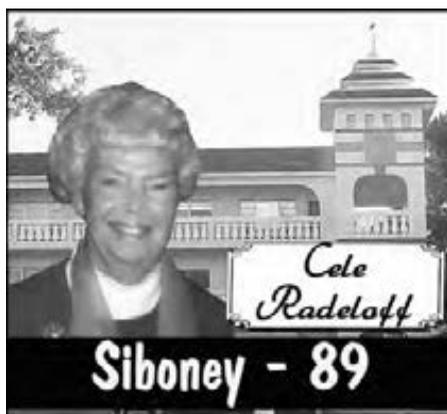
Get ready for the big Irish Club St. Patrick's parade, to be held Saturday, March 4, at 10 a.m. Be sure to wear your green! There will be free beer and you can purchase a hot dog, too.

Our own Penny Drummond was in the right spot at the right time during a performance of the recent Jesters show when a medical emergency arose. Penny, a retired nurse, was able to stabilize the patient as her old nursing skills kicked in. Two other nurses also helped.

In relating the above story to my family on Long Island, I learned my granddaughter had a similar experience aboard a United Airlines flight to Costa Rica. She is an R.N., and when the announcement came over the plane's loudspeaker, "Any medical personnel on board — we have an emergency," she responded immediately. She was able to take vital signs and stabilize the patient.

Upon her return from Costa Rica, she received a lovely thank-you letter from United with a \$200 travel voucher enclosed. Wasn't that a nice gesture!

We thank Cindy Stone and her parents, Bob and Barbara Stone, for leaving the decorations up during January and February so that we could still enjoy their beautiful creations. I marvel at all the artifacts and work involved.



Thank you from all of us at Siboney!

We recently held our annual Memorial Service honoring our deceased neighbors. Thanks to Susan Rausch, Audrey Jones and myself for conducting this service.

Our building picnic will be held on Saturday, March 18, at Philippe Park. Please watch the board for shelter info and a sign-up sheet. It's always fun, so please join us.

The next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 22, at 7 p.m. in the Sunrise Room.

Finally, what a funny and creative Jesters show we saw recently! We congratulate Lee and Pat Catalfomo (director and wife) for their major efforts in the production. Also, Lillian and Mike Foy (our very own neighbors) were terrific in the show. Everyone really enjoyed all the memories!

Happy St. Patrick's Day! See you at the parade.

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Rio Riviera dwellers enjoy 'meet and greet'



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This application can ONLY be sent to, or picked up, by OWNERS of On Top of the World apartments and only the OWNER shall process applications for renter Activity Cards.



A huge thank you goes out to Paradise residents Steve and Mary Arnholt and Dennis and Alma Gommel for hosting a delightful meet and greet evening recently for the residents of the Rio Riviera Building.

Everyone brought their favorite hors d'oeuvre to share. A good time was had by all!

Paradise is well-represented in this year's Theater Workshop presentation of "The Hideaway." Janet Walker,



Rio Riviera residents pose while attending a charming meet and greet evening hosted by Steve and Mary Arnholt and Dennis and Alma Gommel. (Photo by Toni Reinwald)

Sam Gonnella, Mary Sundblad, and Will Sundblad are all participants. Mary and Will are also producing and directing the show. The show is a musical which takes place in the Prohibition era in Chicago. The songs and dances are lively, and the music is almost exclusively from the 1920's era.

The show will be performed Friday and Saturday, March 10 and 11, at 7:30

p.m. There will be a matinee on Sunday, March 12, at 2 p.m. Mark your calendars for a great show!

If you are a new resident of Paradise, I would love to hear from you and introduce you to our wonderful community! Please refer to the information on your bulletin board in your building for further details. Have a blessed day in Paradise!

Wintertime goings-on continue at Azores

This is my 30th winter living in Florida and I never forget how lucky we are to be here and not "up North" learning how to use our new snow rake!

Azores residents have been very busy this season. Did you all see Nancy Lo's picture on the front of the Activity Reports section of the February On Top of the World News? Now I have one more thing to be impressed with in addition to Nancy's dancing skills.

Jack and Gladys Lundgren celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary recently. In lieu of a party, their son asked everyone to just send well-wishes. Jack and Gladys were surprised and thrilled when over 25 cards appeared on the doorstep the morning of their big day.

Russ Heiserman's son Scott and his wife flew down from Minnesota for a week's visit. The warm Florida sun helped get their teeth to stop chattering in only two days.

After this great visit, Russ and Sy Mackey took a cruise through the Caribbean, stopping at four ports. Russ can never understand why only he gains a few pounds. Perhaps over-consumption of the great food?



Maggie Sayward's daughters, Lisa Lee and Sherry LaPine, left the snows of the Adirondack Mountains and joined their mother for their first ever cruise. Even though the cruise to Mexico and Grand Cayman was great, the "girls" were glad to get back on solid ground. Apparently, they are still developing their "Sea Legs."

Bob Kelly and several other residents have been using the new fitness center in the East Activity Center. Bob said if you haven't checked it out yet, you should.

Others of us have been exercising our brains by attending the Osher Lifelong

Learning Institute classes at OTOW. We've taken an in-depth tour of Paris, learned about the life of Bob Hope and a discussion of the Founding Mothers of this great country. A complete list of upcoming classes is at www.eckerd.edu/OnTopOfTheWorld.

Our Building Coordinator and OTOW Librarian, Katy Gerritt, has organized a book club in partnership with the Good Karma Cafe. The first book to be discussed is "Sunnyvale" by local author Ricko Donovan. The group will meet on March 2, 16 and 30 with Ricko joining us on the 30th. Contact Katy for details or the Community Service Office.

Thirty-five of us gathered for dinner at Bob Heilman's Beachcomber Restaurant to "chase away the winter blues" such as they are.

Don't forget to wish the following neighbors "Happy Birthday" on their big day: Doris O'Meara, March 8; Nan Rudolph, March 10; Tom Pirrello and Stan Stock, March 12; and Denise Foley, March 30. One of these is a huge milestone. Find out for whom next month.

See you all at the races on March 4th.

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Help protect residents from the 'grandparent scam'

Within the past few years, individuals featured in this newspaper were contacted by phone that a grandchild was in jail and needed bail money.

The callers had the correct names of the grandchildren, the correct towns and the correct grandparents' phone numbers.

However, the phone call was a scam to try to

get the grandparents to fork out large sums of cash. Investigators believe the scammers may have read this newspaper online to gather information.

Since the first such incident, the OTOW News is requesting that building writers no longer list the names and locations of children or grandchildren in stories. All residents should be aware that this

is a common scam everywhere — not just at On Top of the World.

If you get a call that a family member needs money, ask questions and double-check the information. Try to check on the whereabouts of the child in question yourself. If it sounds suspicious and you think it may be a scam, call the police.



One of a multitude of acts that were featured in the February OTOW Jesters production, "Thanks for the Memories." This was the Jesters' 38th annual show.

Kudos to all the Jesters: 'Thanks for the Memories'

Hysterical, moving, and reminiscent of our earlier lives, as seen through the most watched television series from long ago, were the key elements of the Jesters' 2017 show this past month.

Medleys, songs, television commercials and dances were included in the line-up, from clips of "Our Gang" and a Geritol commercial, to westerns, "Archie Bunker," the "Golden Girls," and much more.

Lee Catalfomo, this year's performance director, along with his creatives team and backstage support team, led his 30 cast members into making the Jesters' Club's 38th performance a success. The auditorium was packed with show-goers, and filled with laughter for each of the three performances.

In a skit from the "Honeymooners," Jackie Gleason's Ralph Cramden character, played by member Gil Small, was verbally beaten up by Fay Rosenberg, his demure mother-in-law who jabs him in the back at every opportunity.

In James Bond's "Goldfinger" music, sultry Phyllis Brooks lit up the stage wearing a gold-sequined outfit, as she tries to seduce Will Peterson (who didn't seem to mind) – although his partner did.

A western medley by Tom and Vicky Portsmouth brought back memories of the Old West and captured audience song participation to such stars and shows as Dale Evans and Roy Rogers, Bat Masterson and "Rawhide."



In "Lime Green Jell-O Cottage Cheese Surprise," Sue Calinski played the part of the president of a female social organization. She puts her members to sleep while reading the meeting's minutes and discussing her First Place ribbon for her dessert entre, of which she may have cheated in order to win.

And who could forget Porgy and Bess' "Summertime," sung by Bernee Krause, and Carol Burnett's "Glad We Had This Time Together," sung by Donna Bittner.

The 36 performances ended with the song "Proud to be an American."

The Jesters club's performance brought audience participation, laughter, and memories. Good job, Jesters! And thanks again for the memories!



A look back at the OTOW News (March, 1992)

By Cele Radeloff and Esta-Lee Schwartz

- The American Cancer Society made arrangements to have a mobile mammography unit come to On Top of the World during the month to take mammograms. Cost was \$55.
- On March 3 and 5, technicians from Morton Plant Hospital were present to conduct complete cholesterol and glucose (sugar) screenings. Cost was \$10.
- The Hunter Blood Center was here on March 12 with their mobile unit, hoping for donors to help replenish the needs of the community, which comes to more than 170 units daily.
- Years ago, the Theater Workshop presented plays. In 1991, it was "Seven Nuns at Las Vegas." In 1992, it was "Rich is Better," a three-act comedy, directed by Vi Black.
- Good Neighbors President Al Ackermann warmly greeted 70 regular members and nine new members at the February meeting. Al extended an invitation to all those who do not already belong so they may learn of the Good Neighbors volunteer activities and projects. Meetings were held before the "get-acquainted" coffee and program.
- Morrison's Cafeteria ran a full-page ad announcing the lowest prices in town. Meat loaf and mashed potatoes were \$2.19; carrot salad 62 cents; apple pie 72 cents and iced tea 62 cents. They were located at Countryside Mall and at Tri-City Plaza in Largo.

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Building meeting held in conjunction with outdoor brunch



Our annual Brittany Farmhouse building meeting was held on January 21 in the breezeway and we combined the necessity with a nice brunch.

Everybody who joined shared a dish and we had a good selection of wonderful food and drinks. Merelee Bernard talked about our finances and we agreed to collect the voluntary dues of \$ 10 per unit for further activities.

A pre-Valentine's brunch was planned for Feb. 11 and was another successful house event. 16 of our residents shared their favorite dishes and enjoyed the company.

We had to say good bye to Earl Baker who moved to Kentucky. We will miss not only him but also his cute dog, Corey.

It was the "catch of a lifetime," as Jim Stewart, a resident of BFH since



This 317-pound grouper was the "catch of a lifetime" for BFH resident Jim Stewart shown here with his grandson.

2000, went on a fishing trip Feb. 7 with his grandson, who is a captain on a boat in Tarpon Springs.

Jim caught a 317 lb. Warsaw Grouper during a day trip.

If you like it or not, March 12 starts Daylight Savings Time. Remember it's spring, so we "spring" forward one hour.

Have a great St. Patrick's Day and don't miss watching the Irish Club St. Patrick's Parade March 4.



Residents prepare to chow down at a pre-Valentine's brunch held on Feb. 11 at Brittany Farmhouse. Sixteen residents enjoyed sharing favorite dishes and desserts.

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Building to hold silent auction March 11



Hello boys and girls, welcome to March at Viennese Villa, when everyone is Irish for at least a day. Dig out your green and enjoy watching the Irish Club's St. Patrick's parade on March 4.

Also this month, mark the 11th for our silent auction, under the capable hand of Connie McDonald and Chris Tuttle assisting. Turn those extra, unused items in to extra cash for you as well as the building fund. Please, no books or clothing. See the core bulletin board for complete details.

We sadly bid adieu to longtime residents, the Berniers. They sold their condo and are returning to Canada. After 27 years being Snowbirds, Doe and Ray are fixtures here in our corner of paradise and shall be missed. We wish them all the best in their new adventure.

Viennese Villa is so well-represented in the Jesters Club. The Saffees, Howard Rochte and Russ Lamesfield were on stage and behind the scenes for the recent show. Glad we arrived early as it was just about sold out. It was a marvelous stroll down TV, movie, commercial and radio memory lane in song and dance.

Our laundry facilities seem to be in



Ray and Doe Bernier, long-time winter residents, are returning to Canada permanently, having sold their condo recently at Viennese Villa. We wish them well. (Photo by Mike Leonard)

constant use. New management regulations on installation of equipment in units must be the reason. If that is the case, more machines are needed and should be installed. Most buildings have at least three washers and dryers.

In checking our insurance policy, my sharp-eyed hubby noticed it stated we had no smoke alarm and were five miles from a fire station, both of which are incorrect. It may be a good idea to look over your policy as well.

While on the subject, a fellow resident mentioned all their water damage was covered during a severe rainstorm. However, a friend having the same insurance company was not. Reason: He was on the first floor

and had a different type of coverage. For any questions, ask your insurance agent.

Nice to see Boss and his staff Carroll Harris and Fred Schick back from their Texas visit. Miss seeing Boss out for his constitutional with one or both Carroll and or Fred following behind.

Has anyone noticed our new mascot "Vern," short for varmint, the black rubber rat who hangs out by the palm tree on the Ecuadorian side? Where Vern came from is a mystery. Hawk eye Lynn Castanza first noticed him in the palm tree in January.

Good wishes to all having birthdays and anniversaries this month. Until next month, any news fit to print, send to fresca@maine.rr.com.



Flea market sale items are readied

The Mediterranean Building held its first official meeting in January.

There was a lot of conversation and input about how we can make our building a wonderful place in which to live. The topics of discussion were the areas that have been improved by On Top of the World maintenance personnel and areas that still need addressing. All in all, the meeting was very positive and productive.

During the month of February the Mediterranean building residents enjoyed its first game night. Everyone bought games and snacks to share. The group of 20 included Mediterranean residents and two couples from the Baby Boomers Club. Everyone enjoyed playing traditional and Mexican Train Dominos, Gin Rummy and the board game Aggravation. It was so much fun that the group discussed scheduling another game night in March.

Our long overdue storage area cleanup project was completed in February. Many of our building residents assisted with this undertaking.

In the process they donated some wonderful items for our Mediterranean Building sale table at the OTOW event on April 1. Please visit our table at this event to pick up some great stuff at bargain prices.



Flamenco reporter to turn over her job to another

As she walked through the door at Bon Appetite, she was smiling in anticipation of having a nice quiet birthday luncheon with a couple of her friends.

Little did she expect that 10 other friends had also gathered to help celebrate the occasion. Yes, it was another birthday celebration, this time for Shirley Crowder.

As is the custom at the Flamenco, we will celebrate birthdays, weddings, etc. and anything that will result in a party. Happy birthday, Shirley!

Well-wishes go out to Rich Sanderson. We hope to see you at the East Activity Center on Thursday nights. We have missed you!

As this is my last article as your reporter, I want to thank each and every one of you for all the exciting happenings that helped me compose the articles. It has been fun and quite an adventure and, to say the least, it has been an education.

Yes, it has been joy to report all the fun times we have had at the Flamenco. All the luncheons, the parties, the celebrations and the joys. We have done it all. And I will be forever grateful for all the friends I have



and the good times we have had. You are the best! So I will say good-bye and always remember the good people and good times we have had.

Good luck to Liz Illgen, our new Flamenco reporter. Let her know what is going on and what you are doing. This will be good for both her and the building.

Ed. Note: The staff of the OTOW News thanks Charlyn for her many contributions to the paper. We wish her good luck in all her future endeavors.

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Valentine's month or not, love is always in the air

February is synonymous with love. Within the Bohemia Building there is an abundance of love and caring.

This was exemplified by Andy and Edna Clark, along with Larry Jones, who presented an extraordinary concert on a sunny Saturday afternoon.

Andy and Edna Clark are Canadian friends of Faye and Ed Landry, who visit every couple of years.

Andy and Edna met as young people in Scotland, married and moved to Canada. Andy's full time job was that of an engineer, while Edna pursued a teaching career.

Music has been a love they both embraced and have traveled extensively to various music competitions. We thank them, and our very own Larry Jones (who performed with them), for caring enough to share their special talents with us.

Our annual Valentine Coffee was held on Feb. 11 with an overwhelming attendance. As always, a 50/50 drawing was held and the winners, we hope, shared their winnings with their mates or a loved one.



We think Valentine's Day is so momentous that we needed a second celebration, which was a dinner at Rumba Island Bar & Grill on Tampa Road. This dinner was so successful that it is being considered as an annual event.

The men of our building need to be recognized for their great love of their wives as they sent 12 of them off to Biloxi, Miss., on a four-day junket. We can only hope the winners shared their spoils with their unselfish spouses!

We sincerely hope you all had a wonderful Valentine month.

Granadans have most of the year already planned out

There is so much that has either happened, or is going to happen, that I don't know where to begin.

On Feb. 5, Don Lamborn's daughter was married in Dunedin at a lovely waterside location. Don's siblings came in from out of town to help him in the celebration. We wish the young couple a long and happy marriage.

Meanwhile, Trish Burch enjoyed her birthday observance and my husband Stan and I went on a Caribbean cruise to celebrate our sixty-first anniversary and Stan's birthday.

Granadans held their annual golf and pizza party on Feb. 19, their social hour on Feb. 23, and the monthly luncheon on Feb. 27. Residents enjoy the social hour so much that they have asked to do it twice monthly.

Several Granadans have attended the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) classes here at On Top of the World and have experienced what OLLI is all about. We certainly hope that OTOW and OLLI will continue these classes in the future.



Our Granada Building day at Tampa Bay Downs on March 5 is sold out, and we are looking forward to eating, socializing, and watching the horses run.

March 23 is set for another social hour on the Franciscan side of the building. Our seasonal farewell picnic is scheduled for April and we will once again enjoy a holiday luncheon at the Beachcomber on Dec. 8.

We Granadans enjoy life — so until next month, we wish the same for all OTOW residents.

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How about a Christmas luncheon in February?

The English Tudor building does things a little different with its holidays.

For instance, a week after Valentine's Day, residents have their Christmas luncheon. This idea was created by the Christmas luncheon of 2012, when we had only six people show up at the Sunset Grill, and 2013 when we had just nine for lunch at the Clearwater Country Club.

JoAnn Dameron, our event planner had a year to work on a solution, and she came up with a doozy. After Christmas, the restaurants are very happy to take our reservations and more of our traveling residents are back at On Top of the World. JoAnn likes to decorate each table and provide party favors, and we get to wear our Christmas sweaters. All attendees have a good time.

This year our luncheon was held at the Olive Garden. Our attendance in the mid-30s and we all have a good time.

We received a new roof at the end of January. The crew had to work around



a couple of rainy, windy days, but still were able to finish up in a timely manner.

Laurie Cavanaugh and I saw the recent Jesters performance. What a treat! The laughs came often and scene changes smooth. You can tell the time and effort put in was tremendous.

That's it for our news. Be sure to check out the core for any planned events.

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Featured residents each have impressive backgrounds

Emerald Isle's second annual post New Year's Eve and pre Fourth of July get-together took place on Friday, Feb. 10, at Queen's Pizza.

The building was well-represented and a delicious time was had by all. In attendance was one half of the Cathy and Larry Faulkner duo, who are our featured residents for this month.

Cathy and Larry have known each other since they were 5 years old when they began their intellectual development at the same school. They will soon be celebrating their 55th wedding anniversary. Congratulations!

After kindergarten, Cathy pursued a career in nursing. Of course, it was a few years later when she enrolled in Indiana University and became a Registered Nurse. After a while, she decided to get an MS degree in psychiatric nursing from the same university where she then taught in the Indiana University School of Nursing for a number of years.

In 1979, Cathy went into private practice as a psychiatric nurse practitioner.



When their daughter gave birth to triplet boys, Cathy decided to work only part-time in order to be able to help her daughter's family, who now included the new triplets plus another boy, a toddler.

Meanwhile, Larry was not idle. He spent four years in the U.S. Air Force where he worked in the NSA-CIA, the large National Security Agency, during the Vietnam War. Larry was stationed in Anchorage, Alaska, as an intelligence analyst helping decipher messages that

were relayed to Washington, D.C., a highly-secretive endeavor.

After the Air Force, Larry used the GI Bill to attend Indiana State University in Terre Haute, Ind., where he received a BS and an MS in education. After graduation, he worked at the same university in admissions and as a guidance counselor.

From ISU, Larry proceeded to teach all known high school sciences — anatomy, physiology, chemistry, and biology — for 37 years.

Finally came retirement, but that lasted only three months, when he was called up by a local high school principal who was in desperate need of a biology teacher.

Actual retirement was only realized four years later, when Larry finally retired for good. Cathy and Larry had their place in Emerald Isle, which Cathy thought they should be using more. Done.

At some point during Larry's high school teaching career, a travel organization named Education First Tours contacted Larry to see if he would be interested in organizing and accompanying groups



Featured Emerald Isle residents Cathy and Larry Faulkner. (Photo by Sue Naylor)

of adults and students on their tours. He and Cathy did this for 15 years during their summer vacations.

Congratulations are in order to David Buccieri for his recent parts in the Jesters' production here in the East Activity Center.

And a farewell and good thoughts for our delightful neighbor, Emma Lipari.

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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.

Every first-time guest receives a complete copy of the Bible to keep as their own.

For more information, call either Bob Reis, 798-2443, or Woodie Tully, 399-1773.

Building still lays claim to 'Party Central'

The Mallorcans have been quite busy these past few weeks. As usual, this is still "Party Central."

We held our annual meeting at the home of Jim and Maureen Finguerra, at which time 16 of us discussed matters that affected our building. President Finguerra handed out a packet of information concerning recycling, which was well-received. Many of us were not sure what was allowed in the recycling bin and what was not, even though the program has been in existence for several years.

A major discussion followed concerning the condition of the garbage room, and how to improve the smelly situation. Several solutions were considered, and everyone seemed willing to help in making this situation better for all.

The same slate of officers has agreed to continue their positions. Thank you all.

The following day, we had our annual movie and dinner event. Fourteen Mallorcans and guests went to the Cobb Theater to view the movie of their choice, and then we all met at Hog Island Fish Camp in Dunedin for dinner. Those of us who saw "Hidden Figures" were



so impressed by the acting and the story line.

A big thank you goes out to Ursula Taylor and Pete Kagels for hosting the Super Bowl party! Ursula and Pete moved into the Mallorca building less than a year ago, lived through a major renovation to their apartment, and then offered to host the party. Everyone had a great time rooting for their favorite team, and this year it was especially exciting. Eight football pools were run by Dick and Terry Kuplen.

Have you noticed that our bulletin

board has been removed? Word has it that Beth Larson has volunteered to make a new one for us, but she needs our help. Beth plans to make the bulletin board from wine corks, and she needs us to donate many corks. What a difficult donation! Anyway, give your corks to Beth and let's enjoy the unique decoration to our building!

Thank you, Dick and Terry, for planning another great social for the building. Soon we will go to Ed Fletcher's Early Bird Dinner Theater, always a favorite, to see "Bermuda Avenue Triangle."

In March we will host our golf scramble and barbecue; in April we plan to go to Tampa Bay Downs to the horse races, and then in May we expect to go to Congo River Mini Golf and then out to dinner.

So we have planned at least one outing a month. Many times it happens that other events are planned, which makes our building very active!

Soon our Northern friends and relatives will be visiting. If any of you have any news you would like mentioned, please see me with the details.

Happy St. Pat's and happy spring to all!

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East Side..... 8:25 to 8:45 a.m.

Thursday Afternoon

Publix (Sunset & Belcher)

Paradise/West Side.... 11 to 11:20 a.m.
East Side.....11:25 to 11:45 a.m.

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Paradise/West Side.....8 to 8:20 a.m.
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Friday Afternoon

Super Walmart

Paradise/West Side.... 11 to 11:20 a.m.
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Race track hosts race especially for Dorado attendees

Greetings from everyone at the Dorado Building.

The Tampa Bay Downs race track has a great appeal to many people. You can watch races, bet on the outcome and have a great meal all while visiting with your friends.

This is exactly what our Dorado social club did this past month. Some of us learned what fun it is to put \$2 on a horse with an interesting name and then lose that bet.

Others learned how to read the program and even give tips about how to win looking at the odds posted on the board near the finish line and some just watched the race and let a good meal settle.

If you have never been to the races at Tampa Bay Downs, you have missed some wonderful opportunities to learn. Did you know that most race tracks run races with distances from 5 to 12 furlongs? For those who might be interested 5 to 12 furlongs means from 0.63 miles to 1.5 miles.

If you use the metric system, a furlong is 201.168 metres. And to round out your education in this matter, the imperial length for a furlong would be 40 rods or 10 chains. I am sure this all dates to earlier times when measurement was thought of as fields and countryside space where most horse races were held.



Most of us are content to just learn about how to lose our money at the race track.

Since 1665, when horse racing first started on Long Island, N.Y., it has been a satisfying experience to go to the races. Many experience "beginners luck" and win some money, but most people just talk about how much they won and never mention how much they lost. In all, it is appealing for almost everyone.

And look at those horses! They are beautiful animals: Thoroughbred horses, quarter horses, Arabian horses, Paint horses and Appaloosa horses, all lined up in a gate.

Suddenly, they sprint out of the gate,



It was a special day at the races for the Dorado Building at Tampa Bay Downs. (Photo courtesy of Don Jones)

struggling to get to the rail to lead the race and win big money for their owners.

Many enthusiasts like to bet on the most beautiful horse or even the most promising name. Indeed, some swear they have won more by picking the name of the horse or even the jockey's name.

In the accompanying photo, you can see that our building had a special race after which a few of our residents were asked to pose for a picture in the winner's circle with the jockey and owner of the horse.

We all thank Carl and Rosemary Meyer for organizing the outing for us.

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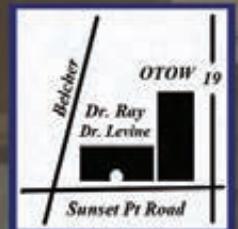
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Two original unit owners still residing at Chetnik

As of this writing I think we can all agree the weather has been most enjoyable these past few months, with no significant cold weather.

Hopefully our great Clearwater weather will continue. I have been in Florida for 39 years and this is one of the nicest winters I can remember.

Our monthly luncheons continue to be very popular with about 16 attending our January outing. The February visit to the First Watch Restaurant had 18 signups, so we plan to continue the luncheons into April and then decide whether to continue during the slower time of the year when fewer residents are here.

Although most of us have lived in the Chetnik building for several or more years, I thought it was appropriate to point out two of our original residents who saw the building during construction back in 1982-83.

To my knowledge Betty Ponzi and Viorica (Vi) Donato are the only original residents to note (If I left anyone out, please let me know for a future column).

Betty Ponzi and her husband Thomas moved to On Top of the World in 1983,



coming from their previous home in Syracuse, N.Y. Thomas ran a successful grocery business and Betty owned a beauty salon, where she was known for her skill and talent.

In an ironic twist, one of their daughters (Georgette Ponzi Mogish) met her husband-to-be, Andy, through a neighbor in the Chetnik. Andy Jr. is the son of former resident Andy Mogish who lived on the third floor. Many of you may know that he had a successful career of more than 35 years as a basketball and baseball



Original OTOW Chetnik unit owners Viorica Donato, at left, and Betty Ponzi.

coach at Syracuse University.

Betty lives on the second floor. In 1990, Georgette met Andy Jr., and they married the following year.

So with both parents-in-law residing in the building, there have been numerous family gatherings through the years.

Currently Georgette, who resides in Franklin, Tenn., makes return visits to

see Betty many times during the year.

Up until recent years, Betty has always stayed busy, known for her gourmet Greek cooking and creative crafts. She has always been generous with surprise gifts to other residents.

Next month I hope to interview Vi Donato and let you know about her life here at Chetnik.



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Signs of spring are 'hopping' all around Roman Byz

As spring arrives, Roman Byzantine has had some spring cleaning. The building's walkways and the rear profile have been painted which has brightened up the entire façade.

As seen in the photo, we are getting bunny visits, spring flowers and everyone seems to be enjoying the common areas.

I have been asked by Linda Gooch, our building treasurer, to give annual dues of \$10 per unit to Delores Kopack this month. This will assure our building activities are well funded. Please share your ideas with Delores about activity ideas that you would enjoy.

We have had some loud nights as families and neighbors celebrated Super Bowl parties at Debbie Abbot, Marjorie Olsen and Tine Raleigh homes. Many of us witnessed some outstanding play and a first tied Super Bowl in history.

Shirley Miller's granddaughter has joined the Marines. She will be graduating from Boot Camp on Paris Island this month. Shirley is very proud of her service. Congratulations!

Linda Grafft has started her continuing education in a Genealogy course. She hopes to gain additional tools to complete her family research and help others as well.

There have been many travelers recently. Barbara Novak, Debbie Abbot and Marjorie Olsen all returned from cruises. The weather was perfect and the break was welcome. Dale and Richard Stockhouse and Linda Grafft participated



in a "line dancing cruise" arranged by the On Top of the World Line Dancing Association and Dolly's Snowbirds Line Dance Club. What a great way to complete your cardio-workout while cruising!

We seem to have revolving doors filled with visitors. Gwenn Nolan had a returning visiting snowbird from Canandaigua, N.Y., for a few weeks. We welcomed Fran Davis to the card and pool circles. Jeanne Steely had a two-week visit from her daughter that resides in Texas.

Patrick Willis has been busy. He has a passion to help others. He recently has been building objects in the woodworking shop and offering his services to neighbors that just need a little help to stay independent.

Please save the date for our next building gathering outside the core on Thursday, March 9. Bring your news, smiles and stay awhile.



This curious bunny (circled) seen at the Roman Byzantine building is a sure sign of spring.

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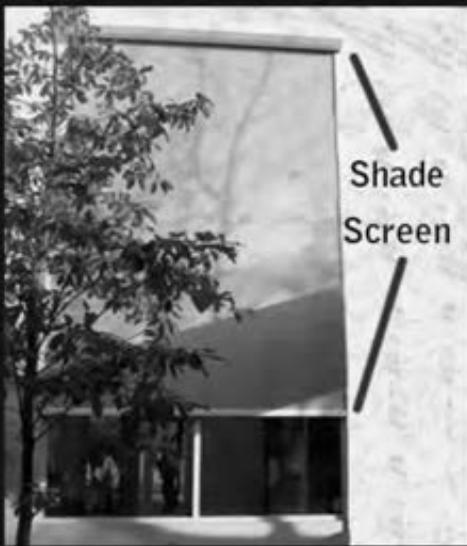
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Some old, some new volunteers step forward at meeting

We had our annual building meeting of the Valencia building in January.

The meeting was attended by a significant group of our residents. For those who were unable to attend, you missed an interesting night. As always, the call for volunteers was successful allowing us to fill all the positions and will assure that everything does not fall on just a few shoulders.

Once again, Valerie Martin and Phil Roth agreed to be our building coordinators, along with Debbie Roth as our treasurer. Donna Hahnan will be our secretary and Sunshine Lady. I will continue to be the building news reporter and flag team captain.

Lil Klant, continuing in her outstanding ways, has agreed to host the monthly ladies luncheon group known as the "Dining Divas."

A new resident, Jerry Blizin, has agreed to host a monthly men's luncheon group known as "The ROMEO's" (Retired



Old Men Eating Out). Personally, I'm looking forward to that one!

We also secured a group of volunteers to host and coordinate the monthly building lunches, at which we always have a good time.

I just re-read all the above to edit and spell check and realized we really eat a lot don't we? Any way, it's all in good fun, and



Valencia residents enjoy themselves during a Valentine's luncheon at the Beachcomber Restaurant on Clearwater Beach.

the social interactions keeps us all alive and young.

While we are on the subject, we had our building's Valentine luncheon on Feb. 14 at the Beachcomber on Clearwater

Beach, hosted by Susie Moresi. It's one of my favorite places. It's probably the favorite of many others as it was the largest turnout in recent memory for our luncheons. Good food, good people, good times.

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Hearty Viking residents enjoy their first building picnic of the year on a recent chilly day.

These picnic attendees were unfazed by cool weather

Living up to their Viking namesake, 31 souls braved the not-quite-Florida weather to enjoy our first building picnic of the year. Two of them were wearing fur coats. Our canine friends, Chloe and Woody, just like the humans, enjoyed themselves immensely.

Unlike our usual fare of hot dogs and hamburgers, the group dined on fried chicken from Publix. There was also a vast array of potluck items. Hart Kraimer brought a platter of shrimp, and it's probably only a rumor that he ate most of them himself! There were several varieties of macaroni and potato salad, as well as baked beans.

There were also several desserts, with a large thank-you from this reporter to Sue Kemmerer for her delicious fruit salad. The raspberries were especially tasty. Once again, Ken Roberts provided a Publix cake. The wording on it was: "The Vikings Have Landed." Check out the picture of the cake on our bulletin board. As an added treat on a brisk day, Rod Bargerstock served ice cream with the cake.

This was also a time to renew acquaintances and meet some of our new residents. Welcome to Mark and Laura Fitzgerald from Rochester, as well as Bruce and Joan Hughes from Detroit. Bruce is also looking for a chess opponent.



If I missed any other new residents, feel free to let me know. I'm always looking for new subjects for articles.

After everyone had eaten, Building Coordinator Pat Drake held a business meeting. The minutes are available on our bulletin board, courtesy of Ilene Bargerstock.

One key point: Building dues will be \$10 per unit, rather than per person as they were last year. They can be paid to Rod Bargerstock or Pat Drake.

Check the bulletin board for more information and pictures from the picnic. Thank you to everyone who attended. We are looking forward to the next event and hope to see even more Vikings there.



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These tail-wagging residents make Nagoya 'doggone fun'

Some of our adorable fur babies could pass as stuffed toys. Teeny Susie gets zipped snug inside Pete Kovlakas' jacket on cold mornings.

Scamp is as scampish as he was 14 years ago when Pat Pellicane and Honey Weilamann named him.

Tinikie's name is Hawaiian. Her owners are our newest residents. Aloha, Dorothea Reilly and Delsa Burke!

Dainty Sofie greets us from her window perch. This little girl was once stepped on and almost lost her leg! Ray and Joyce Grasso's loving care saved her from this crisis.

Lee Bresch's baby Shih Tzu, Rocky, is our youngest.

Ted E Bear is leader of the pack. Howie and Marianne Segal's Maltipoo is a friend magnet. Who could resist that face?

Rhoda Simkin's friendly Wrigley is the popular building ambassador who welcomes everyone. And, he is a terrific outfielder!

Pretty ladies, Coco and Lily, could grace a dog calendar. But Jan Underwood says not to let Coco's girlishness fool you, as Coco has amazing Frisbee skills, too. Cheryl Reese's Lily is a Beach Babe. She has her own boogie board and swim vest.

Rosemarie Bernier's unique dogs



boast global heritages. Claire, a royally elegant Japanese Chin, is happiest on Rosemarie's lap, but gladly shares with Kobe, their very affectionate Austrian Shepherd.

Some of our pooches have been rescued. Bonnie and Clyde stole the hearts of Heidi and Craig Burnette, who travelled all the way to Miami to rescue the brother and sister.

Buckley Rice was found abandoned, while Norman Workman saved Helen from an unhappy life. Pampered by Norman, Helen is now about 16 years old and the eldest Nagoya dog (and one of the best dressed).

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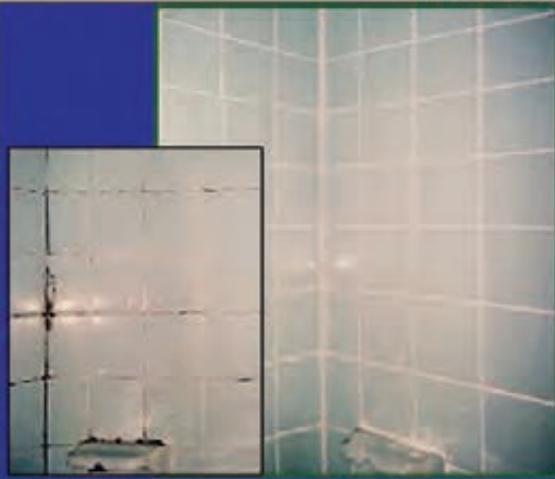


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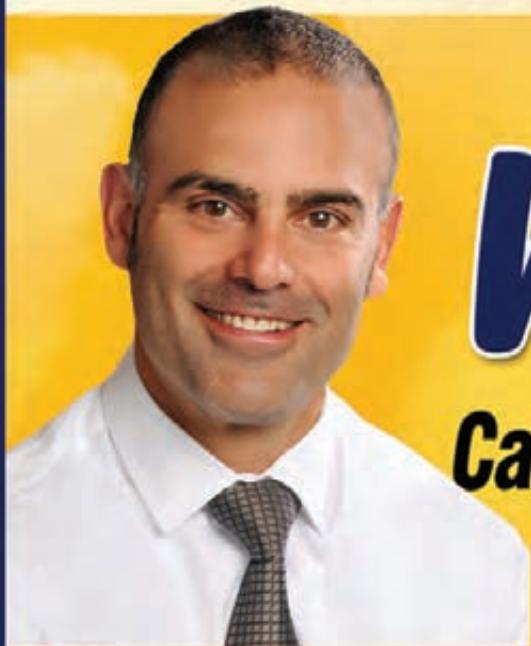
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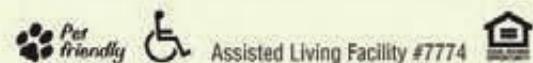
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