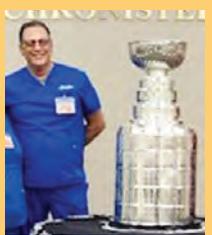


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# ON TOP OF THE WORLD NEWS

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## Nearly 600 people worldwide vote for OTOW's best costumes with four legs

It's amazing what happens when you put On Top of the World's four-legged friends in Halloween costumes.

The world comes out to vote.

For the first time, our community's ninth annual Halloween Pet Costume Contest was an online event this year because of safety and health concerns.

Residents entered 19 dogs in the contest and their costume pictures were posted on the Box Office Website.

During two days of online voting, nearly 600 people voted.

The votes came from nine different countries, including Canada, The United Kingdom, Japan, Mexico, Australia, Germany, France and Switzerland. Back home, people from 30 different states voted.

In the end, the pets above were the top-five vote getters and our winners for 2020. Each contest sponsor will be assigned to present one pet with a prize.

This year's sponsors were State Farm, Woof Gang Bakery, Creating Smiles Dental, Publix and Harborside Animal Hospital.

"In a time when we need to find reasons to smile, it looks like our annual contest did just that," said OTOW News Editor Doug Kates.

"We certainly did miss being at the dog park for our annual live event this year, but making the contest virtual turned out to be a great alternative."

There was no designation for first, second or third places, etc. The top five vote recipients were crowned our champions. The highest vote total for one pet was 930 votes. Second highest was 903 votes. Fifth highest was 422.

Everyone who voted was given 10 virtual Candy Korns. Voters could give one pet all 10 Candy Korns or could divide their votes among numerous contestants.

The winners were Roxie, Rosie, Buckley, Cuddles and Boe. This is the order in which their entry was received.

Roxie is owned by Joan Walton of the Victorian Building (42) and was dressed as a Beanie Baby.

Rosie is owned by Jay English of the Hawaiian Towers Building (34). Rosie was dressed as Dorothy from the Wizard of Oz.

Buckley is owned by Scott and Barbara Rice of the Nagoya Building (53). Buckley was dressed as a clown and was last year's overall winner of this event.

Cuddles is owned by Bruce Lovett of the Villa Riviera Building (32). Cuddles was dressed as a pastry chef.

Boe is owned by Kirk and Timmy Jansen of the Bohemia Building (47). Boe was dressed as a shark.

Some of the other contestant costumes included a UPS driver, an egg, a hot

dog, a witch and Tin Man from the Wizard of Oz.

During the process of voting, the contest Website was overwhelmed with an unexpected high number of votes. Voters were only allowed to vote one time per household, but because of a web design flaw from voter turnout, some people were allowed to vote more than once. Not to worry. No one took advantage of the flaw to spoil the vote count and the flaw was corrected during the second day of voting. The difference between fifth place in votes and sixth place in votes was 110 votes. The five favorites clearly won.

The contest Website will remain online on the Box Office for the next 12 months. You can go back anytime and see all the entries.

The Box Office can be reached by going to [otowboxoffice.com](http://otowboxoffice.com). The contest link will be toward the bottom.

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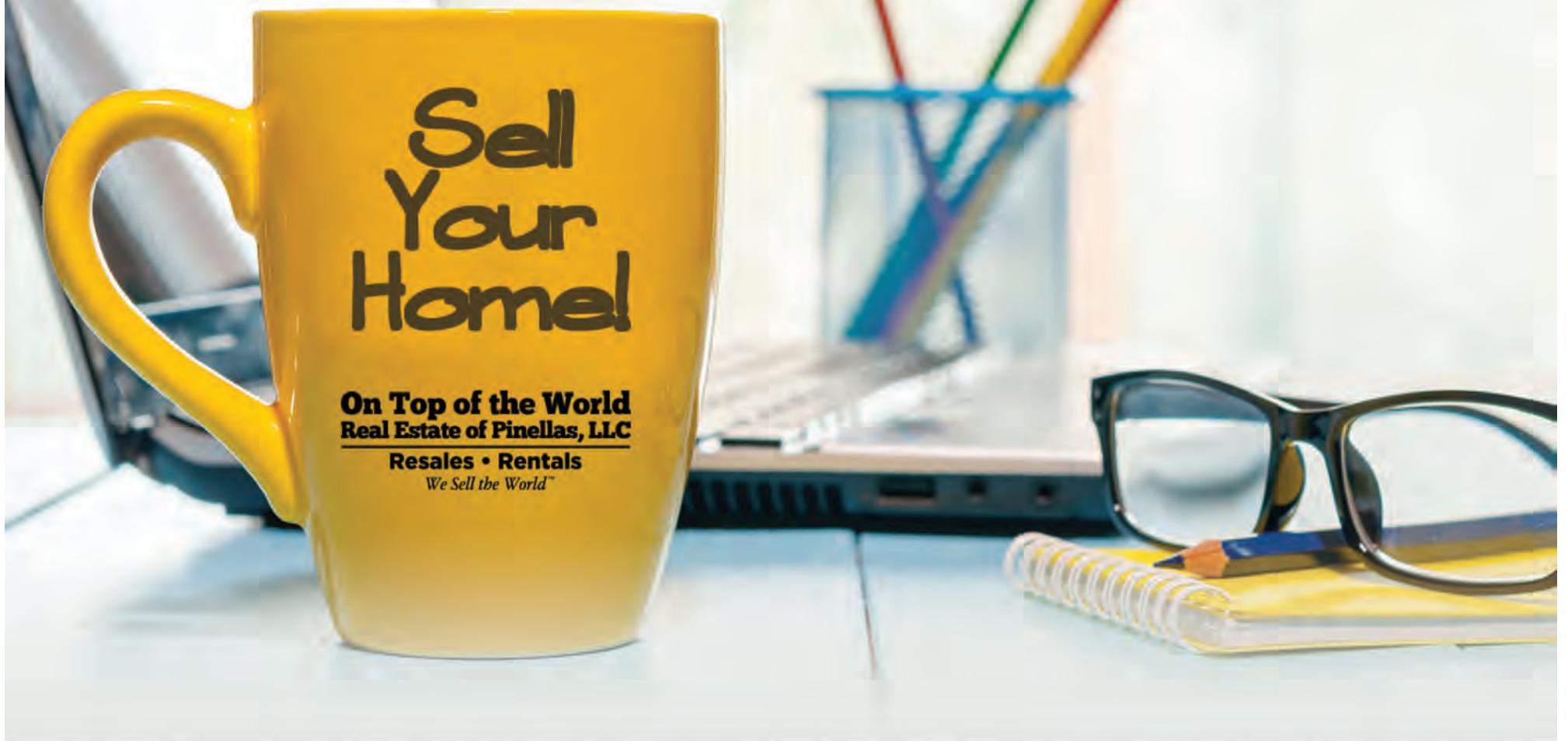
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# Please follow OTOW's decorating guidelines

## Holiday Decorating

With Halloween in our rear view mirror, it is now time to start thinking about the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

Now, I know what you're thinking - it can't be already.

But I assure you, after carefully reviewing my calendar, it is that time again.

With the holiday season comes holiday well wishes, lots of cooking and eating, spending quality time with family (practicing social distancing, of course) and thinking about holiday decorating.

Here are some tips from Parkway Management to remind residents of a few holiday safety and lighting rules.

- All outdoor lighting should be plugged into GFCI receptacles.

- Each building is allowed one common area Christmas tree. Each tree may contain up to 300 miniature lights or 600 reduced-wattage LED lights. Please limit power supply cords to one, 50-foot, Underwriters Laboratories (UL) approved cord.

- Extension cords should not cross any walkway in or around any building.

- If you are putting up a holiday sign-up sheet in your building core, please leave off the date of the event and don't list condo numbers for people attending. Let's avoid telling local burglars who will not be home.

- Please be considerate when using holiday decorations which make sounds - singing, talking or sound effects. Please turn them off at reasonable hours and please limit the amount of time they are playing.

- Please do not hang or wrap decorations or cords from building lights. This includes emergency lights, exit lights, center core lights, walkway lights, end stairwell lights and pole lights on all floors.

- Please do not hang or wrap decorations or cords from any building railing or pipe work. This includes all stairway and walkway railings, and emergency system pipe work. All wrapped decorations or cords will be removed without notice.

- Do not hang lighting or decorations on or within any landscaping. This will limit the landscaping department's ability to complete their work and could present a safety hazard.

- Do not place screw extenders with plugs in any building lights or tap into the building power at any controller or light.

- Do not create penetrations into the common structure for the purpose of hanging holiday lighting. Self-adhering, temporary wall hooks are available at most home improvement and department stores.

- Do not wrap garland or decorations around the light poles at the end stairwells on any building. This affects the proper operation of the light.

- Never cover your condo unit numbers with holiday decorations. Your unit number must always be visible to emergency personnel. Don't make it difficult to find your location or a unit near you.

- ALL ELECTRICAL ROOMS, ELEVATOR ROOMS, TELEPHONE ROOMS AND ALARM ROOMS are RESTRICTED AREAS. These areas are not



accessible to residents or the building maintenance worker - only by management.

Please help make this a safe and happy holiday season! Thank you from Parkway Maintenance and Management team. We hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving,

## Water Softeners

An area of concern that has come up lately during community compliance inspections is in regards to the installation of water softeners.

As outlined in the Second Amended and Restated Rules of the On Top of the World Condominium Association, water softeners must be resin, not ion exchange (salt).

The installation of a water softener requires an approval by the Association prior to installation. The application for modification may be obtained by visiting the Community Service Office or by going online to [otowclearwaterinfo.com](https://www.otowclearwaterinfo.com).

At the time of new water softener installation, the old equipment must be removed from OTOW property at the owner's expense. Please do not leave the old equipment in the center core of a building or in the building trash room.

## Community Road Rules

As a reminder, it is important to pay attention to "no parking" areas throughout the community.

In particular, please do not park in and/or block bike lanes. Also, please do not park at the East Activity Center front entrance, under the awning. This area is a designated fire lane that must be kept clear for emergency vehicles.

Also, for the safety of drivers and pedestrians, it is important to obey directional signage posted entering and exiting the parking lots. All parking lots are a one-way design.

If you ride a bicycle, please park and lock them appropriately. Bicycle racks are provided at the East and West Activity Centers. Please utilize these designated areas for bicycle parking and never chain your bicycle to handicap signage, hand railings, or any community fencing.

## Did You Know

### LIVING ON TOP OF THE WORLD

#### Residency vs. Tenancy

If you are residing in a condo in which you are not the owner, you may be classified as a resident or a tenant. Let's clarify the difference.

**Tenancy:** A prospective tenant signs a lease with the owner of the condo. An Owner Direct (vs property manager) Application for Lease Approval must be initiated by the owner (or by their Property Management firm). The tenant also has a section on the application that must be completed and undergo a background check. In addition, the appropriate processing fee will need to be paid and the prospective tenant(s) will attend an interview once the background check has been received.

The final step is to obtain Association approval. If the owner of the property has a signed agreement with the On Top of the World Rental Department, the process is handled entirely through that department.

**Residency:** There is no lease. The party requesting approval to reside in the condo must submit an Application for Approval of Residency, including the notarized approval of at least one of the condo owners; submit an Application for Residency, and undergo a background check.

The appropriate processing fee would need to be paid and then an interview would be scheduled once the background check is received.

Again, the final step is to obtain Association approval.

Both application types are available from our Community Service Office or may be printed from our Website <https://www.otowclearwaterinfo.com/community-information/>.

Once the Association grants occupancy approval, a temporary OTOW Activity Card may be obtained from the Community Service Office for a nominal fee of \$3. A maximum of up to two cards would be issued.

## Community Service Office Information

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

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

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

The goal of the CSO is to make an initial assessment of the request and to determine if it is an emergency or non-emergency. Once the matter is assessed, a plan to resolve will be made and work scheduled. Generally, all non-emergency service requests are assessed and addressed in the order in which they are received.

From time to time, it may become necessary for us to contact you with questions or clarification of your request. It is not necessary to report service requests more than one time. If you have any questions regarding your request and until the Community Service Office reopens, please call the Service Request Line at the number listed below.

As a reminder, window and door repair or replacement is exclusive to the unit and is the owner's responsibility. The Association's responsibility is to the structure and common elements.

## Service Request Line

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

## After-Hours Number

The OTOW after-hours phone number is 727-799-1115 for issues such as water intrusion into your unit. For all other inquiries regarding general matters or questions that are not service related, you will need to come in person to the Community Service Office. For a life threatening emergency, please dial 911. For a power outage, call Duke Energy at 800-228-8485.

## Happy Holidays

Happy holidays from everyone at Parkway Maintenance and Management. We wish you a safe, healthy and Happy Thanksgiving.

**What you should know:  
WATER HEATERS**

Water heaters traditionally last 10-15 years.

It may be time to replace your water heater if it is...

- ...more than 10 years old.
- ...leaking around the base of the unit.
- ...not producing as much hot water.
- ...noisy.

If your water heater fails, you may be held financially responsible if it causes damage to surrounding units.

**When was the last time you checked your water heater?**

# Working to maintain a quality and

So far so good.

As far as hurricane season goes, the Florida West Coast has been very fortunate.

Management Company staff has a preparedness plan that is implemented up to five days in advance of a storm tracking toward the West Coast. Then again, I should never tempt fate.

## Take Proactive Steps to Protect Your Life and Property

From January through October 2020, there have been only two fires in On Top of the World.

There was a small kitchen fire that was quickly extinguished. Damage was minimal. Fortunately, the owner took steps to extinguish the fire and prevent its spread.

That said, there was still smoke damage to the apartment and damage to the kitchen. The fire started when the chef walked away from the stove for several minutes.

There was a similar cooking fire in 2016 that did not end so well. It is worth remembering certain basic tips for both fire prevention and how to deal with a sudden fire:

- Never throw water on a grease fire. Smother it with baking soda, salt, or a tight fitting lid. If you don't have a lid, you can quickly wet a hand towel wring it out and carefully lay it over the grease fire.

- Stay in your kitchen while cooking, otherwise turn the stove off.

- Keep any material that can catch on fire away from your stovetop.

- Do have a residential fire extinguisher rated for grease/oil within reach in your kitchen. This is always the preferred method for fire control. Having more than one fire extinguisher is recommended. Have a backup in case the first fire extinguisher fails. All buildings are equipped with fire extinguishers for use in case of an emergency. They may be found in the center core area, adjacent stairwells and on each and every wing of each condominium building.

- Do install a smoke detector in your kitchen if you do not already have one. Change the battery every six months.

- Have an escape plan and never go back inside a burning home. Practice your home fire drill. The management company is currently working on providing emergency instruction information, which advises residents on where they can safely exit their building in case of emergency. This information will be available on building bulletin boards, in the monthly newspaper, via the community TV channel OTOW-TV Channel 732 and quarterly as a RAVE reminder.

- Do install a FireAvert device. This ingenious life saving device shuts off the power to your stove whenever the smoke detector alarms. When the threat is resolved, turning off the circuit breaker to the stove and then turning it back on again reset the device.

The second fire was the result of burning incense unattended. This resulted in more substantial damage when the cur-



tains ignited, damaging the unit and the unit above and below.

The management company recently had a structure fire in another community it manages. The origin was an unattended barbecue grill operated on the back porch, under the roof overhang. Exactly how the grill failed is under investigation. Suffice to say there was damage to the entire porch area requiring extensive renovation. Fortunately, there were no injuries or loss of life!

Fall is a great time to grill and eat outside. However, never grill under any structural roof or porch area. Grills should be at least 10 feet away from any structure while being operated. This greatly improves the chances there will be no damage to the structure should something go wrong.

### Caution with Candles

While lighting a memorial candle is a time-honored way of remembering a loved one, we respectfully suggest using LED "candles" which provide a respectful alternative, but if you do insist on the real deal, please "Candle with Care":

- Keep candles at least 12 inches away from anything that can burn.

- Blow out candles when you go to bed or leave the room.

- Avoid use of candles in bedrooms where you may fall asleep.

### Smoking Safety

- If you smoke, smoke outdoors only.
- If you smoke indoors, stay alert, especially if drowsy or taking prescription medications.

- NEVER smoke in bed.

### Home Heating and Electrical Safety

- Only plug one heat producing appliance (coffee maker, toaster, space heater) into a receptacle outlet at a time. NEVER plug a space heater into a power strip! NEVER!

- Remember to turn portable space heaters off before bedtime or leaving a room.

- Keep anything flammable at least 3 feet away from heating equipment.

- NEVER use an oven to heat your home.

- Make sure that the electrical outlet that you are using is a "GFCI" (ground



Recently, a grill fire caused damage to a home at OTOW-Ocala. If you are grilling outside your first-floor unit in Clearwater, please do not leave your grill unattended. Grilling is not permitted on second and third floors.

fault circuit interrupter) if you are using an electrical appliance near a sink or water (i.e. hand held hair dryer)

- Check electrical cords to make sure they are in good working condition, are not across doorways or under carpets.

- Check electrical cords to make sure that they have a ground

- Use light bulbs that match the recommended wattage on lamps and fixtures.

### Always Looking Out For Residents

Your Board of Administration continues to be very much engaged in the community and committed to ensuring quality services for your benefit.

I would like to recognize the people behind the scene who serve this community and make sure things are going as planned.

Dessa Barabba oversees day-to-day community operations for Parkway Maintenance and Management.

Shawn Tobias is in charge of all grounds maintenance and building services.

Corby Ratliff (Board member) has been a tremendous resource of practical information on building construction as well as golf course operations.

Guy Woolbright (Board member) is an ace at negotiating with insurance brokers for comprehensive insurance coverage.

Leslee Colen (Board member) is very much a driver behind the positive aesthetics of the community and quality programming.

Gail Sanders (Board member) oversees managed rentals in the community.

I also want to mention the three newest Board members: James O'Neil,

Charles "Chuck" McAllister and Michael Spodeck. Each of these new members brings their own strength and experience to the Board. They are bringing positivity and new insights into their positions.

From my perspective, it is a privilege to be associated with this community, the Management Company, and with your Board.

As your Board continues in its efforts to ensure a well-run and fiscally stable community for all residents, we thank you for your ongoing support. Without your support, the Board could not function.

The business of managing a community the size of a small city is very difficult. There are so many moving parts and pieces. The point of all the effort is to give you the type of community and quality living environment you deserve.

The labor market in Pinellas County is still very difficult. The problem with finding and retaining good labor is all too familiar to your Board and to the Management Company.

The labor market was already very tight due to the general recovery in the local economy and businesses competing for employees. Now the situation has flipped with people still not coming back to work after COVID-19. Once the supplemental payments stopped, people did start looking for work again. Wages, however, are very high and the market hyper-competitive.

The Management Company has had to pace wage increases and benefits to assure retention of the very qualified and seasoned team that does work in this community.

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# cohesive Clearwater community

Your Board does not expect that outlook to change for the near future. The practical effect is that some ground maintenance is running a little longer than what is acceptable, especially when coupled with the periodic rain delay. I do expect the higher labor cost will be reflected in the 2020-21 fiscal year budget.

In an effort to limit impacts on the residents and the community service fees, the reality of this current labor market is at the top of task priorities. That said, reducing the quality of service is the last thing your Board would want to have happen. Your Board will do what it takes to assure that the Management Company is able to retain current and hire new talent that will assure the continuing operational quality.

Once again, your Board is beginning to forecast operational costs for the coming year. At this juncture, I cannot say how the budgets will be impacted, but we are challenged with rising costs, especially roofing and paving. We are considering all opportunities for savings that can be reasonably made without jeopardizing delivery of services.

## Association Annual Report

Notice of the audited Annual Financial Report was mailed to all residents. This report is produced within 120 days of the close of the fiscal year. Because of recent changes in the law governing condominiums, the Association now budgets for and has an independent certified CPA perform an audit every year.

## Work in Progress

November will see our painting contractor on the north end of property coating the front of Buildings 59 and 57 while their waterproofing crews will be headed to the back of Building 51. Both the front and rear facades will be thoroughly pressure washed, followed by the sealing of any hairline cracks in the masonry, and then applying a high quality paint coating.

As always, please keep in mind that the painting contractor will be operating in close proximity to parking areas and front/rear porches which may require the temporary displacement of vehicles or property. Thank you for your cooperation in advance and keep in mind that inclement weather can affect start and completion dates.

Inspection services representatives will be reaching out to residents of buildings that are scheduled for new paint and waterproofing coatings during the current improvement cycle. The purpose of their contact will be to advise residents that the painting color will be color matching all external doors to the majority building color as is required by the condominium association rules. This will usually require no action by the unit owner other than to allow access to the entire door surface for the coating to be applied.

If for some reason you were not at home when this work takes place, you may contact the Community Service Office and schedule a follow-up visit by the coatings vendor. Your cooperation is appreciated in making this project a success

across the community.

The installation of new unit address numbers will also continue. Bulletins will be posted in advance of the work advising residents of the process and what they can expect.

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

## Construction, Roofing and Large Scope Projects

The residents of Building 12 should begin preparations for a power outage that is scheduled to take place on Dec. 8 of this year. Duke Energy will be working in tandem with an electrical contractor to replace the secondary power feed that services the building beginning at 8 a.m. that morning. The anticipated outage is projected to last 8-12 hours, however the outage period could be extended if unexpected conditions are experienced.

Bulletins will also be posted in the building by the second week of November reminding all residents of the outage and start date. Another reminder will also appear in the December newspaper just in case any readers miss this update.

The management company's construction division is in the process of installing traffic bollards, a vertical device designed to control accessibility of motor vehicles, at the main sidewalk entrances to X-style buildings across portions of the east side of property. The intention behind these installations is to keep the sidewalks accessible for pedestrians while keeping moving trucks and other vehicles off of the walking surfaces. These installations will also help keep the area clear for first responders when they answer emergency calls in the community.

Please use caution if you happen to encounter these work crews out in the community. Thanks for your cooperation.

## Recurring Reminders for All Community Residents

Building walkway repairs will continue as construction crews perform main-

tenance to 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 Com-

munity 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.

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. Small stones pose a very real fall hazard when they dislodge onto sidewalks. The management company asks that if you receive a notification requiring action on your part, please remove the stones at the earliest convenience both for your safety and the safety of your neighbors.

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.

## Final Thoughts

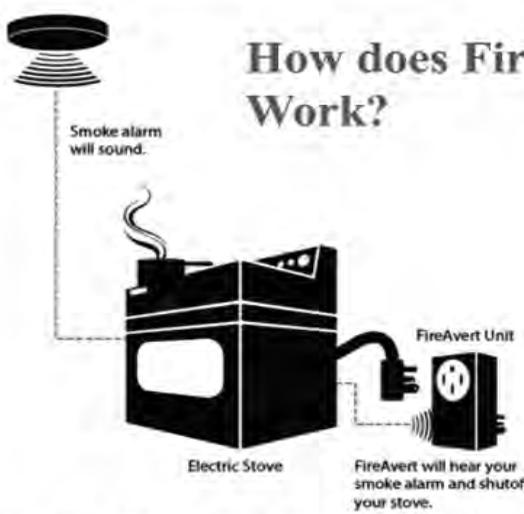
Set aside for a minute that this has been a trying year for many of us. From dangerous weather events, pandemic that forced a shutdown of the recreational amenities, and a brutal political season, it has been a difficult year. Regardless, it is always worthwhile to pause for a moment, take a step back and consider all the positive events and blessings that have happened and continue to be happening in our lives. Taking stock and being grateful for all we do have, even in the worst of times, is a very positive thing to do. It can change your entire outlook. Breathe, smile! For myself and the entire management staff, we wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving.



### FireAvert

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# Is it gravy or is it sauce?



Yes. I know what you are thinking.

Why should I go to all the trouble to make a sauce or gravy when I can go to the supermarket and buy it in a jar or can?

I can think of a few reasons for making your own.

One. When you make your sauce/gravy, you know what is in it and you can use fresh ingredients.

Two. After you have learned how to make a basic sauce/gravy, you can personalize it to your own taste.

Gravy is a sauce made from meat juices, usually combined with a liquid such as chicken or beef broth, wine or milk and thickened with flour, cornstarch, or some other thickening agent.

The word sauce is a French word that means a relish to make food more tasty and appetizing.

Italian-Americans use tomato "sauce" to refer to a simple, light, quickly-made topping for pasta.

Gravy, on the other hand, takes a little more time to make. It's rich and thick and full of meats and vegetables.

Let's make some sauces:

## Espresso (brown sauce)

### Ingredients

- 1 bay leaf
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
- 3 to 4 fresh parsley stems
- 7 whole black peppercorns
- 1 ounce of unsalted butter
- 1/2 cup onions (chopped)
- 1/4 cup carrots (diced)
- 1/4 cup celery (diced)
- 1 ounces all-purpose flour
- 3 cups beef stock
- 2 tablespoons tomato puree

### Cooking Directions:

Fold the bay leaf, thyme, parsley stems and peppercorns in a square of cheesecloth and tie together with kitchen twine and place in a sauce pot.

Add onions, carrots and celery and sauté for a few minutes until it's lightly brown.

With a large spoon, stir in the flour a little bit at a time, until it is fully incorporated and forms a thick paste. Lower the heat and cook for five minutes until it just takes on a very light brown color.

Using a wire whisk, slowly add the beef stock and tomato puree, whisking vigorously to make sure it's free of lumps. Bring to a boil, lower heat and simmer for about 50 minutes or until the volume has



## This is a sample of Caramel Whiskey Sauce

reduced by one-third, stirring frequently to make sure the sauce doesn't scorch at the bottom of the pan.

## Bechamel (white sauce)

### Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 3 tablespoons flour
- 2 cups of milk
- 2 cups of chicken stock
- salt and pepper to taste

### Cooking Directions:

In a saucepan, melt the butter over low heat. Blend in the flour and cook slowly, stirring until the butter and flour come together for two minutes without coloring. This is now a white roux.

Remove from the heat. As soon as the roux has stopped bubbling, pour in the hot chicken stock. Immediately beat vigorously with a wire whisk to blend the liquid and roux. Set saucepan over moderately high heat, add milk and stir with the whisk until the sauce comes to a boil. Boil for one minute, stirring.

Remove from the heat and whisk in the salt and pepper to taste. Sauce is now ready for final flavoring. This is where you add your own taste, for example oregano, thyme, basil, rosemary or sage.

## Tomato Sauce

### Ingredients

- 1 can (28 ounce) Italian plum tomatoes
- 3 Garlic cloves (sliced)
- 1/2 yellow onion (sliced)
- 3 tablespoons of dried oregano
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 celery stalks (chopped)
- 1 carrot (sliced)
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1 can tomato paste

### Cooking Directions:

In a saucepan add the sliced garlic, celery, carrots, onion and olive oil and cook slowly, stirring until they are soft.

Take the Italian plum tomatoes and crush them in your hand and pour them with the juice into the saucepan along with the tomato paste.

Add the sugar, salt and pepper to taste. Bring to a boil, lower the heat and

simmer for 30 to 40 minutes stirring to make sure it does not burn on the bottom of the pan.

## Caramel Whiskey Sauce

### Ingredients

- 1 cup sugar
- 1/3 cup water
- 1/4 pound butter
- 1/2 cup heavy cream
- 1/3 cup whiskey, of choice
- 1/4 cup pecan pieces

### Cooking Directions:

Place sugar and water in a small saucepan over medium heat. Once sugar has dissolved, add butter and cook until golden brown.

Remove from heat and whisk in the cream. Return pan to the heat and slowly bring back to a boil, reduce heat and simmer for 10 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Stir in whiskey and simmer for five more minutes until sauce begins to thicken. Remove from heat, add pecans. Serve over cheesecake or French vanilla ice cream.

## Science of Cooking Healthy Food

By Marie

Email questions, suggestions and comments to

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Also, visit the Box Office

for past recipes in this newspaper.

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## Ingredients

1/2 cup dark brown sugar, packed  
1 large egg  
2 large egg whites  
12 ounces evaporated skim milk  
1/4 teaspoon finely grated orange zest  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1 teaspoon ground ginger  
1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
15 ounces pumpkin puree  
1/2 cup light baking/pancake mix with butter milk

## Instructions

1. Position oven rack to lowest position. Preheat oven to 425° F.
2. Combine all ingredients except pumpkin in a large bowl, stirring with a whisk or mixer. Add pumpkin and continue stirring until smooth.
3. To prepare “crust,” stir in pancake mix.
4. Spray vegetable cooking oil on 9-inch pie dish.
5. Pour pumpkin mixture into dish.
6. Bake for 10 minutes at 425° F. Reduce oven temperature to 350° F (do not remove pie from oven). Bake another 50 minutes, or until a knife inserted in the middle comes out clean.
7. Cool completely on wire rack. Cover and refrigerate to “set” for at least six hours before slicing. Serves 12.

### Notes

This pie will rise up during baking and then fall after it begins to cool. Place a baking sheet under pie to catch drips in oven.

## Links

- (i) [popsugar.com/fitness/](https://www.popsugar.com/fitness/)
- (ii) [nestleprofessional.us/](https://www.nestleprofessional.us/)
- (iii) [nutritionix.com/](https://www.nutritionix.com/)
- (iv) [foodtimeline.org/](https://www.foodtimeline.org/)
- (v) [soufflebombay.com/](https://www.soufflebombay.com/)



## Health Value

Pumpkin puree is really good for you. It's rich in Vitamin A, antioxidants, fiber, Vitamin C and potassium.

But an average pumpkin pie slice has 316 calories. My dear chefs, a 32-minute run is needed to offset those calories. (i)

So where are these calories hiding ...?

... In the crust, cream and sugar.

Sugar: This recipe has less sugar and is served without whipping topping, hence less calories. This lets the natural sweetness of pumpkin shine.

**Pumpkin:** Canned pumpkin puree may also be labeled as 100 percent pure pumpkin. It doesn't contain any seasonings or sugar. This

gives you flexibility to control the amount and type of sugar and seasonings.

By contrast, pumpkin pie filling includes sweetener and spices. It may be too sweet or too spicy for your taste.

Per 1/2 cup	Pumpkin Puree (ii)	Pumpkin Pie Mix (iii)
Calories	50	136
Sugar (gms)	5	25.8

**Fat:** Use low-fat evaporated milk instead of fat-rich cream. Use 1 whole egg plus 2 egg whites (instead of typical 2 whole eggs). Eliminating an egg yolk reduces overall cholesterol and calories.

## The Science

The original purpose of a pastry shell was to serve as a baking dish, container and serving vessel ... long before baking pans were created.

For hundreds of years, it was the only form of baking container. The pastry was around one inch-thick and usually inedible.

(If you are a lover of pie crust, then read no further. Forget the pancake mix and use a traditional pie crust. Just be aware that a pie crust is a major source of calories in a pie. Experiment with homemade pie crust that uses healthy ingredients like quinoa, nuts, flours or oils.)

The pancake mix forms a low-calorie “crust” during the baking

process that is super simple process. This is not a real piecrust. But it creates a thin base to contain the pie filling and facilitate easy removal of a pie slice to a plate.

The Impossibly Easy Pie “crust” has 21 calories per slice. A commercial ready-to-bake frozen pie crust typically has 82 calories per serving typically.

The Impossibly Easy Pie likely originated in the South. It was “discovered” in the mid-1970s by Bisquick™ who used it to promote their products for making pies. It became one of the most successful corporate recipes campaigns in the U.S. food-marketing history. (iv)

## Pumpkin pie as we know it was not a part of the first Thanksgiving tradition

Pumpkins were native to New England and a common food for American Indians. Pumpkins were on the first Thanksgiving table — but not as a pumpkin pie. The fledgling Pilgrim colony did not have the butter and wheat flour for making piecrust. The pumpkin was used like a bowl and food was prepared inside the pumpkin. (v)

Our modern version of the custard-type pumpkin pie has been around since 1800. With its low calorie count, second servings are encouraged! This healthy pie has 50 percent fewer calories than a traditional version.

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# Scammers do not just call you - they hang out on social media sites

## Scam Alert

The Federal Trade Commission is warning that scammers are hiding out on various social media sites and using advertisements and various offers to consumers.

The biggest group of reports were from folks who purchased something online, but the items were never delivered.

This is a common scam.

The next highest group were romance scams which commenced on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter. The scammers hide behind phony profiles and if you contact them, they can be in position to take over an account.

Consider doing this: Check your privacy settings and make sure to limit what you share publicly. No matter how intriguing an offer seems or how nice the product appears, BEFORE you buy, check out the company by typing in the company's name AND THEN, add words such as "scam" or "complaint."

If someone appears on your Facebook, Instagram or Twitter page and sounds interesting and/or attractive, back off. Slow down. Watch for telltale signs such as the "poor me, I need money" scam.

Also, if you get a message from a friend about a grant for some type of foreclosure or financial relief, call the friend and see if he or she really send that message.

And if you do spot a scam, let the social media company know about it.

## Another Scam Alert

I recently received an email from some company offering me tickets to the 2020 "Augusta Championship."



The word "Masters" was never stated.

Using my search engine (and you can use Google), I typed in "Augusta Championship Scam. I found that the United States Golf Association was warning about a scam like that.

Please be careful.

Q. I have an opportunity to invest some of my hard-earned money into a limited partnership. I am told this is an asset protected investment.

Is it?

I worked hard for my money and need to protect it.

A. I would need a lot more information to answer your question, so I am just going to discuss Florida limited partnerships and the asset protection they might provide (notice the word "might").

In a Florida limited partnership, typically, there is a general partner who holds a certain percentage of the partnership. That person, the general partner, has potential liability for the acts of the limited

partnership and because he is a general partner, his/her personal assets might be at risk, but to the amount of his general partnership interest.

In the distant past, we would advise clients to form limited partnerships and this was an asset protection method.

Now, however, we typically advise forming what is known as a Limited Liability Company.

If you have further need for information about a limited partnership or a limited liability company, I strongly, strongly suggest that you make an appointment and sit down with your attorney, be it your Florida attorney or, if you have one, your attorney from another state where you might hold property.

Q. We are Snowbirds but we intend to make Florida our permanent residence next year. Can we keep our existing wills, or do we need new ones?

A. I cannot answer this question because I have not seen your will, or for that matter, a durable power or attorney or advance directive, if you have them.

I can say this, though. Frequently, I have found that wills, that have been prepared by attorneys in other States, are valid in Florida. The fact that your will was drafted in a different state other than Florida does not make it invalid here.

There may be an issue with the person you have named as personal representative (executor), because Florida has its own rules as to whom can or cannot qualify to be a personal representative.

Having said this, and I have said this many times in the past, I personally believe that if someone resides in a state

as his/her home, then they should have a will, durable power of attorney and advance directive drawn up by an attorney who lives in that state and is licensed to practice law in that state.

Of course, I am a Florida lawyer so you can expect me to say that.

However, I truly believe it and when my clients leave Florida to move to another state, I tell them that once they get settled in that new state, they should meet with an attorney and have him or her draft new documents that are consistent with the laws of that State.

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## The Brazilian Bombshell with the Tutti-Frutti Hat

Carmen Miranda was only 5 feet tall and weighed 98 pounds, but she became "The Brazilian Bombshell."

Carmen was born in Portugal, but the family moved to Brazil soon after she was born.

After finishing school in 1928, Carmen got a job singing on a local radio station. It wasn't long before she was discovered by RCA and she got a long contract.

Hollywood was next to call. She did very well in the movies, although she preferred to be singing on stage.

Carmen was often referred to as "The

Woman with the Tutti-Frutti Hat." She always wore a very tall hat loaded with fruit.

Carmen appeared in the 1939 Broadway review, "Streets of Paris" where she introduced her signature song, "The South American Way." She also appeared with Betty Grable in the popular movie, "Springtime in the Rockies."

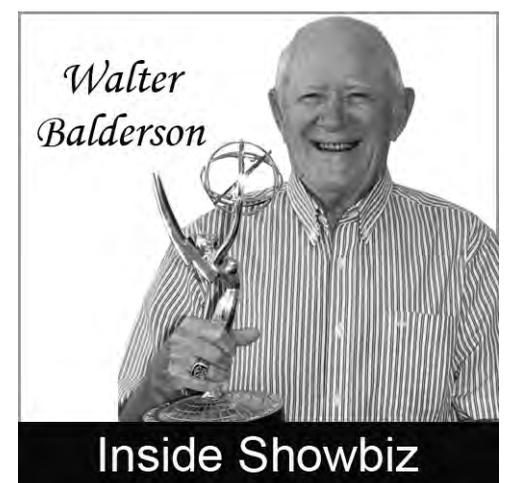
In 1940, Carmen was the highest paid performer in the United States.

When television was still live, Carmen appeared on the Jimmy Durante Show and one night suffered a heart attack and passed out on stage. Jimmy came running

out and helped her up. People thought it was part of the act. All of us in the studio knew it was real because during rehearsals she did not fall. Later that night, back in her hotel room, she died. Her husband went into her bedroom and found her lying on the floor.

Carmen appeared on most of the popular magazine covers and there is a US postage stamp featuring her picture.

There is a street in Hollywood named in her honor and she has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.



**Watch OTOW-TV Channel 732  
for the latest community calendars.**

*Would you like to see a Food Truck Night? Complete survey on the Box Office*

# Your food donations go a long way during the Thanksgiving season

Fall is upon us. Winter is setting in up north. Our greatest weather will soon be at its peak of perfection.

Take time to enjoy the pleasant temperatures, beautiful blue sky and fresh air.

Feel that sense of satisfaction as you say to yourself, "Now, I remember why I live here!"

On another note, I would like to thank all of the residents who have donated to Countryside Cares/Helping Hands. These are tough times but your continued donations will ensure no one goes hungry and that all of us have a Happy Thanksgiving!

The Helping Hands Food Barrel is located in the Community Service Office and the hours to bring in a food donation are Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to noon and 12:30-3 p.m.

Our Good Neighbors Association volunteers pick up and deliver our donations to Helping Hands every Friday. Thank you to Jim and Maureen Bjorgo and all of our Good Neighbors for your steadfast commitment to helping the needy in our community.

The Helping Hands Food Pantry has gone mobile and is no longer located on Blackburn Street in Clearwater. If you are in need of food, check out the Countryside Cares/Helping Hands Mobile Food Pantry calendar. Nearby locations, days and times are posted monthly on the Helping Hands Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/CountrysideCares/>)

Finally, please remember to thank our veterans, as well as those still serving this Veterans Day, Nov. 11. Thank you for your sacrifice, your bravery and the example you set for us all. Thank you for defending our nation and protecting our freedom. We look forward to when we can all gather in a large group again in the East Activity Center to honor our veterans on Armed Services Day.

## Get Your Flu Shot

I would like to remind all residents of the importance of getting your flu vaccination this year.

Be sure to contact your physician, check with your local pharmacy, or where ever you usually get your vaccination, and schedule a time to receive it soon.

Out of an abundance of caution, an onsite vaccination clinic will not take place at On Top of the World this year.

## Food Truck Survey

As mentioned in last month's column, in the future, On Top of the World is looking forward to hosting a Food Truck Night - an evening with several food trucks offering a variety of cuisine and drinks.

Tables and chairs would be set up and perhaps even some live music for your en-



joyment!

We are confident this monthly or bi-monthly event would be a hit!

The big question is, though, would residents attend a Food Truck Night if there are still COVID-19 restrictions.

Alas, we have created another survey, but this one is super easy to complete online at the OTOW Box Office: [www.otowboxoffice.com](http://www.otowboxoffice.com). Just click on the picture of the food truck, complete the survey, add any additional comments and hit "submit."

We have added a few questions to ascertain whether you would still patronize the food trucks without the option to dine on site.

Would you pick up a meal to take home? Would you be willing to wear a mask while waiting in line 6 feet apart from the person in front of you and behind you?

OTOW would like to get your feedback before we make any commitments with the food truck vendors.

Thank you in advance for your feedback!

## SHINE – Medicare Basics & Enrollment Zoom Meeting

Our representatives at SHINE have coordinated an informational Zoom meeting exclusively for OTOW residents to cover Medicare Basics and Enrollment Information on Friday, Nov. 6 at 10:30 a.m.

The meeting will provide an overview of the different parts of Medicare, including Parts A, B, C, D, Medigap, available financial assistance and how SHINE can help.

To register in advance, please go to Nancy's Bulletin Board on the Box Office, scroll down to the links page and click on Shine Zoom Meeting.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) is a free program offered by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs and the Area Agency on Aging of Pasco and Pinellas counties.

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SHINE services are free, unbiased and confidential. Residents may also contact SHINE counselors by calling 1-800-963-5337 or 1-727-217-8111.

## Attention Club and Activity Representatives

Your 2021 annual renewal packets are available.

The new 2021 "Steps to Forming a Club" forms are printed and ready for pick up.

All groups that utilize the facilities, from card players to the largest clubs, will be required to complete these forms legibly and on an annual basis.

The packets consist of important requirements and information for starting and maintaining an On Top of the World club or activity.

Please select one representative from your group to pick up a packet from either the Activities Office or the Community Service Office, and read and complete your packet carefully and legibly.

As part of the requirements of operating a club, boards of directors or club/activity coordinators are required to provide their contact information and copies of their updated (newly punched) activity cards.

An appointment to review your completed packets will be required prior to submission.

Please email or call me and I will set up a time to meet with you to review your completed forms. My email address is [general\\_activity@otowfl.com](mailto:general_activity@otowfl.com) or call me at 727-799-2734.

Please contact me with any questions. As a reminder, every OTOW club or activity is required to have a minimum of two residents assigned as officers or coordinators and we recommend that all groups follow a set of by-laws.

I need all clubs and activity groups to cooperate with this task. This is the perfect time to get started while we all have less activity on our calendars.

The deadline date to submit your annual club forms will be Friday, Feb. 12, 2021. Packets must be received and approved by this date to have your reservations placed on the community calendar.

If all of your club officers are Snowbirds and not planning to return this year, a member representative in the community can complete the paperwork.

Another option is to have a board member submit the forms via email or US Mail. In this case, updated activity cards can be gathered and copied upon return.

It is too early to start running a community calendar in the newspaper again.

If you want to promote your club's scheduled dates, complete your reservation with Nancy Rogers and then see Doug Kates in the newspaper office. He will post your approved dates on OTOW-TV Channel 732.

I look forward to meeting and working with you again.

## Activity Calendar

The community calendar is limited right now and room reservations for recurring club activities subject to frequent change. For the most up to date club activities, please visit OTOW-TV Channel 732.

## Haz-To-Go

On Top of the World will not be holding any Haz-To-Go events this year, but Pinellas County has a local event coming up. The date is:

Saturday, November 21

9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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For the safety of customers and staff, before arriving at a Haz-To-Go location, customers are asked to place electronics and chemicals in the vehicle trunk, back of a pick-up truck, SUV, or trailer bed.

Staff will not remove items from vehicle interiors.

Customers are asked to remain in their vehicles at all times.

## Activity Card Renewal

Please remember to bring with you a government-issued photo ID, such as a driver's license or passport, and a current piece of mail indicating your name and On Top of the World property address.

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

Please note that cards will not be punched or processed without proper identification and address verification.

# Master the Possibilities



## Live Broadcasts and Recordings from Ocala

### East to the Dawn: The Life of Amelia Earhart

**Susan Butler**

**Dec. 10 1-2:30 p.m.**

**\*Hybrid Virtual Program\***

Amelia Earhart is an enduring icon who set more aviation records than any other woman of her day. Butler, who authored the biography that the recent film Amelia was based on, will talk about Earhart's life, about the making of the movie Amelia and about Earhart's probable end.

**Course Fee: \$5**

### Organic vs. Not Organic

**Devin Breedon RD, LD/N**

**Nov. 12, 1-2 p.m.**

**\*Hybrid Virtual Program\***

Does organic food live up to hype and can it keep me healthier than non-organic food? Devin breaks down what it means to be organic and provides some truth to the topic.

**Course Fee: \$2**

### Use It and Keep It: Maintaining Muscle

**Jessica Pinkowski**

**Nov. 12, 2-3 p.m.**

**\*Hybrid Virtual Program\***

Muscle mass decreases in size when we are less active leading to energy decline, poor body composition and mental weakness. Examine the five most important exercises the body needs in order to make your daily activities easier and boost your capabilities.

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# ACTIVITY REPORTS



*Theater Workshop will not go live with show next spring*

## For everyone's safety, 2020/2021 Theater Workshop show will air four times on TV on Thanksgiving Day



### Theater Workshop

When someone first said, "the show must go on," they had no idea it would match Theater Workshop's determination to present its 2020 show.

Back on Wednesday, March 11, after three months of rehearsals, the Theater Workshop cast held a dress rehearsal for its 2020 spring show.

Opening night in front of a live On Top of the World crowd was only two days away and anticipation was high.

But it was the very next morning when all of our lives changed.

Due to the start of the pandemic, and safety to the cast, crew and audience, Theater Workshop board members made the very difficult decision to postpone the live stage show to a safer time.

The dress rehearsal on March 11 went great and was videotaped like a real show.

But all the work was put on hold.

Theater Workshop's first plan was to air a live show this December, but as you know, health conditions haven't improved.

The next plan was to move the 2020 show to 2021, but sad to report, the board decided in October to cancel again to keep everyone safe.

Theater Workshop President Laurie Fischer made the following announcement:

"After very careful deliberation, in consideration of the continuing and seemingly never-ending uncertainty of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Theater Workshop Board of Directors has decided, in the best interests for the welfare of our

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members and our audience, to cancel our 2020/2021 show," he said.

"We are sorry to have to take this action, but we would rather err on the side of caution."

Fortunately, there is a silver lining. The March 11 dress rehearsal will become the actual show.

After editing video from the dress rehearsal and getting a thumbs up from the Theater Workshop board, it has been decided to convert the dress rehearsal into the actual show and share it with residents as an OTOW-TV Thanksgiving special.

The show will air four times on Nov. 26. There will be a morning show at 10 a.m. which will not interfere with Thanksgiving Day football. Then the show will air at 1 p.m., 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Everyone can watch safely in the comfort of their own home if you have Spectrum Cable.

What is "50 Golden Years" about?

The show will look back at 50 years of Theater Workshop stage performances at On Top of the World. The board took a long look at the history of past shows and put together an anniversary edition to showcase some of the best skits, dances and comedy routines since 1970.

You will see the result of their research, planning and rehearsals during this special debut.

Then, "50 Golden Years" will join the regular rotation of OTOW shows that air every Friday at 8 p.m. on OTOW-TV. This show's next broadcast will probably be three to four months from Nov. 26, so you won't want to miss this debut.

In announcing news of the cancellation of the spring 2021 live show, Laurie announced that the 2020-21 Theater Workshop Club would like to pass along its support to the 2020-21 Jesters Club, which is currently in production of its 2021 show.

The Jesters show will not be a live event either this spring, but is intentionally being made into a movie. The show will feature a look back at Baby Boomer-type music and scenes are currently being filmed at various locations around our community.

The movie will first air on OTOW-TV Channel 732 in February of 2021 - the same time the live show would have taken place.

"On behalf of Theater Workshop, we encourage all OTOW residents to enjoy the Jesters video show "BAM!" co-directed by Pat Sprouse and Evelyn Flam," Laurie said.

"Theater Workshop members are already look forward to a time when we will be able entertain you live on stage again and have you attend our shows in the future. In the meantime, please stay safe!"

The video, "50 Golden Years," will debut on Channel 732.

OTOW-TV Director Doug Kates announced the show will air all day on Thanksgiving Day.

"Honestly," Doug said. "The Theater Workshop cast was ready to open the curtain on March 11. Everyone involved in the show did a wonderful job during the dress rehearsal and the video captured from that night exceeds all criteria for an actual show. A few snips were made to the video, but the final product will be a treat to everyone."

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She lives at the Contemporary Building (31) with her family Carolyn and Jan Thomas Lust.

Sophie’s favorite activities are eating, sleeping, a little playing, watching birds from the front and back windows, riding on mommy’s shoulder like a baby, sleeping between daddy’s feet on his recliner, and watching passersby from the front door.

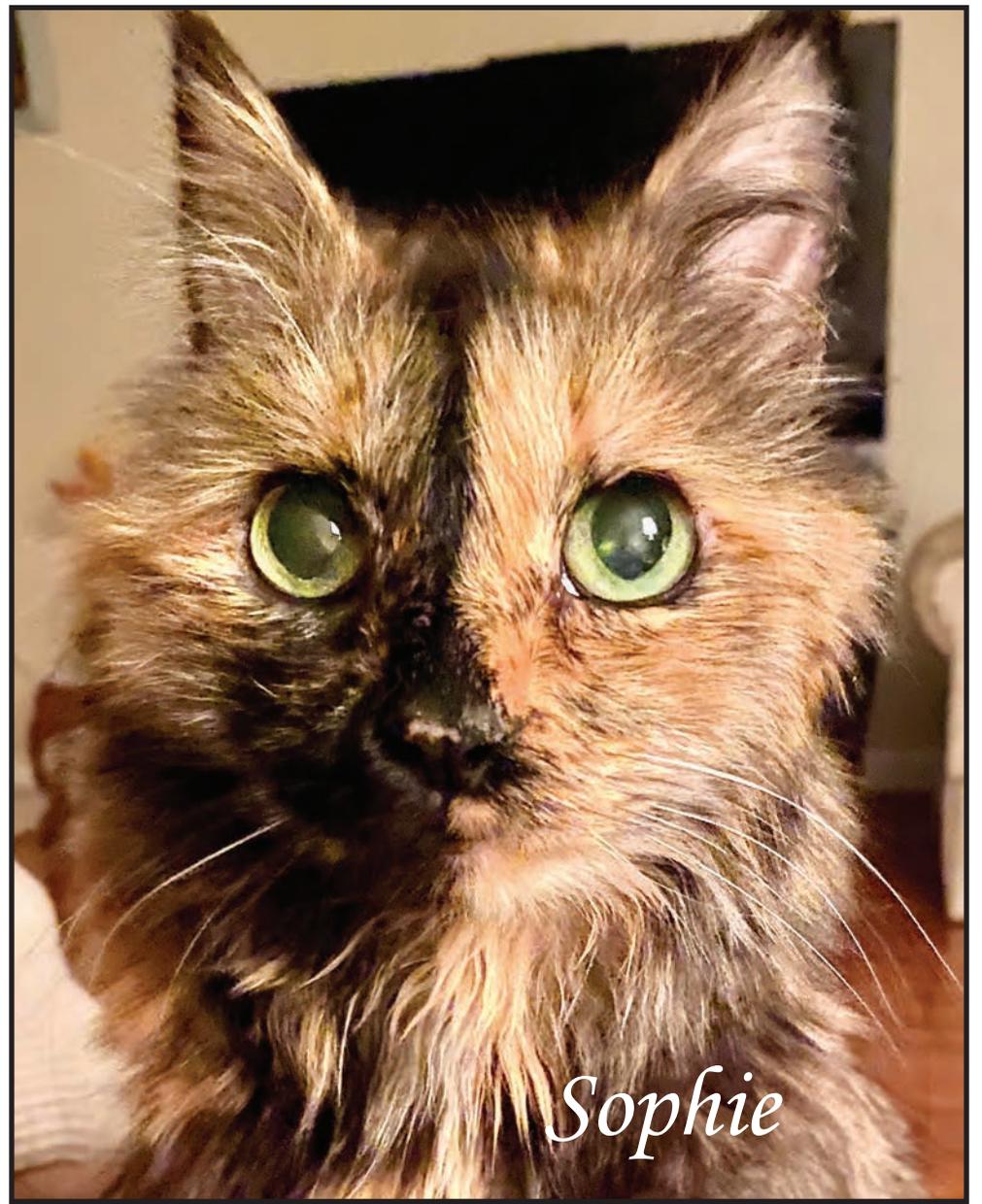
Sophie is very special and has trained humans well. She gets brushed every day, has a giant appetite for her size and a big meow when she wants attention.

Sophie loves people and is friendly to anyone who comes into her home.

Sophie has brought much joy into our lives, is adaptable to her environment and always looking for a box to jump into and take a nap. Those are her tangibles.

Sophie came into our lives just after she turned 8 years old. In the seven years she has shared with us, we have changed our lifestyle completely. In part, due to the pandemic, we spend a lot more time with our baby princess than normal. She starts by waking us up (too early) to be fed and gets six small meals a day.

Sophie has enlightened us abundantly regarding understanding cats, and often makes me wonder who’s in charge in our home. This little lady is our joy and bundle of love rolled into an adorable feline with a sweet disposition that never varies, and big eyes that say I love you.



*Sophie*

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

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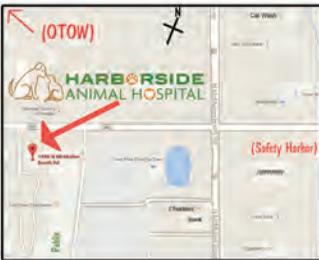


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At left, guest speaker State Senator Ed Hooper chats with residents at the Republican Club meeting in October. At right, Vice President Edwina Schick accepts the meeting gavel from outgoing President Marvin Lazernik.

# Republican Club's first president steps down after second term

By Edwina Schick

The Ronald Reagan Republican Club met on Thursday, Oct. 15, for their last meeting before this 2020 election.

Members enjoyed two great speakers. First was State Senator Ed Hooper, who was named Senator of the Year at the Florida Fraternal Order of Police 2020 Conference.

Our other special speaker, Ron Ogden, chairman of the North County Political Action Committee, talked about some of the history of Republicans in Pinellas County and the newly organized Political Action Committee which he leads.

In 2014, a group of 14 Republicans



met at Kally K's Restaurant in Dunedin and established the present On Top of the World club. Marvin Lazernik graciously

accepted both the honor and the challenge of becoming the president of that first club. He served from 2014 - 2017 and 2019 to the present, growing the membership to a pre-Covid number of more than 180.

Sadly, Marvin announced at this past meeting that he must step down as president. Marvin handed the gavel over to Vice President Edwina Schick. The club will always be grateful for the leadership and skills Marvin has brought to the club. To show our appreciation, the club surprised Marvin with a gift inscribed: "True Patriot Marvin Lazernik."

The club normally meets the second

Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. at the West Activity Center. Because of Covid restrictions, the schedule of meetings has been changed and the number allowed at a meeting is limited.

Don't let Covid keep you from joining The Ronald Reagan Republican Club of On Top of the World! We are still accepting new members.

You may call us at 678-414-5300 or 828-508-7806.

We also have email at [rrrc.otow2020@gmail.com](mailto:rrrc.otow2020@gmail.com).

We have many post-Covid plans that you will want to enjoy. We look forward to seeing you.



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# Zoom is no longer just for meetings, now you can line dance at home, too

By Dale Stackhouse

For Snowbirds Line Dance Club dancers, as for everyone else, these are strange times, with many questions.

To answer a few of them ... unfortunately there will be no in-person line dancing with Ed and Dolly Foland during the remaining 2020-2021 season. Nor will there be any line dance parties, or a "Dancing With Dolly" cruise.

Health concerns have to be our priority.

The good news is Ed, Dolly and a small committee, consisting of Pat Martel and Dale Stackhouse, have been hard at work planning a new Snowbirds Line Dance Club event on Zoom.

With Ed controlling the video and music, Dolly will be teaching dances.

If you are already familiar with Zoom classes, you know how much fun they can be.

Obviously, dancing on Zoom will not be as good as being there in person, but these days there is something comforting about being able to stay in your own home while you dance.

Ed and Dolly think that over the course of several weeks they have worked out most of the glitches, and have been inviting various members of our line dance team to participate in practice sessions and offer their suggestions.



Now, I know there are some people who have never used Zoom. Not to worry. One of our committee members, Pat Martel, is preparing a complete guide, "How to Do Zoom for Seniors," which you can obtain by sending an email request to [endfoland@aol.com](mailto:endfoland@aol.com).

When you use Zoom on your home computer, you are watching something live on your computer screen and everyone else who has signed in is joining you.

There will also be information sent out in the newsletter about how to sign in on dance days. These classes will be free to all members of either OTOW line dance club, but we do ask that you register. Classes are scheduled to begin on Wednesday, Nov. 4, at 10 a.m.

Back in Clearwater, some dancers have been enjoying a return to in-person dancing with the OTOW Line Dance



Line dance with Ed and Dolly Foland using Zoom and your home computer.

Club with all the required restrictions in place.

Our hope is that the Zoom dances will complement the live dancing, with both clubs working together to provide the best experience possible.

Members of each club will have an opportunity to dance in the auditorium, or at home, or both.

And by the way, if you only have a carpeted surface to dance on at home, Dolly has discovered that dance socks for carpets work really well. Many of you are familiar with the socks we slip over the toes of our shoes. These dance socks are larger and cover the entire shoe. You can check them out at [thedancesocks.com](http://thedancesocks.com).

Hope to see you soon on Zoom!



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# Jesters movie will showcase the musical influence of the 1960s and 1970s

By Evelyn Flam

In the 1960s and 1970s, popular music had a strong influence on the younger generation and vice versa.

Boomers had transistor radios that allowed them to listen to new artists and broaden their musical horizons.

During the '60s, liberal Boomers were largely associated with the "counterculture." They supported its music, the fight for minority civil rights, the sexual revolution, the anti-war and anti-capitalist movements, and the rise of psychedelic drug use.

The ideology of more conservative Boomers drifted toward the right - especially those who leaned toward professional careers in the military, law enforcement, business, blue collar trades and Republican Party politics.

It was a time that created what was called a "Generation Gap" where suburban



ban Baby Boomers desired to break free from their parents.

It was also a time for something new in music and something "anti-establishment."

The '60s became the time of the "British Invasion," when American Rock 'N Roll and The Blues made their mark on popular music with groups like The Beatles and The Rolling Stones.

In the 1970s, we had events like Watergate, a recession, the '72 oil crisis, the US Bicentennial, and the Iran Hostage Crisis.

The decade did not create its own innovative musical style, but did create a musical bridge that connected the hippie lifestyle of the 1960s to the yuppie lifestyle of the 1980s with a relaxing style of dance music that defined the '70s as The Disco Decade.

Which brings us to today.

Rehearsals and filming for the On Top of the World Jesters Club show "BAM! Boomer Age Music" continues with expectation that it will be completed and ready for your viewing pleasure by the

beginning of the new year.

Unlike past years when the Jesters performed a live show in the auditorium, this season the Jesters are turning their show into a movie for safe viewing in the comfort of your own home.

When finished, the movie will make its debut on OTOW-TV Channel 732 and copies will be available for purchase.

For more information about the show, call us at the Jesters at 727-797-1761 or email them at JestForFun21@gmail.com.

As always, Jesters is happy to answer your questions about how you can get involved, and how you can order your copy of "BAM! - Boomer Age Music."

You can become a member of the Jesters by contacting our Membership Chairperson Lillian Foy at 727-474-6307.

We look forward to hearing from you and getting together "Jest For Fun!"

## Co-Ed Exercise Class is back

The Co-Ed Exercise Class at On Top of the World is back and there is space for you.

The group is led by Jerry Thomas and meets from 10-10:45 a.m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays in the East Activity Center Exercise Room.

Please bring a mask and a mat. We will supply the fun. Social distancing rules are in effect and we are limited on class size.

## Ice Cream Social gets veterans back together



It was a perfect September day for an ice cream social at our great new pavilion. A variety of tasty treats were available for those who attended this On Top of the World Veterans Group fall outing. The question of the day was 'what would you do for a Klondike bar?' Our gathering consisted of about 20 veterans. We all wore masks and practiced social distancing. Our group had not done anything together since March so the event was a treat. It was nice to see each other and catch up. We were also thrilled to welcome a few new members to our group. It turned out to be a wonderful event and everyone was in good spirits. We hope to have greater attendance at our next event. A special thank you goes out to Elaine Hagan from Care Placement Home Health Agency, which provided all the refreshments for our get together. Also a big thank you to everyone who made the event possible and successful.

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# Writers Workshop for Press Association is taking place online in November



November means Writers Workshop month for the Press Association.

Only this year there will not be an evening class with snacks and wine.

Instead, Editor Doug Kates is asking everyone on staff to take a 30-minute journalism tutorial which you can do in the comfort and safety of your own condo.

OK. So many people are going to say "I already know how to write."

That's fine. So please take the tutorial to review your writing.

The tutorial covers basic English grammar rules we may have forgotten over the years. It contains basic journalism lessons. It will help you become aware of some bad writing habits you may be using. Lastly, it goes over some of the guidelines for being an On Top of the World reporter.

You have all month. Pick a day. Pick an evening or afternoon. Improve your writing skills.

To access the tutorial, go to the Box Office Website ([otowboxoffice.com](http://otowboxoffice.com)) and toward the bottom of the home page you



OTOW News Editor Doug Kates chats with members of the Press Association during a monthly meeting in October. It was the first time the press held a meeting in the auditorium, which was safely allowed to hold up to 50 people present. More than 20 attended this meeting. (OTOW News photo by Mary Lou Wall)

will find a button for the Press Association. After you click the link, you will see another button to begin the tutorial.

The Press Association held its monthly meeting in October inside the East Activity Center auditorium. Chairs were six feet apart and everyone wore a mask. There were 20 people in attendance.

Doug asked that every club, group and sports league turn in one story in November or December regardless of active status. The purpose is to inform the entire community about whether your group is active, thinking about becoming active again or becoming active is not in the short-term plan.

The important thing is to tell residents here what is going on. Don't keep your group status a secret. Use an article to let everyone know what your group is considering at this time. The stories can be short and to the point.

The Press Association also discussed plans for its November meeting. There were two ideas discussed.

One was to have an afternoon picnic at the pavilion with hot dogs or hamburgers. But that idea was turned down because groups are still limited to 25 people at the pavilion and no one wanted to turn away club members just because they weren't the first 25 to show up. It was also

decided it is still too hot in the afternoon. The pavilion closes at 2 p.m.

The Press Association decided to hold its Thursday, Nov. 12, meeting back in the auditorium which can safely accommodate 50 people – however this time the meeting will be 1 p.m. and not 1:30 p.m.

Please note the date change. This meeting has been moved from Nov. 5 to Nov. 12.

Lastly, Doug thanked everyone on staff. Throughout the pandemic, OTOW News has continued to publish great newspapers with advertising support. This is possible because reporters are finding good news stories to write about.

## Volunteers are delivering sweet thank yous

# No bingo - no problem - there are always doughnuts

By Charlie Wood

On Top of the World bingo volunteers and players cannot wait to get together again, but in the meantime the group recently found a way to spread sweet joy!

Cindy Stone, president/treasurer of bingo, and members of the board, decided it was time to help support a small business ... not just any small business, but a business that has faithfully supplied bingo with delicious doughnuts for quite some time - Sunshine Bakery in Largo.

In recent months, bingo has purchased dozens of doughnuts from Sunshine Bakery and then distributed them to deserving professionals throughout the community.

The volunteers have been delighted to be a part of this idea.

Doughnuts have been given away to



local fire departments, Mease Countryside Emergency Room staff, doctor's offices, the OTOW maintenance worker's break room, the OTOW Community Service Office staff, and a local church which

provides meals for the homeless - just to name a few!

Cindy said she knew how much small businesses were struggling and the bingo board was completely in agreement with the idea to support our favorite bakery, whose business is a little down over the past six months.

Doughnut delivery people were happy to share the sweets and show their thanks to first responders and front line workers, and provide a tasty treat for anyone who was hungry.

For those who love playing bingo on Monday nights in the auditorium, keep your eyes on future community newspapers and on OTOW-TV Channel 732 for news about when we will start gathering again.

In the meantime, stay tuned to see what other surprises Cindy and the board come up with next!



On Top of the World bingo board members and volunteers are delivering free donuts to first responders and front line workers.

# Did you know you can go to a beach, a lake or any tranquil place just by looking at a painting



Last month we gave you a taste of Italy through a painting by Butch Miller. This month we're really going to make you wish you were riding through a canal with another painting by Butch.

By Mary Slack Maynard

The On Top of the World Art Guild wishes all of our friends and neighbors a healthy and happy Thanksgiving.

Does a picture tell a story, or does it convey an emotion?

Or a little bit of both?

Have you ever looked at a drawing, a painting or a photograph and wondered what the artist was trying to tell you?

Or do you look at a drawing, painting or photograph just to enjoy the colors or the feelings it evokes?

Often, when I see a beach or water scene, I go to my tranquil place.

I "hear" waves lapping against the shore, "feel" the sun on my body and "bury" my feet under the sand.

Sometimes, I think that's just what the artist intended.

Now, add a boat in the picture ... and a story begins to form.

Where did the boat come from or where is it going?

What story does it want to tell?

Do the colors of the sky and water make me want to climb aboard or run away?

Art is multi-dimensional, but sometimes we, the viewers, have to want to see those dimensions.

Have you been to our Art Guild Webpage on the Box Office?

Our Webpage is a great place to find art that both tells a story and speaks to your emotions. The



## Art Guild

page changes every month and Guild member John Fier does a wonderful job displaying work from OTOW Art Guild artists.

October's page featured Rick Slater's art, and Barbara Holland is featured this month.

There is also a new digital exhibit of art from Dewey Carr, one of our cherished members from the past.

Check out the monthly features and other information, at [otowboxoffice.com](http://otowboxoffice.com). Scroll down to the Art Guild banner and follow the links.

If you are a Guild member, and have a painting or drawing you would like to have featured on this page, please let me know at [OTOWArtGuild@gmail.com](mailto:OTOWArtGuild@gmail.com)

## Award-Winning Watercolor Artist

### Dewey Carr art exhibit now on the Box Office

By John Fier

Back in the late-1990s and turn of the century, the On Top of the World Art Guild was fortunate to have a prolific watercolor artist whose paintings won many awards.

The 2020 Art Guild is proud to announce that now you can go back in time and see many of those award-winning pictures all over again.

Brand new to the Box Office Website is an exhibition dedicated to former resident Dewey Carr.

For those of you unfamiliar with Dewey, he moved to OTOW in 1998 and

became a dedicated and prolific watercolor artist. He was a consistent award winner in the annual OTOW art shows and served as president of the Art Guild during the 2007/2008 season.

What Dewey enjoyed most was his portrait class which he started and taught for several years at OTOW. The class format was multi-media and his models for the class were OTOW residents who Dewey was always enlisting.

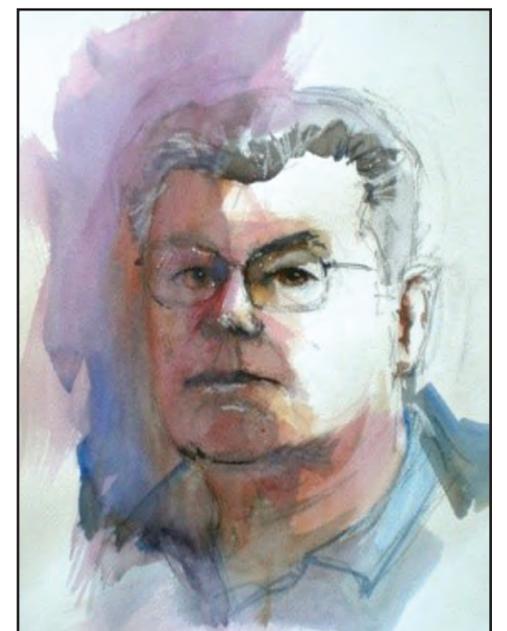
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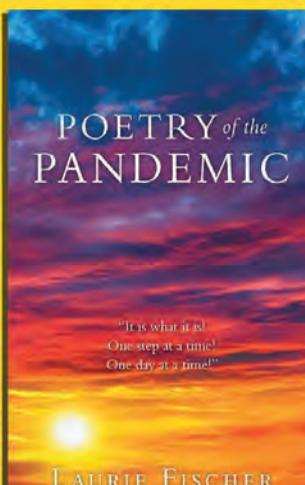
Dewey's paintings from those ses-

sions were nothing short of magical. Large, expressive eyes, strong brushstrokes and a wonderful sense of light and shadow made his work unquestionably his own.

Upon Dewey's passing on April 3, 2009, the Carr family preserved many original pieces of work. Thanks to the Box Office, we now have a chance to display those paintings again in a beautiful exhibit.

Be sure to visit the Art Guild Club Webpage at [OTOWBoxOffice.com](http://OTOWBoxOffice.com) then follow the link to The Dewey Carr Gallery.





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# Living through a pandemic will help us enjoy life more when all restrictions are lifted

By Bruce Lovett

“Nothing can match the excitement of a hot trip to Publix!”

That was the answer given by Bob Groves, Lambda Club’s resident photographer and pianist extraordinaire, known for his years of accompanying The Jesters and Theater Workshop at their shows.

What was the question?

“What did you do this summer, the summer of 2020, the ‘Covid Summer?’”

Going to Publix can be very exciting.

As the Snowbirds start to trickle in, and we begin to see some different faces, the same question is on everyone’s lips. With cruise ships docked, airplanes grounded, cities on lockdown, restaurants and amusement/recreational facilities closed, what exactly did you do?

Well, as a fellow Lambdian, I am proud to say every response I got, from the northern tip of Michigan to here at home, was positive. Once again proving we Lambdians know how to have fun.

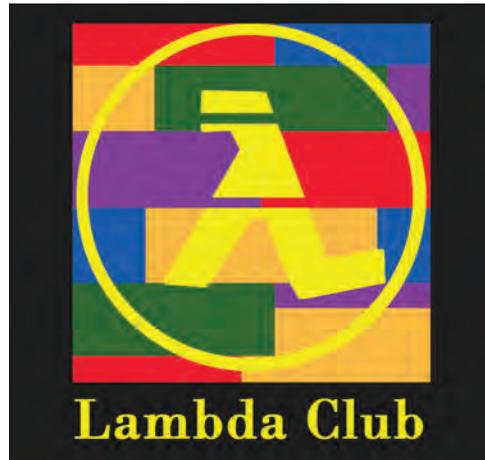
Some of the answers topping the list included puzzles, coloring books and working on artistic endeavors.

Gary Berke wrote a 425 page spin-off to a Jean Auel novel.

Our prolific and forever creative artist Marion Spitzley and her husband, David, mastered a “Circuit” cutting machine and designed and executed a 2-foot by 3-foot furnished electrically functioning home as well as turning their own home’s garage into a sandblasting workshop where they are working on her multimedia environmental sculptures.

Baking and cooking became a new skill and/or a favorite pastime for quite a few members as restaurants closed and there appeared to be an endless supply of empty Tupperware that needed to be filled and passed around.

This reporter calls it the Covid-9 (pounds) thanks to the extra pounds



now adorning his body. Robert Peigler’s doctor congratulated him on losing 10 pounds. His doctor commented that half his clients lost weight while the other half gained. Everyone was affected.

Although there wasn’t the summer time travel many normally experience, there was an obvious increase in outdoor activities like hiking, biking and canoeing.

And two couples in our group found a lot of traveling to do right here in the complex, continually moving between two different units.

Earl Ballace and Mike Murphy moved from their third floor corner penthouse unit to a ground floor corner one. They added a covered patio with a fan so as to make outdoor entertaining the norm.

And Mathew and Kevin Knots (new residents featured in our July issue) ended up buying two condos. Initially they lived in a one bedroom unit and then bought and moved into an 1100-foot two bedroom unit. Both couples have now become real estate barons.

Lambda, as a group, initially kept members in contact with Zoom happy hours and the occasional socially distant picnic. Despite being outdoors, everyone was together but safely apart.

Now, as park pavilions begin to re-



One thing you can do during a pandemic is move into a different unit. Earl Ballace and Mike Murphy enjoyed the thrill of moving heavy boxes from the third floor to the first floor, and then, just for fun, added an outdoor awning.

open, we can use picnic areas while still following CDC protocol.

David Bucchiere best described the gradual changes we are experiencing:

“... there was a heightened sense of joy and meaning when things began to return. Our family Sunday dinners had a glow we’d never known and the grandchildren’s requests for special dishes were in themselves sources of great delight - even my gluten free desserts.

“Club members had been able to keep in touch with our Lambda family by way of Friday Zoom cocktail hours (thank you, Howard), but now we are beginning to see some friends in person and it is even

more wonderful.

“All in all, this pandemic has brought us a lot of fine experiences ... we wouldn’t choose to go through it, but it has reminded us that friendship and love sure go a long way to make anything bearable.”

Should you have any questions about Lambda, a club that serves OTOW’s LGBT community and their friend and neighbors, you can visit our web page: <http://lambda-clearwater.blogspot.com>.

We are also on the Box Office at [otowboxoffice.com](http://otowboxoffice.com) or you can contact us by email at: [lambda@gmail.com](mailto:lambda@gmail.com) or call Dave at 727-410-7566.

## Canadian Club encourages members to stay safe in their bubbles - events should resume next fall

By Connie Stanley

As I pen this article, I just hope that all our Canadian friends and families enjoyed a Happy Canadian Thanksgiving on Oct. 12 within your safe bubbles.

Where has 2020 gone?

Well, it’s not long from now and we’ll be into 2021 and hopefully, under better circumstances - worldwide!

For those who didn’t hear, the executive board has suspended all Canadian Club functions through the winter 2020/2021, and in fact, our preliminary plans are to reopen and restart general club events in November 2021.

The first event will be Registration

Night sometime in November and we hope to be able to continue the regular activities inasmuch as possible with social distancing, masks and safety for everyone.

Our club held its first annual picnic in March and we are anxious to conduct one in the new On Top of the World pavilion next season, too.

Also, we have developed a new electronic logo with the generous guidance and assistance of Doug Kates, our OTOW news editor. Once I realized that it had to fit it into a square box for the online Box Office and the online newspaper, I started to work with the Canadian/American Friendship Flag. Doug’s many

gracious talents included adding the palm tree, pelican and citrus fruit – I hope you find it fascinating and enjoy it!

I send my very best wishes to everyone for a wonderful Happy American Thanksgiving.

Certainly, we Canadians will be missing the duo occasion from here, up north. We have been so fortunate to enjoy two Thanksgiving seasons annually in both nations and trust we can recuperate the festivities in 2021!

Happy Thanksgiving to our American members and neighbours at On Top of the World.

Please stay safe!



*Phase 2 of getting back to normal*

# Two classes will be offered in November

By Hope Tera

The On Top of the World Line Dance Club is pleased to announce that we will be moving into Phase 2 of our reopening, starting Nov. 10.

The major change for line dancers will be the start times.

On Tuesdays, the Advanced Beginner sessions will start at 11 a.m., and the Improver sessions will start at noon. You are welcome to join one session or both sessions.

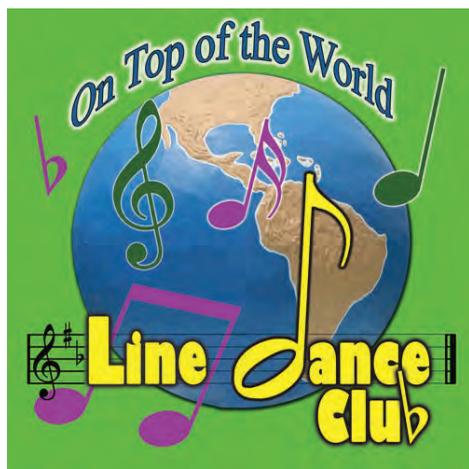
Right now, we are only dancing on Tuesday afternoons. Rest assured, we are monitoring safety guidelines and will resume additional sessions once we feel the time is right.

The Tuesday Advanced Beginner sessions are geared toward line dancers who already know the basics. If you are just starting out, please join us on Mondays for our Easy Beginner Line Dance Class. There are two sessions – 11 a.m. and noon. The 11 a.m. class is currently filled, but there are still openings for the noon class.

To get more information or register for the noon session, you can email our club secretary at [hopetera@gmail.com](mailto:hopetera@gmail.com) or call/text her at 914-217-9206.

When you come, please follow our safety rules, outlined below...

- Practice social distancing (maintain



at least 6 feet between you and others).

- Wear a mask that covers your nose and mouth. If you need a break, please go outside for some fresh air, until you feel better. This will help protect us all.

- Bring bottled water, if desired (water fountain is disabled).

- Bathroom in auditorium is open.

If you stopped by the East Activity Center auditorium on Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 27, you might have seen some interesting characters on the dance floor ... pirates, flappers, witches, purple people eaters, clowns, etc ... dancing to Thriller, Ghostbusters, The Addams Family theme song, The Monster Mash, etc. The OTOW line dancers celebrated Halloween a bit



Margaret LeTourneau safely leads line dancers on a Tuesday morning. (Photo by Doug Kates)

early, with fun and safety in mind. A great time was had by all on the dance floor and each dancer departed with a goody bag of chocolate treats to enjoy.

As always, you can catch a demo of some of our line dances on OTOW-TV channel 732, weekdays at 11 a.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays the videos showcase the OTOW Line Dancing Club. Wednesdays and Thursdays the videos showcase the Snowbirds Line Dance Club.

**There will be no line dancing on Tuesday, Nov. 3, due to Election Day.**

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# Tennis and pickleball players improve their backhands by practicing with paddles

By Joe DeChiaro

Just because you play pickleball or tennis doesn't mean you have to stay dry all the time.

On Monday, Oct. 5, 11 members of the On Top of the World Pickleball Club and Tennis Club carpooled to the Weeki Wachee kayaking park in Spring Hill, Fl.

The group started kayaking at noon and continued for two hours. We also enjoyed sightseeing many wild animals such as raccoons, birds and baby manatees.

Some of us jumped into the 72-degrees spring water and went for a swim.

Following sightseeing, we all went to lunch at a local seafood restaurant and talked about our adventure.

We are expanding our horizons beyond just racquets and nets!

The Tennis Club held a board meeting on Monday Oct. 12 and discussed many topics such as dues, nominations, bylaw changes, rotation and the date of our membership meeting, which we set for Saturday Nov. 21 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the pavilion.

New members are always welcome to either club and should attend the membership meeting.



Canoeing at Weeki Wachee are, left to right, Brenda Rathyen, Renata Jope, Joe DeChiaro, Lenny Segal and Kathy Ahrens.

## Yea! Democratic Club excited to welcome Election Day

By Donna Lukas

The month we have been anxiously awaiting has finally arrived.

The big event on Nov. 3 is expected to be a very long night.

Hopefully, most of us followed the advice to vote early. You can track your ballot status on VotePinellas.com.

A "received" status indicates your ballot is valid as submitted. That status will not change to "counted" until after Election Day.

If you have already voted and your ballot status is something other than "received," you should call the Supervisor of Elections office at 727-464-8683 and ask what is wrong.

If you have not voted yet, the final deadline is Nov. 3 at your voting location at the East or West Activity Center. Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

If you are voting in person on Election Day, you may want to keep your cell phone handy because Pinellas County is no longer under a federal mandate regarding the use of poll watchers. You may see an unusual number of people watching the poll locations.

If any suspicious people approach you, try to intimidate or harass you, or provide you with questionable information, take their picture and it may persuade them to avoid you.

October was a busy month for many On Top of the World Democratic Club members. Some were making phone calls or waving signs. Others were involved in distributing voting information to targeted addresses.



### Democratic Club

Some of the areas within our two precincts look a lot different from the condominiums we live in.

Overall, volunteers reached more than 187,000 addresses in Pinellas County.

Another big event we participated in was the Oct. 24 county-wide "Vote Now" Street Sign Rally. This event was intended to make people aware that Oct. 24 was in the process.

Our membership was asked about their expectations for what will happen after Nov. 3. The general answer was "chaos."

Come join us at our next meeting in the pavilion at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 12 for a post-election discussion.

OTOW will be checking for activity cards, so please bring them to the meeting. You will also be required to wear a mask.

Look for further information on our club page at the otowboxoffice.com Website, our On Top of the World, Clearwater Facebook page, on Spectrum OTOW-TV Channel 732 or group emails.

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# Your food and clothing donations in October will help those in need this holiday month

By Jim Bjorgo

Good Neighbors Association would like to say "Thank You" to everyone who responded to our Fall Food and Clothing Drive last month. We were overwhelmed at our collection site.

Despite the pandemic slowing some of us down, many of you made a donation to this worthwhile venture. We offer our gratitude. The food and clothing received from your generosity will help many people less fortunate than us.

Food that was collected went to Helping Hands outreach to assist with feeding as many people as possible. Food collected on Friday, Oct. 23, was sent directly to drop off locations the next day. Food that

was donated on Saturday, Oct. 24, was put into storage and went out the following week.

We also want to thank residents who have been dropping off food items in the donation barrel located inside the Community Service Office. These food items are collected every Friday and delivered to Helping Hands. Please continue to fill the barrel.

Clothing items collected at our clothing drive went to veterans at Bay Pines Hospital and the Shepard Center in Tarpon Springs. Those venues provide quality, used clothing to those in need. None of the clothing is ever resold. Many thanks for your clothing donations.

Good Neighbors Association continues to monitor the current pandemic. While there is little hope we will be able to restart any normal activities soon, we do have ideas that could become a reality on very short notice. We won't make any definite plans until there is a complete reopening of On Top of the World facilities. Our hope is that the new year will bring about good things for everyone here at OTOW and we will head back to the same normal events we have all enjoyed in the past. We keep hoping for the best.

Please continue to stay safe, keep your distance and wear your masks. Not only is it for your safety, but the safety of the entire community.



## Lawn bowling will start when courts are ready

Lawn Bowl players should keep their knees oiled, their bias balls shiny and their release stroke smooth.

There will be lawn bowling again. We're just not sure of the date when leagues at On Top of the World will resume.

The courts are currently being refurbished and management has to give the club the OK to begin meeting again.

"Once the green is playable, we will

### Lawn Bowling

start regular bowling," said President Sandra Wall.

Resurfacing began over the summer. Some concrete work still needs to be done. Reseeding will follow.

Sandra wants all lawn bowl players to

know that even if most Canadians stay north of border this winter, the community club will resume and play with members who are still here. The season is not canceled.

There may be fewer trainers to teach newcomers and there may not be as many tournaments, but the games will go on.

"Everything is really just on hold right now," she said.

Sandra is hoping to be playing by

Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 26, but that is just a wish right now - nothing is definite.

Sandra said all lawn bowl players, or anyone who is interested in joining lawn bowling, should watch OTOW-TV Channel 732 for the latest updates and keep reading OTOW News.

Updates will be posted when available.

## Keep watching news for return of Aqua Aerobics

By Irene Pappas

On Top of the World water aerobics class is anxiously waiting for our class to begin again.

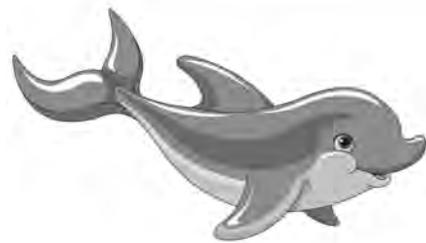
Once they resume, classes will take place in the East Activity Center swimming pool.

For the winter season, the pool will be open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday through Tuesday and 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

OTOW management staff is continually going through great lengths to sanitize all the outdoor chairs and lounges to keep us safe.

Even though our water aerobics class is not in session, we can all still go and utilize the pool for swimming, walking, etc.

During the cooler months, we will conduct class as long as our outdoor temperature is over 62 degrees. Classes will take place 9-10 a.m. Monday through Friday.



### Aqua Aerobics

We have three instructors as of now and they are as follows: Lillian Foy, Sylvia Reider and Irene Pappas.

Everyone is welcome and you will enjoy the benefits we all derive from this program. They include stretching and cardio, building bone and lots of laughter which is good for the soul.

Even though classes are not available at this time, please go and enjoy

## Irish Club feeling lucky about 2021

By Barbara Rice

The Irish Club has not planned any events for the remainder of 2020.

But, they are feeling lucky about 2021.

You can count on long overdue laughs and more laughs when comedian George Casey hopefully takes the stage on Jan. 28, 2021.

A Byrnes Brothers concert has been rescheduled for Feb. 11, 2021. The professional Irish musicians hail from Mount Charles, Ireland. The family's lively performance includes Irish dancers and accordion players. Tickets previously purchased for the Byrnes Brothers' concert, that was cancelled in 2020, will be honored.

Get your dancing shoes ready for a planned St. Patrick's Day dance on March 4, 2021. And, the always popular St. Patrick's Day Parade is scheduled to step off on March 6.

Joe Burke and his band have been booked for the dance. Joe will also entertain at festivities following the parade.

Club members are scheduled to get together for their annual picnic on March 29, 2021, at Phillippe Park in Safety Har-



### Irish Club

bor. Tickets previously purchased for the picnic cancelled in 2020 will be honored.

All events at On Top of the World are pending approval from management.

Watch for further information about when and where to purchase tickets to proposed events or about any unforeseen cancellations.

Proceeds from all ticket sales are used to fund the St. Patrick's Day parade.



# Rookies get first taste of OTOW softball

By Bob Rittner

The 2nd Time Sports mission statement includes supporting community activities that promote health and the joy of active living.

As part of fulfilling that mission, they have sponsored the On Top of the World Softball League for the last three years, providing us with new shirts each season.

On Sept. 22, in anticipation of opening day, OTOW Softball President Lenny Segall, Marketing Director Henry Zussman and Secretary/Treasurer Bob Rittner met owner Joe Sciandra to reaffirm our relationship. We hope that OTOW residents will check the store out for a wide variety of new and used sporting goods, with bikes the current hot item, and let them know you read the softball articles in our newspaper every month.

At the league's preseason meeting on Oct. 1, we were introduced to three prospective players: Karen Lea French, George Morgan and Russell Platte. We don't have a full scouting report yet, but it doesn't matter as we welcome all new

players and integrate them immediately into our style of play.

We emphasized that lineups and positions are changed each game so each player has an opportunity to play various positions and to bat throughout the lineup. We also determined that we will enforce social distancing at games.

Our often-mentioned record of never having an error committed in our 45 year history of the league was reiterated. It has always been our cardinal rule that every player is valued and is never made to feel small because an expected play is not made.

Our competition is fierce but friendly, and our demeanor is serious but always with a light touch of humor.

New players may play with us for up to two games before deciding whether or not to join the league. If they do, we have a \$50 fee which helps us pay for the field. There is no time limit for joining, so if anyone is interested, it is never too late to join.

Opening day brought eight new players to our league.

## West Siders 6 2nd Time Sports 3

2nd Time Sports took a 3-0 lead in the top of the first inning on singles by Mike Allen, Karen French, Joe DeChiaro and then an RBI hit by Mike Sieber. Tara Gunning followed with a double which drove in the last two runs.

The team had a chance to score again in the third inning when Russell Platte scorched a double down the right field line putting runners on second and third with no outs, but the baserunners were stranded.

In the second inning, after Dick Le-Tourneau, Eddie Ramirez and Cindy McCarthy singled, Alex Scaranda hit a long sacrifice fly to drive in the first run for the West Siders. Phil Goodwin's double plated another run.

In the fifth inning, seven consecutive singles by Alex, Phil Goodwin, Jim Tiano, Bob Rittner, Joe Brandao, George Morgan and Lance Wilson brought home three runs.

Lenny Segall had the honor of hitting the season's first homer, a screaming line drive deep to right center field in the sixth

inning, which closed the scoring.

Defensive stars included Eddie Ramirez spearing a vicious liner at the hot corner, Jim Tiano racing in to one-hand a sinking liner in left field and Robert Bannick catching a soaring, twisting fly ball in right field.

## 2nd Time Sports 8 West Siders 6

Six West Siders got two hits each leading to two-run innings from the second through sixth innings. They were Henry Zussman, Ron Shields, Joe DeChiaro, Mike Sieber, Bob Dembinski and Tara Gunning. Joe homered and Tara hit a long double.

2nd Time Sports got triples from Phil Goodwin, Alex Scaranda and Joe Brandao, as well as a homer by Joe and two hits by George Morgan, but could not put their hits in sequence often enough.

For information about our softball/stickball league, call Lenny Segall (560-2620) or Bob Rittner (729-7970) or visit us on the Box Office at otowboxoffice.com



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## New monthly schedules will be announced when conditions are safe to bring in entertainers again

By Marvin Flam

The Entertainment Committee is continually monitoring the COVID-19 impact on the On Top of the World community and is taking the down time to re-boot.

When we are once again able to present entertainment to the residents of OTOW, we will gladly let everyone know.

Over the last several years, the Entertainment Committee has presented an average of 12 shows, 15 dances and 12 Sunday Meet & Greet events in the East Activity Center auditorium. When the conditions are right to resume, the Entertainment Committee will be ready with some new ideas and innovations.

The Entertainment Committee books the entertainment a year in advance so the best entertainment can be scheduled. The 70-plus volunteers are continually making sure that all the support required to present this entertainment is ready to go. Entertainment Committee volunteers are an unpaid, hard-working, dedicated group of residents who are committed to assuring that the entertainment will be the best that can be provided.

The following teams of volunteers are established and coordinated to deliver the entertainment:

- The Executive Board oversees the entire operation.

- The Ticket Sales Team sells all seating which is reserved, except for the Sunday Meet & Greet events which are free.

- The Show and Dance, Tables and Chairs Setup Team decorates the auditorium, stage and tables for all events.

- There is also the Coffee and Ice Team, Sunday Meet & Greet Raffle Team, Refreshment Team, and Event Clean-up Team.

- The Flyer Distribution Team distributes flyers to each building bulletin board in the community;

- Welcome Team and Ushers help at shows and dances.

- The Security Team is at all events to insure all events are safe.

- There is a Photography Team, Sunshine Lady and Promo Team, which prepares all advertising material.

- The newspaper reporter writes monthly articles.

- The Sound and Lighting Tech Team operates and maintains the stage sound and lighting for all events.

When we can once again provide entertainment events safely for residents, performers and volunteers, we will resume presenting shows, dances and free Sunday Meet & Greet events.

We will bring in the best entertainment available that will include OTOW past favorites and new, exciting entertainment as we move forward in the future.

If you purchased tickets for any 2020 cancelled show or dance, contact Mary

Ann O'Neil at 727 449-9243 or email [entcom2014@gmail.com](mailto:entcom2014@gmail.com) regarding a credit for tickets to future shows and dances or to request and receive a refund. You will be required to provide the tickets that you purchased.

When scheduling information becomes available, you can view it on OTOW-TV channel 732. Everyone on Spectrum gets OTOW-TV. Do not use the up and down arrow on your remote control to find the channel. Just tap 7 3 2.

Information is also on bulletin boards in the East Activity Center, the West Activity Center and in your building's core.

For more information regarding COVID-19 and the Entertainment Committee, please visit the Box Office at [otowboxoffice.com](http://otowboxoffice.com).

We look forward to seeing you soon. In the meanwhile please take care and be safe.

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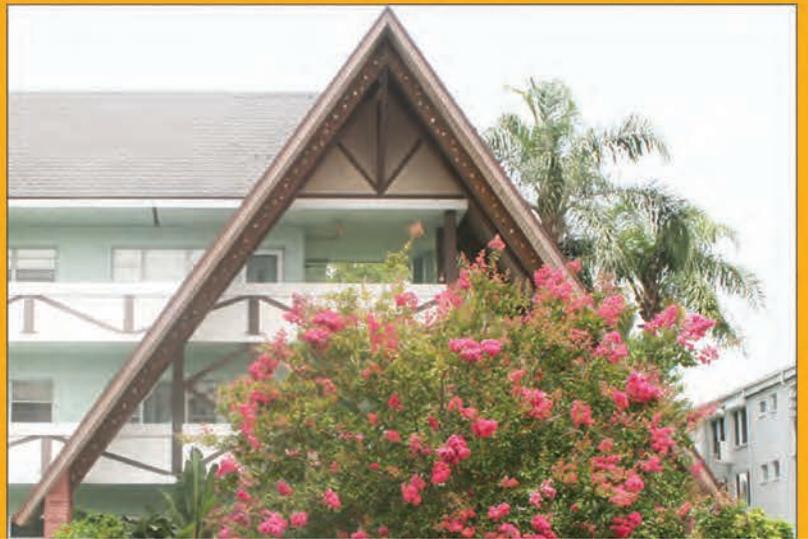
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## Tampa Bay Lightning work hard to win the Cup - now we get to enjoy it

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Ocasionally, someone even loses a tooth.

For On Top of the World resident Bruno Nardizzi, he knows what the Tampa Bay Lightning hockey team had to go through to capture this most-coveted of all trophies.

Fortunately, all Bruno had to do to see the Stanley Cup was take a break from work.

“It was really impressive,” Bruno said. “It was bigger than I expected.”

“It was all polished. If you looked close, you could see all the names and words engraved in it.”

Bruno is a social worker for Naph-care at the Falkenburg Road Jail in Hillsborough County, where the traveling Cup arrived and employees were allowed to see it first hand.

Bruno admits he is not much of a hockey fan, but pointed out you don’t have to be a hockey fan to marvel at the magnificent trophy.

He said it was fun to be photographed alongside the Cup, but he had just as much fun watching die-hard hockey fans get all excited.

“You could feel the energy in the room,” Bruno said. “I was stealing energy from other people.”

Tampa Bay defeated Dallas to take home the Cup in September. Once in Tampa, the Cup started circulating in the Bay area so hockey fans could see it and enjoy the accomplishment.

Unlike other sports, the Stanley Cup is unique as it is the same trophy awarded at the end of every National Hockey League season. The winning team has players’ names engraved on it and the winning city keeps the Cup over the summer.

Bruno has been an On Top of the World resident for two years. He currently resides in the Viennese Villa Building.



On Top of the World resident Bruno Nardizzi has his picture taken with the Stanley Cup, the championship trophy won by the Tampa Bay Lightning hockey team this past September.

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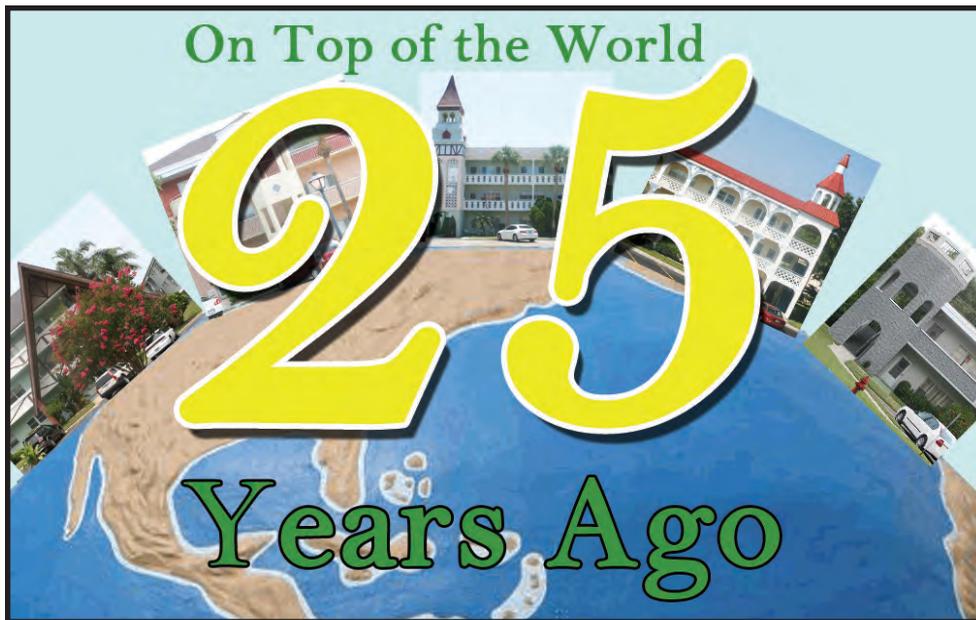
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**A look back at the OTOW News  
November, 1995**

- Press Association:** The 1995-96 Press Association general meeting was held Oct. 5, 1995, in the East Activity Center card room. Katherine Amend, our vice-president, presided in the absence of vacationing president Johnny Johnson. The first program speakers for this season gave a talk on CPR and featured guest instructors Joyce and Bill Beurkens. They demonstrated the proper way to do rescue breathing. Joyce also told us about the Vial of Life Program. These are two important programs that we have here at OTOW. Everyone should know CPR and carry a vial of life in the glove compartment of their car and also one in their refrigerator.
- Canadian Club:** Well, the Snowbirds are here again and what a clatter! They can't wait to get started. Such enthusiasm! Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 17, 1995, at the East Activity Center auditorium. The fall general meeting will follow immediately after registration, probably about 7 p.m. After registration, you will want some time to peruse the information set out at various tables with convenors on hand to explain details and take your name if you wish to attend or participate.
- OTOW Library News:** The New Year of 1996 is approaching faster than we thought it would! To all members and prospective members, please note that beginning Nov. 3, 1995, 1996 library membership cards will be available. The library membership fee is \$1 per person for one year. Library cards for 1995 may be used through the end of 1995. Our Librarian, Marion Altenderfer, has purchased a number of new books for your reading pleasure.
- Ladies 18-Hole Golf:** There were approximately 70 at the general meeting on Oct. 4, 1995. Rules Chairman Tim Paterson reviewed a few rules: If a ball is behind the wooden fences on holes 8, 10 and 11, it can be moved no closer to the hole with no penalty. If ball goes in deep rough and someone in the foursome saw it go in and the ball cannot be found, there is no penalty. However, if no one sees where it went, there is a penalty. Ball can be moved six inches in the rough.
- Lawn Bowling:** Welcome back, all ye bowlers! We know you are ready for a busy season. No excuses needed if you didn't bowl for the last six months, because many local bowlers can echo your comments, as it was too hot here to bowl. This summer, President Manny supervised the laying of new mats and the addition of bags of rubico by a contractor.
- Bedford Building:** Hopefully, by the time you receive this newspaper, we will have had at least a few nights that are cool enough to open the windows. Low 70's, low humidity — that would be nice! Thanksgiving is coming upon us real quick. Hope you have a real great holiday and lots of good and healthy food (gobble, gobble). We at OTOW have much to be thankful for, especially with all the hurricanes and tropical storms which have hit all around us. Thankfully we were spared, and can pray for those whose lives were impacted by the storms.

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# In spite of things, we are still fortunate to live at OTOW

We are all blessed to live in such a wonderful and vibrant community.

At the beginning of the pandemic, an unknown neighbor delivered word-find puzzle books to keep our minds engaged and amused. How thoughtful and thank you. We visited each other from afar.

My wife started to cook again, but I sure did miss my comrades at the VFW.

As the world is starting to slowly open, we still must follow the updated guidelines for safety. Patience is a virtue that needs to be practiced more than ever now.

Our summer was filled with hot temperatures, beautiful sunrises and sunsets, lightning shows, rainbows and isolated rain showers. Now, as temperatures and humidity are lower, we can open windows for some fresh air.

We were fortunate to have the hurricanes spare us from their wrath so far, except for some brisk winds and small craft advisories in the Gulf. We are reminded daily how fortunate we are to live in such a stunning part of the Earth. These



reminders will help us cope with all of the changes of our daily life.

We had a surprise birthday party for one of our newer neighbors, Robbie Paramor, who turned 70 years young this past month. Everyone who came did their best at social distancing. The food and refreshments were simply phenomenal! The music was provided by the extraordinary and very talented Mr. Michael Calzone. Everyone had a great time! Happy birthday, Robbie!

Until next time...

# Hoping for cool autumn days at the Polynesian

Aloha, Polynesians, and a happy autumn to all!

The heat of the summer is finally breaking and we will be heading into our cooler, gorgeous days of autumn and, yes, even winter. It is exciting to see some of our Snowbirds beginning to return to their southern nests, so to speak. It will be sad not having our Canadian friends here with us, but considering the current circumstances, we wish them all well and want them to know they are here in spirit.

As I write this, the painters are busy working on our building and sprucing it up in time for the holidays. I always enjoy seeing our beautiful building after a fresh coat of paint. Our seasonal decorations will be back in place soon, adding to the upbeat spirit one gets when seeing such cheerful embellishments.



I have noticed activity these past few months of new folks moving in to the building. If you see new faces, be sure to say hello, introduce yourself and welcome them to our wonderful slice of paradise.

Until next month, Mahalo, my dear neighbors!

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# Welcome new Southern Georgian reporter

“Welcome to paradise,” my father said with a grin and arms outstretched on the TV show, “America’s Got Talent,” encompassing beach and blue sky. When the show came to Tampa Bay to interview people, the director went to the beach, and stopped people to say scripted words for its introduction. My father ignored their request to say “welcome to Tampa,” sincerely thinking the director was missing the point.

I grew up in northern New York State, on the border of Canada and Vermont, where the temperature drops to 26 degrees below zero Fahrenheit. We had ice days, not snow days, at my school. Kids were disappointed at Halloween, because they had to wear parkas and no one could see their costumes, unless they went to an indoor costume party.

My family traveled to Florida on annual vacations since 1970, primarily to Tampa Bay, where many of my maternal relatives were living.

In 1984, my parents retired to Clearwater; but I stayed up North in



the snow and graduated in English Liberal Arts.

When I moved to southern New York and Connecticut, I was a writer and editor for newsletters, public relations departments, pharmaceutical websites and book publishers.

Two places I always wanted to live were New York City and Florida. In 2001, my chance to live in the Sunshine State came true. While my employer was located

in New York State, its headquarters was in the Twin Towers and I was laid off.

I didn’t despair; call it naïveté. I had friends on the Bruce Springsteen concert circuit in New Jersey and more in Florida. As I hunted for work, I delved into life as a full-time Floridian. I unabashedly enjoyed the sun, biking trails, beaches, parks, and other hobbies. Then, I found employment at the City of Pinellas Park.

Being happy living in a place changes over time. When I was younger, an apartment was simply pop in, sleep, and pop out. As I grew up, I began to want more in my living complex—a pool or rec room on weekends, maybe new neighbors to meet.

When I heard about On Top of the World, I decided to check out what it offered. I was amazed and glad. People play sports, card games, belong to clubs, play billiards, and go swimming.

As an OTOW News reporter, I feel encouraged and happy to write about other people’s pleasure. After all, Florida really *is* paradise.

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# Holiday season is nearly upon us

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Daylight Saving Time ends on Nov. 1; the 3rd is Election Day; the 11th is Veterans Day; and the 26th is Thanksgiving Day. That is when we can all start to shop for Christmas. Wow!

I only wish that I could give you the names of all the veterans who live in our building. I am sure that we have many, so on behalf of all of our residents, I want to thank all the veterans for keeping us and our country safe.

I am aware of a new resident. Mike Smith has purchased a condo on the north-west wing of our building. Mike came a "long way" to the Espana. He came from Seminole, which is just a few miles south of us, past Largo. In 1987, he moved from Indiana to Florida. Mike is a master watch maker and a Rolex serviceman. He has a daughter and a son. Mike is an avid golfer, and enjoys wood working. He also is a genealogist.



Now is the time to also begin thinking about decorating our building for Christmas.

I have lived in the Espana since its first Christmas, almost 28 years ago and the Espana has always looked great. A lot of the original people are getting a little tired (should I say "old"?), so some of you younger folks are needed to step up and help with the decorations. We need the bulbs on the strings of lights checked;

we need boxes brought out from the store room, etc. We have many jobs looking for someone to handle. Please offer to help. I do not know who is in charge but contact Les Meneilly for more information.

I don't know what is going to happen for this year's Christmas get-together. I'm sure that Les will send an email and post something on the bulletin board. I remember our first Christmas party in 1993 and it was held in the first floor lobby. The weather turned cold and windy. Residents got blankets and covered the entrances with them. From there on in, we held our parties in the Sunrise Room (now called the Belleair Room) or in the private rooms of restaurants or country clubs.

Thanksgiving thoughts: It is time to be thankful for all that we have and a time to think of others. If you are cooking Thanksgiving dinner, ask a neighbor, who may have no one, to join you. Don't forget to say thanks for all that you personally have. We are very blessed to live in such a wonderful country, so give thanks and have a happy Thanksgiving.

## Temporary Cancellation of Bible Study Club Meetings

The club usually meets Friday afternoons from 2-4 p.m. in the East Activity Center Veranda Room. Due to current national and local health safety concerns and the need for social distancing, these meetings are cancelled until further notice.

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. For more information, call either Bob Reis, (727) 772-3119 or Woodie Tully, (727) 399-1773.

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## Welcome new Chetnik resident from Ormond Beach

Help me welcome Martin Wohl, a new member to the Chetnik Building on the Tahitian side. He retired and moved here from Ormond Beach, Fla., where he lived for many years.

He is a very nice, pleasant, and happy man who thanked me for introducing him to the community.

He is originally from New York, where he lived for the first 21 years of his life. He says he left for four years and then returned to New York for 28 years. Four years later he went to work for the government.

He attended college at New York University where he studied three years of law school and one year for a tax degree.

He was a tax lawyer for the Beatles, Rolling Stones, the Who and other people who owned buildings in New York.

He was also a tax lawyer for the I.R.S., approving pension plans for all police, fire and civil service unions.

He had several different professions over the years, but what he loved and enjoyed most was being a watch dealer. As he puts it, a dealer of "fine timepieces."



He has traveled from coast to coast buying and selling watches.

He has three children, two boys and one girl. He goes to St. Petersburg once a week to see his daughter and have lunch with her.

He has written a book, "Everyday, the Most Beautiful Ever." Martin says it is a cross between psychology, religion, and spirituality. He calls it "spiritual poetry." The book is for sale if you are interested.

When you see Martin, say hello and ask him about the time he was robbed in San Francisco!

## World-wide contest finalist is proud to have been part of it

By Doug Kates

Last month, Carl Hebinck sat in his On Top of the World home in Clearwater as a world-wide awards presentation took place overseas in England.

He wasn't just watching the show on his home computer – he was one of 12 nominees hoping to win one of two grand prizes.

The annual COINS (Construction Industry Solutions) Grand Challenge normally takes place with everyone dressed up in their finest attire in a theater-like atmosphere similar to the Academy Awards.

This year, because of the pandemic, Carl watched from his living room – no tie needed.

The COINS Grand Challenge is a construction competition and a chance for people around the world to present new ideas to improve the world we live in. The winners receive a cash prize to help make their ideas come true.

On this day, Carl was a finalist, but did not take home a top prize. Still, the disappointment was short-lived. After all, even though Carl was sitting at home, his idea was on a world stage.

"I was discouraged, but undaunted," he said. "When I learned the winner results, I was happy for the winners because their ideas were good and merited recognition."

Carl's idea centered on affordable housing and recycling our planet's construction resources

more economically and more wisely.

He said there are a variety of low-income workers in our world who are very important to each and every one of us, but at their wages, they cannot afford a decent, safe place to live.

"The affordable housing crisis is not just a local problem, it's a world problem," Carl said. "Our city leaders deny it, but the business interests seem to win out."

According to statistics, Carl said in the past 10 years minimum wage has increased 17 percent, but rental costs for a place to live have increased 50 percent. To some people this is just a stat. To nursing home workers, caregivers, watchmen, grocery store stockers and garbage collectors, it means lack of affordable housing.

"One quarter of Americans spend more than half of their total income on housing," he said. "It doesn't leave much left for food, medicine and transportation."

"Being among the 12 finalists of over 500 applicants meant that our cause was being taken seriously. It generated hope and gave me encouragement."

The COINS competition is over for this year, but there are more opportunities ahead. Carl said he is not "quitting." He is "energized." There are currently plans to pursue Carl's ideas for affordable housing in St. Petersburg. If you pay attention to the news, you might see progress in the near future.

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# Roundup of Viennese Villa news begins with a welcome

Our villa is ever changing with new faces. We welcome Louisa and Al Fiore, originally from Brooklyn, N.Y., by way of Pennsylvania.

Al retired after 30 years with Bethlehem Steel as an engineer, so the couple felt it time to head for warmer climes. Having sons living in Dunedin and Largo, they wanted to be in the area. A rental in Safety Harbor was their first port of call.

A chance encounter with a total stranger while shopping led them to On Top of the World. To make a long story short, they drove over to see OTOW and the rest is history.

Louisa is anxious for OTOW's Bible Study class to reopen and Al is a golfer. They are a charming couple who recently celebrated their 63rd anniversary and are very happy to call Viennese Villa their new home. Now for the rest of the furniture to arrive!

Sharon Clifford continues with her scarf project. If you happen to have extra yarn you don't plan on using, drop it off. It will be put to very good use for those in need.

Lynn Costanza had a birthday. Her pals helped her kick off another trip around the sun. Speaking of Lynn, she is going to be my new neighbor. More on that along with Earl Ballance and Mike Murphy's new digs in issues to come.

Have it on good authority there is a picture of Bruno Nardizzi with the "Holy Grail" of hockey, the Stanley Cup, brought to Tampa by the Lightning. Wouldn't it be marvelous if the Rays and Bucs can make it a "hat trick?"



Having pool hours extended is marvelous. People will also be glad when warm showers are again open especially as colder weather approaches.

Veterans Day is the 11th. Our flag guy Steve Mazurek is sure to have Old Glories decked out. Please remember the reason for the day and thank a vet.

On memorial green in Yarmouth, Maine, the American Legion places a veteran's flag with name tag on a flagpole, with name, rank and service. There are nearly 100 flags flown on specific holidays. It's a marvelous tradition.

Well boys and girls, until next we meet. Anniversary and birthday greetings to all celebrants.

Enjoy your Thanksgiving — we have much to be thankful for. Kudos to the crew who keep the Villa looking so spiffy.

And remember, please vote. It's a freedom that so many nations envy us the privilege of being able to do.

Any news fit to print, just send it to [fresca@maine.rr.com](mailto:fresca@maine.rr.com)



Louisa and Al Fiore are new Viennese Villa residents, having come originally from Brooklyn, N.Y., by way of Pennsylvania. Welcome to OTOW! (Photo by Fran Fairfield)

## A call for volunteers to help with holiday decorations

Happy November 2020. By the time you read this you will know that Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, Nov. 1.

I'm sure you're itching to know how this Daylight Saving Time came about, aren't you? Well, up until WWII, there was much chaos, whereby states functioned on a free-for-all basis, time-wise.

The idea of DST was to give farmers more daylight hours for their work. Cities and towns had a choice of whether or not to observe DST. By 1966, the mayhem ended when Congress enacted the Uniform Time Act, which required every state to observe DST. In 2007, the Energy Policy Act of 2005 finally went into permanent and uniform effect.

While we contemplate the setting of our clocks, and the forward march of



time, let's pause to honor our dear Enid Goodman on her 95th birthday. A large celebration had been planned, but Enid tells me she plans to prudently spend a

quiet day with well-wishes by phone from her son and family.

Marie Mikuliza also celebrates her birthday via FaceTime or Skype sessions with her daughters and grandchildren in Georgia and northern California. Happy November birthdays, Enid and Marie!

No, I did not forget our veterans. I was saving the best for the last. We have several vets, men and women, in our building and I wanted to mention each one by name. However, I didn't get accurate info on the sign-up sheet I put out in May, so we're going to re-run this project next year. We can still acknowledge our neighbors and all veterans who served faithfully and honorably in the Air Force, Army and Navy and other services. We salute and honor you!

Many thanks to those who offered donations for the Salvation Army pick-up on Oct 3. It was a convenient way to dispose of unwanted items and make sure they go to folks in need. We may try another "Clean Up, Clear Out and Donate" in the Spring. Our storage rooms will thank you.

Christmas is right around the corner, so keep in mind that we will need a crew of about six able-bodied folks to set up the Christmas/holiday decorations in the first-floor core and the wreaths on the exterior of the building in late November.

The Saturday after Thanksgiving Day (this year it's Nov. 28) is our traditional day for decorating. It usually takes about an hour. I will post a reminder. Have a wonderful, thankful and blessed Thanksgiving!

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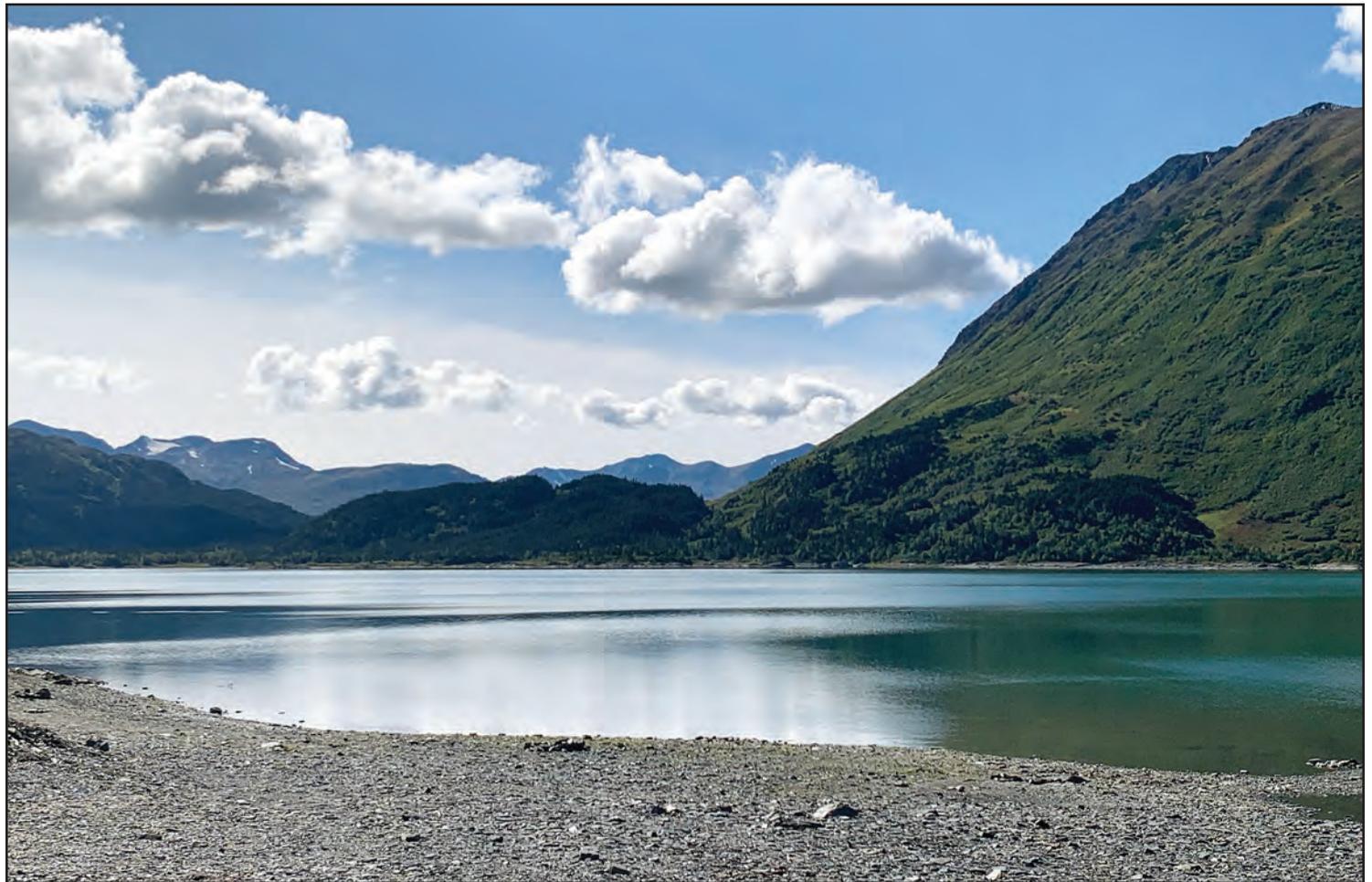
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# Salmon fishing in Alaska – a favorite sport for all



Karen Lea French had a fabulous time in Alaska this summer.

She drove from Anchorage to Sterling, a 2½ hour drive through the beautiful mountains and along Turnagain Arm. The Beluga whales were in, and the wind surfers were maneuvering their stunts. The beauty was stunning.

Fishing the famous Kenai River was amazing! The first day the red salmon were jumping about and the limit of three each was caught by Frenchy and Bob O'Donohue. The fish were filleted and vacuum-sealed for winter eating, while one was saved for eating over the campfire that night.

The next week the pink salmon were coming into the river in droves! Pinks are the least desirable and we wanted to catch the silver salmon. The pinks were in the way far too much and we caught 30-plus

Cook Inlet's Turnagain Arm waterway as seen from the Seward Highway, which links Anchorage and Seward. Along the way is Sterling and the Kenai River, a popular salmon fishing spot. (Photo provided by Karen French)

pinks per day, while rarely catching another red or silver.

The bears wanted the fish, too.

They were never close to us when we were fishing. However, we saw them often when driving along the Kenai River. Many traffic

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## Surprised painter finds a real egret attracted to her work

Reta Carney had a photo taken of an Egret standing in the grass in the garden area at the back of this building.

Reta, who likes to paint at times, was inspired to do an oil painting of the bird, which incidentally, hangs around the building a lot.

Reta was working in her living room, putting finishing touches to the painting, and surprise, surprise, the bird landed outside her window, standing on a chair, and really looked as though it was posing for the painting. She was so excited, she grabbed her phone and quickly took this great photo, then came next door to me all excited to show the photo.

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# What is now missing at the Rizal Building?

Have you driven by Rizal, Building 18, at On Top of the World lately and noticed something is different, but can't quite figure out what?

Since Rizal is located on the short end of Ecuadorian Way, which ends in a cul-de-sac, there is little drive-by traffic here, but after reading this you might want to come take a look!

You might also be wondering "What is Rizal, and how did that particular building get its name?" Many of the buildings at OTOW have names which describe an architectural style. Buildings like American Colonial, Polynesian, Southern Georgian and Royal Chateau can bring to mind images of what the building might look like.

When my husband Mike and I purchased our unit three-and-one-half years ago, we were compelled to search the internet for the answer to our question, "What is Rizal?"

We quickly changed our question to "Who was Rizal?" and learned that our building was named after Jose Protasio Rizal Mercado y Alonso Realonda. Rizal was a very popular author and influential member of the Filipino Propaganda Movement. His writings were instrumental in motivating the Philippines independence from Spain.

Sadly, at age 35, he was executed by the Spanish colonial government for the crime of rebellion, prior to the independence for which he so vehemently fought.



He is considered a national hero of the Filipino people.

The above story about Rizal brings me back to my original question, what is missing at Rizal? If you look closely at the photograph of one of the towers over the stairwell at one end of our building wing, you will notice figurines on the rooftop.

To date, I have found nothing to confirm my perception, however, I believe those figurines represent the Filipino people standing arm in arm in solidarity.

Unfortunately, after enduring 42 years of exposure to the weather, the figurines needed to be removed. So one day earlier this year, workers chiseled away what I lovingly called "our building gargoyles" in order to keep us safe from potential debris falling from the aging figurines.

I, for one, will miss seeing the little people who stood atop our building, although I am very happy to have made their acquaintance.



Rizal Building with its original tower figurines, now removed. (Photo by Charlie Wood)

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# Before your next trip, get some photography tips from a group of residents who take a lot of photos together

By Janice Berman

At On Top of the World, there is a group of residents who get together and share photography adventures with each other.

They call themselves Friends in Focus.

Well, OTOW Travel Club and Friends in Focus are the perfect match. They share several things in common.

Travel and photography are a perfect fit. It is not surprising that many of our Travel Club members are also active with the photography group.

Jack Armstrong, founder of Friends in Focus, and his wife, Niki, landed happily at OTOW 10 years ago. Jack wanted to take up his photography hobby again, which began while serving with the Air Force in Europe back in the 1960s.

To his surprise, there was not an official photography club at OTOW. He started this group with a bunch of friends and now there are a lot of friends.

Jack ran a small announcement on the Internet back in 2017 and five intrepid souls met at Philippe Park to talk and shoot some photos together. Three people from that original outing are still members today.

Today there are about 100 people involved in the group and about 30 who are very active.

Next came the question of how the group of friends could grow and develop?

Jack's idea was to make it as much of a social group - a meeting of friends - as it was already a photography group. He felt there were many individuals living alone in this area and photography would be an easy, fun way to make new friends.

As the group's mantra says, "We are



## Travel Club

your best excuse to get off the couch and out your door to make new friends, see new places and to fully enjoy this paradise we live in!"

Jack invited neighbors from surrounding towns to join OTOW residents in having fun.

The group meets the third Thursday of each month - year around - in air conditioned comfort of beautiful Moccasin Lake Nature Park. Socializing, talking photography and plotting a next adventure are all requirements. Normally, a field trip is scheduled for the second and fourth Friday (or Saturday) of each month.

A picture is worth a thousand words and Friends in Focus has the pictures!

You can learn more about Friends in Focus by visiting their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/FriendsinFocusPhotographyClub/> or send an email question to founder Jack Armstrong at [abcadventuretime@gmail.com](mailto:abcadventuretime@gmail.com)

OTOW Travel Club is planning for the future. Several board members are meeting in November at the Clearwater Country Club to look at the possibility of hosting a Spring Fling. More information will be coming.

The board also has a meeting coming up to discuss the future and when to restart



Jack and Niki Armstrong started Friends in Focus three years ago.

*Friends in Focus is not an On Top of the World official club. This is a group of residents who enjoy photography together.*

Lunch Bunches and day trips. Remember when our trips and events were sold out.

On Oct. 3, Travel Club officers were available at the pavilion from 9-11 a.m. to

return monies from cancelled events. It was great to see members and even better

to hear they are ready to resume activities when safe.

## Getting together is even better in the cool fall season

Sitting out on our back patio, looking at the changing colors on the trees, yes this is Florida.

Leaves falling from the Plumeria in the front and back yards.

In October, we got together for our monthly luncheon at Ozona Blue. Laughter and great food is the way we are getting together and enjoying ourselves.

We would like to continue our monthly "gathering on the green" the last Thursday of each month, except Thanksgiving. (We will gather the Wednesday before Thanksgiving.)

In November, we are going to Roosterfish on the 8th. See the sign-up on the bulletin board for details. Also check out the annual Holiday Lunch info. It will be held at Alfano's on Dec. 8.



Please check the holiday decoration day sign-up notice. It will be held Dec. 5. We need at least three men to hang the large wreathes.

Let's continue getting together.



Granada residents always enjoy their monthly luncheons, such as this one held in October at Ozona Blue.

## Blackout Club hopes to resume play soon

By Tom Jamrozky

Although we don't have the official word from On Top of the World as to a start date when we will be able to play, we will be in the Belleair Room on the West side on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Please check the OTOW Clearwater Web site: [www.otowclearwaterinfo.com](http://www.otowclearwaterinfo.com). On the first page, the plans to open activities per the

CDC Guidelines will be listed. Also check OTOW-TV (channel 732) for postings for the Blackout Club. We look forward to seeing our friends again and having a lot of laughs and fun times.

# Social distancing, masks ensure safety of ice cream social

Fall has arrived at Siboney, but you wouldn't know it because the summer-like temperatures are still here.

A special thanks to On Top of the World's Monday night Bingo for supporting local businesses. Recently, bingo worker Cindi Stone ordered delicious donuts from Sunshine Bakery in Largo, and she and other bingo volunteers distributed them to doctors' offices, first responders and hospitals. Sunshine Bakery has been making donuts for the Monday night Bingo for many years.

Recently, we had our first annual ice cream festival, held in the core of the building. Around 25 people attended. Social distancing was practiced. Many came and took their ice cream back to their condos. Special thanks to Susan Rausch, Tom and Linda Tarka for planning this great event.

We miss our monthly luncheons, but as soon as our residents feel safe, we will be planning them again.



OTOW's water aerobics class has been waiting patiently for the management to give us the OK to start having our morning exercise. So as soon as we hear from them, please come out and enjoy a fun-filled time each morning at 9 a.m. at the East Activity Center pool (it's heated).

Happy Thanksgiving everyone — don't eat too much!



Siboney's first annual ice cream festival was held in the building's core, with 25 attending.

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# Fun events: Bohemiafest, pumpkin carving

The Bohemia Building continued its annual tradition with our Halloween Pumpkin Contest.

Entries could be carved, painted or decorated. They were displayed in the core with residents allowed to cast their ballot for their favorites and winners rewarded for their efforts with a gift card.

This year there were some very fun, interesting and scary entries. This is an event everyone enjoys and loves participating in.

November brings our residents out for a favorite gathering, the Bohemiafest. This year it will be held Nov. 14 in the back of our building in an area commonly known as the Rose Garden. This event menu never changes — you can always be assured of bratwurst, sauerkraut, German potato salad and beer. With a menu like this there is no doubt why we love it!



On Oct. 13, the girls headed to Tampa. There they were spectators at the Mastiff Dog Show held at the Embassy Suites hotel on the campus of USF. They were amazed not only by the size of the dogs, but the agility and gentleness they

displayed. The girls capped off their day out with a late lunch.

Also in October, we welcomed Beth Alford, who was originally from Wisconsin. Beth is a graduate of Madison Area Technical College, where her emphasis was on Interior Decorating.

Beth moved here 23 years ago and took up a new career as a Massage Therapist. She continues to work today as an independent contractor. She is the proud mother of two children: a daughter who resides in Winter Haven, Fla., and a son who lives in Wisconsin.

Beth is the fifth member of the second-generation club. She is the daughter of Mike and Emmy Vollenberg, who were original owners of her condo, purchasing it back in 1979 while the building was being constructed. Welcome, Beth!

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## Help protect residents from the 'grandparent scam'

Within the past few years, On Top of the World residents featured in this newspaper have been contacted by phone claiming 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 send a large sum 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 grandchildren in stories.

All residents should be aware that this is a common scam everywhere and not just at On Top of the World.

If you get a call claiming 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, call the police.

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Emergency Planning Guide

- Location: (Your Current Location)
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- Readiness Checklist
- Get A Plan
- Alert Pinellas
- Storm Surge Protector
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- Pet Preparedness
- Social Media
- All Hazards Preparedness Guide
- National Hurricane Center

# Azores canine owners prove it's a 'dog's life' there

One of the many things I love about our community is its recognition of the importance of pets in our lives. That's never been truer than today.

New dog owners are in abundance, rivaling new bicycle owners for the top spot in the "Help, I need a new way to exercise" category.

The Azores recently welcomed Luna, a stunning 3-year-old greyhound. Her dads, Jerry Cather and Paul Bunker, adopted her upon her retirement from a brief but storied racing career. Her best friend is Brandy, a local greyhound owned by Terry Fitzgerald. Luna loves bananas. Her dads call her "the collector" because she loves to collect and chew things, especially paper. After her nightly zoom around the house, Luna gathers clothes, towels, and whatever else she desires to make her bed.

My dear pet friends, Pepper, 12, and Henry, 10, are friendly and loving Boston terriers who live with their mom, Ann Setkowicz. Henry, who is black and white, is an intellectual, a conniver, and a gourmet who loves to play fetch. Every evening he face-licks his brown and white brother Henry. Henry's credo is, "If it fits in my



mouth, I will eat it." He always has a salad on his walks, eating select greens and an occasional lizard.

Our building has two Snowbird dogs: Zeke, a beautiful Westie who loves to keep watch at his front window, and Lady Bug, who is aptly named for her adorableness.

Our other little ones are Lola, a very beautiful Yorkie who, despite her tiny size, keeps up with her fast-walking mama, Maggie Sayward; and Pumpkin, a sweet toy poodle who rules the first floor with great enthusiasm.



Azores pets Henry and Pepper are 10- and 12-year-old friendly, loving Boston terriers.

That brings me to Buddy, a gorgeous and gentle chocolate Lab who loves really loud squeak toys and likes to walk with his mom. Another large and loving Azores dog is Ginger, a shy, devoted Vizsla who is never without her dad, Mike Drutman.

You've heard before about our two girls, Jen and Ruby, so I'll just share a couple of things you may not know. Jen,

our 11-year-old mix, came to us after she was found abandoned in Texas. A shelter brought her to New Jersey with a truck load of other dogs and named her Jen Lonestar as a tip of the hat to her Texan roots.

That leaves Ruby, our 3-year-old collie mix. Ruby loves our older residents. She will happily plop next to just about anyone who will pet her, and will return the favor.

**Check out OTOW-TV Channel 732**

## Did you know there are 4 ways to turn your water on or off?

1. You can call 727-799-3417 (Option 6) weekdays from 7:30 a.m.-5:15 p.m. or weekends from 7:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. There is no charge.
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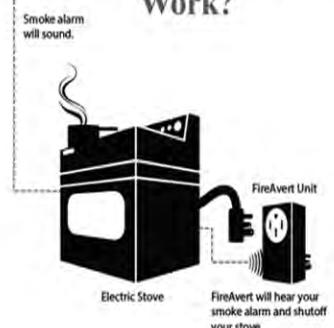
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# If necessary, could you give an accurate witness description to the police?

By David Beavin

This is a sketch of a suspect drawn by a witness to a crime.

It was posted by police around the neighborhood.

At the time, many people laughed at it and said it looked like the guy on Gilligan's Island. But the attention did end up leading to an arrest of the thief.

And no, it was not Gilligan.

How about you?

Would you be able to provide a good description if you saw something suspicious? Maybe it's a person climbing over a fence at the boundary of On Top of the World. Or it could be a stranger skulking about the buildings at night. You would be justified to call the Pinellas County Sheriff's Department to report this, but chances are the person will have vanished by the time a deputy arrives.

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH



Could you describe a person to a deputy?

Coming up with a description does not mean that you have to be like Sherlock Holmes. That great fictional detective was able to make many deductions about a person by looking closely at the wear of his clothes, the size of his hands, tattoos, types of shoes etc. But you can certainly make your own observations



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concerning things like: sex, height, weight, age, hair color, clothing and other notable characteristics. These are all things that the deputy will need in finding a suspect.

You may even be asked to draw a picture of the person you saw.

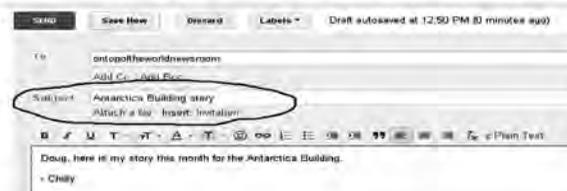
In the case of the drawing above, police used it, along with other details provided by the witness, to catch their man.

If the time comes when you need to call the Sheriff, your attention to detail can make a big difference in helping to keep our community safe.

Area Watch 2020 is a Neighborhood Watch started by a group of residents who want to live in a peaceful and secure environment based on mutual consideration and respect. We are not affiliated with the On Top of the World Condominium Association. Our mission is to make a great community even better. If you would like to find out more about our group, visit our official webpage at: [areawatch2020.blogspot.com](http://areawatch2020.blogspot.com).

## Attention OTOW News writers ...

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9	□	3	□	1	□	4	□	7	□
8	0	□	7	□	5	□	2	4	3
0	2	7	□	9	□	6	1	5	4
□	□	□	□	□	8	□	□	□	□
3	8	1	□	5	□	0	7	9	6
6	1	□	3	□	7	□	0	2	9
□	□	□	6	3	□	5	8	□	□
□	6	8	9	□	1	2	□	3	7

**OTOW NEWS WORD MIX**

Unscramble the six words listed below.  
If you unscramble correctly, the first letter of each word will spell out the secret word of the month.  
If you cannot come up with the secret word of the month, then redo at least one of the six scrambled words.

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K P C I N I T

**SECRET WORD:**

Last month's scrambled words: Lunar, image, shadow, treble, embrace, newsboy. Secret Word Last Month: listen

## OTOW NEWS CLASSIFIED ADS

This classified ad listing is a service to the On Top of the World community. There is no charge to residents for this service. Items must be priced under \$500 and copy must be 20 words or less, including phone number. Submitter's name and building name must be included, but will not be published. **If submitters's name, building and unit number are not included with the ad, it will not be accepted for publication.**

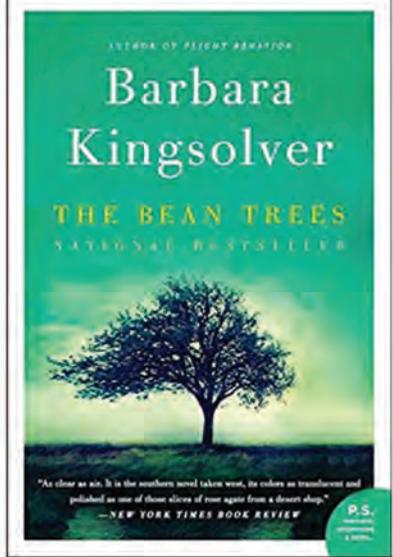
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