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Our Globe has been watching over OTOW and posing for pictures for 50 years

By Doug Kates

There is only one world.

And the beautiful, unique symbol welcoming residents and visitors to On Top of the World every day, is a reminder to everyone that our world is very special.

Exactly 50 years ago, our Globe, at the front entrance, sat proudly in its garden for the first time.

It has weathered storms, undergone improvements, received several fresh coats of paint, has been surrounded by hundreds of different flower schemes and most recently, witnessed a complete renovation of the entire garden area – including new fountains.

But despite all the caretaking, one thing has been consistent, the Globe has been the icon for this community since 1966.

“The Globe was a part of the entire story since day one,” said Kenneth Colen, current president, and son of Sidney Colen, who dreamed up this entire world of his own.

“The Globe was an anchor for the sculpture garden and an enduring legacy reminding visitors and residents that there is only one world, and we, in some small way, are part of it.”

Sidney Colen never considered a different centerpiece for the garden. Kenneth said his dad wanted something memorable, something that would get noticed, something out of the ordinary, and he wanted to create a buzz.

“The process took about 10 months, as I recall,” Kenneth said. “The global representation of continents was crafted freehand to scale.”

Sidney’s daughter, Leslee Colen, and current vice president, said the Globe represents what her father wanted.

“Among his many blessings, my father had a unique ability to apply his artistic skills to create and expand even the most simplistic design,” she said. “Even more interesting, to create intriguing dialogue which people could easily understand, fall in love with and become a part of.”

The Globe is made out of steel, stucco and gunnite (a mixture of cement and sand). The entire structure was fabricated



(OTOW News photo by Doug Kates)

The Globe on a beautiful September day.

on-site, but has had a variety of painters over the years.

“The structure has enjoyed three major restorations in the past 25-30 years,” Leslee said. “In the late 1990s, the globe underwent major structural restoration on the interior. Sometime between here and there, the exterior was resurfaced and a state-of-the-art waterproofing system was applied.

“Most recently, the fountain, which surrounds the Globe, was restored and refinished.”

When completed, Kenneth said the

Globe made the impact it was intended to make.

“My Dad always admired it,” Kenneth said. “He respected the craftsmanship behind it. He believes it was a fitting representation of the community. It certainly linked the theme with the architectural design of the community.”

Leslee said, “It is an honor every day to be a member of the amazing group of loyal and dedicated professionals, who perform the hundreds of detailed, astonishingly complex and varied tasks necessary to maintain our On Top of the World

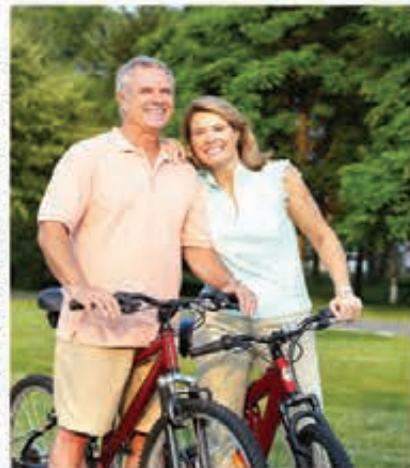
community safely and magnificently.”

The Globe was impressive when it was first completed. Still today, people make it a point to leave their vehicles, stand in front of the Globe and pose for pictures.

“Truthfully, I couldn’t imagine the community without it,” Kenneth said. “It represents hope for universal kindness and peace. This was my father’s holiday message for many decades. All things bridge and connect around On Top of the World.”



green is in this Fall



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OTOW still in hurricane-recovery mode

While I am reluctant to write about the weather, I would be remiss not to acknowledge the impact on our property from the summer season rain events, as well as Hurricane Hermine.

While we are still in the throes of hurricane season, we are finally beginning to see a little less humidity and some cooler temperatures.

The community is still recovering from the 23.5 inches of rain received during Hurricane Hermine. The saturated grounds created numerous challenges with Duke Energy underground electrical utilities and many buildings experienced unexpected power out-



ages as a result.

Over the past few months, many construction projects were also de-

layed by the weather, particularly those that require multiple phases and/or days for drying. The last thing anyone needs is an open roof or open back of a building at a time when we are experiencing numerous rain events.

Not surprisingly, many window and door clamshell awnings were compromised during this storm events. Those awnings have always been a potential safety hazard because they are not secured to withstand gale, much less hurricane, force winds.

Damaged awnings that have created, or may create, building damage must be removed immediately. Please contact the Community Service Office at the East Activity Center to schedule the removal of your awnings.

Community inspections will continue, so if you don't contact us, the Community Service Office will be contacting you.

Due to ground saturation, landscape maintenance has also been impacted with the back courtyards of many buildings being mowed on an extended two week cycle. For the most part, tree pruning and tree removal have remained on schedule with the exception of a few trees impacted during the storms.

The tropical vegetation has responded favorably to the extra water, however, the accelerated growth has impacted potable water lines, irrigation lines and damage to patios, sidewalks and parking areas. The result is

the lovely bushes and landscape behind or in front of your unit may need to be removed to address these ongoing concerns.

The golf courses experienced intermittent closures due to water inundation. Repairs to the course will begin the first week of October and will require the use of heavy equipment in some areas. The repair work may require portions of the course to be closed for a period of one to two weeks while surface drainage concerns are addressed. We ask for your patience while this very necessary work commences. For your safety, please do not enter areas secured with caution tape or barricades. The crews will work quickly to keep sections of the course open and in good playing condition.

Rules of the Road

Last but not least, I want to remind everyone to pay attention to "no parking" areas throughout the community. In particular, please do not park and block the front entrance under the awning at the East Activity Center.

Please obey directional signage posted in the parking lots. All parking lots are a one-way design. Bicycle racks are provided at the Activity Centers. Please utilize these designated areas for bicycle parking and do not chain your bicycle to Handicap Parking Signs and stairwell railings.

Replacing the old spotlights



OTOW workers removed the old, heavy spotlights and spotlight platforms from the East Activity Center auditorium in late-August. The goal is to find new remote-controlled technology that will enhance the community theater experience.

(Photo by Remo Melucci)

Coming to On Top of the World this winter

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute of Eckerd College

A non-profit education program designed for people age 50+ and open to all adult learners. Each year OLLI provides more than 300 intellectually stimulating non-credit classes, interest groups, local and international trips and special events for its 1,200 members at several locations in Pinellas County.

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The Florida Orchestra

As part of their outreach concert series, the Florida Orchestra will be giving a free concert at On Top of the World on Wednesday, Oct. 5 at the East Activity Center auditorium.

Limited seating is available so come early. Registration is not required.

The concert will be from 1-2:30 p.m. without an intermission, but with an encore.

You can also visit the Florida Orchestra table on Saturday, Nov. 5 at our annual Senior Expo.

Haz-to-Go Mobile Collection

Haz-to-Go is a service that brings a collection trailer for collection of hazardous electronics and chemicals.

On Tuesday, Oct. 4, the Haz-to-Go mobile collection unit will be at the East Activity Center, North parking lot, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and at the West Activity Center parking lot on Thursday, Oct. 6, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Haz-To-Go will accept the following chemicals: Automotive fluids, batteries (household or vehicle), cleaners, cooking oil, fertilizers, fluorescent bulbs and other mercury containing devices, fuels (i.e. gasoline, kerosene), fungicides, herbicides, insecticides, motor oil, paint (latex or oil), paint remover, paint thinner, pesticides, pool chemicals, smoke detectors, solvents, wood preservatives.

How to package & transport chemicals:

(1) Do not mix chemicals together. (2) Keep products in original labeled containers if possible. (3) Place containers into cardboard boxes. Use crumpled newspaper in boxes to prevent breakage. (4) Place leaky containers in CLEAR plastic bags, and transport in boxes with newspaper. (5) Put boxes in the trunk or in back of vehicle away from passengers. (6) Place individual batteries in separate plastic bags, or cover terminals with heavy tape to prevent short-circuits.

Accepted Electronics

Camcorders, CD players, cell phones or smartphones, computers and/or peripherals, copiers, digital cameras, DVD players, fax machines, GPS units, marine depth finders, microwave ovens, pagers, portable players (i.e. MP3, iPod), printer or toner



cartridges, radios, stereo equipment, telephones, TVs, VCRs, video game players.

What not to bring

A/C units, appliances, biological or infectious waste, empty paint cans, explosives, fire extinguishers, garbage, gas cylinders larger than one pound (i.e. propane tanks), medicine, radioactive waste, tires.

AAA Driving Course

The next AAA driving course will be held on Thursday, Oct. 6 and Friday, Oct. 7 in the East Activity Center Starlite room from 9 a.m. to noon.

The cost is \$15 and registration forms can be found on page 56 of this On Top of the World newspaper.

F.L.O.W Bus

Make plans to visit the F.L.O.W. bus on Saturday, Nov. 5 at our annual Senior Expo. They will be parked in the East Activity Center North parking lot. The hours will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mark your calendar to attend.

The 2016 annual Senior Expo

This year the Senior Expo is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 5 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

We will have more than 90 vendors, both inside and outside, along with music and plenty of food choices.

We also will be offering many "mini" seminars throughout the day. See Nancy Rogers in the Community Service Office for additional information. She will provide you a list of available seminars and get you signed up to attend as registration is recommended.

While you wait for your seminar to start you can donate blood at the One Blood Bus, which will be located

outside the East Activity Center North parking lot.

You can get your flu shot from Walgreens, which will be in the Medical Services area in the Starlite Room.

You can drop off any unused and unexpired medications to the Pinellas County Sheriff Office Operation Medicine Cabinet table located in the main auditorium. You can also get valuable information from Eckerd College regarding their OLLI (Life Long Learning) program and from Pinellas Talking Book Library regarding options they have available for the visually impaired.

There also will be many On Top of the World clubs represented, so make plans to spend the day. Notices and information will be posted in the Activity Centers, as well as in all building center cores.

East Activity Center Tennis Courts

The East Activity Center tennis courts remain closed for repairs. Courts Nos. 1 and 3 continue to be closed due to safety concerns and will reopen after all repairs have been made.

We are currently having the courts reviewed by qualified contractors and are awaiting their recommendations. Play can continue on courts Nos. 2 and 4, and we are asking for your cooperation in not crossing any barricades or caution taped areas.

Due to safety concerns, should you notice that some barricades have been moved, or caution tape has been removed, please report this to the Community Service Office immediately.

Activity Card Information

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

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

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

All guests must be accompanied by a resident any time they plan to use an SCA facilities, including the pool.

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

Dates to Remember

On Tuesday, Oct. 25, SHINE will host a Medicare Seminar in the East Activity Center auditorium from 10 a.m. to noon.

On Saturday, Nov. 5, is the annual Senior Expo at the East Activity Center and outside in the North parking lot.

Important Phone Numbers

The OTOW emergency after-hours phone number is 727-799-1115. Please call this number in the event of a building emergency, such as water intrusion into your unit. For a life threatening emergency please dial 911.

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

Important Reminders

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

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

Also, as a reminder, please wash out any cans and glassware before tossing into the recycle bins as this will aide in reducing insects and odors.

SCA Staff

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

Florida Orchestra Concert Oct. 5

OTOW rises to challenge after

'Tis the Season: Last October I wrote that "2015 may prove out to be one of the wettest on record for OTOW."

Really and truly, I could just change the year to 2016, re-run last year's article and it would all be factual!

The storm event, Hurricane Hermine, which began Aug. 30 and ran through Sept. 3, left us with 23.5 inches of rain.

The tailing storms brought additional water.

As I write this article in late September, we are still discovering new drainage-related problems around the community.

To be sure, the maintenance company staff did a great job under difficult circumstances. As soon as it was safe, emergency crews were out clearing road debris, removing fallen trees, responding to electrical outages, and all the myriad of tasks necessary to make sure residents were safe and the community put back together.

After events like this, mowing takes a back seat to general clean-up. But of course, with so much rain and heat, the lawns grow at a crazy rate.

It's a strange cycle to be caught in.

In any case, it took the better part of the following week to get back to a normal maintenance schedule, as much as normal is after so much rain.

The improvement work instituted after Tropical Storm Debbie in 2015 did help mitigate some of the intense rainfall and flooding that occurred.

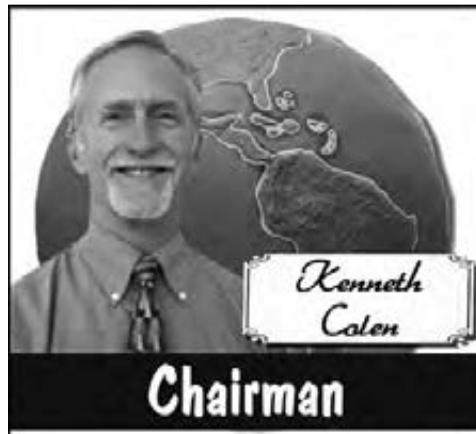
A little dry weather would be welcome now so the work crews can catch up on the grounds work that couldn't be performed because the ground was so saturated. In many areas, the ground couldn't support the mowers.

We will welcome a dry period following substantial rain in late August and early September! Maybe the lawn growth will slow down as well. Not to worry though, we have a great deal to keep us busy.

Association News

By now you should have received a letter from the Association that the Annual Audited Financial Report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, is now available.

You may request a copy of the report for your building by writing to the Association Secretary at 2069 World Parkway Blvd, Clearwater, FL., 33763, or by emailing the Association at clearwaterinfo@otowfl.net – please be sure



to state your building and unit number on your request. Also included in this mailing is a census information sheet.

In order for our condominium community to remain a 55-and-older community, in accordance with the Federal Fair Housing Act and the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988, 80 percent of apartments must be occupied by at least one person who is 55 years of age or over.

This is also a good time to update the Association on your emergency contacts, which we have provided space for on this form. Please take a moment to fill out the census information sheet (on yellow paper) also included in the Sept. 29 mailing, and return it in the stamped, self-addressed envelope enclosed for your convenience.

Alternatively, you may obtain this form online at otowclearwaterinfo.com. A fillable form is located under the "Association" tab. Once the form is complete, hit the "submit" button and your form will be emailed directly to the Association.

Prevent Expensive Losses

October is a great month to check the condition of your water heater. This appliance is usually silently working away...until it starts to leak.

You may not notice the leak until you hear from an angry downstairs neighbor or you flood your own unit.

The Association is responsible for the area between the units. By the time you hear from a neighbor about flooding, you have already flooded the Association's property.

Each individual owner is responsible for the damage to their unit and contents, your neighbor's damage and damage to Association property.

Water damage can be very expensive to repair primarily because it is rarely contained in one unit, even more so if you've failed to keep your homeowner's insurance in place. The water heater, like your air conditioner,

is the owner's responsibility to maintain, repair, or replace. If your water heater is more than 10 years old, it needs replacement. If you don't know the original install date, then it probably needs replacement.

If your water heater is less than 10 years old, an excellent and very affordable early warning device is the Water Alarm™ from Aqua Managers. If you can successfully put batteries in a flashlight, you can operate this small device. It really is that simple to use. The device has a small sensor that you place under the water heater. If it contacts moisture, the alarm sounds and provides warning.

This device is available at cost, through our service department. Look for the display advertisement on page 7.

Upcoming Coming Projects: Painting/Waterproofing:

Buildings 25 and 26 will both have new paint coatings applied to the front façade of the structure in October. Please be aware that the painting contractor may require residents to temporarily relocate their personal vehicles in order to reach all areas of the building. All start dates are approximate and inclement weather can affect scheduling.

Construction, Roofing and large scope projects

The building walkway light fixture renovation project is scheduled to continue in the Paradise section of On Top of the World in October.

As this article goes to print, buildings 91 and 92 should be nearing completion. The project will continue until all buildings in this section of property are completed in late fall. Please keep an eye out for these installation teams and as always watch your step in and around these work areas.

As in 2015, a licensed and insured mechanical contractor will be returning to the On Top of the World property in October. This contractor will be retrofitting buildings equipped with laundry rooms with new ventilation systems. The project is anticipated to span 4-7 days and facilities in the buildings affected may not be available while the improvements are underway.

Notices will be posted to the affected buildings in advance and we ask that you make the necessary arrangements during these closures. Thank you in advance for your cooperation

Reoccurring reminders for all community residents

Building walkway repairs will continue as construction crews perform maintenance to the second and third floor walking surfaces. Many buildings will see these restoration crews as the management company focuses its efforts on these types of repairs.

This work requires the use of specialized power tools and may cause a temporary inconvenience in the form of noise and dust. Repair crews will do their best to limit the inconvenience during this necessary work.

These small repair areas will also be coated as a future preventative.

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

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

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

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

Inspection Services Division

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

This has been an ongoing endeavor throughout the community over the last few years and encompasses the removal of all association unapproved plant hangar 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.

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Hurricane Hermine's arrival

The management company would like to remind residents that all water softening equipment installations require advance association approval via a modification permit. A permit application package may be obtained by visiting the Community Service Office in the East Activity Center at 2069 World Parkway Boulevard East.

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

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

Thanks for your advance cooperation.

Inspection services representatives will also be reaching out to residents of buildings that are scheduled for new paint and waterproofing coatings during the 2016/2017 improvement cycle.

The purpose of their contact will be to advise residents that the painting vendor will be color matching all external doors to the majority building color, as is required by the condominium association rules.

This will usually require no action by the unit owner other than to allow

access to the entire door surface for the coating to be applied. If, for some reason, you were not at home when this work takes place, you may contact the Community Service Office and schedule a follow-up visit by the coatings vendor.

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

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

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

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

The Inspection Services Department is continuing to find many awnings with compromised connection points to the common element. In response, they have been reaching out to

affected unit owners to have the awnings removed and limit any further damage to the community.

As noted in prior articles, the "clamshell" awnings do not meet building code for wind resistance. Fortunately, there are new products that do. If you have an awning, please arrange for its inspection through the Community Service Office at the East Activity Center.

The removal of plantings located above and around the potable water meters that service the individual units is also ongoing. The management company is asking that all residents comply and not replant the areas.

Plants or other items found in these areas will be removed without notice and disposed of as they hinder the proper maintenance of these meters in the future. Please keep in mind that the Condominium Association requires a modification request for any landscape alterations. Many times decorative rocks or landscaping are installed without the advance approval of the association, and the removal and disposal of these items becomes the responsibility of the violator. Please, always apply for approval before you install.

Inspection efforts are focused on the tagging and removal of personal

furnishings and belongings placed in outside stairwells of buildings. These obstructions present a fire concern, block egress, or are of a nature that they do not comply with written community standards.

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

Clutter enforcement has always been one of the most reoccurring compliance issues at On Top of the World. These efforts make for an overall safer community in which to live.

If you receive notification that an item is out of compliance, please correct the issue immediately.

If you have a question and were not able to speak with a compliance representative at the time of the notification, please stop by the Community Service Office and request an appointment. Someone will be glad to contact you.

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

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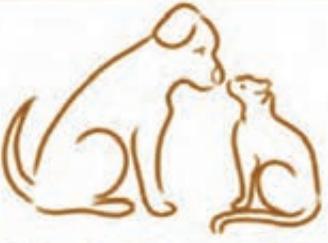
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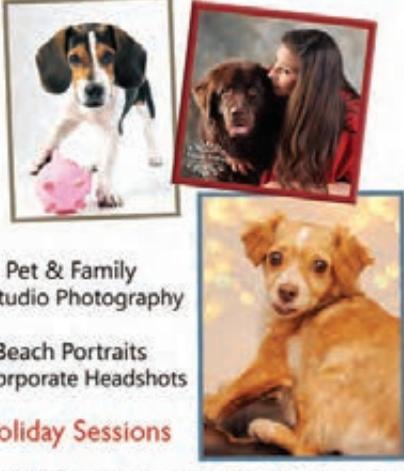
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It was supposed to be a chicken barbecue luncheon to celebrate the Labor Day weekend, but then Hermine arrived. On Top of the World had to postpone its employee picnic one week. Pictured above, Parkway volunteers begin serving chicken dinners to various employees. The chicken flavors included hot, spicy, garlic, sweet and barbecue. (OTOW News photo by Doug Kates)



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Buy colored pencils and join the Art Guild

By Judy Mills

Happy October!

Well, our season will officially begin next month with our first meeting on Friday, Nov. 11 at 1 p.m. in the Art Room.

Mark your calendars!

The Art Guild would like to welcome all our members back and invite anyone and everyone to attend this first meeting, free of charge, to see what we're all about.

Over the summer we have been working very hard to upgrade our technology and the way we do our demonstrations to make it easier for everyone to see the presenter.

We can't wait to show it to you!

So, let's get this party started:

On Tuesdays, Wendy Colquhoun is teaching Chinese Brush Painting, which is a beautiful Asian form of art. Her classes are from 12:30-4:30 p.m. and the fee is \$5 for members. Please call her in advance so she brings enough supplies. Her number is 723-7504.

On Wednesdays, we will continue to have Painting Pals/Open Workshop, which meets from 1-3 p.m. All members are invited and encouraged to join us with your current project.



Every Thursday, starting Nov. 3, John Fier is giving his popular drawing lessons from 1-3 p.m. Classes are \$3 for members. Bring your own paper and pencils.

Also next month, there will be a free greeting card stamping workshop for members on Monday, Nov. 14, from 1-3. This is presented by Teresa Buchholz.

I am very happy to announce that this season we will be planning four more of our very popular Paint & Sip nights, so get together with your friends and sign up for an evening of fun.

Paint & Sips are open to the community. You don't need to be a member to sign up. The cost is only \$20 per person and will include all supplies. Just bring a bottle of wine or your beverage of choice.

You can see the pictures that we



Pictured above is the painting we are going to try to reproduce in Paint and Sip class

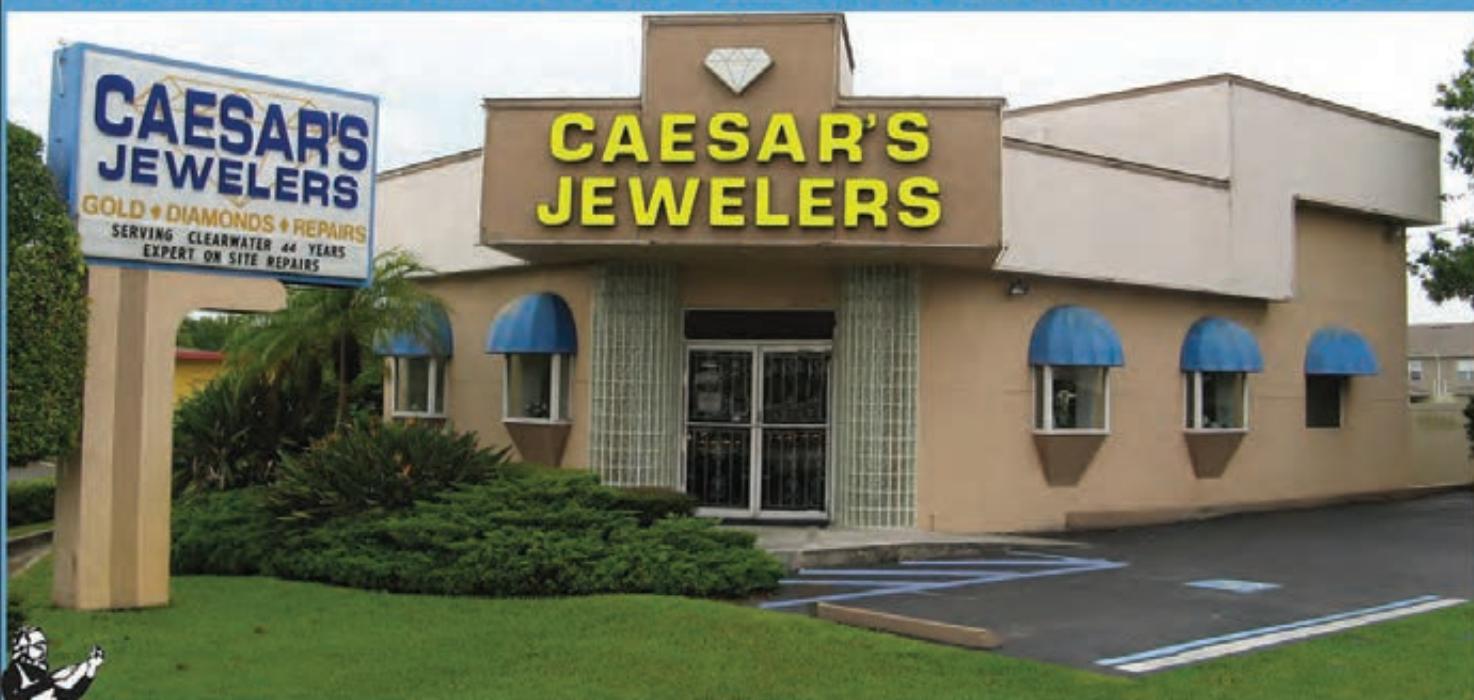
will be painting, along with the dates, at our table at the Senior Expo on Nov. 5. Our first Paint & Sip will be Thursday, Dec. 1 from 7-9 p.m. The painting in this story will be our first assignment.

You are going to paint this!

Membership in the Art Guild is \$15 per year which starts in November. We welcome new members of all skill levels. Feel free to call if you have any questions, 773-6788.

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DAILY/WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

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

ART/CRAFTS

CARING AND SHARING

Tuesdays, 9 am, Craft Room

CERAMICS

Tuesdays, 12 pm, Craft Room

Fridays, 9 am, Craft Room

CHINESE PAINT BRUSH

Tuesdays, 12:30 pm, Art Room

PAINTING PALS

Wednesdays, 1 pm, Art Room

GOOD NEIGHBORS CRAFTS

Wednesdays, 9 am, Craft Room

ATHLETICS

PING PONG

M,T,W 10 am, Sunrise Room

BILLIARDS

EIGHT BALL - A FLIGHT

Mondays, 6:30 pm, Billiards Room

EIGHT BALL - B FLIGHT

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Billiards Room

NINE BALL

Tuesdays, 1 pm, Billiards Room

Fridays, 1 pm, Billiards Room

SCOTCH DOUBLES

Thursdays, 6:30 pm, Billiards Room

QUE'T LADIES

Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, Billiards Room

BOARD GAMES

DOMINOES

Tuesdays 5:30 pm, Small Card Room

CARD GAMES

BID EUCHRE

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Art Room

BRIDGE FOR BEGINNERS

Thursdays, 4 pm, Yellow Room

CONTRACT BRIDGE

Mondays, Thursdays, Yellow Room, 11 am

DOUBLE PINOCHLE

Sundays, Wednesdays, 12:30 pm, Small Card Room

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

Wednesdays, Saturdays, 10:30 am, Yellow Room

HAND & FOOT CANASTA

Fridays, 6 pm, Small Card Room

MAHJONGG

Mondays, 4:45, Rainbow Rm

Tuesdays, 6 pm, Rainbow Rm

PINOCHLE

Tuesdays, 5 pm, Starlite Room

Thursdays, 5 pm, Small Card Room

PINOCHLE LESSONS

Thursdays, 3 pm, Yellow Room

SAMBA

Mondays, 12 pm, Small Card Room

Thursdays, 6 pm, Craft Room

SCOPA

Mondays, Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, Craft Room

CARD GAMES

TEXAS CARD GAME

Bob: Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Yellow Rm

Tom: Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Yellow Rm

Don: Wednesdays, 6 pm, Rainbow Rm

Carol: Wednesdays, Fridays, 6 pm, Yellow Rm

Mike: Wednesdays, Fridays, 5:30 pm, Yellow Room

Ron: Mondays, Thursdays, 6 pm, Yellow Room

CLASSES/LESSONS/EDUCATION

COMPUTER CLASS

Saturdays, 8:30 am, Kitchen

COMPUTER CLUB

M,T,W,H,F, 8:30 am, Computer Room

COMPUTER CLUB WINDOWS 10 WORKSHOP

Saturdays, 8:30 am, Craft Room

DANCING

DANCING WITH NOLAND

Mondays, 1 pm, Art Room

JAZZ & TAP DANCE

Wednesdays, 10:45 am, Auditorium

SNOWBIRDS SALSASIZE

Tuesdays, 8:30 am, Sunrise Room (starts 10/25)

SOCIAL DANCE LESSONS

Thursdays, 1 pm, Sunrise Room

EXERCISES

BONESAVERS

M,W,F, 8 am, Art Room

STEP EXERCISES CO-ED

Fridays, 11 am, East Gym

FUN FITNESS CO-ED

Tuesdays, 9 am, Yellow Room

EXERCISES CO-ED

M,W,F, 10 am, West Gym

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M,W,F, 10 am, East Gym

LADIES EXERCISES

M,T,W,H,F, 8 am, East Gym

SLIMNASTICS

M,T,W,H,F, 9 am, East Gym

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U,M,W,S, 2 pm, East Gym

U,M,W,S, 3 pm, Beginners, East Gym

Tuesdays, 6 pm, Intermediate, East Gym

WATER AEROBICS

M,T,W,H,F, 9 am, East Pool

YOGA

Tuesdays, Thursdays 11 am, East Gym

Wednesdays, 11 am, East Gym (Sun Moon)

ZUMBA

Wednesdays, 9:30 am, Auditorium with Cathy

Mondays, Fridays, 9 am, Kitchen

LAPIDARY HOURS

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

LIBRARY HOURS

Mondays: 9 am - 12 pm

Wednesdays & Fridays: 1-3 pm

WOOD SHOP HOURS

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

| SUNDAY | MONDAY |
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| 02 | 01 Ent. Committee, Board 10:30 AM - Veranda Ent. Committee & Club 8:30 AM - Auditorium Bingo 6:00 PM - Auditorium |
| 09 Karaoke Singing 6:00 PM - Auditorium | 10 Health Screenings Board 8:30 AM - Veranda Ent. Committee & Club 8:30 AM - Auditorium Bingo 6:00 PM - Auditorium German Interest Group 2:00 PM - Sunrise Room |
| 16 | 17 Ent. Committee & Club 8:30 AM - Auditorium Bingo 6:00 PM - Auditorium Health Screenings Fr Testing 9:30 AM - Auditorium Healthy Living Club M 7:00 PM - Sunrise Room Chorus Board Meeting 11:00 AM - Starlite Room |
| 23 Bingo Bingo Marathon 9:00 AM - Auditorium | 24 Ent. Committee & Club 8:30 AM - Auditorium Bingo 6:00 PM - Auditorium |
| 30 Ent. Committee, Sunday In The Park 2:00 PM - Auditorium | 31 Ent. Committee & Club 8:30 AM - Auditorium Bingo 6:00 PM - Auditorium |

LENDAR OF EVENTS

by October 15 to appear on this calendar in the November newspaper.

| DAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| | | | | | 01 |
| 04 | 04 Bible Study Meeting 7:00 PM - Veranda Travel Club Board Meeting 1:00 PM - Veranda Softball Meeting 6:00 PM - Sunrise Room Sewing 9:00 AM - Starlite Room Line Dancing 1:00 PM - Auditorium | 05 Knitting Group 9:00 AM - Veranda OTOW Special Event Concert 1:00 PM - Auditorium Theater Workshop Meeting 6:00 PM - Sunrise Room Coloring Book Club 1:00 PM - Veranda Healthy Living Club Balance Class 10:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Balance and Motion Class 11:15 AM - Art Room Sewing 9:00 AM - Starlite Room Baby Boomers Meeting 5:30 PM - Starlite Room | 06 Press Association Meeting 1:30 PM - Veranda Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales 8:30 AM - Auditorium Writers Ink Meeting 12:30 PM - Computer Room TOPS Meeting 9:30 AM - Art Room AAA Driver Course Driving Course 9:00 AM - Starlite Room | 07 Healthy Living Club Balance Class 10:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Balance and Motion Class 11:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Chronic Disease Management 12:30 PM - Art Room AAA Driver Course Driving Course 9:00 AM - Starlite Room Travel Club Meeting 2:00 PM - Starlite Room | 08 Line Dancing 8:30 AM - Auditorium Pray For America Meeting 10:00 AM - Small Card Room |
| 11 | 11 Bible Study Meeting 7:00 PM - Veranda Sewing 9:00 AM - Starlite Room Line Dancing 1:00 PM - Auditorium | 12 Knitting Group 9:00 AM - Veranda Jesters Meeting 7:00 PM - Auditorium Coloring Book Club 1:00 PM - Veranda Healthy Living Club Balance Class 10:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Balance and Motion Class 11:15 AM - Art Room Sewing 9:00 AM - Starlite Room | 13 Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales 8:30 AM - Auditorium Good Neighbors Get Acquainted Coffee 9:00 AM - Auditorium Ent. Committee. Show 7:30 PM - Auditorium TOPS Meeting 9:30 AM - Art Room Democratic Club Meeting 2:00 PM - Starlite Room | 14 Healthy Living Club Balance Class 10:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Balance and Motion Class 11:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Chronic Disease Management 12:30 PM - Art Room | 15 OTOW Special Event Pet Costume Contest - Dog Park Ent. Committee. Dance 8:00 PM - Auditorium Line Dancing 8:30 AM - Auditorium Pray For America Meeting 10:00 AM - Small Card Room |
| 18 | 18 Bible Study Meeting 7:00 PM - Veranda Republican Club Meeting 6:00 PM - Crafts Room Sewing 9:00 AM - Starlite Room Line Dancing 1:00 PM - Auditorium SHINE Seminar 10:00 AM - Starlite Room | 19 Knitting Group 9:00 AM - Veranda Italian Club Social 4:30 PM - Auditorium No.71 Casa Verde Dinner 8:00 PM - Sunrise Room Coloring Book Club 1:00 PM - Veranda Healthy Living Club Balance Class 10:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Balance and Motion Class 11:15 AM - Art Room Sewing 9:00 AM - Starlite Room Ladies 18 Hole Golf Meeting 9:00 AM - Kitchen | 20 Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales 8:30 AM - Auditorium Baby Boomers Meeting 5:30 PM - Sunrise Room Procrastinating Quilters Crafts 6:30 PM - Sunrise Room TOPS Meeting 9:30 AM - Art Room | 21 Good Neighbors Clothing Drive 10:00 AM - East Activity Center Healthy Living Club Balance Class 10:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Balance and Motion Class 11:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Chronic Disease Management 12:30 PM - Art Room | 22 Good Neighbors Clothing Drive 10:00 AM - East Activity Center Ent. Committee. Dance 8:00 PM - Auditorium Procrastinating Quilters Crafts 8:00 AM - Sunrise Room Lambda Club Social 7:00 PM - Sunrise Room Line Dancing 8:30 AM - Auditorium Pray For America Meeting 10:00 AM - Small Card Room |
| 25 | 25 Bible Study Meeting 7:00 PM - Veranda SHINE Seminar 10:00 AM - Art Room Sewing 9:00 AM - Starlite Room Line Dancing 1:00 PM - Auditorium | 26 No.89 Siboney Meeting 7:00 PM - Sunrise Room Knitting Group 9:00 AM - Veranda Ladies 18 Hole Golf Meeting 9:30 AM - Sunrise Room Coloring Book Club 1:00 PM - Veranda Healthy Living Club Balance Class 10:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Balance and Motion Class 11:15 AM - Art Room Sewing 9:00 AM - Starlite Room NY-NJ Club Dinner 5:00 PM - Auditorium Irish Club Meeting 7:00 PM - Kitchen | 27 Ent. Committee & Clubs Ticket Sales 8:30 AM - Auditorium Ent. Committee. Show 7:30 PM - Auditorium Snowbirds Line Dancing 8:00 AM - Sunrise Room TOPS Meeting 9:30 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Balance and Motion Class 11:15 AM - Art Room Classroom Volunteers Meeting 9:30 AM - Starlite Room | 28 Healthy Living Club Balance Class 10:15 AM - Art Room Healthy Living Club Chronic Disease Management 12:30 PM - Art Room | 29 Ent. Committee. Dance 8:00 PM - Auditorium Line Dancing 8:30 AM - Auditorium Pray For America Meeting 10:00 AM - Small Card Room |
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1 teaspoon dry rosemary

1 teaspoon dry sage

1 teaspoon dry thyme

Rack of Lamb

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Directions

Heat your oven to 475 degrees.

Combine the herbs with the mustard in a bowl and mix well.

Sprinkle the lamb with all purpose Greek seasoning.

Rub the mustard and herbs mixture all over the lamb.

In a separate bowl mix together the parmesan cheese and the breadcrumbs.

Sprinkle the breadcrumbs mixture on top of the mustard covered lamb.

Drizzle the olive oil on top of the lamb.

Put the rack of lamb into a baking dish and bake for 20 minutes or until it is cooked me-

dium/medium rare.

Take the lamb out of the oven and put on a rack to cool. Let the lamb rest for 7-8 minutes.

Once the lamb has rested, slice the rack into chops.



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Keep your Book Club suggestions coming in

Thank you for submitting your surveys for a possible book club.

The surveys are slowly trickling in but that's OK. I know some of you were away on summer vacation and as this will be the very first CSO coordinated "activity," I may have caught you by surprise.

The CSO has sponsored events in the recent past, but not an ongoing social activity like this. We know that reading, and getting out of the house to socialize, is not only good for our brains, it's good for the soul and fun!

I have attached the survey below. Please complete and drop it off to me or mail to: Nancy Rogers, Activity Coordinator, c/o OTOW, 2069 World Parkway East, Clearwater, FL, 33763.

I will need your feedback and commitment to make this happen!

Personal Safety Seminar

I want to take this opportunity to



thank Deputy Jessica Hughey of the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office Crime Prevention and Community Awareness Unit for her presentation on Sept. 13.

I think the best part of these seminars is the question and answer period that follows. We learn the most from sharing our experiences. So, I thank you all for your participation. We will definitely invite her to visit us again

soon so watch for more information.

Alzheimer's Memory Care Bus

The mobile screening unit was here at the East Activity Center on Sept. 13 and Sept. 22.

We would like to thank the Alzheimer's Association for coming. We had a very good turn out!

I will be coordinating some future dates for them to return for an entire day. Watch for dates and times to be posted.

New Registration Forms due by Dec. 16

Each year, about this time, we begin passing out annual club forms that need to be completed and returned to us by December. This year is no different.

We have forms available now for pick up. All forms must be completed in their entirety by Dec. 16.

Any club or activity, making room reservations, will be required to complete these new packets. No reservations for 2017 can be placed on the calendar until your packet is received and has been approved.

As a reminder, you must be an approved club or activity to make room reservations and to advertise your event or meeting.

We appreciate your cooperation and are available to assist you in answering any questions you may have about the new forms.

Florida Orchestra

The Florida Orchestra will perform a free concert on Wednesday, Oct. 5, from 1-2:30 p.m. in the East Activity Center auditorium.

Seating is limited, first come first serve.

The Florida Orchestra
will perform a free concert for residents



Wednesday, October 5, 2016
1:00 p.m to 2:30 p.m.
East Activity Center Auditorium

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Good Karma Book / Luncheon Club Survey

1. What kinds of books interest you the most?
 - Fiction - general, current or classic, historical, mystery, sci-fi, romance
 - Non-Fiction - memoir, biography, history, current events, science, travel
 - Others - Poetry and drama.
2. What types of media would you prefer for a Book Club?
Please select all that apply.
 - Books Short Stories
 - Audio Books
 - Variety of all of these
3. Would you be interested in a "live chat" with an author of a book?
 - Yes No
4. How often would you want to meet?
 - Once a week
 - Twice a month
 - Once a month
5. Would you be interested in including a Deli Sandwich Lunch with the meeting?
 - Yes No
6. Would you be interested in a "Book + Lunch" package?
 - Yes No

Please return survey to Community Service Office

Florida Homestead is for state residents whose primary home is in Florida - basically

SCAM ALERT: I no longer answer my phone if I do not recognize the number from where the call is coming.

This is true even if it's an area code that I do recognize.

If a caller doesn't leave a message, I think that you have to assume it was a scam call.

SCAM ALERT: The Certified Copy of Deed scam is alive and well. It's a scam where you get a letter from some company that claims you need a certified copy of your deed, and if you send money, then this scam company claims it will send you a certified copy.

Look folks, NO ONE EVER NEEDS A CERTIFIED COPY OF THEIR DEED FOR ANYTHING.

You don't even need a copy when you have the original.

This is a scam that primarily hits new purchasers, who have closed on their purchase. If you know someone like that, please tell them about this scam.

SCAM ALERT: There is NO EXCUSE — did you read that?

NO EXCUSE for providing any credit card or social security information to anyone who has called you on the phone.

If someone really, really does need this information, VERIFY, VERIFY, VERIFY!

Q. My wife and I live here (in Flor-



ida) and also we live in (an Eastern/Northeastern state). We are here six months and live up north the other six months. Why shouldn't we be entitled to claim a Homestead exemption here as well as in our other home?

A. Yeah, well, it's against the law here in Florida - that's why.

You are entitled to claim a Homestead exemption in Florida if you reside here as your residence. To do that, you must really mean it. That is, you must prove it by having a Florida driver's license or Florida ID (or some other Florida photo ID, if there is such a thing); have a Florida voter's registration and probably even a utility bill, where the bill comes to your Florida address.

There are rare situations where a couple could have a Florida Homestead and another Homestead in another state, but did you read where I said it was in a rare situation?

You would need to check with the

Homestead Exemption office to see about that.

I can assure you, sooner or later, the Florida Department of Revenue will audit your situation and will see what the truth is.

Sure! You may get away with it for a bit. However, you will be found out and then you will face interest and penalty charges PLUS, of course, you'll have to pay the full real estate tax that you should have paid in the first place.

Don't play around with this folks!

You will not win no matter how clever you think you are.

It is highly unlikely you will be able to get out of paying all that might be owed, plus, as I said, interest and penalties. You can cry and plead ignorance all you want, but it is not likely that you'll catch a break from the Department of Revenue.

Q. What is the difference between a condominium and an apartment?

A. I've actually heard this question before and it's a nice question. The answer is that a condominium is a form of joint ownership of a parcel of land that was created by a duly recorded Declaration of Condominium, and which can be held either in what is called fee simple or multi-year leasehold.

Within the parcel of land that is a condominium, there will be separate units of ownership. The separate units of ownership would be an apartment; although it could also be a single fam-

ily home that is in a condominium or an office condominium.

The same applies where there is a homeowners association (HOA). The basic difference between a condominium and a HOA has to do with the documents that create the joint ownership entity.

Q. What would you say about a grandchild who wants to move in with me because she's having a difficult time with her parents over her boyfriend?

A. I would say "NEVER!"

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Bingo marathon set for October 23

By Brad Day

Hello bingo players.

Fall is approaching and regular Monday night bingo has returned to the East Activity Center auditorium.

But there's even better news!

We have scheduled our next Bingo Marathon for Sunday, Oct. 23, in the auditorium and we would like our full-time residents and early-returning Snowbirds to join us.

Doors open at 10:30 a.m. with the games starting at noon. We'll have coffee and donuts in the beginning. A lunch will be provided at the intermission. Prizes will remain the same.

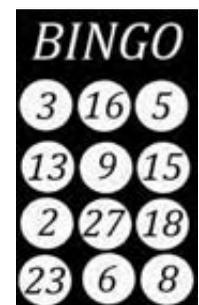
We're looking to bring in 150 people for this event. Tickets will go on sale in September when we return from our break.

Here's a big hats off to our great volunteers. We couldn't do it without

them. Some of us get here as early as 1:30 p.m. to start the set up.

So go on out there and finish your summer, but we want you all back at bingo in October. Remember, no cards will be sold after 6:15 p.m. You must show a valid Activity Card to play. Residents are allowed to bring one guest.

Thanks to all of you for supporting your bingo.



BINGO

OTOW Pet Halloween Costume Contest, 9 am, Saturday, Oct. 15, Dog Park

If your club, sport or building wishes to submit a story in December, reporter must participate in Writers Workshop

By Doug Kates

It's been several years since the annual Press Association Writers Workshop was mandatory for reporters, photographers and staff, but this is one of those years.

This year's workshop will take place 7 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 3 in the East Activity Center Veranda Room.

The evening is expected to take only 45 minutes to an hour.

Anyone who writes for a club, group, sport or building must participate in this Writers Workshop or they will not be allowed to submit a story for the December newspaper.

There are two ways to participate.

One, attend the workshop in person. Listen and take notes during a relaxed presentation. Learn something new. Improve your writing. Make your stories better.

This is the perfect way for new reporters to learn about the Press Association's writing style.

The second way to participate is to take the Writers Workshop tutorial online in the convenience of your own home. The tutorial is already online. You may take the tutorial anytime between today and Nov. 15 to qualify for a December story.

During the online tutorial, you will



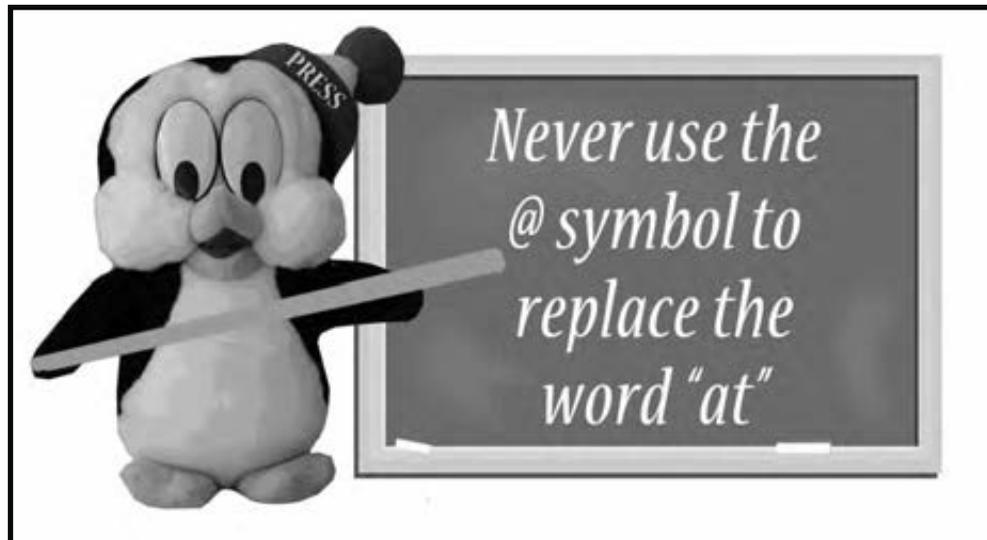
be asked 26 questions. Get 22 correct and you pass. The tutorial will take you about 30 minutes.

Why do we have a Writer's Workshop?

Everyone who contributes to the newspaper needs to be on the same page.

The Press Association has general rules and guidelines that every reporter should know. For example, we only write good news stories.

We do not write about people who are ill. We do not write stories about residents who are about to go on vacation - we wait for them to come home. And, we do not start our stories by saying "Welcome home Snowbirds." If 40 reporters all welcomed home



our Snowbirds, we would have a pretty blah newspaper!

Another reason for the workshop is to remind reporters about what their English teachers taught them in third grade. In today's world, people have developed some pretty poor writing habits. Emails, text messages and blog postings do not require proper grammar, but newspaper articles do. We attempt to point out those bad habits and remind writers of the correct ways of using grammar.

We also talk about photography, etiquette and journalism-style of writing.

Overall, the Writers Workshop has

never been a boring classroom experience. It's a fun way to review our mistakes and refreshments are served to ease your patience.

The workshop will start promptly at 7 p.m. Arrive at 6:30 p.m. and get a snack before we get started. We are in no rush this year - there is no Entertainment Committee Show the same night.

Bring a pad and a pencil and make your December story the best one you have ever written. Or, go online today, and complete the tutorial, and you're good for another season.

Better yet, attend the workshop and take the online tutorial, too.



NEWCOMERS

Photos by Mary Lou Wall



Gloria McElveen
of Florida



Gaye Lindsley of
Indiana



Lucy and Larry French of Dunedin

Founder of Jeopardy and Wheel of Fortune

Merv Griffin was an overweight singer during World War II with the Freddy Martin orchestra.

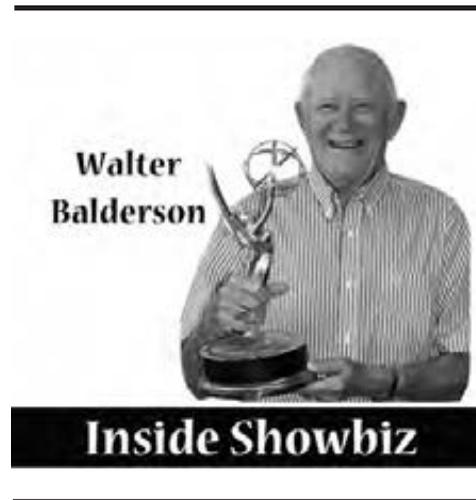
Embarrassed by his weight, he lost 80 pounds in four months.

When he retired in 1986, Forbes named him the richest performer in Hollywood history after selling his company to Columbia Pictures for \$250 million.

Merv Griffin had his own TV show and created two of the longest running TV shows in history, "Jeopardy" and "Wheel of Fortune."

Both shows can still be seen on TV daily.

Merv's wife, Juliann, came up with the idea of Jeopardy. She suggested to Merv to come up with a show that gives



the answer and the contestants must form the question.

On a long drive back to New York,

he and his wife practiced the idea.

Question: "5,280?"

Answer: What is a mile?

Question: "79 Wistful Vista?"

Answer: What is the address of Fiber McGee and Molly?"

They immediately went to NBC with the idea. The TV networks are always looking for new ideas for shows. NBC loved the idea, contracts were written and production began immediately.

Soon to follow was "Wheel of Fortune."

During his boyhood career with the Freddie Martin orchestra, Merv did have one recording that made it to the top of Billboard's Top Ten. The song was, "I've Got a Lovely Bunch of Co-

conuts." It sold 3 million copies and reached the number one spot on the Hit Parade.

Ava Gabor was a favorite on Merv's daily TV show and appeared many times. He shared birthdays with Nancy Reagan and was friends with the first lady and President.

Some of the properties that he accrued over his career were, The Coconut Grove, Beverly Hilton Hotel and Resorts International in Atlantic City.

Merv Griffin may be gone, but certainly will not be forgotten for at least another generation. Today, after more than 40 years, Jeopardy and Wheel of Fortune continue to be two of the most watched shows on TV.



Ask the Butcher Block!

Got a cooking question? Want to request a recipe? Got something to share?

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Go to OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com and click the link for the Box Office.

Once you enter, look for "Ask the Butcher Block."

Legitimate questions, tips and suggestions will be saved online for other readers to see.

NOTICE

Important bulletin for all On Top of the World residents

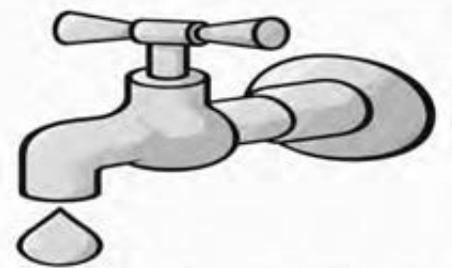
A new standard has been implemented for sealants that will affect window, awning and air conditioning contractors performing work for OTOW residents.

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

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

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

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



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

(1) CALL: 727-799-3417 (Option 6)

Messages are retrieved Mon-Fri, 7-5 p.m.

(2) Visit the East Activity Center Community Service Desk from 8:30-3, Monday-Friday.

(3) Go Online to otowclearwaterinfo.com and fill out a service request.

(4) For emergency service, call 799-1115 from 6-9 p.m. weekdays and noon-9 p.m. on weekends. A \$35 payment (by check) will be required

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Get Acquainted Coffee



Pictured above is Ralph Rogers, who entertained On Top of the World residents during the Good Neighbors Get Acquainted Coffee social in September. At left is jazz singer Sandy Nitch, who will perform at Get Acquainted Coffee, 9-11 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 13 in the East Activity Center auditorium.

(Top photo by Doug Kates)

Clothing Drive Oct 21-22

Get your table for flea market and crafts show

By Jim Bjorgo

Welcome back to our Snowbirds and travelers. Good Neighbors Association is going to have a busy season coming up.

On Oct. 10, tables go on sale for our annual Flea Market/Crafts Show. You may visit the Good Neighbors table in front of the Veranda Gift Shoppe from 8-10:30 a.m. to reserve a table. The price is \$15 for the Flea Market and \$10 for the Craft Show.

Our annual Clothing Drive will take place on Friday, Oct. 21 and Saturday, Oct. 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the front entrance of the East Activity Center. All clothing collected will go to facilities that give clothes to people in need. Clothing is not sold.

The Senior Expo is coming up on Saturday, Nov. 5 in the East Activity Center auditorium, Starlite Room and back parking lot. There will be many vendors inside and outside. There will be door prizes and raffles.

The actual Flea Market/Craft Show will take place in the EAC auditorium on Nov. 19. Once again, we will have hot dogs for sale.

We will need volunteers for all these events. Stop by the Good Neighbors table to sign up.

Don't forget to stop in to see the Veranda Gift Shoppe to see all the homemade items by your talented residents. There are greeting cards to meet all your needs.

The Gift Shoppe Web page on the Box Office is also getting an upgrade. You might want to visit the site before you stop in so you know what you're looking for inside. Go to the Box Office and click the Gift Shoppe link.

At Get Acquainted Coffee on Thursday, Oct. 13, jazz singer Sandy Nitch will be in the East Activity Center auditorium to entertain us. Doughnuts and coffee will be served at 9 a.m. and Sandy will begin singing about 9:30 a.m. There will be vendors, raffles and announcements.

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Does our library have books written by your favorite author?

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Library

By Katy Gerritt

Big news at the library!

We have a new addition to our Box Office Website. You can now view our newest book titles online, and also see a list of books that have been added over past months.

Long term, we would like to list all the books on our shelves, so you can check them out from home before you come in.

Here's how you do it:

On your computer, Google:
ontopoftheworldnews.com/

When you get to the site, click on "Box Office." Then on the left of the next page, click on "Visit A Club."

On the next page, scroll down to Library (which will also show a book). Once on the Library page, scroll down to "New Books" and see what has been most recently added.

To see what else we have added in the past few months, scroll down to the bottom of the page and click "On Our Shelves."

When this list is on your screen, you can print it out and use it as a checklist to keep track of books you have read.

Also, you can search by author's last name. For instance, if you are

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| 5 | "Magic" | Danielle Steel | Novel / Romance |
| 6 | "Defender" | Diana Palmer | Novel / Romance |
| 7 | "How Secrets Die" | Marta Perry | Novel |
| 8 | "The Black Widow" | Daniel Silva | Mystery/Thriller |
| 9 | "Among The Wicked" | Linda Castillo | Police procedural |
| 10 | "Daughters of the Bride" | Susan Mallery | Novel / Romance |

looking for a book by Tom Clancy, you can scroll down the author column until you find "Clancy."

Or if you are looking for books by Stuart Woods, you can scroll the author column until you come to Woods.

Books will be in this order once they are in the "On Our Shelves" list, but will appear in a random order on the "New Books" list, which allows 10 books at a time to be featured.

This is a great addition to our Library Web page thanks to Doug Kates, our newspaper editor. We will keep you posted on updates to the system. We would also like to hear your suggestions for improving the concept.

This month we have added 10 new titles to our actual library shelves. From some familiar authors, we have

"Magic" by Danielle Steel, a story that changes the lives of three couples in Paris for a special even.

"Here's 'To Us'" by Elin Hildebrand, is a post-life story of a man, who had been married to three women over his lifetime.

"A Certain Age" by Reatriz Williams, revolves around a scandal that rocked New York society during the Roaring Twenties.

Romance comes to three daughters and their Mom in "Daughters of the Bride" by Susan Mallery.

"Make Me Love You" by Johanna Lindsey is about romance and murder on the Yorkshire moors.

"The Royal Nanny" by Karen Harper, is set in England, April 1897. A young woman becomes the nanny

How do I find the New Books List?

1. Turn on your computer, go to OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com
2. Click the third option "Box Office."
3. You are now at the Box Office home page. Bookmark it or save it under favorites. Click "Enter" at the bottom.
4. Toward the top, on the left side, is a link called "On Top of the World Club Pages." Click it.
5. You are now on a page controlled by every club, group and sport here at On Top of the World. Each club, group and sport has its own page for you to browse. Find the library's logo and click to view the library's Web page.
6. The first page you come to has news about the library. Look for a button which states "New Books" and click it.
7. The first thing you will see is a listing of the 10 latest books added to library shelves. Displayed are the titles and authors for each listing.
8. At the bottom of this list is "On Our Shelves." Click this button and you will see a different list - this list features new and recent books added to the library's book shelves. Eventually, more and more titles will be added to this list. You will notice the books are listed in alphabetically order according to each author's last name. Got a favorite author? View this list to see if the library has books written by your favorite writer.

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In "How Secrets Die" by Marta Perry, reporter Kate Beaumont is investigating the sudden death of her half brother. But others in town want her to stay out of it.

And we have more. We hope you'll give our Web page a try, but don't forget to come in and pick up something great to read!



Last season's Theater Workshop show featured several dance routines, including the one pictured above. What will the 2017 bring? Stay tuned for sneak peeks in articles over the next six months.

Chicago, in the 1920s, introduced new freedoms - those freedoms will be explored this spring

By Lilli Scheifen

Do you know what the roaring '20s in Chicagoland was all about?

You will find out when you attend Theater Workshop's "The Hideaway" this spring in the East Activity Center auditorium.

Here's a tease:

It was during the '20s that the "flapper" came to be. Young women rebelled against the old matriarchs, cut their hair short, hiked up their hemlines and painted their faces in the spirit of their new-found freedom, sparked by economic wealth and new political rights.

The flapper male counterpart was known as "the flaming youth." Both decadent partygoers demanded access to liquors that were accessible only to the very well connected. A demand,



Theater Workshop

which had never really vanished, increased.

You will learn much more about our upcoming show in each Theater Workshop article from now until showtime.

Casting for parts has begun. Don't miss out on a chance to join the show. This is your chance to showcase your talents.

Theater Workshop's next meeting will be Oct. 5 in the West Activity Center Sunrise Room. The board of directors will meet at 6:30 p.m. followed by a general meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Will Peterson, our club president, will officiate.

Will and Mary Sundblad will be the co-directors of "The Hideaway."

Club members will have a table every Monday and Thursday in the EAC from 8:30-10:30 a.m. for you to ask questions, say hello or learn more about our club. We love the chance to meet you and we'll try to talk you into joining our cast.

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Ute Scheibe is proof you can go from two left feet to being a demonstrator

By Antoinette d'Oronzio

The Line Dancing Club uses a number of its members to cue and demonstrate choreography of the dances.

One of our newer demonstrators is Ute Scheibe.

Originally from Berlin, Germany, Ute got drawn into the line dancing world by way of the ladies morning exercise class.

At a pot-luck party for the class, somebody put on some music and a number of women started doing a line dance. Ute was intrigued, and recalled, it looked like fun.

So she explored further and started attending our own line dancing club sessions.

Ute doesn't consider herself a "natural dancer." As a child and adolescent, she had not taken any dance classes. She was more interested in sports, such as track and field and field handball.

She also says with a shrug, "I'm married to a non-dancer." So she especially likes that you do not need a partner in order to line dance.

Ute started out by going to our beginner classes taught by Sheila Bolster twice a week in the East Activity Center Starlite Room. Those classes teach the first three songs that are played in the general sessions.

The choreography is relatively easy for the initial dances, but Ute originally felt she had two left feet and it took six months before she could complete a whole dance without forgetting some of the steps.

Now she is at ease with doing even the more complicated dances. She studies the step sheets and goes on YouTube to view some of the newer dances.

Ute loves the music to the traditional dances, like waltzes, tangos and fox-trots, which are done at the line dancing sessions.

The music of those dances were familiar to her even from her years in Germany. What was new to her ears was the country-western music.

"I had to get used to some of the steps in the country-western dances," she says. "It would never have occurred to me to stomp in a dance."

Ute and her husband, Heinz, have lived at On



Top of the World for three years. They were originally attracted to OTOW because it looks so clean and well-maintained. Ute likes the fact that it is pet friendly (Ute and her husband have a cat and a dog) and that there is so much going on in the activity centers.

She loves her condo with its patio and loves seeing wildlife just beyond.

She enjoys riding her bike, too.

Line Dancing Club invites newcomers to its general sessions in the EAC auditorium at 9 a.m. on Saturdays and at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesdays. The beginner class meets 30 minutes earlier on both days.

On Tuesdays at 1 p.m., there is also a level two class in the EAC downstairs exercise room.

For anyone who wants to try line dancing in the privacy of their own living room, line dance videos are on OTOW-TV channels 96 and 732 at about 7 p.m., Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

We have a Web page on the OTOW Box Office Website. Visit OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com, click "Box Office," click "Enter," visit club pages and look for us.

Step sheets for dances are available at sites.google.com/site/otowlinedancing.

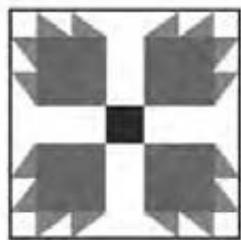


Ute Scheibe demonstrates a line dance from the EAC stage.

Learn about Sulky Threads

By Pauline Mallory

Procrastinating Quilters will meet in the West Activity Center on Oct. 20.



Procrastinating Quilters

Our meeting will feature Sulky Threads and how to use them to enhance our quilts and other items.

Come join us and learn something new.

Our Nov. 17 meeting will feature table runners made by club guild members. Some will be donated to Habitat for Humanity.

This meeting will also take place in the West Activity Center. We hope to see you there.

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RESIDENTS WHO WANT TO LEARN HOW TO DRAW

You don't have to know how to draw in a straight line ... just the desire to have fun!
Starting Nov. 3, OTOW Art Guild will start its Drawing Class, every Thursday, 1-3 pm, in the EAC Art Room.

All you need to bring are pencils and paper.
Leave your guns at home.



Baby Boomers celebrate September and look forward to October



By Ron Clement

Poblano's is serving up more dollar tacos on Monday nights.

The table is getting longer at Louie's on dollar burger Tuesdays.

It must be October, and more and more Boomers are returning from their summer away.

October is typically the month we rekindle friendships and refill our glasses with fun and laughter.

September was no bust, however. The Baby Boomers kicked off the month by getting together and celebrating Labor Day. Many thanks to Patty Eden for hosting yet another cookout. A great time was had by all.

Baby Boomers were well represented at the Dunedin Starlight Concert series. They were entertained by the likes of Crossed Eyed Larry, singing favorites from the '70s, '80s and



Baby Boomers gather in Dunedin for the Starlight Concert Series in September.

'90s.

The Voices of Jazz offered up a repertoire of, what else, jazz.

The month concluded with the sounds of country music performed by Easy Posse .

Other Boomers satisfied their curiosity in American history and culture by taking advantage of Museum Day Live. This annual celebration was sponsored by Smithsonian Magazine.

Free tickets were made available for two participating museums.

Now it is October, the traditional start of a season of free events and activities offered throughout our area. Discovering and sharing them with friends is the primary purpose of the Baby Boomers Club.

We get together twice a month to share the details of what is happening and where. We gather to car pool to

events and activities we choose.

So, you have no excuse.

Don't know what to do, or how to get there?

We do. So come out and join in.

Our meetings this month are on Wednesday, Oct. 5, and Thursday, Oct. 20. Both will be held in the Sunrise Room of the West Activity Center at 5:30 p.m.

With financial help and yarn donations, Knitting Group makes even more robes, shrugs, coverlets

By Phyllis Butler

The Good Neighbors Knitting Group has continued to meet through the summer.

Although our numbers have been reduced, we have continued to produce our lap robes and shrugs for the residents of nursing homes and the VA hospitals. We have even added a few new members.

In August, we decided to increase our delivery of lap robes to one of our nursing homes so they could share them with some of their other branches. We also accepted a request to make coverlets for Morton Plant Hospital chemotherapy patients.

In September, we delivered 37 coverlets to Morton Plant Hospital.



Most of them were crocheted, and in bright, cheerful colors. We received a very nice thank you note from them, with a request for more.

We also received several thank you

notes, along with pictures, showing residents of local nursing homes. The pictures showed off the beautiful lap robes they had received. They looked really happy with them.

Since these "Thank You" letters made us feel good, we wanted to pass along our own "Thank You" to the On Top of the World Ronald Reagan Republican Club for making a financial donation to our club last month. The money was designated for purchasing yarn to make additional coverlets.

The Republican Club learned about our need by reading our article in September's newspaper.

Recently, we have also received many donors who have brought us

leftover yarn for lap robes and shrugs. We want everyone to know that we really appreciate it.

The financial support we receive from Good Neighbors and Coffee Corner, plus normal yarn donations, enable us to provide yarn to our members to knit or crochet the many items we distribute. These items go to various nursing homes and the VA Hospital.

The Good Neighbors Knitting Group meets every Wednesday morning from 9-11 a.m. in the East Activity Center Veranda Room. If you knit or crochet, we would love to have you join us. While we don't teach, we do help each other with patterns and/or problems.

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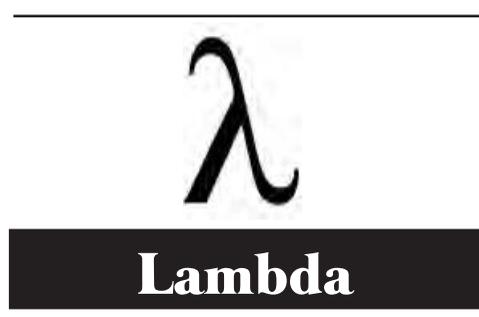
By Dave Beaven

October is the first full month of fall and we all start to feel a change.

The air is a little more brisk in the mornings. Some of the leaves start to change color. And On Top of the World gets a little busier as our Snowbirds trickle back from their northern homes.

We will incorporate this change theme into our October club social. On Friday, Oct. 14, at 7 p.m., in the Art Room, we will be having a Victor/Victoria party. Party goers are asked to wear at least three items of opposite sex clothing that night. I will leave it up to our party attendees to decide how they will meet that challenge.

Suffice it to say, it ought to be in-



Lambda

teresting.

As usual, our boom box will be playing the hits. The bar will be serving up the drink of the night: the Question Mark.

And our Lambda chefs will turn out special treats for you to munch on.

Come on down to meet old friends

and make new ones. That is if you can recognize who's who.

Speaking of change, there is a lot of talk these days about transgender people in our country – especially in light of Caitlyn Jenner's coming out. My own feeling is that we all say that we live in a free country. If we really believe this, we should try to be more tolerant of each other as we all go about living our lives in a way that makes our country better.

As author Gail Sheehy wrote, "If we don't change, we don't grow. If we don't grow, we're not really living."

Lambda is a social club for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) residents of OTOW. We are an informal group that gets together for

various activities. Regular events include monthly socials, dine-outs, game nights, etc.

We look to expand our circle to all LGBT residents in the OTOW community, and we also welcome participation by other OTOW residents who would like to meet their LGBT neighbors. There are people from many different backgrounds and areas here at OTOW. Lambda Club is just one more reflection of that fact.

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

<http://lambdaclearwater.blogspot.com>. You can contact us by e-mail at: lambdaclw@yahoo.com. Or call Dave at 727-410-7566.

Jesters auditions set for Oct. 4 - newcomers welcome

By Sue Calinski

Plans for the Jesters 2017 show are coming along nicely, but we still have room for you!

Now is the time to join us if you haven't already done so. For a yearly membership, the cost is still only \$5. The fee entitles you to be a part of the show, among many other benefits.

Don't miss out: Auditions will be held on Oct. 4, 3-5 p.m. at the East Activity auditorium. The show is chock full of music, comedy and dance, with some groovy surprises!

You really won't want to miss this one!

Tickets will be on sale soon at the Jesters table in the EAC on Monday and Thursday mornings, so be sure to get yours right away!

We had a phenomenal response to



last year's show and this one is shaping up to be bigger, better and more outrageous!

The Jesters will hold their next meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 12, at 7 p.m. in the EAC auditorium. We should see many of our friends and hope to have more new ones, too! This is a great organization where you will build lasting friendships, as well as being a part of our annual show. There

The Jesters 2017 show, "Thanks for the Memories," will be directed by Lee Catalfomo. Be prepared for lots of laughs, music, and jingles that will have you singing along.

is a place in our club for everyone, so if you've ever considered trying out your theatrical skills, come and join us now!

The Jesters 2017 show, "Thanks for the Memories," will be directed by Lee Catalfomo. Be prepared for lots of laughs, music, and jingles that will

have you singing along.

Do you remember who danced with top hats and canes at the start of their show? Get your tickets, and you'll find out!

Remember, the cost for tickets is only \$5 and it will be among the most memorable \$5 you've ever spent.

'You have a Friend at Chase'

Former Chase Bank employees invited to national reunion

By Arlene Bergen

I am an On Top of the World resident. My husband, Bill, and our neighbor, Guy Bertuzzi, are retirees of Chase Bank. There are many Chase Bank retirees in the area and I would like to tell you about a reunion coming up.

The West and East Coast of Florida Chapter of Retirees (Vested Vulchers) is having a reunion luncheon on Thursday, Oct. 27, 1:30 p.m. at the

Redsauce Restaurant, 1000 Canal Street, The Villages.

Are there any OTOW residents who would like to attend this luncheon as a group?

Since we need a head count, please call one of the numbers below Arlene Bergen at 727-726-0787, Guy Bertuzzi at 727-723-2307 or Bill Snyder at 352-391-3650.

We hope you can attend. Many of the retirees

also bring guests. We have so much fun getting together. The old bank stories are great to hear and you might meet old friends and make new ones. We look forward to hearing from you.

There is also a second luncheon held every February in the Clearwater area.

If you just want some information about the Retirees Chapter, feel free to call any of us listed above.



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Attend our Oct. 17 meeting and learn about all our healthy classes and activities

By Kathleen Santosuosso and Valerie Martin

Healthy Living Club will meet on Oct. 17 at 7 p.m. in the West Activity Center Sunrise Room.

At the meeting, you will learn about upcoming events and you can get on our mailing list. There are no dues.

You will hear about what the nearby Clearwater Aging Well Center and the Osher Life-Long Learning Institute (OLLI) from Eckerd College (in Palm Harbor and other area locations) have to offer.

There are no grades. Just fun ways to exercise your body and your mind, too!

Also at our meeting, you can check out our new Healthy Living Club shirts, complete with our colorful logo. Come to the meeting and order a shirt! Each shirt is \$26, cash only, pre-paid with your order. There are styles for men and women.



On Tuesday, Oct. 18, Water Walking starts again! We will meet every Tuesday and Thursday in the East Activity Center pool. Burn 300 calories while you walk -- and talk -- with new friends.

Slow Spokes biking begins on Friday, Oct. 21 at 9:30 a.m., in the EAC parking lot (World Parkway side). We meet every Friday, same time, same place.

The Healthy Living Club is offer-

ing two better balance classes two days a week to On Top of the World residents. The classes will run until Dec. 2. Now you can try a class and make new friends, while improving your balance.

These classes are free and are provided through the Pinellas County Area Agency on Aging. Two trained coaches guide us in the classes.

The balance classes started in August and both classes meet every Wednesday and Friday until Dec. 2. Join the balance exercisers in the Art Room in the East Activity Center.

A Matter of Balance will meet from 10:15-11 a.m. every Wednesday and Friday. Participants will learn to view falls and falling as controllable. They will also learn low-impact exercises to increase strength and balance.

Balance and Motion classes will meet from 11:15-noon, also every Wednesday and Friday. Participants will learn movements that help develop strength and confidence. Par-

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

There are many other exercise classes at On Top of the World. A listing of all exercise classes is in the OTOW newspaper on page 12.

Also, from the comfort of your home, OTOW-TV is airing chair exercise classes every day at around 7 a.m. and noon. Cammy and Jessica, from Ocala On Top of the World, teach the televised exercise classes on balance and posture, two important areas for aging adults.

Also, LED Walk Lights are now available from the newly-decorated Veranda Gift Shoppe in the EAC auditorium. Hundreds of the lights have been sold so far. The price for each light is only \$1.25.

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Thanksgiving dinner theater Nov. 24

Simple to advance line dancing classes start Oct. 27

By Ed Foland

Dolly's Snowbirds Line Dance Club will have its first class on Thursday, Oct 27, in the West Activity Center.

The class is broken down into four different classes to fit the needs of all dancers.

Ed Foland leads line dance practice from 8:30-9:30 a.m. with easy and fun dances, such as the Electric Slide and Cupid Shuffle.

Dolly Foland teaches her popular beginners class with a mixture of class favorites, plus newly released dances starting at 9:30.

At 10:30, more challenging dances are taught that are of interest to the more advanced dancers.

At 11:30, Ed comes back on with his class for first time dancers, which he says is for people, like himself, with two left feet.

A community-wide Thanksgiving dinner will be organized this fall by Dolly's Snowbirds Line Dance Club, which will also be a co-sponsor. The



dinner show setting is a fun and relaxing way to enjoy the afternoon.

The name of the show is "A Nice Family Gathering."

The setting is in a Minnesota home on Thanksgiving Day.

One critic says the show is a mixture of "A Christmas Carol," "Prairie Home Companion" and "Fargo."

Join us at 4 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day, Nov 24. Salad bar opens at 4 p.m., dinner at 5 p.m. and curtain time is 6 p.m.

Cost is \$40, which includes tradi-



On Top of the World residents enjoy a previous dinner outing and theater in Clearwater.

tional Thanksgiving dinner, live theater production, all taxes and tip. Parking is free and transportation is on your own or car pool.

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Come on over and join 8 a.m. Morning Exercise Classes, every weekday, in the East Activity Center

gym. There are exercise, fitness, and step classes for all levels. The music will get you moving. It's a fun way to start your day and meet other residents also interested in staying fit and active. We work on building balance and coordination, improving flexibility, strengthening the body's core, weight lifting and cardio fitness. Our workouts change daily to keep you motivated.

We also meet at 9 a.m. on Tuesday mornings in

the Yellow Room for the Co-Ed Fun Fitness workout.

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

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



Philosophy Club

By Bob Reis

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

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

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

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

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Co-Ed exercises resume on East Side

The Co-Ed Exercise Class in the East Activity Center gym has restarted after a summer break. Sessions are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10-10:45 a.m.

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

Co-Ed Exercises meet in the West Activity Center gym all year. Classes take place Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10-10:45 a.m.

Our instructor, John Velchoff, will allow you to work at your own speed and ability. Floor exercises are optional.



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Charlie Justice addresses election issues during Democratic Club meeting in September



Democratic Club

By Donna Lucas

It's almost time for voting again!

The tentative date for the Supervisor of Elections to send out mail ballots is Oct. 4.

Voting by mail is strongly encouraged to avoid long lines and potential bad weather. You can still request a mail ballot if you aren't already signed up to receive one.

The On Top of the World Democratic Club is asking you to not return your ballots until after Oct. 13. Why?

The reason is, on Thursday, Oct. 13 at 2 p.m. in the East Activity Center Starlite Room, you will have a last opportunity before voting to hear from local candidates on why you should vote for them.

Speakers will include Robert Tager for US Congress District 12, David Vogel for Florida House District 67 and Joanne Lentino for Pinellas School Board.

Do yourselves a favor and politically educate yourselves by looking at candidate Websites to read their posi-



County Commissioner Charlie Justice visited On Top of the World in September and spoke to the Democratic Club about a variety of topics.

tion statements on several issues. Read their answers to questions from the League of Women Voters. Remember to vote down the entire ballot because all offices are important in many ways.

This ballot also will have a long list of referendum questions that deserve your thoughtful consideration.

So study up on them.

Remember that the solar amendment on the November ballot is not the same as the amendment that was approved in August. This one is be-

ing pitched by the utility companies to limit our access to solar energy.

Thanks to all who came to the

September club meeting to hear County Commissioner Charlie Justice give us updates on county issues. Charlie spoke about things like improved partnership successes, a balanced budget with the lowest debt ratio of any urban county in Florida, a Wage Theft Ordinance protecting employees, long term Emergency Management contracts with County and Fire Districts, better public health with the return of fluoride to drinking water, improved surface water management and lower Flood Insurance premiums, and an anti-fracking ordinance.

Charlie is up for re-election to the County Board, so don't forget to vote.

This year seems to be an exceptional election. One of my favorite bumper stickers is "Seeing Red? Vote Blue!" from www.emilylist.org.

For more information on club activities, check out our club Webpage on the Box Office. Go to OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com, Enter, click on the "club pages" and then the Democratic donkey.

Ice Cream Social set for Oct. 19

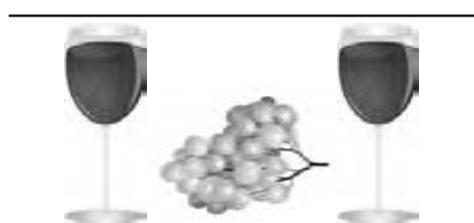
Hello and welcome back Snowbirds. It's been a good summer here, except for Hermine.

Tickets are available Mondays and Thursdays for all of our events. Tickets are on sale in the East Activity Center between 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Our events include an Ice Cream Social, 6 p.m., on Oct. 19. Tickets are \$2 for members and \$4 for non-members.

On Nov. 16 we will have our Welcome Back Spaghetti Dinner at 6 p.m. Cost is \$9 for members and \$12 for non-members.

Don't forget to sign up for our



Italian American

Christmas Brunch at Safety Harbor Spa at 11 a.m. on Dec. 4.

There are a limited number of tickets available at \$35 each.

All of our 2017 activities will be announced at a later date.

Breast Cancer walk

On Saturday, Oct. 15, at 8 a.m., you are invited to join the morning exercise fitness gals for the annual Making Strides Against Breast Cancer 5K Walk in St. Petersburg.

Plan to meet in the East Activity Center parking lot before 7:30 a.m. so we can take pictures of all participants/supporters.

We will car pool to Vinoy Park. A sign up sheet will be posted in the East Activity Center gym so we know how many drivers we need.

Please register with our team on the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Website under OTOW Sisterhood. You can donate at that time if you wish, but not necessary.

If you have any questions, contact Barb Sundberg at 847-946-4214.



We've been promoted to the BIG bus



Travel Club

By Terri Mikszenas

Our agenda is full and waiting for you to sign up, but you'd better hurry before we sell out.

By popular demand, we have switched to a 55-passenger bus to take us to Fort Myers to the Mystery Murder Train Ride and Fleamasters Flea-market stop on Oct. 20 and 21. The first 26 seats filled up in one week and we expect the next 26 will go just as fast.

When was the last time you attended an old fashioned ice cream social?

Here's your chance to do it again at a Halloween Matinee on Saturday, Oct. 29 at the Church of Scientology's Flagship Hotel. You'll be entertained in the ballroom of the Fort Harrison Hotel with live music followed by a dramatic radio-style reading by the East Coast Golden Age Theater.

There are only a couple of seats remaining on our nine-day bus trip in November. This trip will get you away from all the political phone calls as we spend election day touring San Antonio, Texas and the Alamo.

You may just want to sit and relax on Nov. 20 during a musical burlesque play entitled "Broadway Babies" at Frances Wilson Playhouse.

The race is on for a chance to go into the stables at Tampa Bay Downs



Pictured above are club travelers, who recently visited the Church of Scientology. They dined on a delicious gourmet lunch, toured the impressive Fort Harrison Hotel and learned about the various teachings of its spiritual headquarters in Clearwater.

race track in December or sail away with us at the end of January on a seven-day cruise to Roatan, Belize, Costa Maya and Cozumel.

Along with this, we are now taking reservations for our Dec. 7 Holiday Dinner at Island Way Grill with transportation to the first 22 requests.

Our nominating committee continues to seek members to fill our board. Positions open are president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. We cannot have a club without a

full slate of officers, so we sincerely request that members volunteer to come forward, step up and fill these positions in order to guarantee that we continue to have a club. Otherwise, our club will have no other alternative than to face elimination at the end of this year.

We sincerely hope that this does not happen.

Won't you please step forward for the good of the club - we would all be so appreciative.

Why not stop by the East Activity Center on Monday and Thursday mornings, where we'll be on duty to answer any questions you may have, give you a list of upcoming trips or to sell you a ticket or two.

Also, your refunds for our Cirque du Soleil and the cancelled Sarasota trip are available for pickup.

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

New or renewed Activity Cards are required to participate in Canadian Club activities this season

By Rick McLauchlan

Upon our return to Florida, the first thing Canadians need to do is obtain or renew a valid On Top of the World Activity Card to be eligible to join the OTOW Canadian Club, as well as participate in all activities and clubs offered at OTOW.

You may rejoin the Canadian Club by visiting our table at the Senior Expo on Nov. 5 in the East Activity Center North Parking lot from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. or by attending Registration Night on Friday, Nov. 18 from 6-9:30 p.m. in the EAC auditorium.



Membership fee is \$5 and membership is open to anyone, Canadian or not, who is in possession of a valid activity card. Renters wishing to join the club are reminded they must obtain an activity card from their landlords.

At Registration Night, you will also be able to obtain tickets or sign up for the many activities hosted by our club. This year we anticipate having red golf shirts available for sale, which could be embroidered with the club emblem.

Copies of the events list will be available at our information table, along with a copy of the approved budget for 2016-17.

The evening will end with a wine and cheese get-together to allow us to renew old friendships and welcome new members.

Social Games will start on Dec. 1

and continue every Thursday evening from 6-9:30 p.m. in the Rainbow and Sunrise Rooms of the West Activity Center.

Our Christmas dinner will be held on Tuesday Dec. 13 at 5 p.m. in the EAC auditorium. Tickets will go on sale on Tuesday, Nov. 29 at 8:30 a.m. in the EAC Starlite Room.

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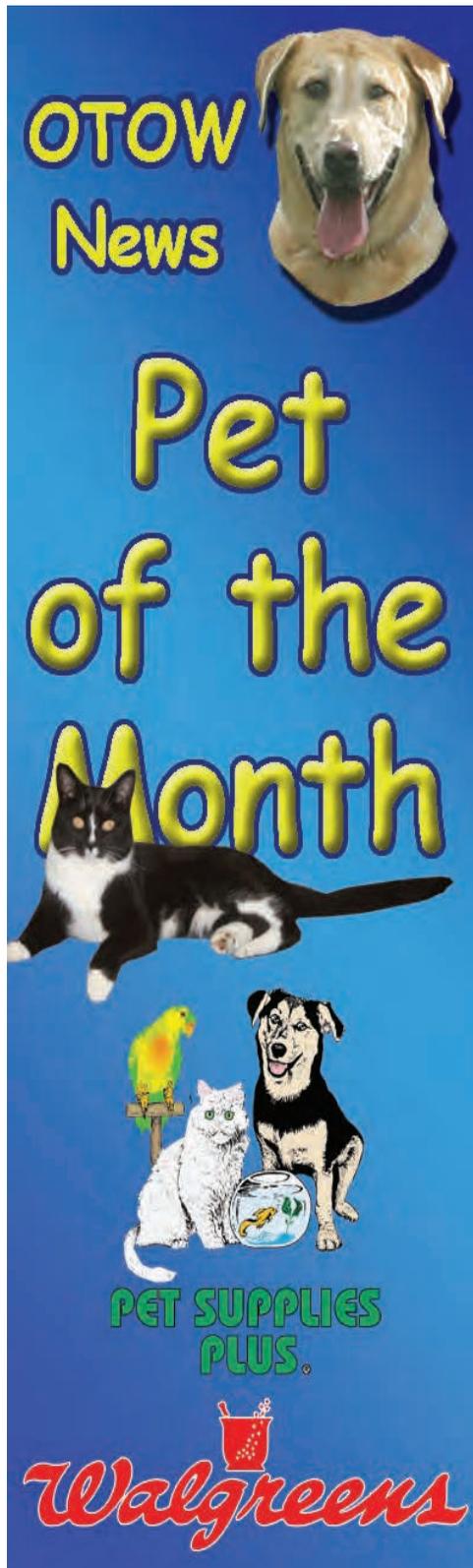


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I am, along with my folks, a loyal Patriots football fan and have my hat to prove it.

I love to sit in the window and visit with all the cute dogs walking by.

I admit, I am a bit of a flirt!

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

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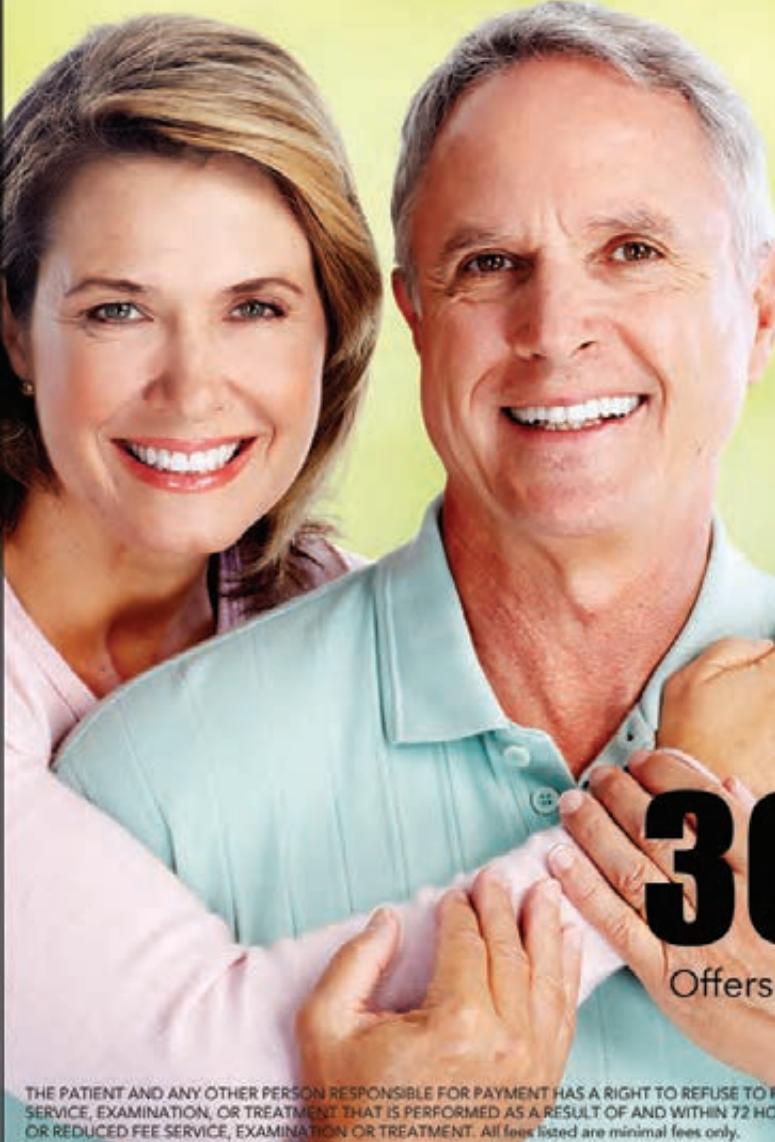
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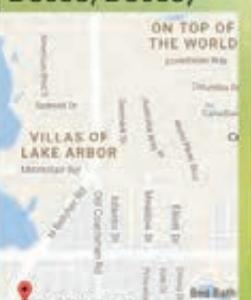
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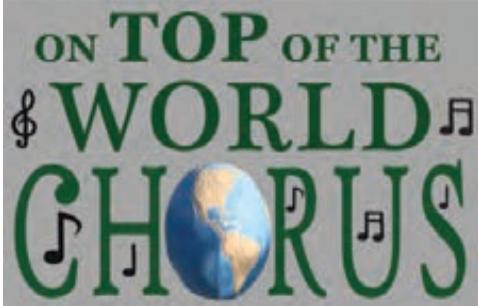
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If there was a board position higher than president, MaryAnn Mercer would be it



By Ilene Bargerstock

In this historic election year, we present our own Madam President, MaryAnn Mercer, already elected and excited about beginning her third, consecutive, one-year term!

If you haven't met MaryAnn, or at least seen her around, you probably haven't been here long. This is an attempt to summarize the activities of someone akin to the "energizer bunny."

MaryAnn, and her three siblings, grew up on a farm near Moundsville, WV. Their family sang together as a means of entertainment. She says her father sang for silent movie productions. If you are curious as to how that works, just ask her.

She and her husband, James, along with their son, remained in Moundsville,



MaryAnn Mercer

where MaryAnn enjoyed a long career as an office and business manager for a cardiologist.

Church choir and participation in community musical productions gave her joy.

In 1984, the Mercers retired and moved to On Top of the World. Let me tell you what this community has meant to her.

First of all, she joined the Chorus, which she says, "will always be my first and last love." She has been a faithful member for 32 years and also served as president for the 1986-87 season.

MaryAnn served the Entertainment Committee at various times as chair, vice chair, assistant treasurer, and bus coordinator, and also worked with the light crew and ticket takers.

She was assistant treasurer for Good Neighbors for two years.

For 20 years, MaryAnn performed with the Jesters and Theater Workshop, while also maintaining positions of leadership with both groups.

Her most recent endeavor was directing and producing the Theater Workshop show, "Copacabana," in 2012.

MaryAnn has been treasurer and server at the Coffee Corner for 10 years

and counting, and participated with Meals on Wheels for 15 years.

Ruth Eckerd Hall had the benefit of MaryAnn's service for 20 years, 10 of which she was head usher.

During that time, she sang and danced the polka on stage with Bobby Vinton, and on another occasion sang with Jimmie Roberts of the Lawrence Welk Show.

She also performed on that stage in 1995 in the "Follies."

A favorite poem of MaryAnn's ends with this line:

"I'll not care how long I'll live
If I can give – and give – and give."
And she has, and she does.

We are so thankful to have her with the Chorus.

Rehearsals for our Holiday Concert begin Tuesday, Oct. 11, 7 p.m. in the East Activity Center auditorium. It will be great to see everyone again!

If you enjoy singing, please come and sit with us as we preview the songs that will be included in the Holiday Concert. Our president, director and all the rest of us, who find great joy in making music together, will warmly welcome you!

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Even if you know little about computers, OTOW Computer Club can help you learn

By Joe Wisinski

As everyone who uses a computer knows, there's a lot to learn about how they work.

The On Top of the World Computer Club exists just for that purpose – to help teach residents about the machines and how to use them.

The club, which began in 1991, meets every Saturday morning at 8:30 in the basement of the East Activity Center. Visitors are welcome.

In addition to the Saturday meetings, club members are entitled to free assistance with computer issues from 8:30-10 a.m. Monday through Friday, also in the EAC.

"I'm delighted with the Computer Club," said President Phil Green. "Not only do I learn about computers and their use, but I enjoy the camaraderie that the club brings every Saturday morning."

Club discussions center on Windows-based computers, not Macs, but members also learn about smart phones and tablets with any operating system.

Because of the recent introduction of Windows 10, meetings over the summer have concentrated on learning to



install and work with it. Other recent discussions have included using a computer to watch movies on TV and finding free alternatives to Microsoft Office.

With Snowbird season coming, the club will return to a format of presentations on various topics by club members and outside speakers.

Humor is a part of every club meeting, from the opening jokes to members' self-deprecating wit.

"If you want somebody who knows a little about computers," member Herb Sutton recently said, "I know as little as anyone."

Club officers are Phil Green, presi-



Computer Club member Bob Charpentier teaches other members how to use Microsoft Excel.

dent; Roger Reynolds and Joe Nagel, device presidents; Tony Sinipoli, treasurer; and Marvin Mariarz, secretary.

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

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To assist On Top of the World Medicare consumers, the SHINE Program, operated locally by the Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas, will be offering a free "Medicare Annual Enrollment" presentation on Tuesday, Oct. 25 from 10 a.m. to noon in the East Activity Center.

The Florida Department of Elder Affairs' program is available to provide free, unbiased information and assistance to Florida Medicare beneficiaries as they carefully evaluate their health care options during the Medicare Annual Enrollment Period.

During the Annual Enrollment Period, which runs Oct. 15-Dec. 7, Medicare beneficiaries have the opportunity to make changes to their Medicare Prescription Drug or Medicare Advantage plans.

SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) encourages beneficiaries to review their benefits each year for a variety of reasons. Individuals often experience subtle changes in their health over the course of the year and these changes may alter the kind of care they need. This could directly affect their need

for more or less health insurance, the types of prescription drugs they require or their access to particular doctors or pharmacies.

Health changes can also increase costs, which can be particularly critical for Medicare beneficiaries on fixed incomes.

The "Medicare Annual Enrollment" presentation, conducted by specially trained volunteers of the SHINE Program, will provide detailed information on the basics of the Medicare program, including Medicare supplement insurance, Medicare

Advantage plans, and financial assistance programs.

SHINE volunteers will also be available to answer questions.

For assistance from SHINE to review and enroll in a plan, individuals may visit designated SHINE counseling sites, attend enrollment events in their local communities, or contact trained SHINE volunteer counselors at 1-800-963-5337 or (727) 217-8111.

For a listing of SHINE counseling sites and enrollment events, visit www.floridashine.org.

Building Coordinators will have first annual meeting for new and existing members in November

By Valerie Martin

There will be a Building Coordinator Project meeting on Nov. 2 from 1-3 p.m. in the East Activity Center auditorium.

This will be the first annual meeting of the Building Coordinators. All current Building Coordinators (previous title was captain) and new volunteers (willing to be a volunteer project contact for buildings that don't currently have a coordinator) are invited to attend.

The Building Coordinator Project at On Top of the World is a volunteer, resident-led project for all 91 buildings.

Valerie Martin, one of the building coordinators at Valencia, heads up the project as a volunteer.



In an April, kick-off meeting, she explained that the project is intended to promote an exchange of helpful

information between building volunteers.

The Building Coordinator Project's November annual meeting will begin with a general session, followed by "table talk" where attendees can rotate to specific tables and share successful approaches to various problems, such as storage rooms, trash rooms, building socials and activities, and volunteer participation by neighbors.

Residents already have given positive comments about the project initiative. New building activities have resulted from the April meeting. Volunteers say that they have a clearer understanding of the role of the building and wing coordinators and other building volunteer roles. In addition, there are more resident-led ef-

forts to straighten up storage rooms and more and different building social events.

If your building doesn't have a building coordinator, please consider volunteering to get things started (or restarted in some cases).

Contacting Nancy Rogers at the Community Service Office and give her your name, email address or phone number, and building number.

If you are a current building coordinator or captain, and you haven't registered with Nancy and didn't attend the prior Coordinator Project meeting, we ask that you please do so.

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New York-New Jersey Club tribute goes national

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Recently, that tribute was recognized by the national American Legion organization.

An article, which appeared in On Top of the World News, has been posted, with permission, by the American Legion on their national Website.

On Top of the World-TV videotaped the tribute and posted the ceremony on our community Box Office Website under the New York-New Jersey Club Web page. A link to that video was also posted on the national American Legion Website.

Jim Smyth, one of the organizers for the tribute, said it is an honor to have the New York-New Jersey Club tribute posted nationally, where millions of viewers now have the opportunity to read the article and view the video.

"This posting will be seen by millions of veterans, military personnel, families and friends throughout the States and all service installations throughout the world," Jim said. "A fitting tribute to all veterans who have made the ultimate sacrifice for this great country."

Jim said in excess of 11 million visitors view the American Legion Website annually.

The national American Legion Website can be view at: <http://www.legiontown.org/> (look for NY/NJ tribute)

The video from the tribute at On Top of the World can be downloaded or viewed from your own computer. Go to:

<http://www.ontopoftheworldnews.com/>

Click "Box Office" then "Enter" the click "Club Pages." Look for the New York-New Jersey Club page.

The screenshot shows a website page from 'LEGIONTOWN'. The main article is titled "Memorial Tribute from On Top of the World New York and New Jersey Club" and is dated August 28, 2016, from Clearwater, FL. Below the title is a photo of several flags on stands. To the right, there are several smaller article thumbnails with titles like "An Aliman's Journey From 1947 Enlistment through 1972: Always A New Adventure", "Ocala Ritz Veterans Village", and "Morris County, N.J., Legion vice commander receives DuD office honor". At the bottom right, there is a "100 Years" anniversary logo for The American Legion and a "Join the Celebration" button.

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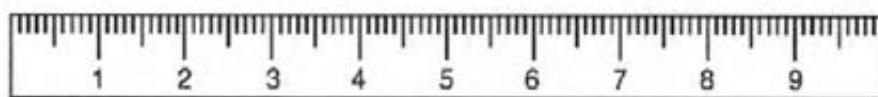
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The General Meeting on Sept. 25 was well attended.

A proposed 2017 Executive Board nomination was presented, along with a brief recap of 2016. Also presented was the 2017 schedule of shows and dances.

All On Top of the World residents, who have a current Activity Card, are Entertainment Committee members. There are no dues!

The election of the 2017 Executive Board will be at the annual meeting on Sunday, Nov. 13. Plan to be there to cast your vote.

The proposed 2017 Executive Board nominations are: Kirk Safee, president; MaryAnn O'Neil, vice president; Connie McDonald, treasurer; Marian Leamy, assistant treasurer; Pat

Catalfomo, secretary; Sue Watlington, assistant secretary; Lucille Greenhalgh, Karen Safee, Brad Day and Marvin Flam, directors.

Attendance at our shows, dances and Sundays-In-The Park (SIP), have been outstanding. Thank you OTOW.

Get your tickets early for the remaining 2016 shows and dances. In addition to single tickets, discounted ticket packages for all the shows and dances, including New Year's Eve, are still available.

Starting Monday, Oct. 3, through Monday, Oct. 31, all current 2016 show and dance full season, or ticket package holders, need to renew their reserved tickets, so they can keep their current reserved seats for 2017.

Starting Thursday, Nov. 3, re-

served seats for all 2017 shows and dances will be available.

For 2017, the Entertainment Committee will introduce a new program, Entertainment Committee Member Identification Number, (ECMI). This will make it easier for our residents to get their reserved show and dance tickets. Please check with us regarding this program and sign up as early as possible.

Starting Oct. 3, we are at the EAC selling tickets on Mondays and Thursdays, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

For more information, check us out on OTOW-TV channels 96 or 732HD; on the OTOW Box Office at "OnTopOfTheWorldNews.com"; and all the building bulletin boards.

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The Entertainment Committee is looking for residents who have computer, design and writing skills to be a part of the Entertainment Committee public relations group. You would have the opportunity to use your creative skills to develop promotional material for the club. Join us and have fun! If you are interested contact us at 727 797-1761.

"The British Invasion 2" - tribute music of the Beatles and the Rolling Stones, has been added to Thursday, Oct. 13 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 each. This added show is not included in any S1 or S4 ticket package. Come in and get your reserved seat as early as possible.



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**PREVIEW
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NOV 10 - SHOW-BLAST FROM THE PAST-BACK BY DEMAND
NOV 12 - VETERANS’ DAY DANCE - REBOUND
NOV 13 - SUNDAY-IN-THE-PARK - FREE - 2 PM
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A humorous side to getting older

An elderly lady visited her preacher to make two final requests.

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“So I know my kids will visit me,” she said.

Three old guys go out for a walk around the neighborhood together. Five minutes into the walk, the first guy says, “I’m already winded.” Then the second guy says, “I’ve lost my energy.” Third guy says, “Let’s go get a beer.”

I am so old that I decided to join an exercise group.

Marge Mayer



Internet Humor

I saw an ad for an aerobics club and decided to visit the gym.

Let me tell you, I bent, twisted, gyrated, jumped up and down, and perspired for an hour.

But by the time I got my leotards on, the class was already over.

I have had two surgeries, a hip replacement, a knee replacement, I can’t hear anything, I can barely see, I get dizzy, winded and my memory is gone.

Thank goodness I still have my driver’s license.

Reporter interviews a 104-year-old lady on her birthday.

Reporter says, “what’s the best thing about turning 104?”

Birthday girl says, “No peer pressure.”

youcanbefunny.com

Rosy Hattitudes share pictures of younger days

By Charlyn Miller

Once again the Rosy Hattitudes met at The Rumba Lounge for our September meeting with 17 members and one guest attending.

Marge Sutton was our hostess for September. We were happy to have Dawn Rubio join us.

Each member brought a “picture from the past” and it was very interesting to try and figure out who the person was in the picture. Some were very funny, some were very young and some were pictured with long hair, which no one has these days.

Arlene Mansfield will be our host-

ess for October. Perhaps it will be a Halloween theme?

It was announced that the “Christmas” luncheon will be held at Bon Appetit restaurant on Dec. 10. This is a week later than usual, as the first Saturday of December is too early to get into the holiday spirit.

Once again we will have a “White Elephant” gift exchange, as we did last year. It proved to be a great way to re-gift or just pass on unwanted items of value.

Plans are being made to go to the



Rosy Hattitudes

traces, attend a dinner theater, and other interesting things next year when our Snowbird members return.

We girls are still having fun!

Oct. 26

Dinner dance to benefit Kimberly Home

By Jane Lee

The New York/New Jersey Club will be holding a Trick-or-Treat Dinner Dance on Wednesday, Oct. 26 from 5-9 p.m.

The event will take place in the East Activity Center Starlite Room.

Felice’s Delicatessen on US 19 will be catering with lasagna and meat balls. There will be yummy desserts and coffee.

However, you are more than welcome to bring one of your favorite drinks.

There will be a DJ for your dancing pleasure and a lot of time to enjoy with your friends and neighbors.

If you care to bring a gift for Kimberly Home Pregnancy Resource Center in Clearwater, we invite you to do so.

Kimberly Home has been in this



NY / NJ Club

area a long time. It is a non-profit pregnancy resource center that offers assistance to women and families in unplanned or troubling pregnancies. You are invited to bring a baby gift if you would like.

Come join us for this event. Buy your tickets in advance on Monday or Thursday mornings at the East Activity Center. Tickets are \$13 for members and \$15 for guests.

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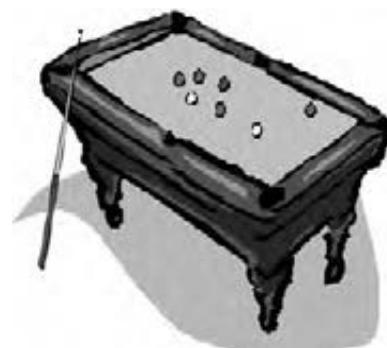
The Que'T Ladies Billiards League plays all of our games with a short rack, abiding by the regulation rules of eight ball and nine ball.

In other words, we don't use all 15 balls, which allows for a fun evening and gives everyone a chance to play several games.

Come out and join us on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the West Activity Center. We arrive early to warm-up and include new players at 6 p.m.

Hope to see you there.

Paulette Perrotta prepares a shot.



Que'T Billiards

Shuffleboard starts Oct. 3

Our first shuffleboard matches will be Monday, Oct. 3, at 1:30 p.m.

We also play on Thursdays at the same time, so consider joining us either day, or both days, through early spring.

No experience is necessary, and we have all skill levels represented.

It's a nice low-impact activity offering a little fresh air and some social interaction.

Please call Marge (727) 797-0625 or Bob (727) 729-7970 with any questions. See you soon!



**The Florida Orchestra
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If you see someone new on our course, striking a golf ball like a pro, it's probably our new resident

Thursday Golf

Each year On Top of the World welcomes many new residents.

The diversity of golf experience throughout the population will probably never be known, but our golfing world just got a big boost from one of our newest imports, Harry Barbin.

Harry and his partner, Deb Young, moved here from Pennsylvania early this year. Harry is the former owner of the Horsham Valley Golf Club. He still keeps active as Partner and President of the Chesapeake Bay Golf Club at North East Maryland and the Chesapeake Bay Golf Club at Rising Sun Maryland.

He founded the Horsham Valley Charities, which has donated more than \$160,000 for cancer research with local hospitals, renovated two apartments at Fox Chase Cancer Center for families to stay during treatment, donated to the Helping Hand Pet Fund of the local SPCA, and gave college scholarships to many juniors who were in need of funds.

Harry loves to play and teach the game of golf. He has been a PGA professional since 1980.

While belonging to the Philadelphia Section of the PGA, he was



Deb Young and Harry Barbin get ready to head out onto the course.

awarded Merchandiser of the Year for Public Golf Courses in Philadelphia.

He was a Junior Golf Leader and Youth Development Leader winner, and PGA Professional of the Year in 2003, for the Philadelphia Section.

Harry is looking to pursue his passion for helping golfers improve their games. He teaches mostly beginners, seniors and women.

Recently, he started volunteering at the Chi Chi Rodriguez Golf Course on McMullen Booth Road, working with the First Tee Program, teaching

juniors the game of golf.

Future plans are in the works for Harry to teach a free short game seminar sponsored by the Thursday Golf League for all interested OTOW residents.

If you have the good fortune of playing with Harry, you will understand why he is good at what he does. He is thoughtful, knowledgeable and knows that golf is a hard game to play.

He enjoys helping people with their games so they can improve and have fun on the golf course.

The wet weather continues to

hamper our off-season play. The week 12 winner was Steve Yauk. Clyde Hershberger finished second and Fred Schick took third place. Harry Barbin had low gross honors. Only two skins were taken by Don Leamy and Ron Parham.

Ron Parham edged out Steve Yauk in a tiebreaker to win week 13. Dutch Michael took third place. Bill Higgins had the hot putter, taking low gross and two skins. Paul Meyers, Joe Wisinski, Harry Barbin and Ron Parham had one skin each.

Our new season starts in early November. If you have been thinking of joining the Thursday Golf League, the summer is a great time to try us out. Fewer people play, so we get done earlier. All you have to do is show up between 9:30 and 10 a.m. any Thursday.

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

We play the course to a Par 67 using the USGA Stableford format. Men play from the blue tees where available. Women play from the red tees and yellow where available.

For information call Paul at 727-474-2344 or email blackdoggolfaol.com.

Now is the time to establish a handicap as league play will be starting soon

When I woke up this morning and opened the shades, I saw the sun shining and realized it was going to be a fine day.

Then I thought, today is also a good day to sit and pen my article for the October issue of our On Top of the World newspaper.

Next month I won't have as much time to write. Most of our friends and neighbors, who are spread about these great United States and those neighbors in Canada, will be back in Florida

soaking up the warm sunshine and ready to enjoy a winter full activities here in OTOW.

It won't be long before we get ready to elect new officers that will lead our Men's Golf Association into another year of great golf.

All members should keep an eye on the big green scoreboard/bulletin

Men's Golf

board next to the golf course parking lot for the upcoming schedule of events.

It will be posted as soon as it is finalized and accepted by the board. I've seen the preliminary draft and it looks great.

If you know any men that might be interested in joining our association, please bring them over and have them sign up. Soon, our numbers will be increasing with returnees and our new members. Everyone will have a

good chance to establish a handicap and can participate in our weekly play.

We always enjoy a lunch on the third Wednesday of the month after our monthly tournament. It could be a roast beef sandwich, a couple slices of pizza, hot dogs or a meatball hogie. Cold drinks, chips, cookies and beer are always on the menu. too.

There is plenty of fellowship to go around.

So, come join us.



OTOW LADIES 18-HOLE GOLF LEAGUE EVENT CALENDAR

October 2016

- 4: Winter Golf Season Begins
25: Board Meeting, 3 p.m., (2220 Swedish Drive Unit 20)
26: General Meeting, 9:30 a.m., WAC Sunrise Room

November 2016

- 8: Fun Scramble/Rules Seminar (Shotgun/Picnic)
30: Board Meeting, 9 a.m., (Location TBA)

December 2016

- 7: Holiday Brunch, 9:30 a.m., WAC Sunrise Room

January 2017

- 24: Charity Tournament (Rain Date: Jan. 31)

February 2017

- 8: Board Meeting, 9 a.m. (Location TBA)
15: General Meeting, 9:30 a.m., WAC Sunrise Room
21: Jack And Jill Tournament (Rain Date: Feb. 28)

March 2017

- 14: Handicap Tournament (Rain Date: March 15)
15: Handicap Tournament (Rain Date: March 21)
29: Spring Luncheon, Clearwater Country Club

April 2017

- 12: Board Meeting, 9 a.m. (Location TBA)
19: General Meeting, 9:30 a.m., WAC Sunrise Room

May 2017

- 23: Last Day Of Winter Golf Season (Shotgun/Picnic)

Clean your clubs - league play starts Oct. 14

By Terri Mikszenas

The league officers are ready and waiting for the season to begin on Tuesday, Oct. 4.

Are your clubs cleaned and ready to go?

Did you sign up yet?

Do you have a tee time?

If you answered "no" to any of the questions above, please call Jane Hanley at 727-799-4659. Jane is October's monthly chairperson, and although she won't help you clean up your clubs, she'll be happy to get you on the golf schedule.

Of course, your yearly dues must be paid first and you must have a current Activity Card to present at the window on your first day of the season.

If you haven't joined the league, our membership chairman, Sheila Mcneilly, will be happy to meet with you and to get you started. Just give her a call at 727-723-9470.

If play is ever in question because of weather, you may call 727-698-5898 after 7 a.m. on Tuesday morning to hear a recording about the status of play for the day. If play is cancelled, please remember to come by the golf course before 9 a.m. that day to sign up for the following Tuesday. Please don't leave a message on this phone as

Ladies 18-Hole

we are unable to access your message or return your call.

If you haven't already picked up your winnings from last season, please see Jane Hanley or ask at the window on Tuesday morning.

Our new officers are preparing for their first meeting of the season at 9:30 a.m. on Oct. 26 in the West Activity Center's Sunrise Room. If you are in town, you are politely urged to attend and show your support for our league, and of course, hear what's happening and what's being planned for the coming season.

Any other important information, not available at this time, will be posted on the golf league's bulletin board and/or on the league's Website at <http://www.otowladiesgolf.com/>. That's where you will also find contact names, tee times, important and timely changes and activities, and the calendar of events for the coming season.

We are all looking forward to a great season of friendship and fun on the links. Have a great season!

Remember: "Hit 'em straight, but try not to hit 'em often!"

Season starts Oct. 11

By Mary Ann O'Neil

Welcome back to our league members, who headed north for the summer months.

You probably thought you would escape the hot weather down here, but from what I have heard, the north had hot weather as well.

It's that time of year when we start preparing for some wonderful months of golf. So, those of you who have let the dust settle on your clubs, get the dust cloth out and get ready for a fun season.

Our season will start at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 11, which will be a fun day. Regular season starts on Tuesday, Oct. 18, so be sure to be at the golf course 30 minutes before your tee time.

Anyone who is interested in joining the Ladies 9-Hole Golf League should contact Mary Ann O'Neil at (727) 449-9243 for information.

We welcome all levels of golfers, so come out make new friends and enjoy our beautiful golf course.

Ladies 9-Hole

Softball meeting Oct. 4

By Bob Rittner

Do you know baseball history? Walter Johnson pitched 110 shutouts, the most in major league history. Who was second with 90 shutouts?

(Answer at end of article)

The On Top of the World softball season is about to begin. Our pre-season meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 4, 6 p.m. in the West Activity Center Sunrise Room.

We will begin play Tuesday morning, Oct. 11, at 8 a.m. at the Safety Harbor field.

New players are welcome. Just attend the meeting to get information or show up at the field and we will put you in the lineup.

For more information, you may

Softball

call: Tony Caputo 726-9248, Guy Bertuzzi 723-2307 or Bob Rittner 729-7970.

Answer to the question: Grover Cleveland "Old Pete" Alexander pitched 90 shutouts.

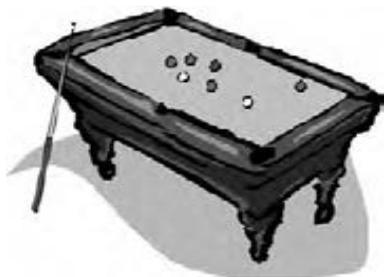
He also had 373 wins, tied with Christy Mathewson for third most in major league history. Cy Young had 511 wins and, you guessed it, Walter Johnson had 417 wins. All were righties.

Do you know who has the most career wins pitching left handed?

You can look it up or wait until next month for the answer.



New resident taking up billiards again after 50-year absence from game



Billiards

On Aug. 22 Tony D'Amico took first place in the A Flight despite not playing pool for almost 50 years.

Tony joined the Billiards Club in February when he and his wife moved to On Top of the World.

Tony was born in Sicily, moved to Manhattan, Brooklyn, Queens, upstate New York and resided in California before coming to Florida in 1989.

Tony has three children, including a daughter in Haines City, and another daughter and a son in New York.

Tony owned his own furniture business. His wife, Solange, was born in Brazil and enjoys playing mahjonn.

You can see Tony almost every afternoon sharpening his skill over in the pool room.

8-BALL

On Monday, Aug. 22 in A Flight, there was a three-way tie for first place between Tony D'Amico, Joe Gora and Andy Suhar.

Tony edged out the field for first place, Joe took second and Andy settled for third. In B Flight, Joe Wisinski captured first place. After a playoff between Henry Chapman and Mario Rodriguez, Mario prevailed to take second place.

On Aug. 29, in A Flight, there was a playoff between Charlie Cronk and Nick Sapienza. Charlie overtook Nick in the end. Tony Baker settled for third. In B Flight, Barb Sundberg took first place. There was a three-way tie for second and third places between Ron Baltrunas, Craig Burnette and Mario Rodriguez. After playoffs, Mario took second with Ron settling for third.



Tony D'Amico, originally from Sicily, gets ready to start a game of pool in the Billiards Room.

On Sept. 5 in A Flight, after a playoff between Joe Gora and Dave Williams, Dave captured first place. Mario Rodriguez took third. In B Flight, there was a playoff between Bill Griffith and Nick Sapienza. Bill edged out Nick to take first place. CJ Messina took third.

On Sept. 12 in A Flight, Joe Gora took first place. There was a playoff for second and third places between Don Sorensen and Joe Wisinski, Don took second. In B Flight Nick Sapienza walked away with first place, Joe Ventimiglia claimed second and after a playoff between Vinnie Martinez, Barb Sundberg and Terri Wittman, Barb took third place.

9-BALL

On Tuesday afternoon, Aug. 23, Ron Blaettner edged out the field to claim first place. After a playoff between Tony Baker, Tony D'Amico and

Andy Suhar, Tony Baker prevailed to capture second place.

On Aug. 30, Ron Blaettner once again captured first place with Tim Rush claiming second place. On Sept. 6, Howard Wilson walked away with first place honors. After playoffs between Tony Baker, Henry Chapman, Joe Gora and Tim Rush, Joe claimed second place.

On Sept. 13, Howard Wilson took first place for the second week in a row. After a playoff between Tony Baker and Andy Suhar, Andy claimed second place.

10-BALL

On Tuesday, Aug. 16, there was a playoff between Tony D'Amico and John Fier. John edged out Tony for first place. There was also a playoff for third place between Bill Griffith and Nick Sapienza. Nick took third place.

On Aug. 23, Denny Balderson

took first place. There was a tie for second and third places between Bill Griffith and Phil Perez. No playoff was held.

On Aug. 30, after a playoff between Craig Burnette and Joe Wisinski, Craig held off Joe for first place. Gene Baranowski settled for third.

On Sept. 13, Eddie Ramirez walked away with first place, Denny Balderson took second place and Ray Quirion settled for third place.

SCOTCH DOUBLES

On Thursday, Aug. 11, after a playoff between the team of Craig Burnette and Nick Sapienza, and the team of Gene Baranowski and Mario Rodriguez, Craig and Nick took first place. The team of Joe Ventimiglia and Joe Wisinski claimed third place.

On Aug. 18, the Billiards League played singles. After a playoff between Joe Ventimiglia and Joe Wisinski, Joe Wisinski captured first place. Ed Ramirez took third place.

On Sept. 8, the team of Ed Ramirez and Mario Rodriguez held off the competition by capturing first place, the team of Gene Baranowski and Nick Sapienza claimed second place and the team of Henry Chapman and Joe Wisinski took third place.

On Sept. 15, the team of Phil Perez and Joe Ventimiglia captured first place, the team of Joe Gora and new player Joe Vicano claimed second place, and the team of Gene Baranowski and Vinnie Martinez settled for third place.

A Flight plays 8-ball on Monday evenings, B Flight members play 8-ball on Tuesday evenings and Scotch Doubles is on Thursday evenings.

These tournaments start promptly at 6:30 p.m. There are 9-ball tournaments on Tuesday and Friday afternoons at 1 p.m. Ten-ball will resume in the spring.

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



This may look like Bob Seger and Cher singing on our On Top of the World stage, but it was actually the Mark Anthony Band Tribute Show on Sept. 22. Residents were treated a '80s-style concert. (OTOW News photos by Mary Lou Wall)

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Personal Safety Seminar offered valuable security tips



What do you notice as you look out your condo window, when you leave a community event, or even when you take out the trash? Anything suspicious? Anyone suspicious?

If you do, The Crime Prevention & Community Awareness Unit of the Pinellas County Sheriff's office wants to hear from you. That's the message we heard at last month's very informative "personal safety" seminar sponsored by On Top of the World's Community Service Office.

Although we always think of our community as a very safe place to live, there are many things we should/could be doing to make it even safer.

I attended the first seminar and found it very informative and useful with a variety of subjects discussed. When technology advances, so do criminal skills and scams, and many of these new "tricks" were discussed during the seminar.

Florida is the number one target for scammers and the Tampa Bay area is in competition with Orlando for the number one targeted region. So, now you know why everyone wants to sell to you, get your donation or check your computer over the phone.

OTOW has a no-solicitation rule: No one should be knocking on your door to sell you anything, including carpet cleaning, meat deals or any other kind of service. The no solicitation rule is for your protection,



Deputy Jessica Hughey and other personnel from the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office conducted a Personal Safety Seminar in September for OTOW residents. PCSO representatives will also be available at the OTOW Senior Expo on Nov. 5. (OTOW photo by Doug Kates)

so please don't let them in.

If you do feel unsafe or see someone suspicious, a quick phone call to 727-582-6200 or 911 will bring an officer to that location to check it out and ultimately add to the safety and security we feel in our neighborhood — and you can remain anonymous. Remember, this unit focuses on crime prevention. They want to be called *before* the crime is committed, to avoid the *after*.

For more information on this, you may visit the Pinellas County Sheriff

Office table on Saturday, Nov. 5 at the annual OTOW Senior Expo. And, while you are at it, they will also be collecting and safely disposing of your outdated and unwanted prescription medications, so bring them along.

Sadly, we must bid adieu and a fond farewell to Esther Vreeland who decided to make Denver, Colo., the only place that she'll call home. She and her legendary feline friend "Cindy" tried it out last winter and just loved it.

Besides being near one of her

sons and his family, she's made lots of friends there and has already involved herself in Mexican Train domino marathons. We'll miss you Esther, but are excited for your new adventure!

October seems to be the other June as far as weddings go. Lots of anniversaries to celebrate in my family. But, none more important to me than my own. Happy Anniversary to my husband of 42 years. You are not only my partner in adventure, you are my adventure! We've only just begun!



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Arizona anniversary trip took care of one bucket list item

Happy Halloween! Time for the decorations and buying that favorite candy just in case of trick or treaters. I like Butterfingers (hint-hint!).

Looks like the parking lots are beginning to fill up again. Bill Carey will be posting signs for the cocktail hour anytime now. Come join the social gathering and catch up on what everyone did over the summer.

Minnie and Dom Bucella recently celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary (see photo at far right). Now that's something to celebrate, and they did, in splendid style, with a trip to Sedona, Ariz., including the Grand Canyon, which was on Minnie's "bucket list."

This summer also found them in New York, welcoming the newest addition to the family, a terrific great-grandson. Travels to the Poconos and Cape Cod, Mass., rounded out their extended vacation.

Steve Mazurek continues wearing



various hats. Host, chauffeur for limo service to and from the airports and tour guide. The former are country club adjectives for "chief cook and bottle washer."

Steve had Viennese Villa decked out for Labor Day in flags. Where does he get the energy?

On Top of the World fared the hurricane in good shape considering how much rain fell. Pals saw flooded Clearwater streets on the Weather

Channel and thought we were floating away. Assured them all was fine at OTOW.

Spent Labor Day in Maine at the family lobster picnic. The weather was picture-perfect as were the dozens of lobsters. Also spent time in Boston as well as Boothbay Harbor.

Might be an early fall up there. Some maple trees are already changing colors. Has been an exceptionally dry, hot, summer in all of New England.

With the threat of Zika from mosquitoes. Florida might be well-served putting up bat houses to encourage the propagation of mosquito hungry bats. OTOW could start the ball rolling. Houses are easily built.

So hope OTOW has or will take under consideration sprinkling benches around for those who enjoy walking, however must rest more often. This would encourage better fitness and health plus an opportunity to enjoy our lovely surroundings.



Viennese Villa residents Minnie and Dom Bucella recently celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary with a trip to Arizona, which was on Minnie's bucket list.

Please remember to check core bulletin board for building notices and events. Happy Anniversary and Birthday to all of you celebrants.

Until next month that's about all the news fit to print. If you have any news you would like to share, send it along to fresca@maine.rr.com.

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This photo was inadvertently left out of the Brahman Building column in our September issue. It shows Paulette and Gus Perrotta in Passau, one of Bavaria's oldest towns, displaying a recent issue of the OTOW News. They were in front of a 14th-century town hall called "Rathaus." Passau is a university and river town which borders Germany and Austria. Paulette and Gus went on a Viking River Boat Cruise of the region in June.

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Featured residents are long-time Floridians

September arrived like a lion, made a lot of noise and rain, then moved on. Mother Nature reminded us that we are not immune to disaster.

On Sept. 11, 2001 we received a reminder that we are not immune to another kind of disaster. This kind of disaster has not moved on, but has served to unite us. We have rebuilt and honor the 9/11 heroes. This year we celebrated Grandparents Day on Sept. 11 as well as Patriots Day.

September brought us three more days of importance: POW/MIA Recognition Day, Constitution Day and the first day of fall.

I have a last-minute leftover from last month. On Aug. 26 six couples from the Azores enjoyed an early dinner at the Positano Restaurant in Palm Harbor. The outing was planned by Marie Pirrello. Great food and as always a great opportunity to visit.

I got to spend a little time interviewing Chuck and Carole Kilgore (see photo). Carole was born in Ohio and raised in Sarasota. Chuck was born in Tennessee. He was in the Navy when he met Carole on a blind date. They both realized that they had just met their soulmate and quickly married.

Chuck spent the first six months of married life at sea as an aviation sonar operator.

Shortly after the Navy, the couple lived in Dayton, Ohio. They



vacationed in Florida, stayed and never looked back!

They settled in Pompano Beach for 35 years, raising three sons. Two of the boys married Texas girls, the third remained in South Florida.

Chuck developed an extensive in-depth knowledge of sheet metal and became a super salesman.

They have been married 60 years and have seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Chuck and Carole are active members in the Azores community. Chuck enjoys our Tuesday night poker games and is responsible for many creative hands!

Tom and Marie Pirrello and John and Dolores Parham went cruising through New England, celebrating their wedding anniversaries. They enjoyed the beautiful fall colors and the opportunity to dine on lobster and clams.



Featured Azores residents Carole and Chuck Kilgore

Longtime resident and friend Katy Shivell dropped by to say "goodbye." She has moved to Pennsylvania to be with her sister. We will miss you, Katy.

We made a weekend trip to Houston to visit the large Chinatown there. We were also impressed with the "kamikaze" traffic! We enjoyed my favorite Chinese foods: Mapo Tofu and Dim-Sum. We even had the opportunity of enjoying a Chinese foot massage.

Watch the bulletin board for information on the Oktoberfest to be held at the German restaurant in Holiday on Oct. 22. Great Oktoberfest music and singing.



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August Baghdad dinner attendees at Carrabba's include (from left and going clockwise): Jackie McGann, Pat Cooper, Judy and Floyd Simpson, Pat McKlellan, Vicky Portsmouth, Jean Counts, Tom Portsmouth, Faye Theodore, Ann Miller, Dorothy Sica, Shirley Demers, Kathleen Clarkson and Mario and Lolita Rodriguez.

Newer residents get to meet and greet at building dinner

On Aug. 10, the Grecian Way Residents' Group held its first social with a dinner at Carrabba's Restaurant.

It was a wonderful evening filled with laughter and camaraderie. Many are looking forward to more gatherings, not limited to meals.

Newer residents had the opportunity to meet some of the older residents for the first time. Stories and travels were shared.

Judy and Floyd Simpson, recently back from Colorado, are a couple who you might call "jet setters." They frequently fly in and out of Denver, visiting family. Someone said, "They have one foot in Florida, and the other in Colorado."

Tom and Vicky Portsmouth are another couple who are in and out of state. They have family who live near Lexington, Ky., and at one time the Portsmouths had a small cabin located there.

Their Kentucky grandson just recently visited them and they spent busy days at the Rays games, the dog track and watching the Mermaid Show in Weeki Wachee.

Lolita and her husband, Maurice Rodriguez, Jacky McGann, and Kathleen Clarkson traded New York stories. All



agree that the state has the best Italian restaurants, delis and pastries in the United States.

It was nice to see Shirley Demers. We didn't see much of her lately because she had been busy planning her daughter's September wedding in Sarasota.

At this time, we would also like to say "congratulations" to Dillman Ralston, who celebrated his 97th birthday on Sept. 11. Dillman and his wife, Evelyn, have lived at On Top of the World for 13 years. Until recently, Dillman was an avid golfer, and his wife was an active member of The Jesters, Theater Workshop and Line Dancing. Congrats, Dillman!



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

By Cele Radeloff and Esta-Lee Schwartz

- The Married Women's Club was planning a visit to the Tampa Museum and lunch at the Valencia Restaurant. Cost was \$28. Guests were always welcome at the monthly meetings.
- The Pennsylvania Club held its monthly meeting at Leverock's on Clearwater Beach on Oct. 24, 1991. The annual Christmas party will be held at the Ramada Inn, Countryside.
- The Mid-Atlantic Club welcomed residents of Delaware, Maryland, Washington D.C., Virginia and West Virginia. Dues were \$2.50.
- The Wednesday Ballroom Dance classes, taught by Cliff and Althea Paterson, were a big success. Each dance was taught right from the beginning. Dances included the Fox Trot, Cha-Cha, Swing, Waltz and Tango.
- The Theater Workshop meeting had 66 members in attendance, with Ella Mae Crow presiding. The annual Flea Market will be held Oct. 25, 1991. The two Georges: George Clark and George Crow will auction off many choice items. Doors open at 9 a.m. This event always draws a large crowd.



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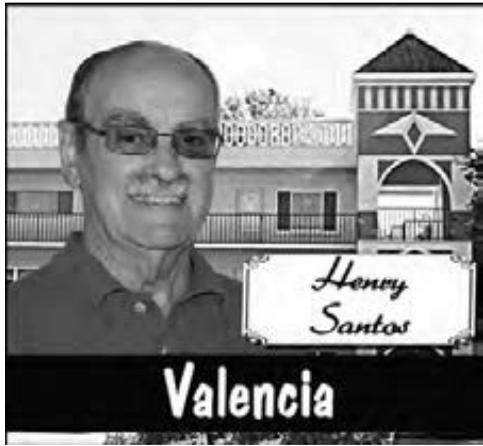


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Residents celebrate golden anniversary



Valencia residents Joe and Tanya Martinez celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 28 with family and friends.

In case any of you missed it, Joe and Tanya Martinez celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 28 with family and friends.

Yup, they were married on Aug. 28, 1966, in Tampa. Joe, the tall dark handsome Latin lover, and Tanya, the sweet bashful southern belle... well maybe not so bashful!

Joe started his career in banking in the 1950's in New York, then later with several banks in the Tampa area. He held many positions, leading up to branch manager and ultimately vice president.

Tanya had a career as a Lancome cosmetics manager for Maas Brothers, now Macy's. Her display counter was named number one in Florida and was used in a training video. She received high praise from the corporate president during his visit from France to her store. Way to go, Tanya!

They, along with Tanya's mom and dad, opened and operated a restaurant in Fairhope, Ala., called "The Square Rigger Inn" for eight years. Tanya oversaw the kitchen and menu duties and, along with her mother, booked the parties and special events.

Joe and Tanya's dad oversaw the day to day and bar operations. Joe, who was also the treasurer, "cooked" the books — I mean, took care of the books.

The restaurant was very successful and was featured in a June 1979 article in Southern Living. Quite a feat. Things were great until the city and

state decided to reroute the highway system and suddenly fewer and fewer customers came.

They decided to sell and resettle in Tampa in 1984.

Tanya let me in on the secret of Joe's magnetic personality. He had taken a Dale Carnegie course and did so exceedingly well that he was asked to join as an instructor's aide.

They have been living at On Top of the World for five years now and are very involved in the building luncheons and group activities and outings.

Finally, "Who is that Mystery Person" from last month?

It was none other than Lillian Klant. Again, only a few people got this one, and I have observed that one couple in our building has guessed nearly every one correctly.

This month's mystery person's first name is included in the following statement, "Thy lavender hero's."

Help protect residents from the 'grandparent scam'

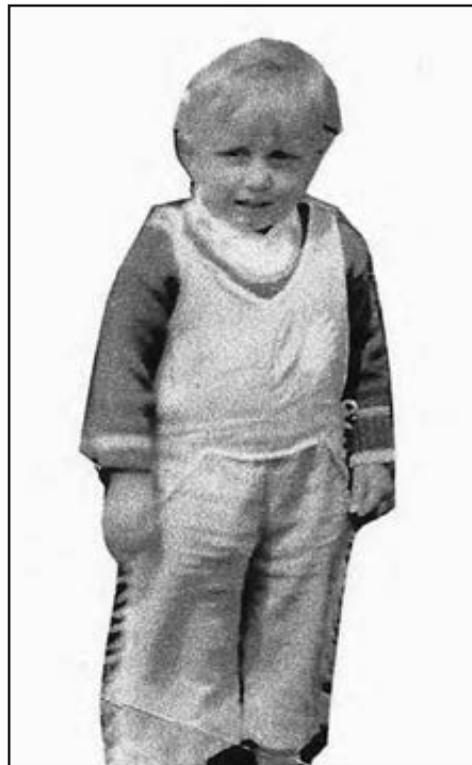
Within the past few years, individuals featured in this newspaper were contacted by phone that a grandchild was in jail and needed bail money.

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

However, the phone call was a scam to try to get the grandparents to fork out large sums of cash. Investigators believe the scammers may have read this newspaper online to gather information.

Since the first such incident, the OTOW News is requesting that building writers no longer list the names and locations of children or grandchildren in stories. All residents should be aware that this is a common scam everywhere — not just at On Top of the World.

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



Valencia's "Mystery Person of the Month." See story for clue.

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Maine vacation offered cool getaway for resident



Mary Lou Wall spent a week visiting a long-term friend at his summer getaway house in Lubec, Maine.

She flew to Bangor, Maine and her friend drove 118 miles to pick her up and, of course, the same to take her back for her return flight. She had a marvelous time and has a number of interesting photos to help her tell about it (see photo at top right).

Her friend's house is right across from the bridge to Campobello Island (Franklin Delano Roosevelt's former home).

The little town has a monument to "The Lost Fisherman," which she passed every day on the way to a local tavern to relax and play pool. Also nearby was an ice cream shop with the great name: "Love at First Light,"



This lighthouse photo was taken by Mary Lou Wall during her August trip to Maine.

a bakery out of the baker's home, a picturesque old lighthouse nearby, etc.

They went hiking in the Hamilton Cove preserve, which had rickety, improvised foot bridges to help get through swampy terrain. They also saw the preparations for the annual Black Fly Festival at Bad Little Falls Park.

They visited the Burnham Tavern Museum in Machias, Maine, which was built in 1770. The tavern was witness to the capture of a ship in the first naval battle of the Revolutionary War.

They even went to Canada to visit the Ganong Chocolate Museum,



Mary Lou Wall spent some of her vacation leisure time looking through the OTOW News. Here she is in Lubec, Maine. (Photos courtesy of Mary Lou Wall)

factory and store in St. Stephens, Canada (sounds like a great place to visit, since there were chocolate samples

throughout). The museum had a tree with cocoa pods hanging from it with a sign that read "Odds and Pods."

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Siboney reporter glad to be back writing again

After a short duration, it's nice to be back. The September issue of the OTOW News was the first time in 25 years that we did not have a Siboney building column.

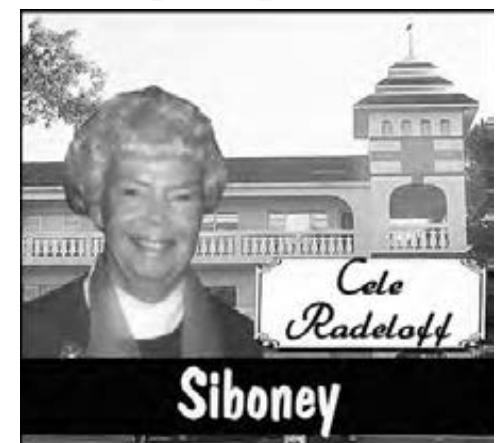
Many thanks to everyone for their get-well wishes.

Mary Jane and Ralph DeVoe have returned, as well as Mike and Lillian Foy, our president.

We have a new fan in the laundry room, thanks to concerned neighbors Betty Moravec, Joe Morrissey and Rita Tombari, our treasurer, who purchased it. Enjoy — compliments of the Siboney Club.

Neighbors, do you know you can get a loaner wheelchair, walker or cane from the Community Service Office (683-6981) in the East Activity Center? My wheelchair was brand new. Many thanks, Nancy!

In our Siboney building, we have a wheelchair, several walkers and a few canes in the ground-floor storage room on the odd side. Just return them when no longer needed.



On the agenda: Our first Siboney building meeting will be Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 7 p.m. in the Sunrise Room. Come and meet your neighbors. We are nice people and we do serve refreshments!

Just a reminder about our Christmas party, which will be held on Thursday, Dec. 8, at Island Way. Two buses will pick us up. More details next month.

See you at the October meeting and again at this same spot in the paper next month. Happy Halloween!

Big welcome for a couple of new BFH residents

A small group of Brittany Farmhouse residents celebrated Labor Day weekend with a potluck enjoying BBQ pork loin, delicious salads and the company.

It's not always the more the merrier. Sometimes it's good to be with fewer people.

Beth Dentinne and Jerry Thomas had company from Beth's oldest son and two of her grandchildren from the Washington D.C. area.

The oldest had to stay home. He is a gifted viola player and had to attend a concert he would not miss.

A week later Beth and Jerry took a trip to Hilton Head Island to meet with Beth's other two sons and their kids. They had a great time together and were lucky that Hermine had passed already and the weather couldn't be better.

We welcome new resident, Sally Broughton. She moved here from Atlanta where she worked for the Salvation Army's Seminary as an educator for more than 20 years.

Sally was born in Kansas and is a certified music therapist. She has a son and a daughter and two grandchildren.

Now she enjoys her life in Florida,



although On Top of the World is not new to her. Her late father owned the condo she bought.

Also hello and welcome to BFH Dolores Brauer. Dolores was born in Ontario, Canada. She and her late husband came to the United States 36 years ago. They had a restaurant in Pinellas Park for 20 years.

Dolores has been a wedding planner for about 30 years. She loves to cook and she bakes her own bread.

She has a daughter, a grandson and two great-grandkids.

Dare to scare — it's Halloween Oct. 31!

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New park bench offers a shady relief for residents

The inviting new park bench that “sprouted” one day beneath our oak shade trees has become a great gathering spot.

Nagoya neighbors visit and acquaintances are made with other On Top of the World neighbors who meander by and stop to sit a spell. It’s hard not to relax and enjoy our enviable views across the golf course. Thank you, OTOW, for the new bench!

Nagoya residents have been packing up and travelling. Family and friends beckoned Phyllis Brooks back to her hometown, Philadelphia, Pa., for several weeks.

A whirlwind of activities and visits were topped by a grand birthday party for her only brother. His 10 children were all present to celebrate the festivities in nearby Princeton, N.J.

Phyllis enjoyed reuniting with her many nieces and nephews. She worked in visits with several old friends in Philadelphia where she grew up. Her trip was rounded off with an entertaining dolphin watching boat cruise.

Lorraine Newton-John headed to Indianapolis, Ind., to spend time



with her daughter and to cheer on her favorite pro football team in a preseason game. Her travels also took her to the magnificent Niagara Falls. An adventurous boat trip at the falls was a bit nail-biting!

Craig and Heidi Burnette are enjoying their new lives together as husband and wife. They traveled to Raleigh, N.C., to attend a Keith Urban concert. Their return route was made through Gatlinburg, Tenn. They enjoyed postcard views of the Smoky Mountains from the Deer Ridge Mountain Resort.



Sisters Patricia Pellicane (left) and Edith Weilmann (right), stop to enjoy Nagoya’s new park bench while walking their dog, Scamp. Both are longtime OTOW residents. Patricia has resided in Nagoya for 22 years and Edith has been a resident for 15 years.

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Wisconsin winters encouraged resident to relocate to OTOW

By Kathleen Santosuosso

Just how many current On Top of the World residents are second or third generation? More than you think, and this column will highlight them on a regular basis.

Dianne Dvorak

Dianne Dvorak has been coming to On Top of the World for the last 31 years. The first 19 of those yearly visits were family vacations to stay with her mother, Olive "Eva" Marinconz, who had grown tired of Wisconsin winters. She wanted more out of life, along with a healthy dose of sunshine and friendship.

Nine years after Olive retired, she spoke with a friend who already lived at OTOW and loved it.

Dianne's brother, Bob, brought Olive down to Clearwater in 1985. Olive loved OTOW, too, and bought her condo in the Gables immediately. The location was perfect for her: close to the East Activity Center and all the action.

From that point forward, Olive became a Snowbird and returned to



Dianne Marinconz Dvorak and husband Rich with their children on Easter Sunday, 1989.

played 500 Rummy, and enjoyed many house card parties.

Along with her best friend in the building, she went to the "Super 60's" outside of OTOW.

She also loved the shows, the Jesters and Bingo on Mondays.

Once or twice a year, Dianne and Rich would visit at Easter, Christmas, or in October. Their children slept on the floor (when they were older, the family stayed in a nearby hotel).

Olive and the family visited Busch Gardens, Clearwater Beach, Celebration Station, Pirate's Cove (for mini-golf), Hungry Howie's, Countryside Pizza and Frenchy's. How many OTOW grandchildren have fun memories of these area destinations? Quite a few!

Today, Dianne and Rich's children are grown and bring their own children to the Gables. There are nine people



Long-time Gables resident Olive "Eva" Marinconz poses with her grandchildren at On Top of the World on Easter Sunday, 1989.

now: three grandchildren and six adults, so Dianne and Rich rent a condo on Clearwater Beach for the week and everyone stays there for Christmas every other year.

Dianne's adult children get a kick out of taking their children to the same places they frequented as kids, including the ferry to Caladesi Island for shelling and bird-watching, and Busch Gardens, and especially the East Activity Center pool and shuffleboard.

So the tradition continues, only now the family has added watching sunsets on Clearwater Beach from the

deck of their rented condo and golfing with their son at OTOW.

Snowbirds Dianne and Rich enjoy themselves when their family is not visiting. They have fun biking, golfing, and participating in baby boomer activities at OTOW. Also, they both love music and going to area music festivals, such as the Safety Harbor Songfest.

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



Mother Olive "Eva" Marinconz and daughter Dianne Dvorak at Clearwater Beach in June of 1999.

Wisconsin every summer to stay with Dianne and her husband, Rich, in their large home. Olive helped Dianne with the children when they were young and enjoyed all of their baseball games.

Olive got involved in the OTOW Singles Club, ran a Cribbage Club,

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Writer has made multiple trips to his beloved Graceland

There are places we always intend to visit but never quite do, and then there are those that mean so much to us that we go more than once.

This August was the latter case as I made my fourth trip to Elvis Presley's Graceland, in Memphis, Tenn.

Since it opened to the public in 1982, Graceland has become the second most visited house in America, after the White House (see photo).

Some 600,000 people visit each year, and they recently recorded their 20 millionth visitor. Though any time of year is a good time to be there, Elvis Week, which runs from Aug. 8-16, which is when the most devoted fans come.

I can't describe here everything that happens at that time, but there are interviews, lectures, and musical sessions on the main stage all week. They deal with all aspects of Elvis' life and career. One of the highlights was a rousing session of gospel songs performed by those who worked with and were inspired by Elvis and his love of gospel music.

The key event is the candlelight vigil held in front of Graceland on Aug. 15 (see photo). Thousands of people filled the street, holding candles, listening to his music, and then filing past his grave into the night. Even a



steady rainfall could not dampen the emotions and bonding of the people of all ages, from all over the world.

One might wonder if this phenomenon will ever diminish since it is now 39 years after his death.

A 460-bed guest house is opening there in October. It will have a 464-seat theater and two restaurants. A \$45 million entertainment complex is being constructed across the street.

A recent album of his songs paired with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra sold 1.5 million copies.

The King still lives, and I know I'll be back.

Photos by
Pat Ellingham



Above: Graceland mansion in Memphis, Tenn., is well-known as Elvis Presley's former home and estate. A devoted fan, Viking reporter Pat Ellingham has visited there at least four times. He visited there in August. Below: A night-time candlelight vigil was held the evening of Aug. 15 during Elvis Week. Note that the steady rain did not deter these rabid fans.



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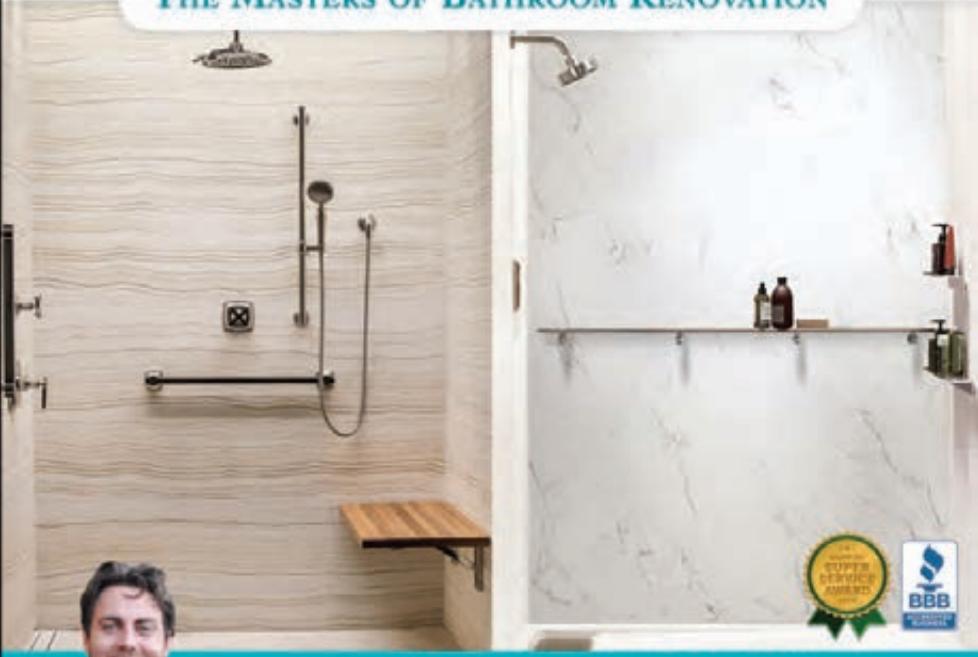
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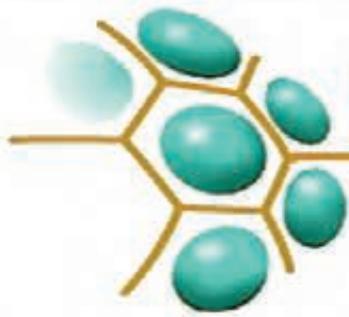
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Building paint project interrupted by Hurricane Hermine

Tropical Storm Hermine, which turned into a hurricane, was, for many of our residents, their first close encounter with such a storm, so each of us, new or old should always make sure of our emergency preparations.

Just prior to the stormy week, the Chetnik building received a fresh coat of paint, as did the laundry room, trash room and core areas. New ceiling lights were also installed outside our units.

Treatment of second and third floor walkways should begin again in November, although we are not quite sure when our building will receive the treatment.

Among our new neighbors are Beth and Jim Calvert. They moved to the Clearwater area from Richmond, Va., about 22 years ago. They are avid bicyclists and quite the adventurers.

As recently as three years ago Jim



and Beth road their bikes from Maine to Key West Florida; a 53-day, 2,273-mile journey. Their current plans are to travel on their bikes on Route 66 from Chicago to the Santa Monica Pier in California, roughly 2,400 miles.

Also moving permanently into the Chetnik are David and Diana

Walker, second-generation On Top of the World residents. Diana is Paul and Claire Bruyere's daughter. Dave and Diana moved to Clearwater two years ago from Tyler, Texas. I will try to catch up with our other newer residents in future articles.

We are planning to have monthly get-togethers at local restaurants during the coming months. Keep an eye on the elevator bulletin board for sign-up sheets. We are also planning a core party sometime in November or December. More information will be posted when a date is finalized.

Please help to keep the trash / recycling room clean and organized. If you have large boxes, please break them down and place them behind or to the side of containers so they do not cause an overflow.

If you have large items to dispose

of which are not part of the trash/recycle program, you can make arrangements with the OTOW management office or Paul Bruyere, our building coordinator, who has offered to help make disposal arrangements.



Anytime you're driving on OTOW property, please observe the 20 mph speed limit.

PLEASE DO NOT PARK

Never park your vehicle on the driveway at the front entrance of the EAC!

Thank you

ATTENTION WEST-SIDE DRIVERS

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

LOOK FOR PEDESTRIANS

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

Featured residents hail from Long Island

Hello from Rila Renaissance. We would like to congratulate our neighbor James (Jim) Schery on his retirement.

Jim and Marianne Schery lived in Long Island, N.Y. for many years. They moved to Pennsylvania, where they lived for a while. About a year ago, they moved to On Top of the World. Jim wasn't ready to retire, so he worked in Baltimore, Md., as a programmer until his retirement.

Marianne's brother lived in OTOW, so they knew much about our community and liked it. The community has so much to offer with many clubs, golf courses, shows, pools and exercise classes.

They also enjoy going to the dog park with their dog, Trey (see photo at right). Trey is a rescue dog that Jim and Marianne adopted when he was 4 years old. Trey was an abused dog and it took a while for him to trust most people. He is 11 now and everyone in our building loves when he is on his walk and greets them.

Jim and Marianne have been married for 43 years. They have a son and daughter. This past May, their first grandchild was born. "It's a boy!"

Congratulations, Jim, on your retirement. Enjoy it and congrats again on the birth of your grandson.

Gerri Jaeger and Richard Maxwell just returned from another adventure. They flew to Seattle, Wash., and rented an RV. They met up with Gerri's son and family who live in Seattle and who followed with their camper.

Their first stop was Mount Rainier in Washington. From there, they drove



Rila Renaissance featured residents Jim and Marianne Schery and their dog, Trey. (Photo by Bill Bergen)

to Glacier National Park, Mont. The next stop was Canada. They stopped in Alberta, Canada to visit the Ice Fields (see photo at top right).

From there, they went to Jasper, Canada where they saw a huge glacier. Unfortunately, the glacier is receding very quickly. After their trip, they



Gerri Jaeger and Richard Maxwell and their grandson at the Ice Fields in Alberta, Canada. (Photo by Gerri Jaeger's son)

stopped at Gerri's sons for a while and then flew home.

Gerri and Richard, you are remarkable people. Keep on traveling as often as you can. They say "life is too short."

Neighbors, don't forget to check your bulletin board for notices from our building captain.

Around the end of October, there will be a pizza get-together outside. This is compliments of the building treasury. Please sign up so we know how many pizzas to order. We hope you can attend and meet some of our new neighbors and renew old acquaintances.

Enjoy celebrating Columbus Day and have a Happy Halloween! Don't forget to send me some news!

ATTENTION OWNERS WHO RENT OUT THEIR UNIT

CONDOMINIUM OWNERS WHO DIRECTLY RENT THEIR UNIT must request necessary forms for securing Condominium Association approval and Recreation Cards for their tenants.

Written requests must include building number, apartment number and address of the apartment.

Requests must also include a legal-sized, self-addressed, stamped envelope for return mail.

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

Trip to Scotland was perfect surprise anniversary gift

Iguazu Falls, Cuba, and now Scotland! Cheryl and Gary Miller celebrated their 50th anniversary with a trip to Scotland in August. The trip was one Cheryl wanted to make for a long time because her mother had been born there. But the trip had languished on her bucket list.

Gary took matters into his own hands to make his wife's wish come true. He made all the plans, arrangements, and paid for the trip, somehow keeping the secret from Cheryl. He presented her with the gift when they went out to dinner on their anniversary. To say she was surprised is an understatement!

While Scotland has a reputation for having gray, damp weather, it was perfect, in the 70's, when the Millers were there. They believe they brought the beautiful weather with them! In Edinburgh they were impressed with how well the Scottish people have maintained the historical buildings rather than tearing them down and replacing them with modern structures.



It is a city rich in tradition and history.

The Millers were on a tour which enabled them to see all the most famous sights in Scotland: St. Andrews where golf was invented (though Gary didn't get to make so much as putt there), the Scottish Highlands and the Isle of Skye. The countryside with its hills and heather were beautiful. They even spent two nights in a real castle, the historic Airth Castle.

The highlight of the trip was seeing the Royal Edinburgh Military

Tattoo, an iconic and spectacular display of precision music, dance, performed by British Armed Forces, Commonwealth and International military bands, and display teams.

Mark your calendars for Octoberfest and holiday get-togethers. The building coordinators have planned an Octoberfest party for Saturday, Oct. 8, from 4-7 p.m.. Signs and sign-up sheets are already up on both bulletin boards, so please sign up so we know how many people to plan for.

We also have a holiday get-together planned for Dec. 10, from 4-7 p.m., so mark your calendars now, because December calendars fill up fast! Details for this event will be announced.

If you haven't paid your dues for 2016, please contact our building treasurer, Arlene Mansfield. We'll start collecting 2017 dues in January, but if you'd like to pay early, contact Arlene.

We are still having a problem with residents dumping construction material and old appliances in the north



Cheryl and Gary Miller on their anniversary trip to Scotland.

trash room. Parkway Management will not remove these items, some of which have been there for over two months.

If you are remodeling or cleaning out your condo, it is your responsibility to get rid of the items. If the items are usable, you can donate them to a charity. If the items are not usable, you must hire someone to take them. Paint cans, old appliances, construction debris, etc., cannot be left in either the trash room or in the open areas.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation in keeping our building looking beautiful!

Original residents learned of OTOW from visiting Mom



I often try to tell you how original Espana residents got here. There are only seven of us left.

Millie and Fred Anderson lived in New Jersey. They both worked for New Jersey Bell South. Fred's mother lived in Clearwater.

Once, when Millie had surgery, she came down to spend time with her mother-in-law while she recuperated. That's how they became acquainted with On Top of the World.

During their many visits to Clearwater, they decided that eventually they would like to live here.

When they both retired, they decided that was time to move to Florida. They went to the OTOW office and found out that Espana was to be built in the orange grove by the lake.

They decided that they would purchase the end condo, which at the time was to be a Regency. They went back to New Jersey to sell their house.

They received a call from OTOW that the end condo was changed to a Viceroy and did they want it. They

decided to take the condo next to the end of that wing. While their condo was being built, they made several adjustments to the interior layout.

For many years, Fred was the treasurer for the Espana Building Association.

Incidentally, if you enjoy the wooden bench, the plaque and metal trees on the wall behind the bench in the lobby, it was Millie who did the shopping and chose those items. Thank you, Millie.

Virginia Rudolph's daughter came from Indiana to visit. They went to Punta Gorda to visit a friend of Virginia's whose husband worked with Virginia's husband for over 20 years. They enjoyed sightseeing, antique shopping and just visiting.

Barbara Brown and her sister from Bradenton have just returned from a trip to Kentucky and Ohio. They were raised in Mt. Vernon, Ky., and their church, the Burnett Chapel, holds a yearly homecoming for all prior and current members. They enjoyed seeing old friends.

After that, they went to Ohio to spend time with their family. Each year when they visit, the family has a picnic on their last Sunday there. Lots of cousins, nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, etc. all attend. Barb said it was great to see them all again.

Marie and Aldo Delu are now the great-grandparents of a little boy. He is their first great-grandchild. They have recently returned from Richmond, Va., where they went to see him. Congratulations to all of you, and I know you will be making many more trips to Richmond!



Sophia Kugeares poses with her sixth-grade grandson, whose school ranked 13th out of 160 in the U.S. following a national academic tournament for middle schools. He himself ranked 81 out of 852 participating students.

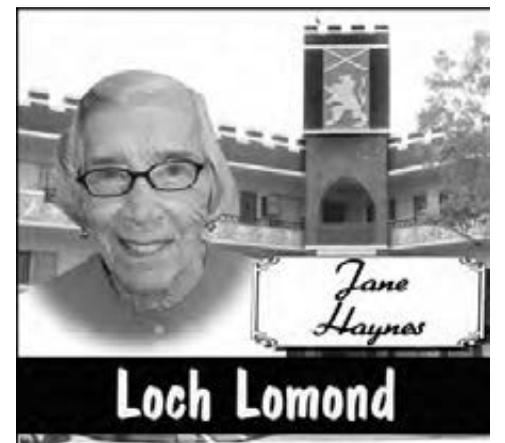
Grandson does well in national academic tourney

Sophia Kugeares took time off from her busy schedule to attend the National Academic Quiz Tournament for Middle Schools in Atlanta in May, where her grandson was representing his school, James Weldon Johnson Middle, Jacksonville, Fla.

The youngster was the only sixth-grader on his team of five students.

His school ended up ranking 13th out of 160 schools from all over the country. The grandson ranked 81 out of 852 students who participated. Not bad for a beginner!

His areas of specialization include Geography, American and



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Needless to say, Sophia is extremely proud of her young man!

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GOOD NEIGHBORS

Looking forward to the winter holiday season

Now that summer is coming to a close, we are looking forward to some drier and cooler weather.

Our residents are planning parties, meetings and a variety of other activities to keep us busy for the coming months.

Labor Day and the 9/11 observances are in the past and we are looking forward now to Halloween and Thanksgiving and the Christmas holiday season.

We have three new residents, two which have four legs and are as cute as a button (see photo). They are "Lucas" and "Star" (the baby), two little adorable Yorkie/Poos, who have captivated the whole complex with their cute antics and movements.

The ladies of Flamenco met for their monthly luncheon, resuming our meetings after summer hiatus.

It was nice to see Dawn Rubio attend once again. She is doing very well.

"Give a smile today — watch it return!"



Say hello to new residents "Lucas" and "Star," shown with Elaine Whaley (L), and Shirley Crowder.



Cool N.C. mountain resort offered summer relief

Lois Rockwell, an avid quilter, had a busy summer.

She and one of her quilting friends drove to Trenton, Fla., to visit some antique quilt shops. While in that area, they drove to Cedar Key and went shopping in another quilt shop. These ladies are serious quilters!

Lois also visited a resort in Beach Mountain, N.C. Two ladies from an exercise group that Lois belongs to flew with her to Asheville, N.C.

Another exercise buddy and her husband picked the ladies up at the airport and drove them to the resort. The elevation is quite high at the top of the mountain, so it was a cool spot to spend a week.

There are 70 units there that get quite a bit of use in the winter as a ski resort. Getting a meal means traveling down the winding mountain road. It can be a treacherous ride at night when it is dark as there are no street lights.

The group went on a guided tour to the Lindville Caverns, which were opened for public touring in 1937. During the Civil War soldiers used the caverns to hide from the enemy.



Fifty-two degrees was the inside temperature of the caverns — a nice break from the summer heat!

There was a Farmers Market in Banner Elk, which was at the bottom of the mountain. They had a kite contest and an outdoor concert featuring music from the '70s and '80s. It was a relaxing week for all.

A week after Lois returned home, she was off again on another trip. This time she was headed up North to visit with family. We're glad she's back now.

The idea of retirement is to go while you are able. Lois is certainly living the dream!

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Some background on October holidays

The end of summer was Sept. 22, but it sure does not feel like fall is here yet.

Hopefully now that autumn is here, the weather just might cool down a little. With October now here, the holidays are coming upon us fast.

There actually are several holidays in October. I am going to list just a few below and a little history on each.

Rosh Hashanah occurs on Oct. 2 this year. It is the Jewish New Year. Rosh Hashanah literally translates to the "Head of the Year." It is a two-day festival that starts with lighting of the candles and synagogue prayers. On the eve of Rosh Hashanah, it is traditional to eat an apple dipped in honey to signify a sweet new year to come.

Columbus Day, Oct. 10, is the celebration of the arrival of Christopher Columbus, an explorer who discovered the Americas for the Spanish King in 1492. In 1937, President Franklin D. Roosevelt declared Oct. 12 as Columbus Day. Columbus Day now occurs on the second Monday in October each year.



Yom Kippur, Oct. 12 (the Day of Atonement) is the last day to atone our sins of the Ten Days of Repentance, which starts on the New Year (Rosh Hashanah).

Jews seek to purify their souls on this day by abstaining from common pleasures. It is a fast day from the eve until the next day nightfall (25 hours). No food or drink is permissible.

For many Orthodox Jews, most of Yom Kippur is spent in prayer in the Synagogue.

Halloween, Oct. 31, also called All Hallows' Eve, occurs on the eve of the Western Christian celebration of All Hallows' or All Saints Day, a day set aside to honor all the saints of Christendom. Halloween is also a popular celebration with ties to the Celtic festival of Samhain, to celebrate harvest's end.

In the United States, this is a popular holiday for young and old and involves dressing up in costumes, harvest parties, and "trick or treating."

Please remember: If you are out and about on Halloween, be careful and watch out for the children that are out there trick or treating.

Please supply me with information about yourself or things you may be doing, so I can write about you in my column, if you'd like.

Remember to check the bulletin board for upcoming information. Don't forget to check the On Top of the World newspaper for the calendar of events, and please remember to patronize our newspaper advertisers.

A good feeling to be able to help each other

Summer is a hot and humid memory. Now we look forward to the reason we are in Florida. The weather will get better day by day.

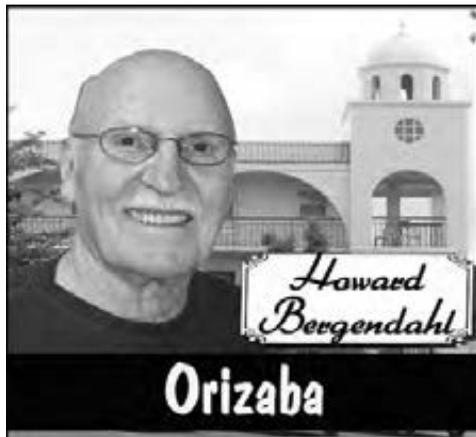
During this month of October, we will be celebrating Columbus Day, Halloween, the beginning of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

Last month we enjoyed our monthly luncheon at Sunset Grill. As usual, the food was good and the company even better.

During the luncheon for August at the Lucky Dill, it was brought to our attention that Bill Rothfarb was experiencing his 75th birthday. A rousing rendition of "Happy Birthday" was sung by all attending plus a few other diners.

Welcome to Steven Greenwald, a new resident of our building.

Welcome back to Jeff and Valerie Harris. They are returning after a sojourn in Great Britain.



Remember that we are all here to help each other. If you see someone in need of assistance, jump right in and help. You will feel better and the one you are helping will definitely appreciate it. Each resident is issued a phone list, so if you need help, be sure to use it.

Make an effort to know your neighbors and be aware of pending emergencies, whether they be a shoulder to lean on or a ride to the store.

The truth is not always received well. A young boy (me) was asked by my teacher "What animal is your favorite?" I replied "Fried chicken." "Not funny," she said, and sent me to the principal's office.

I told him what happened and he laughed but said "Don't do it again."

The next day my teacher asked me what my favorite live animal was and I said "Chicken." She asked me why, and I said "Because you can make fried chicken from it." "Not funny," she said, but the class laughed. The principal laughed and said "Don't do it again."

I don't understand. My parents taught me to be honest at all times, and I like chicken and beef and even pork.

The next day the teacher asked me who my favorite military person was and I said "Colonel Sanders." Guess where I am now!

We welcome all our winter residents back to a great place to be — Florida!

A Note For Dog Walkers

When picking up after your dog, do not throw plastic bags down the storm drains. This is against the law.

Be sure to always clean up while walking your dog.

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New England is favorite vacation spot for these residents

Let's all welcome October! Hopefully we will enjoy a little dryer, cooler weather. I look forward to seeing the fall pumpkins out and some fall arts and craft festivals in our area.

Many of us did get away for some interesting and fun vacations.

For example, one of our Rio Riviera residents, Connie Laite, spent July and part of August on Cape Cod visiting with her children and grandchildren in Massachusetts.

Connie has four children up north and two children in Florida — the best of both worlds! During her visit, two of her daughters and three granddaughters took a trip to Old Quebec, Canada. They had a wonderful time spending time at the famous Le Chateau Frontenac Hotel (see photo at right), touring the countryside, visiting the Cathedral of St. Anne de Beaupre' and taking a boat tour on the St. Lawrence River.

Connie's daughter and three granddaughters drove Connie back to Florida. They had a great week here enjoying the beaches, especially the 90-degree water, since Cape Cod's water temperature is usually in the 60's or 70's.

Jim and Mary Ann O'Neil, who also live in Rio Riviera, headed up to Dover, N.H., in August and enjoyed time with their two sons and their families. The idea of heading north in



Rio Riviera resident Connie Laite toured parts of Quebec in August with five of her daughters and granddaughters. This is the Le Chateau Frontenac Hotel in Old Quebec.

the summer is to enjoy some of the cooler temperatures. However, that didn't happen! Temps were in the high to the mid-90's with the high humidity which they thought they left in Florida.



The Longhorn Steakhouse in Palm Harbor was the place to be for the September Rio Riviera building dinner. Kudos to Rene Holley, who organized the affair.

Their days and evenings were kept busy with their three grandchildren: attending football jamborees for their 10-year-old grandson, getting senior class pictures with their granddaughter, and getting another granddaughter ready to head back to New England College for her junior year.

They also celebrated Jim's birthday on Aug. 27 with a cookout at their son's home with family and friends attending. Jim's 55th Dover High School class reunion was held the next day, and it was great meeting up with classmates and reminiscing

about all the fun times in high school.

The good neighbors in the Rio Riviera building got together in September for dinner at the Longhorn Steak House in Palm Harbor (see photo, above). Those in attendance were Bob Harle and Tom Borris, Anna Georgiadis, Dennis and Karen Heaphy, Rene Holley, Al and Fran Kroll, Connie Laite and Paul Lovely, Margaret Morgan, Jim and Mary Ann O'Neil, Tom and Sandra Richarme, and Ann Tester. A big "thank you" goes to Rene Holley for organizing this social.

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Summer wraps up with visits, birthdays



The Bohemian women's August outing was a trip to St. Petersburg for lunch at Moon Under Water.

After lunch, the girls browsed through the shops at the Sundial. This sounds pretty mundane but against odds, the entire group came home not carrying a single package. The husbands were extremely happy.

This summer the Volenbergs, our 36-year homeowners, each celebrated a birthday. Mike turned 92 and still sports his charming smile. Emmy turned 82 and celebrated her birthday for two days, each day spent with one of her daughters. The best part Emmy claims was not having to cook!

Nancy Kennedy's daughter Kelly, her two granddaughters and two great-grandchildren, all from Illinois, came to visit Grandma (see photo).



Family members of Nancy Kennedy came to visit from Illinois recently. Here they all are in front of the OTOW globe. (Photo courtesy of Nancy Kennedy)

The four generations had a great time visiting Pier 60, where Nancy's great-granddaughter got her hair braided. They also had a photo op in front of the OTOW globe, which has been a family tradition since 1978.

As for her great-grandson, this was his first trip to Florida. He was astounded at the size of the biggest "sandbox" he had ever seen.

Our building celebrated Labor

Day with its annual potluck dinner. The food provided by the residents was outstanding. And the white elephant exchange was humorous as always. The rain did not dampen the fun as everyone grabbed their chairs and headed for the core. Reflecting over the years, we can't remember the last time we were rained on. Regardless, a good time was had by all, and we look forward to our next event.

OTOW Boat Owners & Future Boat Owners

- All boats must be registered through the Community Service Office.
- Registration fees of \$10 are due by the beginning of March, yearly.
- Boats will be assigned a rack spot number upon registration.
- Boats must be registered before they can be stored at Lake Arbor.
- Maximum kayak/canoe length is 16 feet. Maximum Jon boat length is 14 feet.
- All watercraft must be maintained in seaworthy condition.
- Unregistered boats are subject to removal and impound.
- The management company is not responsible for theft or damage to stored watercraft.

PLEASE ADVISE YOUR GUESTS LAUNDRY HOURS ARE 8:00 A.M. til 8:00 P.M.

THE OTOW BUS COMES DIRECTLY TO YOU!

For reservations, call 799-3417, then press #7 of the voice menu. Seating is limited. Make reservations 24 hours in advance.

Reservations for transportation to and from the East and West Activity Centers will be accepted following the schedules listed below.

(Note that pickup times can be anywhere from 30-45 minutes early.)

Tuesday Morning Specials

See Posting in Bus

Paradise/West Side.....9 to 9:20 a.m.
East Side..... 9:25 to 9:45 a.m.

Tuesday Afternoon

K-Mart & Countryside Mall

Paradise/West Side 12:30 to 12:50 p.m.
East Side..... 12:55 to 1:15 p.m.

Wednesday Morning

Publix (Sunset & Belcher)

Paradise/West Side.....8 to 8:20 a.m.
East Side..... 8:25 to 8:45 a.m.

Wednesday Afternoon

Aldi (Sunset & Lawson)

Paradise/West Side.... 11 to 11:20 a.m.
East Side.....11:25 to 11:45 a.m.

Thursday Morning

Publix (Sunset & Belcher)

Paradise/West Side.....8 to 8:20 a.m.
East Side..... 8:25 to 8:45 a.m.

Thursday Afternoon

Publix (Sunset & Belcher)

Paradise/West Side.... 11 to 11:20 a.m.
East Side.....11:25 to 11:45 a.m.

Friday Morning

Super Walmart

Paradise/West Side.....8 to 8:20 a.m.
East Side..... 8:25 to 8:45 a.m.

Friday Afternoon

Super Walmart

Paradise/West Side.... 11 to 11:20 a.m.
East Side.....11:25 to 11:45 a.m.

Guidelines for Riding the Bus

- The OTOW bus service is for the exclusive use of OTOW residents with a valid activity card.
- This service is provided to our residents at no charge.
- Thank you, but the driver is prohibited from accepting tips.
- The bus driver picks up passengers with reservations only.
- You must be able to transfer on your own to ride the bus.
- Medical devices may be restricted due to passenger load.
- Eating and drinking on the bus is prohibited.
- Shopping bag limits and size restrictions are at the driver's discretion.
- If space allows, residents with current activity cards may catch a one-way ride home on the bus.
- If you create a safety hazard or cause unsafe distractions to the driver, you will not be permitted on the bus.
- Shopping time is 90 minutes and begins at the first drop off.
- Due to limited seating, we cannot accept multi-day reservations.
- Reservations are first come, first served, and may only be made 24 hours in advance.
- The reservation phone number is for seat reservations only. Please leave your name, trip request, building and unit number, and phone number.
- If you live on the second floor of a two-story building, or if your building's elevator is out of service, the driver will carry your bags to your front door. The driver is strictly prohibited from entering your unit.
- The SCA staff takes their directions from SCA management. Please refer all questions and concerns to the Community Service Office.



Selma Feldman and George Brennan help celebrate Selma's 86th birthday at a recent luncheon. Selma has lived at OTOW for 25 years.

Long-time resident was one of reporter's first OTOW friends

A group of 12 attended a recent monthly luncheon which took place at the Covered Bridge restaurant.

"Hermine" almost cancelled the birthday celebration for the last month of August, but the Island Way rescheduled us for the following Wednesday and 19 of us boarded the two vans that were provided for our travel to and fro from their dining facility. It was an enjoyable outing.

I thought it might be interesting to give tribute to one of our residents, Selma Feldman. She and her husband, Fred, moved from Boston to On Top of the World 25 years ago.

According to my figures, two other people now living have resided here longer than she, those being John Dill and Betty Johnson.

Regarding Selma, what I remember about this petite, feisty lady was the day I first met her, which was 20 years ago. I was in the laundry room when I struck up a conversation by saying "I just moved here and I don't have any friends." Her instant reply was "I will be your friend," and she has been.

I am very happy to add that through the years I have made many,



many good friends here. Selma just celebrated her 86th birthday (see photo at top).

She now lives alone but "skypes" (a type of computer phone call) her son, Scott, who lives in Orlando, daily.

She attends her temple services on a regular basis.

She belongs to the "Rosy Hattitudes" Red Hat group and enjoys going out to eat, especially at Johnny's and Cody's.

She enjoys watching sports on TV. Her favorite team is the Boston Red Sox. So my hat's off to you, Selma Feldman!

OTOW CLASSIFIED ADS

This Classified section 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 the submitter's name and building is not included with the ad, it will not be accepted for publication.*

Please note: We do not accept ads for automobiles, firearms, yard/building sales, apartments for sale or rent, or employment. Ads must be placed in the boxes marked OTOW News in the East and West Activity Centers or dropped off at the newspaper office. We cannot accept ads over the phone. Ad deadline is the 15th of the month preceding publication date. Ads received late will be placed in the next available issue. Only one (1) ad per person per month will be accepted.

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Household items; sports; books, magazines, DVDs, VHS videos; clothes for women and men; other nice misc. items. Low prices. 791-1444

Kanes couch recliner, power includes massage & heat, almond color, 2 years old, warranty and original paperwork included \$400. 725-2451

Shark Rocket vacuum \$100; fake wood table lamps \$25; artificial 6' tree \$20; twin Tommy Hilfiger comforter \$20; Happy Light \$39. 692-7028

Whirlpool stainless steel refrigerator/freezer, perfect condition, 70" x 35" x 32" \$290. 475-9167

18 complete Shirley Temple VHS movies, mint condition, make offer; comforters, queen and king; outdoor furniture, reasonable. 726-4571

30 formal dresses, excellent, for lady 5' 8"/120 lbs., 20 pairs of matching shoes, size 7; 20 sports jackets and sweaters. 599-7929

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Large blue suitcases, two w/wheels \$40; dog stroller, like new \$30. 744-5124

Drop leaf desk, excellent condition; two Chesterfield chairs, excellent condition; men's left-hand golf clubs; ladies' left-hand golf clubs. 366-7865

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Make a family emergency communication plan. Many communities have text or email alerting systems for emergency notifications. To find out what alerts are available in your area, search the Internet with your town, city, or county name and the word "alerts."

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