



Community News & Update

By Kenneth Colen, Publisher

I have always known that On Top of the World was a caring community. It is a safe place where neighbors have a genuine concern for each other. From simple acts of kindness like checking in on your neighbor's home in their absence, to visiting a sick neighbor, it is all about community. Along those lines, I want to thank the community for its outpouring of support, love, and compassion on the recent passing of my father, Sidney Colen, thank you!

Kindness to each other is the glue that binds us even though we may come from different backgrounds. It is the core of a community. The sun rises, the wind blows, the dog needs to be walked and the pulse of life goes on. We all know that. Be kind to each other always.

I am consciously not writing a tribute to my father in this paper. In keeping with the policy of the World News, we only publish good news. Dad would have expected no less.

I will say that grief on losing a loved one is truly a universal experience and has been a real eye opener. Each of us feels that grief in our own way and remembers those passed on, as we will. Reaching out to the grieving is good and beneficial to all concerned. It helps heal and resolve the loss.

As to the future, we will carry on as we always have. Community management will remain a top priority so long as you want us to continue. We shall attend to the business at hand as we always have—with you in mind. And, yes of course, life shall go on.

Community Update

December will be a busy month. In November, you should have received a large mailing of necessary proposed changes to the Articles of Incorporation and By-laws for On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association. Your Board has proposed these revisions because many changes have been made to the applicable laws, especially Chapter 720, Florida Statutes, which govern homeowners associations. The existing Articles of Incorporation date back to 1985 and the last changes to the By-laws were in 1995 and are due for an update.

The changes as presented are very practical and reflect the day-to-day complexities of Association operations in a community as large as On Top of the World. The fact is that it has become increasingly difficult to bring in the required number of votes and proxies to meet the quorum requirement. The complete documents which show all proposed changes are posted on the website at www.ontopoftheworldinfo.com/otow-central-amendments.

The Board encourages you to approve the changes as presented at the Board meeting of Oct. 21, 2009. The main points in the Articles and By-laws that need updating are as follows:

- Adding the most current age restriction language for an age 55 and older community (now a legal requirement) to the Articles and By-laws;
- Assuring cross conformity of the Articles with the By-laws;
- Establishing the requirement for a quorum to be 20% at meetings of the membership;
- Establishing a requirement of more than 50% of the members' approval to amend the By-laws;
- Establishing a requirement of more than 50% of the members' approval to amend the Articles.

The Nov. 3 mailing contained copies of the Amended Articles of Incorporation and Second Amendment to the By-laws. We have had several questions from residents asking if they needed to sign the sample documents enclosed with that letter. You do not need to sign these sample documents. These were provided for your information only and for your approval by an affirmative vote. Make sure you follow the detailed instructions provided in the mailing for completing and returning your ballot or your proxy for the vote on the amended governing documents before Dec. 9. If you plan to attend the Annual Meeting on Dec. 16, you may vote by ballot. It is of the utmost importance that you vote even if you are unable to attend the meeting on Dec. 16.

Your Board has adopted updated Community Rules and Standards designed to assure that On Top of the World remains a pleasant and affordable place to live. We have instituted additional steps to improve compliance with community rules.

Master the Possibilities

The tone of our Master the Possibilities Education Center is a bit different in December. While there are no classes scheduled, (we think the season has quite enough activity) the staff is busy finalizing the catalog for winter (January-March) 2010.

The first quarter is always the busiest,

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Honor Flight

By Bob Woods
WORLD NEWS WRITER

On Oct. 29, 101 World War II veterans, 16 are On Top of the World residents, were flown from Ocala, Fla., to Washington, D.C., to visit the World War II Memorial.

This emotional day was an experience that I will never forget. It was an honor just to witness the joy these veterans expressed and listen to the sobering words of what they had to say.

The Honor Flight Network flew these veterans free of charge to see the Memorial. Honor Flight is a non-profit organization created solely to honor America's veterans for all their sacrifices. This is a nationwide effort.

The flight from Ocala to Washington, D.C., was made possible through donations from individuals, clubs, organizations and businesses.

Many volunteers accompanied the veterans - from medical personnel to escorts.

Friends, relatives and even the girls from Hooters greeted the veterans at the Ocala Regional Airport. By 6:30 a.m., everyone was checked in and ready to go.

After a joyous departure, the flight headed for Baltimore/Washington International Airport (BWI). During the flight, Uncle Sam visited with the veterans. Maurice Senior, a Respiratory Therapist and medical coordinator for the flight, dressed in an Uncle Sam costume. A light breakfast was also served.

Upon entering the arrival gate, the airport's crash and fire trucks gave the plane a watery welcome from the vehicle's water-gun turrets with emergency lights flashing. An Army General and many other military personnel welcomed the veterans.

Motor coaches were provided to transport the veterans from the airport to the Memorial. Boxed lunches were handed out. The Baltimore Police Department escorted the motor coaches from the airport to the Washington/Baltimore Parkway with lights flashing and sirens blaring.

At the Memorial, the veterans were greeted by active duty members of our armed forces to escort the VIPs around the Memorial. Congressman Cliff Stearns, our local representative, greeted the Ocala group. After a brief statement by the Congressman, the veterans placed a wreath at the Florida Column.

Stearns had addressed Congress earlier that day stating in part, "As a veteran, I am especially proud of my involvement with Honor Flight, which brings veterans of World War II to Washington, D.C., to see their memorial and other cherished sites. Today, Ocala Honor Flight is bringing 101 World War II veterans from my hometown to Washington, D.C. I will meet them this afternoon at the World War II Memorial and we will lay a wreath at the Florida

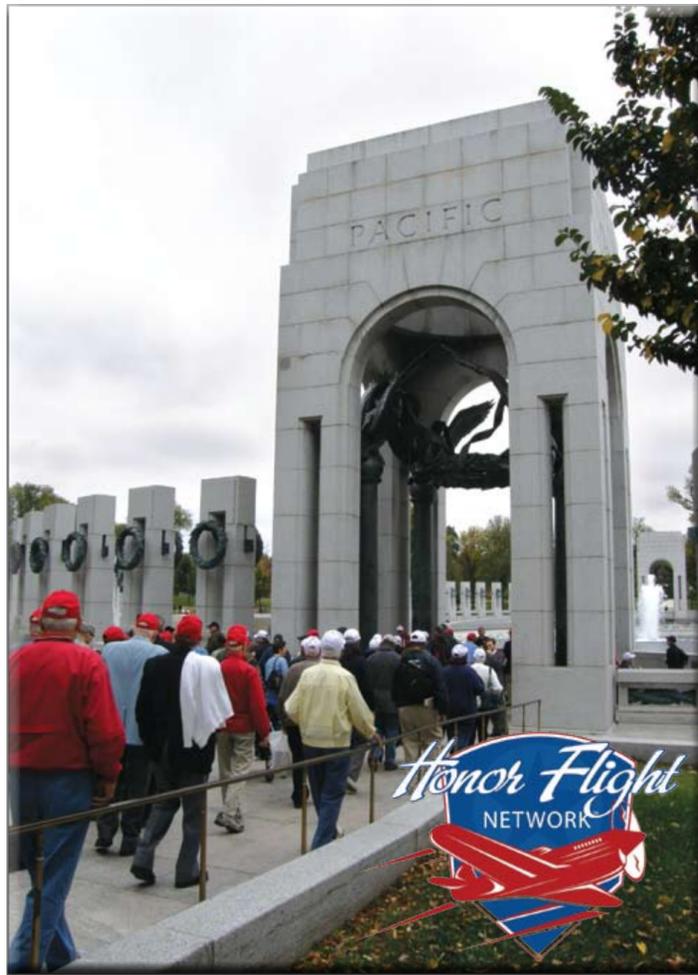


Photo by Bob Woods

World War II veterans participating in the Ocala Honor Flight arrive at the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C.

Column."

The Memorial consists of 56 pillars, representing the 48 states in 1945 as well as all the territories and commonwealths. The memorial sits in a semi-circle with a large arch on both sides representing the Pacific and Atlantic Theaters. On the west side of the memorial is the Freedom Wall overlooking the Memorial's reflecting pool. This wall contains 4,048 gold stars, each representing 1,000 Americans who died during the war.

Departing the World War II Memorial, the coaches transported the veterans to the Korean Memorial and then to the Lincoln Memorial for a group picture. Some of the military escorts followed the group to these locations as well as to Arlington Cemetery where the veterans witnessed the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknowns and a wreath laying ceremony.

Departing the cemetery, the coaches headed back to the airport for the flight

home. After enjoying a hot in-flight meal, the plane landed in Ocala. Fire trucks spraying water on the plane, and emergency vehicles flashing their lights again greeted the flight.

Approximately 500 or more people, including the Hooter girls, welcomed the veterans back home. As the veterans departed the airplane, you could hear lots of yelling and clapping along with many American flags waving in the air.

Rose Clements and former Ocala Police Chief, Morrey Deen, coordinated the Ocala Honor Flight along with many volunteers.

See the On Top of the World residents who participated in Ocala Honor Flight on page 10.



Photo by Ray Cech

On Top of the World residents and employees walk for a cure for breast cancer.

What a Day for a Walk...and a Cure

By RAY CECH
WORLD NEWS WRITER

More than 120 Walk for the Cure contributors took advantage of the balmy breezes and bright blue skies to gather together and make a difference. On Monday, Oct. 19, On Top of the World residents and employees took advantage of the crisp fall day to walk a two-mile course along the Links for a very good cause—to contribute to the search for curing breast cancer.

Beginning at 2 p.m., On Top of the World residents lined up to register for the walk and to make their financial contribution. Several who were not able to walk still demonstrated their mettle by following the parade of walkers in their golf carts...and at times volunteered to give free rides to the weary. Dr. Jamie

Daniel of the Central Florida Breast Clinic kicked off the event, organized by Sally Collins, Cammy Dennis and their volunteers.

Dr. Daniel reminded us that less than 51% of women over the age of 40 will get a mammogram, one of the most important steps in identifying the nascent stages of breast cancer. Following her comments, the gang of 120 participants took off. About a mile into the walk, they reached the "turnaround," so noted by the refreshment stand and, you guessed it, pink lemonade. After a photo op and refreshments, the re-charged volunteers picked up the pace for the last homeward-bound mile.

It was a wonderful day for a very mean-

ingful cause, and thanks to our dedicated volunteers, participating residents and employees, the Florida Chapter of Komen for the Cure will be receiving \$1,330.

Susan G. Komen for the Cure is the largest and most active organization in the world dedicated to education and research of causes, treatment and the search for the cure of breast cancer. Since its inception in 1982, Komen has raised \$1.3 billion for the cause through more than 100,000 volunteers working in a network of 125 U.S. and international affiliates.

To make your donation for the cure, please go to their web site, www.komen-centralflorida.org.



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Is It Legal? Gerald Colen

Q. Should I have title insurance when I buy a home and if so, why, if I know the seller is honest?

A. It is my opinion that you should always have title insurance when you buy a home and it has nothing to do with the honesty of the seller. It has to do with common sense on your part.

A title insurance policy is your best defense against some unknown claim that may exist. It assures you that the title insurance company will not only defend against a claim but will also pay the costs of defending against the claim including attorney's fees. Also, if you buy a home and you give a mortgage to a lender, such as a bank, mortgage company or credit union, they will require a policy that insures that their mortgage is a first lien against the property. That mortgage policy does not insure you. It just insures the priority of their position.

My point, though, is this: If a lender wants a title policy, should you not also have one? Yeah, you should.

Q. If I sell my home, do I have to pay capital gains taxes?

A. Not necessarily. If you are married, then you and your spouse get an exemption of \$500,000. If you are single, then you get an exemption of \$250,000. You have to have lived in the home for two of the last five years in order to claim these exemptions.

Q. I am an 83-year-old single woman. I have no close relatives and one cousin who lives in a far western state. I haven't spoken to her in several years although I do know she is still alive. I want to leave everything I have to a charity. I have two questions: Should I have a will or a trust? And whom should I name as my personal representative or trustee?

A. In your case, and since you do not have any relatives to whom you apparently intend to leave any of your estate, I do not think it is important for you to have a trust. The sole purpose of it would be to avoid probate of your assets and that is a worthy cause, but on the other hand, for you to do so would require you to go to the expense of a trust and also you would have to transfer your assets from your name into the trust. You could certainly do that, but I don't know why you would need to worry about it one way or the other.

So, I suggest you just consider a will,

and durable power of attorney and living will with health surrogate designation. For that, you need to think who you want to be the personal representative, and on your durable power of attorney and health surrogate designation. I do not recommend close friends, as this is almost always a heavy burden. Consider your attorney or if you wish, talk to someone at your bank.

Q. I just discovered that my husband of 30 years was married twice before we got married and he never got divorced from either one of them. What are my rights in the event he dies before I do?

A. I assume you want to know what your rights are in the event you decide that you won't murder him. I also assume that your husband did not intend to commit bigamy, which is a crime. These are somewhat complex issues and I should really not try to answer them in this column. I can tell you that if both of his previous "spouses" are deceased, then you are his lawfully married wife. If one or both of them are still alive and if they never got divorced from him, then your marriage is a nullity. It'd be wise to see a domestic relations attorney right away.

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Golden Oldies Humor

By Stan Goldstein



I bent, twisted, jumped up and down and perspired for an hour but by the time I got my leotards on, the class was over!

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Relieve Your Pain for a More Active New Year - Treatment Options for Hip & Knee Arthritis
December 4th - 1:00 pm

If you suffer with arthritis, hip pain, stiffness and limited hip movement or your knees ache and keep you from enjoying the things you like to do, come learn about minimally invasive surgical approaches and treatments. Presented by Marc Rogers, DO, Orthopedic Surgeon.

Dr. Harold W. McSwain, Jr., pastor
Adult Bible Study 9:00a
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Don't Let Your Joints Keep you Behind - New & Less Invasive Treatment Options for Knee Pain
December 11th - 1:00 pm

New minimally invasive treatment options for knee pain now offer a custom fit approach. Come learn about the different treatment options available specifically for knee arthritis that include non-operative and operative procedures. Presented by Derek Farr, DO, Orthopedic Surgeon.

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Advances in Orthopaedics: What's Real, What's Hype
December 15th - 1:00 pm

There's lots of advertising touting new orthopaedic procedures claiming smaller incisions, less recovery times and better outcomes. Are they really better? Why haven't all orthopaedic surgeons changed over to them? Dr. Lowell will talk about the latest advances in surgery, including minimally invasive hip replacement, the anterior approach, partial knee resurfacing, spinal disk replacements, and minimally invasive spinal surgery. Also, what they can do and who is a candidate. Presented by Troy Lowell, MD, Orthopaedic Surgeon.

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Recreation News
Theresa Fields

It is hard to believe another year has come and gone. I would like to wish everyone at On Top of the World a very happy holiday and a safe and prosperous New Year.

We held the ShutterBugs Expo in November and it was amazing to see how many "professional" photographers we have in On Top of the World. The Expo was followed by a reception where everyone had a chance to meet our talented photographers and shake hands with a few of the judges.

We also held a High Tea for the Ladies on Nov. 5. This event brought our ladies dressed in style with fancy hats and special teacups. Several of the ladies shared touching stories on the receiving of their special teacups. Our next High Tea will be in May, 2010 honoring all our mothers, grandmothers and daughters during this special time.

Flu Shot Clinic

If you missed our last Flu shot clinic, you still have one more chance to take advantage of this service. The next Flu shot clinic will be on Monday, Dec. 14 at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please contact the Health & Recreation office to register at 854-8707 ext. 14 or 10.

Festival of Lights

Do you enjoy the twinkling lights and the sounds of Christmas music? We have a special trip planned for all our holiday travelers. Silver Springs will be hosting the Festival of Lights along with a holiday feast on Monday, Dec. 21. The cost of the ticket will be \$32 per person which includes transportation, admission into Silver Springs, dinner and Miss Molly's Storytelling in the Silver River Theatre, strolling carolers, the famous lighted boat parade, shopping in the Silver Springs specialty stores, and of course, don't forget to visit with Santa Claus. Silver Springs is the perfect setting for an old fashioned, memorable holiday. To register, please contact the Health & Recreation office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Happy Hour

The Happy Hour for the month of December will be:

- Dec. 4 - Sounds of Time
- Dec. 11 - Tomaura
- Dec. 18 - Barry and Nancy (Christmas party)
- Dec. 25 - No Happy Hour

On Dec. 31, we will be celebrating New Year's Eve at the Arbor Club Ballroom. This year's entertainment for the evening will be provided by the duo of Harmony Danny & Johnny. The cost of this event will be \$35 per person for residents and \$40 per person for non-residents accompanied by a resident. This will include a dinner buffet, continental breakfast, champagne toast and party favors. Tickets may be purchased at the Arbor Club office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Proper dress is required.

Casino Trip

The next Seminole Casino trip will be on Tuesday, Dec. 15. The cost of this trip will be \$20 per person and will include \$25 in free play, \$5 lunch voucher and round trip bus ride. To register, contact the Health & Recreation office at 854-8707 ext. 14 or 10.

You've heard of her and you have seen her on TV's America's Got Talent. You now have the opportunity to meet her in person during one of our Seminole Casino trips in January. Grandma Lee will be performing at Floyd's and we have special tickets for this event. This trip is scheduled for Monday, Jan. 11 and the cost will be \$20. This will include \$25 in free play, \$5 lunch voucher, transportation and the hilarious comedy of Grandma Lee. We will leave the Health & Recreation parking lot at 10 a.m. and will return to On Top of the World by approximately 6 p.m. Seating is limited. Please contact the Health & Recreation office for more details.

Holiday Festival

The annual community Holiday Festival will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 9. Come join the community in these festivities, which will include a Golf Cart Parade and a holiday celebration in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. The parade will start at 2 p.m. and the holiday celebration will begin at 6 p.m.

Community Bus

The On Top of the World Community Bus will only be making the first run on Tuesday, Dec. 8 and Monday, Dec. 21; we will not have the afternoon grocery run. Please be advised that we will not have a bus run from Dec. 24 through Dec. 31. Please plan accordingly.

The supper get-a-way will be to the Olive Garden on Tuesday, Dec. 15. If you are interested in going, please register at the Health & Recreation office at 854-8707

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ext. 10 or 14. Seating is limited!

Bingo

Please mark your calendars, there will be no Bingo in the month of December and the start-up date will be on Wednesday, Jan. 6.

Pickleball Courts

We are happy to announce the pickleball courts are completed and ready for play. You will find the pickleball schedule

posted on the bulletin board next to the Health & Recreation tennis courts.

Health & Recreation Pool

The Health & Recreation pool will now be heated on the weekends. If you have any questions, please contact the Health & Recreation office at 854-8707 ext. 14 or 10.

Everyone have a safe and joyous holiday and I'll see you in 2010.



Photo by John Ware

Halloween Happy Hour costume winners : first place – Cats (Janet Leonhardt, Marcie Hock, Donna Smith, Dottie Baird, Hunzy Doenges and Lorraine Rourke); second place – Lady Guinevere and Sir Lancelot (John and Linda Toner); and third place – Bride & Groom (Cindy O'Brien).

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All Around Our World

Lynette Vermillion

Another year has quickly passed by... it seems like a few short months ago we were getting ready for the holidays and here we are again. I am looking forward to spending time with my family and friends this holiday season.

Homeowner Association Meetings

The On Top of the World Central Owners Association meeting is scheduled for Dec. 16 at 9 a.m. If you are not planning to attend the meeting, please drop your signed proxy off in the ballot boxes by Dec. 9 at any of the following locations—all Post Office locations, Health & Recreation Building and Customer Service. Otherwise, ballots will be available at the meeting.

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Holiday Decorations

Many of you have asked about holiday decorations. They may be put up the second weekend in November and must be taken down by Jan. 16. Please keep your neighbors in mind as you are decorating. The use and enjoyment of the community shall be carried out in such a way as not to cause unsightly or offensive decorations and displays that are out of character for the community. The Architectural Review Board will have complete authority to interpret any condition, which may violate the quiet enjoyment of the neighborhood.

Colored bulbs in low-voltage light fixtures and building-mounted fixtures are not allowed. Rope and tube lighting are only allowed during the holiday season.

Real Christmas trees may be placed on the curb for pick-up on your community's regularly scheduled debris pick-up day. The following are some safety tips taken from the web regarding safe use of holiday decorations.

Trees

- When purchasing an artificial tree, look for the label "fire resistant." Although this label does not mean the tree won't catch fire, it does indicate the tree will resist burning and should extinguish quickly.
- When purchasing a live tree, check for freshness. A fresh tree is green, needles are hard to pull from branches and when bent between your fingers, needles do not break. The trunk butt of a fresh tree is sticky with resin, and when tapped on the ground, the tree should not lose many needles.

Lights

- Indoors or outdoors, use only lights that have been tested for safety by a recognized testing laboratory, which indicates conformance with safety standards. Use only lights that have fused plugs.
- Check each set of lights, new or old, for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires or loose connections, and throw out damaged sets. Always replace burned-out bulbs promptly with the same wattage bulbs.
- Use no more than three standard-

size sets of lights per single extension cord. Make sure the extension cord is rated for the intended use.

- Never use electric lights on a metallic tree. The tree can become charged with electricity from faulty lights, and a person touching a branch could be electrocuted.
- Before using lights outdoors, check labels to be sure they have been certified for outdoor use.
- Fasten outdoor lights securely to trees, house walls or other firm supports to protect the lights from wind damage. Use only insulated staples to hold strings in place, not nails or tacks. Or, run strings of lights through hooks (available at hardware stores).
- Turn off all lights when you go to bed or leave the house. The lights could short out and start a fire.

Decorations

- Use only non-combustible or flame-resistant materials to trim a tree. Choose tinsel or artificial icicles of plastic or non-leaded metals. Leaded materials are hazardous if ingested by children.
- Never use lighted candles on a tree or near other evergreens. Always use non-flammable holders, and place candles where they will not be knocked down.
- Wear gloves to avoid eye and skin irritation while decorating with spun glass "angel hair." Follow container directions carefully to avoid lung irritation while decorating with artificial snow sprays.

Golf Courses

As a reminder to all golf cart drivers, golf cart paths on the golf course are for use during active play only. If you are playing golf, please do not drive your cart into the yards of homes on the golf course. The golf course is not a walking/fitness trail, nor is it meant for dog walking or bicycling. These type activities are prohibited on the golf course.

Gate and Decal Reader

As you enter through the resident side of the main gate, you do not need to pause and wait for the arm to reset. It is important that you allow the reader to read your decal, which will keep the arm in its upright position as you go through. Because of how the reader beam focuses, if you get closer than two feet to the reader your sticker will not read correct-

ly. Our gate contractor says the optimal sticker read is from the normal middle of the lane.

Decals have an expected life of five years with failures becoming more common as you near that time. We have seen some stickers last much longer. The appearance of the sticker does not indicate the condition as the reader uses a light frequency that we can't actually see. If your sticker is failing, please stop by Customer Service at Friendship Commons for a replacement sticker.

Enforcement Matters

Looking back over this past year, we have seen a number of enforcement complaints and actions over the following:

- COMMERCIAL VEHICLES PARKED IN DRIVEWAYS:** As a reminder, no commercial vehicles, vehicles with signage or trailers may be parked in driveways. You may contact Customer Service for a space at the RV Park should you need one.
- NUISANCES OF NOISE AND PETS:** We remind all of you to be a good neighbor. Please keep noise levels to a minimum and make sure your guests are not disturbing the neighbors. Please keep your pet on a leash as required by Marion County Ordinance and do not allow it to go in your neighbor's yard. This includes dogs and cats.
- YARD DEBRIS:** Yard debris may be placed on the curb in front of your home after 7 p.m. on the night before pick-up or the morning of. Please do not place any household items in the yard debris and please do not put it out on the curb outside of this timeframe so that it does not scatter throughout the neighborhood and look unsightly.
- DUMPSTERS:** Please help keep the dumpster area neat and clean. Please do not place your garbage on the ground in front of the dumpster and do not leave items sitting at the dumpster area that you no longer want. There is an area at the SW 90th Street Post Office location where you may place small appliances and household items.

Customer Service at Friendship Commons will be closing at noon on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. For any matters needing immediate attention, please call 236-OTOW (6869).

I wish a safe and happy holiday to everyone and a Happy New Year! Please enjoy this very special time of year.

The New Pretenders

By BILL SHAMPINE

One of the highlights of the annual On Top of the World entertainment scene is the performance by the local group known as The New Pretenders. Those of you who have been to one of their performances know that it is a "can't miss" opportunity.

Rehearsals for the 2010 show started in October. The New Pretenders are working hard to perfect their craft for your

viewing pleasure.

The show this year will be called "Moments to Remember" and will feature 30 songs from the '40s to the '80s.

In addition to the normal Friday and Saturday night shows (Feb. 12 and 13), this year we added a Sunday afternoon matinee performance on Feb. 14. Tickets will go on sale in January.

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Keeping It Green
Phillip B. Hisey

Winter annuals can bring out great color in the landscape. There are varieties out there that will withstand the colder temperatures. Some of the varieties will lose their blooms if not covered during a heavy frost but will withstand the cold and bloom again if covered properly. Pansies, Petunias, Snap Dragons, Dianthus, Violas, Dusty Millers, Ornamental Cabbage, Alyssum and Phlox will give you an array of color and texture to make the winter landscape a showy one.

In my opinion, bed preparation is one of the most important steps in creating a good annual bed whether it is the middle of the summer or early winter. The bed preparation is so important because you are trying to get the most out of the plant in a limited amount of time so the moisture and growing media have to be per-

fect to get the maximum performance of the plants. I prefer to mix an organic soil amendment, like "Black Cow," into existing soil to give the soil some nutrients as well as organics to help hold moisture.

The next step is to make certain the plant selection fits the surroundings. Make sure the plant will get enough sun/shade but not too much. Too much or too little can cause the plant to stress and die. Most, if not all, of the annuals I mentioned can do well in either location but they may not last as long or they can tend to get leggy, so be ready to trim them and keep them bushy if you plant in a shady area.

When planting the annuals you want to plant them with proper spacing for growth habit. This will help with keeping the plants separated and allow for growth, achieving the best plants possible. Also, make sure the planting depth is correct. Often times we see plants that are planted too deep. To make sure they are not too deep at planting, plant them high at 1/4 - 1/2 an inch so you ensure they will be at the right height.

Lastly, don't forget to fertilize your annuals but don't use too much. Use a product like Peter's 20-20-20 or other soluble fertilizer. These products easily mix with water and are great all-purpose plant supplements. Using these types of products as specified will produce results that you can see.

Hopefully, some of these tips will come in handy during the winter months. I look forward to seeing some showy fall color in many yards.

I would like to wish each and everyone a wonderful holiday season. I look forward to 2010!



Orchid Club
Linda Rose

On Top of the World Orchid Club will not be meeting the month of December, but will resume meetings beginning in January. Our topic for January will be a departure from orchids, and focus on Bonsai with our guest speaker, Pete Wood, whose wife, Joyce, is one of our club members.

Many thanks to Anke Linthorst's presentation in November on her favorite plant, the Jewel orchid; we all have more appreciation for this delicate, colorful petite orchid.

Our first meeting of 2010 will be Thursday, Jan. 21, at 1:30 p.m. in Suite C of the Arbor Conference Center.

The Movie Club Presents 'My Life in Ruins'

By MARY EHLE

The movie for December will be My Life in Ruins. This is a romantic comedy starring the star of "My Big Fat Greek Wedding," Nia Vardalos, Richard Dreyfuss and Alexis Georgoulis. I am sure this will be a hit.

The movie starts at 6 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom on Sunday, Dec. 13.

The movie is open to all residents and their overnight guests. If you are not a member, the cost is \$2 payable at the door. New memberships are ready and the cost is \$6 for 12 movies. How can you beat that and we throw in three potlucks!

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Community News & Update

By Kenneth Colen, Publisher

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and this time there will be an unprecedented 250 offerings. That's more than the entire first year in 2006! With half of this curriculum new, you are in for an outstanding start to the New Year.

This represents a stepped up commitment to lifelong learning in our community. As always, quality is the hallmark of Master the Possibilities. You'll find unique offerings, new formats and a couple of surprises...

The winter catalog will be available to you online Dec. 24. If we can get it sooner, we'll e-mail you. Registering online continues to be the best and most convenient way to ensure your place in class. It's early, available 24/7 and you get immediate confirmation. The catalog will be distributed with your paper on Dec. 31... also available at Master the Possibilities. Telephone and walk-in registration begins then.

On behalf of the Master the Possibilities staff and faculty, we hope your New Year is happy and you'll find a place for classes in your resolutions. See you in (many) classes!

Circle Square Commons

At Circle Square Commons dancing on The Town Square continues every Friday and Saturday night, with the exception of Friday, Dec. 25 when we'll be closed for the evening. In the Cultural Center on Dec. 4, join in the dance party with Norman Lee Schaffer. Tickets are still available. Go online at www.CSCulturalCenter.com, take a look at the 2010 line-up and take advantage of ordering your tickets online. On behalf of the entire staff at Circle Square Commons, best wishes for a safe holiday season!

Controlled Burning

The cooler, winter months are the season that the State allows property owners to burn native plant habitats. On Top of

the World employees were able to burn only a small portion of the upland habitat and wildlife preserve areas west of the Community in 2008.

Controlled burning is a very important practice from several perspectives. First, a controlled burn reduces the chance of wildfire by reducing fuel provided by the dead or dry plant mass. It is not uncommon to have fires started by lightning in Florida, which brings me to my second point. Fire in the upland habitats is necessary to maintain healthy succession. Much of the local plant ecology revolves around periodic fires. Seeds need the fire to breakdown the tough outer coat in order to germinate. Invasive and competitive species are also reduced by periodic fire allowing for less competition with more established native plants (a favorable advantage).

In the coming months, we hope to have additional opportunities for controlled burning. Steps are taken to make sure a burn stays under control. These include plowing wide firebreaks to minimize accidental spreading, as well as the use of heavy equipment to contain the burn area. We apologize in advance for any smoke that may drift east over the Community. It is better to have a planned controlled burn than a wildfire.

Closing Thoughts

Happy holidays to all! This time of year reminds me of all the people and things that I am thankful for. And, very importantly, I am thankful to have been a part of this beautiful community for so many years. It continues to be a wonderful opportunity to meet so many interesting and kind residents, as well as working with such exceptional employees.

Please accept my and my family's wishes for a safe and happy holiday season as well as a very healthy New Year filled with goodness.

Congratulations to the following Lions for winning the President's Awards For Excellence and Creativity. Lions Dennis Phillips, Maryann Johnson, Richard Spahn, and James Delfrassie.

Remember the Lions Club Christmas Tree is upstairs in the Health & Recreation Ballroom to help the underprivileged children have a Merry Christmas.

I failed to mention in last month's issue that the emergency light switches also could be installed on the newer houses that have rocker switches. Just call John Johnson at 854-8629 if you would like one installed.

Come join us! We meet every second and fourth Tuesday of the month in the Candler Hills Community Center.

For more information, please call Marty Schley at 307-1286.

Lions Club

Dianne Lovely

On Top of the World Lions Club would like to welcome two new members to our club, John and Barbara Driscoll. We hope you enjoy the Lions Club.

Thank you to all who attended the Veterans Day Ceremony on Nov. 11; we had a nice turn-out.

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Hospitality

Linda Tiffany

The Pub

The Pub will be open on Christmas Eve from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will feature a special menu. It will be closed Christmas Day. On New Year's Eve, it will be open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will be closed New Year's Day.

The Pub hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and Wednesday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Pub is closed on Sunday. Please note that The Pub will close at 3 p.m. on Wednesdays during the month of December.

In response to requests to have a dark beer on tap, we have added Amber Bock, and for regular light beer tastes, Michelob Light is also on tap. We will continue to offer Bud Light in cans.

Check out the specials posted daily, and look for some new and exciting features. Every Wednesday and Friday, we continue to offer the following favorites:

Wednesday - Open Faced Prime Rib served with an onion tower - \$8.95.

Friday - Fried Whitefish Filet on a hoagie roll with lettuce, tomatoes, French fries and coleslaw or Fish & Shrimp Basket - \$8.95.

With cooler weather approaching, be sure to warm up with one of Chef Greg's hearty soups. Every Friday he features either New England or Manhattan clam chowder.

Candler Hills Restaurant

Candler Hills Restaurant will be open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Christmas Eve and will feature a special menu. It will be closed Christmas Day. On New Year's Eve, it will be open for lunch from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will feature a special New Year's Eve menu from 4 to 8 p.m. Reservations required. It will be closed New Year's Day.

New Year's Eve at Candler Hills Restaurant

Served from 4 to 8 p.m. Reservations only (861-9712).

Includes Soup and Salad

Soup

Lobster Bisque with roasted garlic boursin

Salad

Winter field greens, teardrop tomatoes, Pecorino cheese crostini and Champagne Dijon vinaigrette

Choice of Entrée

Caramelized onion and herb-crusted flank steak served with dauphinoise potatoes and grilled asparagus

Roasted yellow fin tuna wrapped with prosciutto and sage leaves served with risotto cake and crispy leeks

Grilled chicken breast with sun-dried cherry reduction served with Yukon gold diced potatoes and fresh vegetables

Dessert

Decadent chocolate bread pudding with vanilla ice cream

or

Coconut cake with pineapple crème anglaise

Non-alcoholic beverage included.

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Come taste the Tapas menu offering small portions at a great price served everyday and enjoy signature martinis from "around the world" as a tribute to On Top of the World neighborhoods with a variety to fit every taste. Come in and try The Candler Cosmo an exciting blend of premium vodka, Gran Marnier, splash of cranberry with a twist of lime.

Tapas are served from 4 to 6 p.m. daily and Fridays and Saturdays from 4 to 8 p.m. Martinis are always available.

Candler Restaurant hours are Sunday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday - 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday and Saturday - 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Brunch is served every Sunday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. featuring fresh fruit, scrambled eggs, bacon, home fries, assorted Danish and bagels, coffee, juice and made to order omelets and eggs - \$7.95.

Early Bird Dinner Specials can be found in a display ad in this issue of the World News.

Self-serve coffee and doughnuts are available for golfers at 8 a.m. Monday through Saturday.

The Prime Rib Special every Friday and Saturday includes baked potato, vegetables, salad, rolls and butter for \$12.95 and is served from 4 to 8 p.m. Fish Fridays will feature the fresh catch of the day from 4 to 8 p.m. Price and feature will vary.

The Pub and Candler Hills Restaurant now offer a new Dessert Shooters menu with six varieties to choose from. Residents and guests can now enjoy espresso mocha crème brûlée, key lime pie, New York cheesecake and other exciting flavors for \$2 a shot or \$10 for all six served in mini martini glasses in Candler Hills Restaurant, and small plastic cups in the Pub so they are portable.

The Intermediate students recently learned a 64-count dance called Caught in the Act. For this one dance, students memorized a combination of 80 steps and touches that included the kick-ball-change, sailor step, coaster step, forward triple, crossing triple, backward triple, side triple, side rock, forward rock, back rock, cross rock, half-turn triple, quarter turn pivot, hinge turn, toe switches, heel switches, modified vaudevilles, and six turns with an optional seventh turn. And did I mention that all of these moves are choreographed into one dance?

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Candler Connection

Don Grosner

Elections for the Candler Connection board of directors were held on Nov. 19. Residents were entertained, as they entered the Candler Hills Community Center, by the "Good Vibrations", a vocal group recently called one of the best quartets in the County. At 4 p.m., residents marked their ballots, received a short update by the present Candler Hills board members, and enjoyed some social interaction with traveling friends not seen since summer and returning snowbirds now in residence.

The Candler Hills Neighborhood Association annual meeting has been scheduled for early December. You all should have received the formal notice of this meeting from On Top of the World management. The meeting is to be held at 9 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 4 in Cypress Hall at Circle Square Commons. It is very important that we all attend this meeting.

The Candler Connection 2009 holiday party is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 9 at the Circle Square Cultural Center and is open to all On Top of the World residents, family and friends. Call Heddy at 861-6120 for further information.

There will be a blood drive on Monday, Dec. 7. The Big Red Bus will visit the Health & Recreation parking lot from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. It only takes a few minutes to come on over and give. Come on out and help the blood bank's important contribution to Marion County. Please refer any questions to Don Pixley, Area Coordinator, at 861-0321.

A reminder to all, "What's Cooking in Candler Hills," our neighborhood cookbook is available for purchase. The cookbook is a great stocking stuffer linking Florida residents with our remote relatives. To purchase a cookbook (\$10), contact Diane at 873-3869 or contact any Candler Connection board member.

A new group is forming in Candler Hills for playing Sheephead. If you are from Wisconsin or the upper peninsula of Michigan, you will know what this means, or if you would just like to learn a new game, call Bob Scherff at 291-1505.

New to Candler Hills? Please call John Podkomorski at 875-9890 to update our neighborhood directories and learn about our New Neighbor Welcome events on the third Tuesday of each month, at 3 p.m. at the Candler Hills Community Center.

For residents of Candler Hills, or if you'd like to see what our neighborhood experience is all about, you can find more information at the Candler Connection website at www.candlerconnection.org.

Providence II

Tekla Krause

Our Providence Neighbors Group continues to grow with the addition of a "Helping Hands" group led by Suzanne Jeansonne. Please contact her at sjeansonne@cflrr.com to find out more.

Our holiday party was Dec. 2 at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite H. There was a Chinese surprise gift exchange. Each couple was asked to bring a gift valued between \$5-\$10 and an appetizer or dessert. Charlotte Haller and Judy Mullin were the hostesses for this fun evening.

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Avalon Social Group
Lorraine Rourke

Our barbeque in October was a huge success though rain moved us back to the Arbor Club. Many thanks to the volunteers that helped with setup, serving and shuttling the hot dogs and sausages back inside.

In November, we had some really neat and filling dishes on this round.

Our next potluck is Dec. 7. Please bring a dish to share of fruit, appetizer, salad, pasta, vegetable, casserole, meat, (no desserts as we will assign these), a serving utensil and your own non-alcoholic beverage.

Those that would like a slice of ham with their dinner need to pick up a ticket from one of the following individuals by Dec. 5 (no cost): Lorraine 390-2120; Bev Moreau 854-2498; Carol 854-9049; Darlene 873-0156; Jan Bancroft 237-5745; or Ed/Joanne 304-8206. We need an accurate count to ensure we have enough ham.

Setup is 5 p.m. and start is 5:30 p.m. at the Arbor Club Ballroom. We will also have a 50/50 raffle. Come join your neighbors in a fun holiday celebration.

We will not have a gift exchange. Instead, please bring food for the food pantry or cat/dog food (unopened containers) for Meals on Wheels. Our dates for 2010 are as follows: Jan. 11, Feb. 1, March 1, April 5, May 3, June 7, Sept. 13, Oct. 4, Nov. 1 and Dec. 6.

If you have any ideas for our events, please let us know. We are looking at someone going over insurance coverage for Avalon in January and an outdoor event in March.



Winds of Windsor
Diana Bennet

As fall approached in Ontario, Canada, we began to think about our return to On Top of the World, our winter home. Finally, it was time to say goodbye to our family and friends in Guelph. We headed south to Buffalo, N.Y. then to Erie, Penn. where we drove straight through the mountains and saw all the beautiful scenery. If you have never taken this route, it is relaxing as there isn't as much traffic as driving on I-75 or I-95.

We arrived in On Top of the World in late September and found our home safe and sound thanks to our wonderful neighbors. We noticed the shrubbery had grown over the summer months and two new homes had been started. We also were happy to have new neighbors on the loop. We all welcome Judy and Leo, Nancy and John, and Florence and Norbert.

GLOW (Gorgeous Ladies of Windsor) held a luncheon at the restaurant in Oak Run and we had a very good turnout. Most of us had never been there; the food and ambience were excellent. Our newest ladies attended giving all of us an oppor-

tunity to get to know them better. Thank you Jane once again for planning the luncheon.

GLOW held our monthly evening playing Bunko with great treats provided by Carolyn and Jane.

We have also started a new book club, known as GLOW Worms, organized and hosted by Cheris. She did an excellent job preparing for the meeting with reports on many new books we could consider reading. After much discussion, we selected as our first book, "Three Cups of Tea" by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin.

The men of Windsor have also started a men's night out held the same evening as the GLOW's night. This month the men went out to dinner and then attended a presentation on Texas hold'em. From there, they went to Jim H.'s home and played poker. They really enjoyed themselves and encourage all the men in Windsor to participate. Due to the upcoming holidays, the next night out will be in January.

Murilla hosted a fun craft afternoon at her lovely home and several ladies attended. We learned how to decoupage a glass plate covered with fabric. They make great gifts with perhaps some cookies or treats with them. Our thanks go to Murilla and Mary for planning this pleasant afternoon as everyone had a fun time.

With all the informative and fun classes offered here at On Top of the World, we have signed up for several courses plus I took up line dancing and swimming. The instructors are really good and patient, especially with someone like me who has two left feet.

Windsor will once again have curbside luminaries on Sunday, Dec. 13, starting about 6 p.m. so feel free to come and walk the loop and enjoy the peace and quiet and meet our wonderful new friends.

Happy holidays to all; enjoy your family and friends. We'll see you "around the loop."

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Shutterbugs Photography

Marilynn Cronin

The Fourth Annual ShutterBugs Exhibit was held the first week of November. The Meet the Photographers Reception had over 100 attend. We want to thank everyone—family, friends, neighbors—for their support. A special thanks to Theresa Fields and her crew for a great job!

Our winners this year were:

- Novice: First Place-Ken Wortz; Second and Third Place-Rick Nelson; Honorable Mention-Linda Uhley, Gary Comet, John Bauer (2) and Herman Houchins.
- Intermediate: First Place-Doris Mauricio; Second Place-Gary Rodoff; Third Place-Bruce Hagstrom; Honorable Mention-Doris Mauricio, Karen Raynor (2), Bruce Hagstrom and Annette Ware.
- Advanced: First and Third Place-John Ware; Second Place-Charlie Smith; Honorable Mention-Mike Gattozzi (2), Marilynn Cronin, Charlie Smith and Ray Christian.
- Master: First Place-Daisy Rowell; Second Place-Norbert Sachs; Third Place-Ray Cech; Honorable Mention- Tom Jellifer (2), Lenny Rodoff, Gary Uhley and Ray Cech.
- Modified: First Place-Norbert Sachs; Second Place-Lenny Rodoff; Third Place and Honorable Mention-Tom Frostig.

The People's Choice Award, which was voted for by attendees of the exhibit, was

won by Rick Nelson's photo The Mask.

We greatly appreciate our judges who gave freely of their time and knowledge. Joe Zimmerman is from Ohio, received his B.A. in English from Kent State University and his M.A. from the University of New Mexico. He has taught at the University of Akron, Baldwin Wallace College, and the Goethe Institute in Vienna, Austria. He is a professor in the Communications Department as well as the director of the Central Florida Community College International Film Series, and an avid travel photographer.

Jim Carrell is a digital photographer residing in Oak Run. As a member of the Manassas-Warrenton Camera Club, he received awards for Top Ten Images of the Year, Best Print of the Year, Intermediate Slide Photographer of the Year and Intermediate Alternative Process Prints Photographer of the Year. In seven annual photo contests for Fairfax County (VA) employees, he received 20 awards, including two Best of Show.

His images have been juried into four of the annual Nature in America Photography exhibits at Meadowlark Garden (Vienna, VA), the Community Art Show (Haymarket, VA), the Images of Liberia House exhibit at the Manassas Museum (Manassas, VA), a photography exhibit at the Manassas Center for the Arts, three Art at the Mill shows (Millwood, VA), the Images of Prince William County exhibit, and the Third Annual Regional Artists exhibit at the Manassas Center for the Arts. He has judged for several camera clubs and the Reston League of Artists (VA).

December's display at Master the Possibilities is by Mike Gattozzi. On Dec. 1, Sherry Surdam will be teaching Picasso 3-Part II. Many of you know Sherry from the Computer Club where she also shared this presentation to rave reviews. There will be time for questions and/or demonstrations.

ShutterBugs—On Top of the World Photography Club stresses education, sharing, and fun! The ShutterBugs meet the first three Tuesdays of the month at 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. All residents at all skill levels are welcome to join. If you would like more information about the ShutterBugs, visit our website at www.otowspc.com or contact Gary Uhley at 854-8536 or bugs@otowspc.com.

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Novice, First Place: Flowers/Pots.

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100 Grandparents
Barbara Greenwood

On Oct. 29, several of the "grandparents" attended Romeo Round-up night in Dunnellon held at Romeo Elementary School. The children came out in their Halloween costumes, and we gave out the candy. It was a fun evening.

I handed very generous contributions from the Ocala Clown Express and Helene Sternberger to Mrs. Kathy Hultman, principal, of Romeo. The money will go towards our bus fund.

We visited Romeo Elementary School again on Thursday, Nov. 12. We had a good turnout and had a wonderful time with the students. These children are the best. They give their full attention and also take part in the readings. The interaction is just wonderful.

Sunday afternoon, Nov. 15, at the Health & Recreation Building, we enjoyed the singing of Nadine Tull, Romeo's teacher of the year. People got up, danced and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Her singing was beautiful. If you didn't come out, you don't know what you missed.

Thank you to the "grandparents" who provided the wonderful cakes and cookies. Also, thank you to Bob Wroblewski who did a fantastic job with the lighting and sound, and Bob Woods for being there and taking pictures.

The "grandparent volunteers" give a very big thank you to everyone who came out to enjoy the show. You were generous and a wonderful group. We have made enough money to pay for the school bus that takes us to Romeo for the rest of the school year. You put us over the top. On Top of the World residents rock!

We are picked up at approximately 9 a.m. in the Winn Dixie parking lot by the vacated Porter's store. We return to the same location around noon. Our next visit will be Thursday, Dec. 10. Please call me, Barbara, at 861-2539 if you would like to become a part of our group. I will tell you all about us.

We are grateful to the On Top of the World residents who have so faithfully been clipping and delivering the Campbell soup labels and the Labels for Education to the red schoolhouse located under the stairs in the Health & Recreation Building.



Photo by Bob Woods

Nadine Tull performed to raise funds for the bus to Romeo Elementary.

Romeo turns in these labels and receives, in return, much needed school supplies.

Thank you to all who contribute to our Food-for-Kids backpack program. Foods such as juices, cereals, snack bars, pop-top canned goods, crackers, peanut butter and/or jelly, canned or plastic containers of fruit, etc., may be delivered to Elliott & Marlyn Barbours' home and placed in a tote located on their front porch. Their address is: 8680-H SW 94th Street. Mr. and Mrs. Barbour deliver the food to the church that makes up the backpacks for Romeo and Dunnellon Elementary children. This ensures that the children will have something to eat over the weekends.

The "grandparents" wish everyone in On Top of the World a very Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year.



View from the Library
Doris Knight

The book this month is a historical novel "Imperium: Novel of Ancient Rome" by Robert Harris. The narrator of the story is Tiro, who in real life was Cicero's secretary.

The novel pictures him as Cicero's slave but he plays the role of a close confidant and assistant. He also developed a kind of shorthand which he describes as about four thousand symbols which represent Latin words and phrases. Certainly, in the book, this system made him invaluable to Cicero in his many endeavors.

Cicero became a leading figure in Roman history as a senator and as a counsel and history today remembers him as a great orator. He was, as the novel tells us, a possessor of power or Imperium. He was also special because he had no great aristocratic family to back him up, no army, no vast fortune. But he had his voice and the will to make himself heard.

It is a story of how he was able to do this, which Tiro tells us about. The author, Robert Harris, would have us believe that the novel is his recreation of the history of Cicero's life that had been lost in the Dark Ages.

Cicero first won fame with his prosecution of Verres, the corrupt governor of Rome's possession of Sicily. Begged by Sicilians to concern himself for the injustices they

have suffered at Verres' hands, he gathered vast amounts of evidence against Verres, and was prepared to challenge Rome's aristocrats who saw Verres as one of them.

His evidence, gathered with Tiro's help, was so strong that Verres fled before the case was heard. Cicero's position was established.

He then went on to win or to be appointed to other lesser offices in Rome with the dream of being Counsel becoming stronger all the time.

In a stirring climax, Cicero was able to win the election with Tiro's aid again. In the novel, he carried all the districts in Rome and was thus swept to power. Without Tiro, this would not have been possible. He was able to conceal himself at a meeting of Cicero's enemies and using his shorthand take down the entire discussion.

With this information in hand, Cicero was able to thwart some of his opposition's plans and thus won the election.

Imperium is a fascinating book. Harris is a student of politics. Although he lives in Great Britain, aspects of American politics appear in this book. When Pompey says, "those who are not with us are against us," memories of George W Bush run through one's mind.

At another point, Pompey says, "however much I am petitioned, I shall not consent to be nominated," Shades of General Sherman.

Imperium moves quickly and is filled with information about the structure of the Roman Empire, and Tiro's shorthand helped to provide for Cicero information that television and the Internet would make available today.



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Nature Around Us Doris Mauricio

Happy holidays to all! December is a great month to transplant many of our woody plants and turf since they are going into their dormant mode for the winter allowing us to plant and transplant with ease. Be sure to water well for the first three weeks to make sure new roots

have grown.

When all of our other flowering shrubs are petering out, Camellias begin their prolific blooming. Camellias flower in the fall and winter when their display of colorful blooms is most appreciated. During the remainder of the year, their evergreen foliage, interesting shapes and textures, and relatively slow growth make camellias excellent landscape plants.

Most of the camellia shrubs seen in Marion County are *Camellia japonica*. These tall stately shrubs are considered the "Aristocrat of the South." *Camellia sasanqua* has grown more popular in the last few years because it stays relatively small (two to four feet) and tolerates more sun.

The flowers on *Camellia japonica* can be four to six inches in diameter while the flowers on *Camellia sasanqua* are two to

three inches.

Camellias like filtered light, slightly acid soil that is high in organic matter and well drained. Space them according to their mature size and rate of growth, usually at least five feet apart, and at the same depth they were in the container.

Camellias should be watered every 10 days during dry periods. Try to wet the soil to a depth of 14 to 18 inches to encourage a deep root system that will give the plant the ability to withstand the summer heat stress.

Start a four times a year fertilizer program beginning in February. Use an acidic fertilizer in the amount recommended on the label.

A simple bench placed in the shade of a tree or near that new camellia will help create a beautifully planted garden haven. Calendula, foxglove, pansy, petunia,

Shasta daisy and snapdragon (cold hardy plants) can be planted at this time and will last until May or June when temperatures become too high for them.

Early winter maintenance can begin now by:

- Fertilizing annuals and bulbs already growing.
- Spreading leaves and pine needles as mulch.
- Control scale by spraying with soap and oil.
- Prepare for freezes by collecting fabric coverings. Do not use plastic, which will burn the plant. The first frost date usually arrives in early December in Marion County.

Consider a visit to Harry P. Leu Botanical Gardens, 1920 N. Forest Avenue, Orlando. These gardens are famous for their camellias, roses, palms and thousands of other plants that will grow in our area. Check them out online at leugardens.org.

The Marion County Extension Office has Master Gardeners on duty on weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to answer your gardening concerns. You can call them at 671-8400. You can reach me at 237-3479 or e-mail me at dmauricio@cfl.rr.com. Happy gardening!



Photo by Marion County Master Gardener
Camellia japonica.



Photo by Robert Riedeman

Muhly Grass in bloom in the Native Plant Garden.



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Native Plant Group Robert Riedeman

The Native Plant Group maintains a nature trail and native plant garden adjacent to the Arbor Conference Center. The Longleaf Pine Trail is a half-mile loop through a sandhill community in which the trees, shrubs and ground cover plants are labeled with small signs attached to wooden stakes. The native plant garden, located on both sides of the trail entrance, has the plants named in a similar fashion. The trail and garden are maintained for the enjoyment of all residents and their guests. Please come!

In conversations with Native Plant Group colleagues, it was felt that there is a need to explain what we mean by "native" as opposed to "exotic" plants. A plant that evolved on the Florida peninsula is a native. Those, which are confined to the geographical boundaries of Florida, are considered endemic. Plant species that have become part of the Florida flora following its occupation by Europeans in the early 16th century are considered exotic.

1. Florida was discovered by the Spanish explorer Ponce de Leon in 1513. In his, "Guide to the Vascular Plants of Florida" Richard Wunderlin says, "It is sometimes difficult to distinguish whether a widespread species is native or non-native."
2. In order to make such a determination it is necessary to know the geographical origins of a species. Since this kind of knowledge is not cut and dry, differences of opinion abound in the botanical literature.

Many exotic species have become adapted to the Florida environment and fit in well with the natives. However, some exotics are very invasive and tend to take over. Since exotics usually have no natural enemies, they are capable of rapid growth and may be a deterrent to native species.

In my own Americana backyard there is a very aggressive herbaceous vine called the Air Potato (*Dioscorea bulbifera*). This plant likes to climb tall trees and drop its hard potato shaped fruit to the ground. Yes, it's an exotic, and yes, it's not much fun to get hit on the head with one.

Recent additions to the Native Plant garden include Tampa Verbena (*Glandularia tempensis*), White Muhly Grass (*Muhlenbergia capillaris* "White Cloud"), Tickseed (*Coreopsis leavenworthii*), Carolina Jessamine (*Gelsemium sempervirens*), Oakleaf Hydrangea (*Hydrangea quercifolia*) and Florida Anise (*Illicium floridanum*).

The above plants were obtained from Guda Taylor of Taylor Gardens Nursery with the exception of the Tickseed plants, which were donated by Margitta Claterbos.

There will be no December meeting of the Native Plant Group because of the holidays.

Holiday Food Drive

By CANDIE VOLLMER

On Top of the World would like to extend our thanks to the community for their generosity in providing donations to the annual food drive.

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Bob Poris, liaison; committee members: Sandy Wolf, Denise Howard, Dave Lyons, Irene Rudick and Carol Kehoe.



K-9 Club
Mary Chang

The first ever "Doggy Day Fair" was held in the small dog park on Sunday, Nov. 8, and it is sure to become an annual event! By our unofficial count there must have been close to 100 attendees. There was so much to watch, even for those not accompanied by canine friends.

Our wonderful emcee, Dave Lyons, started the program with a costume parade. Many thanks to Dan Dowd from Master the Possibilities, who agreed to join us for this event and judge the contestants. The dogs all looked amazing - so much so that Dan had to call it a tie!

After the judging, those without costumes were introduced; many of our dogs, it seems, are rescues, having come from one of those fine organizations that try to save the lives of dogs that otherwise might have to be put down.

In fact, our very own SPCA was in attendance handing out biscuits and some very important information about things like emergency veterinarian facilities in the area.

Following the parades, two trainers of very diverse backgrounds gave presentations. Ralph Mills, one of our residents, brought his dog with him and demonstrated some of the things that a service dog can do. Ralph is a volunteer for the Southeast Guide Dogs. More than showing us what such an animal can do, Ralph entertained us with his experience in the area and explained that what is needed most by this organization is people who

are willing to foster and guide such wonderful animals as these, to train them for someone who is in need of a guide dog.

Next, Kim, the owner of "Putting on the Dog," gave a demonstration on some basic obedience techniques. Her kennel and training center are right in our area.

Then came the doggie games. We all laughed and cheered as the contestants and their owners played a fun game of doggie musical sit. This was followed by a hot dog eating contest! Denise Howard did a great job in leading these games. Both ended in a tie with prizes for the winners! But all of our dogs went home with a prize as they are all special and deserving of rewards.

While this was going on, volunteers from the ShutterBugs were busy taking pictures of the dogs and their families. For a nominal fee, many of us will have these memories to cherish thanks to these great people. A raffle was held and prizes were awarded donated by some of our local restaurants and salons.

All in all, this was a great day with many thanks to the committee and volunteers who devoted much time to make this

a great show - Carol Kehoe, Irene Rudick, Sandy Wolf, and of course, Dave Lyons and Denise Howard with assistance from Doris Knight, Jinny Adolph, Bob Poris, Shelly Perrin and me.

Next month, we look forward to a great potluck holiday dinner on Sunday, Dec. 13 at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite G at 6 p.m. If you would like to attend, please contact Denise Howard (854-4704) on Dec. 11 or 12.

Remember you can join our club by coming to any meeting and paying the \$5 yearly family fee. You will find yourself among friends, as we all know that dog owners tend to be very social just like their pets!

The management at On Top of the World deserves our appreciation for helping to improve our dog park! Working with our liaison, Bob Poris, they looked for solutions to the issue of improving the surface in the park. First mulch was placed in the main sitting area of the small dog park and even better, stone replaced this. Everyone is delighted!

Finally, remember that if you have lost a dog or found a dog without identification, please contact the front gate (854-8935) or Ralph Mills (390-3446).

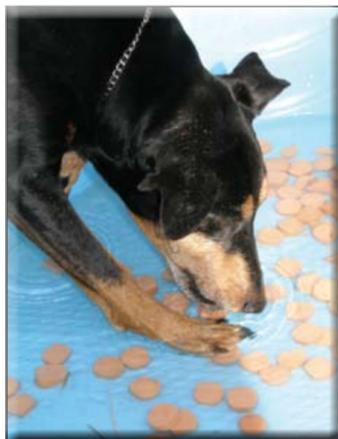


Photo by Bob Woods

Heidi, a German Pincher, dunks for frankfurter slices during a game at the Doggy Day Fair.



SPCA
Maria Devine

Thanks to everyone who stopped by the SPCA table at the Doggy Day Fair. We gave out healthy dog biscuits and Ocala Animal Emergency magnets and in return we received dog and puppy kisses as well as much needed donations.

The dog day afternoon was a lot of fun, and we hope it will be held again next year, with an even bigger turnout. From our vantage point outside the small dog park, we could see activities such as obedience instruction and musical dogs (a doggie version of musical chairs). The dogs from On Top of the World were well represented from tiny Yorkies and Chihuahuas to medium Shelties and Soft Coated Wheatens to large Standard Poodles and German shepherds, with almost every type in between.

The always-beautiful mutts were also in attendance and a Basset Hound puppy stole our hearts. Everyone came away with big smiles and it doesn't get any better than that for dog lovers.

Here's a tip for visiting an animal that is up for adoption from the SPCA or from a neighbor. Many of these dogs and cats will be shy at first meeting someone new, or will be protective of their current owner. Don't overwhelm such an animal when you first enter his space. Take a seat on the couch or chair with a treat in hand and ignore the pet while you talk to the owner or foster. Wait for the animal to come to you and take a treat and a sniff.

Let this happen a few times, and eventually he or she might jump on your lap of their own accord for a petting session. Keep your movements fluid and avoid direct eye contact until it's clear that the two of you have become friends.

Another problem when visiting a potential adoptive pet is excessive barking. First of all, realize that barking is a normal means of communication for a dog and that certain breeds naturally bark more than others, especially at strangers. There definitely will be times when you want your dog to sound the alarm, so it's not an all or nothing behavior. The way to curb excessive barking is actually to first encourage your dog to bark or "speak" and reward him. Then when he eventually stops barking, immediately reward that silence and say "quiet" or something similar. You will have to repeat these exercises many times, and use the most motivating rewards, such as treats, a favorite toy and eventually lavish praise. Yelling no in a loud crescendo does nothing to stop your dog from barking, and actually encourages it because he thinks you're joining in a fun activity.

We'll have our Christmas get together in December instead of our usual meeting.

Anyone interested in joining the SPCA, participating in our foster program, or have any other questions can call us at 362-0985.

We also have made it easier than ever to donate on our new website marionspca.org. If you're looking to make some donations before the year is out, you can click the donate button on our website and then click on the PayPal button. Every penny goes to help the animals.

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Republican Club
Tony Tortora

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The December meeting will feature Commissioner Charlie Stone who will address the State of the County and future plans. John Deakins, Candidate for County Commission District 22, will also

address the members.

In January, we will have several republican candidates for election in 2010 address the members. Future meeting programs will be announced as they are confirmed. We can expect republican candidates for office in the 2010 election to come to the meetings. They will be introduced and given a short time to state their positions on issues.

Our charter with the state party prohibits us from supporting one republican candidate over another during the primary season. It also prohibits us from inviting candidates who are not registered republicans.

All residents of On Top Of the World communities who are registered republicans are welcome to join the Republican Club. This is your opportunity to meet some of the politicians who work for you and to ask questions. You will also become familiar with candidates and their ideas on local and state issues.

During the campaign season, we do not knock on doors or hang knob notices on your house, as is the practice in most other neighborhoods. As political workers, we respect your privacy. You will always receive an abundance of mail and telephone calls advising you to vote for this one or that. We recommend coming to meetings to hear and question the candidates in person.



Model Railroaders
Jim Devine

Come one, come all to the Model Railroader's Club open house on Wednesday, Dec. 23 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Since many On Top of the World residents have their families visiting around Christmas, we wanted them all to get an opportunity to see our model railroad in operation. We may even let the children take the controls for a while.

We are located on the first floor of the Health & Recreation Building. We'll have club members on hand to run the trains and answer any questions about model railroading that you or your guests may have.

A splendid time is guaranteed for all. The club would like to thank Carole Drost Lopez for the beautiful murals that she painted on the backdrops of our layouts. They look great, and are very much appreciated.

We would also like to thank those On Top of the World residents who have do-

nated model railroad equipment to the club. A number of residents have stopped by to tell us that they have old model train "stuff" in a closet, and asked if we can use it. We usually can. If we can't use it now, we'll hold it for possible future expansion of our layouts.

Although we are a model railroading club, many of us are very interested in real trains and their history. As new residents of Florida, we like to study railroading in our new home state. Have you ever heard of the "juice train?" An entire train of fresh Tropicana orange juice is shipped north to New Jersey in insulated boxcars that are painted orange (of course) and have Tropicana prominently printed on the side of each car.

I saw the juice train for the first time quite a few years ago while I was on a commuter train heading into New York City. Imagine my surprise to see a train made up of dozens of identical orange boxcars proclaiming that they were carrying Tropicana orange juice. Eventually, juice trains of fresh orange juice began to be run from Florida to Cincinnati, Ohio. Ten juice trains are now being operated each week from Florida up to Jersey City and Cincinnati. In addition, shipments of fresh orange juice are now being shipped in specially equipped refrigerated cars from Florida all the way to California.

The voting for our club's 2010 officers is currently under way, and the results will be announced at our Dec. 2 meeting. Our club meetings are held at 9 a.m. on the first Wednesday of every month in Meeting Room #3 of the Crafts Building. You're invited to join us if you're interested in becoming a member of the On Top of the World Model Railroader's Club.

For additional information, visit the club's layout room on the first floor of the Health & Recreation Building.

New Year's Eve Dance

By ARLO JANSSEN

On Dec. 31, the On Top of the World Dance Committee, Dancin' on the Top, will hold a New Year's Eve dance in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. The dance will be held from 8 p.m. until midnight with music provided by Roger from On Top of the World.

Each individual table will have a special shrimp selection, champagne for toasting,

and hors d'oeuvres at the dance. Coffee, doughnuts and water will be served after the countdown for the New Year.

Tickets will go on sale starting Dec. 7, in the Health & Recreation Ballroom from 8 to 10 a.m. and then every Monday and Wednesday thereafter.

If you have questions on the dance, please contact Jack Stone at 873-3083.



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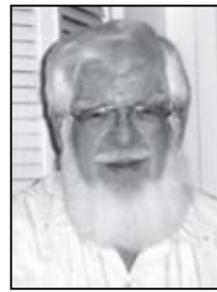
This, the first U.S. Christmas commemorative stamp, a Christmas wreath and candles, printed in traditional Christmas colors of red and green.



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Stamp Club
David Groves

What does stamp collecting have to do with golf? For those who play golf, they might enjoy creating a stamp collection of stamps depicting some aspect of golf. In 1995, the United States issued a set of five recreational sports stamps, one of which depicted golf. In addition to the U.S. golf stamp, 114 other countries have issued a total of 350 stamps depicting some aspect of the topic of golf.

That's where the thrill of the hunt comes in! Searching for each one of those 350 golf-related stamps can be a very enjoyable and educational way of spending one's off-course hours. When members of our General Francis Marion Stamp Club decide to begin a new stamp collection, we can count on advice by other members and the use of our club's reference library and catalogs listing all of the world's stamps and their current market value.

One of the most popular topics of our stamp club members is Christmas. The first Christmas postage stamp was issued by Canada in 1898. The United States issued its first Christmas commemorative stamp in 1962 and, since then, it has issued over 150 Christmas stamps. Since 1996, it has also issued stamps commemorating Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Bid Mubarak and Chinese New Year.

This year, our stamp club members will enjoy a Christmas luncheon together on Dec. 9.

Regular General Francis Marion Stamp Club meetings will be held on the first and third Wednesday of December at 1 p.m. in the second floor conference room of the Park Avenue Bank at the corner of SW Highway 200 and SW 90th Street.

Club membership dues are only \$6 a year. A real bargain!

Visitors are always welcome, including non-members who would like to obtain information on the best way to dispose of an inherited stamp collection.

For additional information related to the General Francis Marion Stamp Club, please call Roy Schwartz at 237-1204 or email him at roy678@webtv.net.

Meanwhile, may you have a blessed and Merry Christmas or a Happy Hanukkah!

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Honor Flight • Oct. 29, 2009

The following On Top of the World residents were selected to join the first Ocala Honor Flight on Oct. 29 to visit the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C. All photos were taken by Bob Woods.



Bernard Aronoff
Army / Engineer

"It was wonderful for everyone to have a chance to see and visit the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C. This is a tremendous undertaking."



Lee Brown
Army / Infantry

"Honor Flight was sensational, once-in-a-lifetime experience."



John Calella
Army / Infantry

"I was impressed with all the volunteers with the Honor Flight program. It is a wonderful thing they are doing for the WW II Veterans."



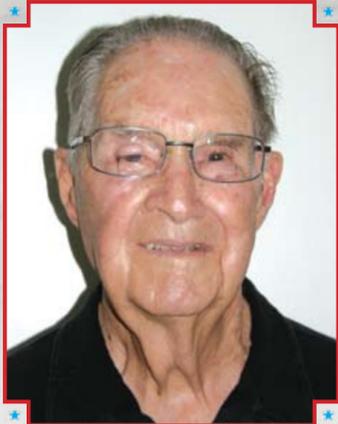
Ralph Calvert
U.S. Navy / Electronic Technician

"I am amazed at what has been accomplished as far as the Ocala Honor Flight."



Salvatore D'Avola
Army / Radar Operator

"This trip was a great tribute."



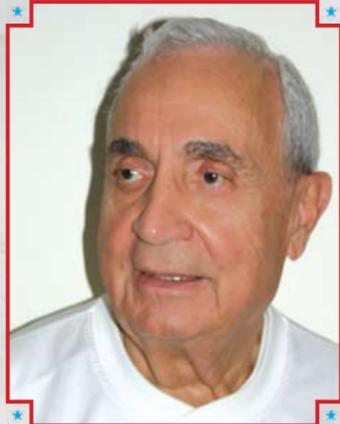
Harry Ettell
Navy Seabee / Machinist Mate

"I think Honor Flight is terrific. I was really excited about going to Washington to see the World War II Memorial."



Irvin Gackowski
Marines / Infantry

"I am very proud to be associated with these WW II veterans going on the trip."



Steve Kallas
Army / Infantry

"It is very nice to be heading to Washington, D.C., on the Honor Flight to see the World War II Memorial erected to honor those who served in World War II."



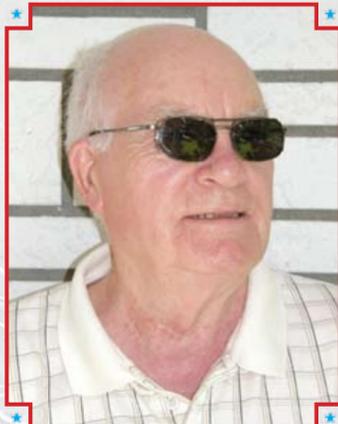
Sally Kohl
Women's Army Corps / Postal Clerk

"It is a wonderful tribute to the WW II veterans."



Norman Larsen
Navy Seabee / Construction & Stevedore

"The trip and the monument were beautiful. The trip was something I was planning on doing but hadn't gotten around to it as of yet."



Robert Mawhine
Army / Engineer

"If it hadn't of been for Honor Flight, I would never have been able to see the WW II Memorial."



Fenton Overly
Army Air Force / Flight Engineer

"It is a wonderful thing they [Honor Flight] are doing for the WW II Veterans. I am very grateful and humbled to have been chosen."



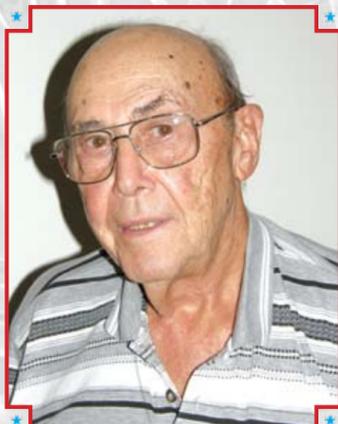
Don Pixley
Marines / Infantry

"I wouldn't have been able to see the Memorial if it weren't for Honor Flight. This was great!"



Louis Sala
Army / Anti-Aircraft Artillery

"I was really looking forward to this trip. It was awesome!"



Charles Smith
Army / Infantry

"Honor Flight is the greatest thing in the world."



Joe Zwick
Army Air Corps / B-17 Ball Turret Gunner

"It was great to have been asked to go on this trip."



Kitti's Corner
Kitti Surrette

Winter is Knocking, are You Ready?

PREVENTING WINTER WEIGHT GAIN: Many people tend to gain weight during the winter months. Some people joke that they are eating and sleeping more because they are getting ready to hibernate. But we do not get to crawl into a warm hiding place and sleep the fat away.

As shifting trends in our culture enable us to be more sedentary, statistics show that greater than half of all adults are overweight. Factors that accelerate weight gain are a real concern. Those extra pounds acquired over the winter may stay on year after year, eventually contributing to health problems such as obesity, diabetes, high blood pressure and heart disease.

People gain weight during the winter months for different reasons. If you have a tendency to gain weight during the winter, it's important for you to figure out what factors contribute to this tendency, and then plan accordingly. Simple changes in behavior often have enormous health benefits. Following are some ideas for preventing winter weight gain. As you read, decide which would be helpful for you.

MAKE A SURVIVAL PLAN: First, have a plan for staying active. Think about factors that have made exercise during the winter season difficult previously: loneliness, travel, busyness, etc. Come up with some creative solutions to these barriers, schedule them into your calendar the same way you schedule parties, meetings and family gatherings.

Second, if winter creates excess stress for you, think of ways to reduce it. Exer-

cise is the best stress-reducer. Stress reduction is one of the best reasons to stay active, no matter what the season may be.

It is also important to get enough sleep. Focus on your priorities and eliminate low-priority activities if you find that you are very busy. Make time for those activities that provide pleasure and opportunities to be with people you enjoy.

Third, eat defensively. Include occasional small portions of treats that you really love, but balance this by eating more prudently at other meals. Avoid munching just because "it's there."

MAKE FRIENDS WITH WINTER: Winter can cause a decline in physical activity, as shorter days and inclement weather can limit exercise options. If winter weather creates exercise barriers for you, take a closer look at those barriers and come up with some creative solutions. If early darkness forces you off the streets, why not consider some indoor options? Check out getting fit in one of Health & Recreation's fitness classes or working out in the fitness center with the machines.

ARBOR CLUB FITNESS & AQUATIC SCHEDULE

ARBOR CLUB GROUP FITNESS SCHEDULE

EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1ST 2009

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
9:00-9:50 Arbor Club Ballroom		Tai-Qi-Po* Frank		Tai-Qi-Po* Frank		Open Swim	Open Swim
9:15-10:00 Arbor Club Indoor Pool	Deep Water Aerobics* Dori	Shallow Water Aerobics* Barbara	Deep Water Aerobics* Larry	Shallow Water Aerobics* Barbara	Deep Water Aerobics* Larry		
9:30-10:30	Yoga* Ronnese AC Ballroom	Intermediate Yoga* Ronnese Fitness Room	Yoga* Ronnese AC Ballroom				
10:15-11:15 Fitness Room					Yoga* Bryony Fitness Room		
11:45-12:30 Arbor Club Ballroom	Get Fit While You Sit Kitti		Get Fit While You Sit Kitti		Get Fit While You Sit Kitti		
1:30-2:15 Arbor Club Indoor Pool	Shallow Water Aerobics* Traci		Shallow Water Aerobics* Traci				

*DENOTES A FEE BASED CLASS

Winter doldrums, get into the light: Many people experience mild to moderate winter depression. Severe winter depression, known as seasonal affective disorder (SAD), is marked by depressed mood, sleeping more than usual, increased appetite, cravings for sweets and carbohydrates and weight gain.

If depression is a concern for you, talk to your healthcare provider. Provid-

ers may recommend some form of light therapy, which relieves winter depression in many people.

Don't forget that exercise can be an effective treatment for mild to moderate depression. People who experience winter depression can combine exercise and light therapy by exercising outdoors when time and weather permit.



**Larry's
Fit Tips**
Larry Robinson

Importance of Stretching for Improved Flexibility

Stretching has many benefits for all types of people. In general, stretching helps with relaxation, and much flexibility can be gained from stretching on a regular basis. Usually, stretching is done before and after exercises to warm up and soothe muscles.

Stretching is a form of physical exercise in which a specific skeletal muscle (or muscle group) is deliberately elongated to its fullest length (often by abduction from the torso) in order to improve the muscle's felt elasticity and reaffirm comfortable muscle tone. The result is a feeling of increased muscle control, flexibility and range of motion. Stretching is also used therapeutically to alleviate cramps.

It is extremely important to keep muscles strong, even when one cannot walk or move for long periods of time. That's where stretching carries the most benefits. Stretching is relaxing and soothing,

and can help strengthen muscles and improve joints. Stretching is not difficult or time consuming. It takes just a few minutes a day without having to get into any uncomfortable positions. With time, you can enjoy a more fulfilling life of extended movement.

When the body doesn't move, it only gets weaker. Muscles get smaller and even basic movements become impossible, but when stretching is added to your life, you'll feel better and joint problems will improve greatly. In addition, stretching can improve blood circulation, which promotes a healthy heart. It can also reduce symptoms of diseases, which attack joints and muscles while also being beneficial for depression and an overall feeling of well being.

If you are interested in group classes that involve stretching, come to the Health & Recreation Building, downstairs in the group exercise room. There are two classes that come to mind:

- Condition and Stretch, taught by Cammy Dennis on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 to 8:45 a.m. This class is devoted to half conditioning and half stretching. Cammy does a great job at working the muscles and then stretching them.
- Stretching for the Stars, which is also held in the group exercise room on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. is taught by Jessica Pinkowski. Jessica uses the chairs for stretching in the standing and sitting positions.

Another option, which is often overlooked in the fitness center is the Precor Stretch Trainer, this piece of equipment is unique because you don't have to get on the floor to stretch. If you are interested in this machine and feel you need some help, feel free to ask me or come by and I would be happy to show how it is used.

FIT TIP #1: Flexible muscles can improve your daily performance. Tasks such as lifting, bending and reaching become much easier.

FIT TIP #2: Stretching improves range of motion of your joints. Good range of motion keeps you in better balance, which will help keep you mobile and less prone to falls as you age.

FIT TIP #3: Stretching improves circulation and relieves stress. Stretching increases blood flow to your muscles. Improved circulation can speed recovery after muscle injury. Stretching relaxes the tense muscles that often accompany stress.

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Look at the Sports you can Play on Our Courts!

On Top of the World residents are very fortunate to have access to two racquetball courts here at the Health & Recreation Fitness Center. Don't be fooled by their name, you can play a lot more than just racquetball on these courts!

In the course of my workday, I pass by the racquetball courts several times and I am always delighted and inspired by the many sports taking place. The floors are new and the walls have been recently renovated. Our courts are in great shape... now it's your turn to get in great shape! Take a look at the sports you can play on our courts...

RACQUETBALL: This is a wonderful way to stay conditioned and have fun. The players meet every Tuesday and Thursday at 8:30 a.m. With a regular group of about 20 single players, most often the games played are doubles due to the popularity and the number of players on hand.

Nick LaGattuta has taken a leadership role with this group and has been playing racquetball here at On Top of the World for almost 20 years! Nick says that "we are really lucky to have racquetball courts, not many facilities have them these days."

Nick has assured me that all players are welcome, even those new to the game. He said that there are always racquets to borrow if you don't have one and the veterans of this racquetball group would assist new players to learn the rules and develop their skill.

Nick proudly told me that there are active players that are in their 80s still going strong! There are also some residents who play in the afternoons and on Sundays. For more information stop by Health & Recreation or call Nick LaGattuta at 854-9758.

WALLYBALL: This is another game that finds its home on these courts. Wallyball is just like volleyball, the same rules apply, except that the ball is played off the walls. The game is fast and fun!

Lee Goodman has been at the Fitness Center faithfully for four years every Tuesday and Thursday at 10 a.m. to help get the game organized and rally players. He suggests that you show up early. There are no dues and everyone gets to play!

Lee made me laugh when I was interviewing him and inquired as to what skills someone would need to join in wallyball. Nick replied, "if someone can move their arms and take two steps in any direction without falling down, they can play!" Lee was using his wit to demonstrate that ev-



Computer Club Sherry Surdam

Hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving and are now preparing for the Christmas holidays. They'll be here before you know it!

December is a very short month for the club as meetings are suspended because so many of our members go north or entertain guests and are thus too busy to attend. Our last meeting for this year will be on Saturday, Dec. 12, and we will return to our regular schedule on Saturday, Jan. 2!

On Saturday, Jan. 9, Gene and Linda Barlow will be visiting us again. Gene is a very popular presenter and we are fortunate to again have him on our schedule. Due to the rising costs of travel, he and Linda now limit their visits to a select few computer clubs and we are pleased to be on the list of those they visit!

We don't always know in advance of submitting this column what our program schedule will be so be sure to watch the website at <http://www.cccocala.org/> for information on upcoming programs and/or other changes to the schedule. You'll find lots of tips and helpful information on our website as well. Our Webmaster, Don Sommer, is always adding to it so visit often or you might miss out on something!

Club meetings are held at 9 a.m. at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. If you aren't a member yet but want to see what we do, come on up and give us a

RECREATION CENTER FITNESS SCHEDULE

HEALTH AND RECREATION CENTER GROUP FITNESS SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1ST 2009

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7:15 Aerobics Rm.	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise
8:00-8:50	Cardio Mix	Condition & Stretch	Cardio-Kick & Tone	Condition & Stretch	Cardio Mix	12:15
Aerobics Room	Dori	Cammy	Dori	Cammy	Kitti	20 Min.
9:00-9:50	Primary Pilates	Balanced Body	Stretch for the Stars	Balanced Body	Precision Pilates	Sunday
Aerobics Room	Jessica	Mary Pat	Jessica	Mary Pat	Kitti	Oxycise
10:00-10:45	Balanced Body		Balanced Body	Strictly Strength	Balanced Body	12:15
Aerobics Room	Jessica		Jessica	Larry	Mary Pat	20 Min.
10:30-11:15	Cardio Jam		Cardio Jam		Light Latin-10:45	
H&R Ballroom	Kitti		Kitti		Dunia	
10:45-11:30	Light Aerobics		Light Aerobics		S.O.S - "Serious on Strength"	
Aerobics Room	Dori		Dori		Kitti	
12:00		Fitness Center				
Fitness Center		Orientation				
12:15 Aerobics Rm.	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	
1:00-2:00		ZUMBA*!		ZUMBA*!		
Aerobics Room		Traci		Traci		

* Denotes a Fee Based Class

everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

Lee had a good recommendation for those who are interested but not sure they are ready to play the very first time...he says to come, observe and see what it's all about. The wallyball crew would love to have new members, come and join in the fun or just observe the first time.

BADMINTON: For the last five years, Penny Luetkemeyer has had an active role in keeping badminton a popular sport here at Health & Recreation. Penny says, "Badminton is a great workout, its lots of fun and you get to do it in an air-conditioned environment."

Currently, the badminton players meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 3 p.m. They have about 10 active men and women who play year round, and they are looking for new players!

Penny was very reassuring in explaining that there are racquets here for you to use and beginners are most welcome! If you have any questions, you can call Penny directly at 873-2271 or stop by the fitness center for more information.

BOUNCE BALL: This is a game that was entirely new to me and fairly new to our courts! As a spectator, I can say that this game looks like a great deal of fun.

Carol Lopez got bounce ball going here at Health & Recreation about a year ago. Carol is a retired Physical Education teacher and says that, "Bounce ball is great for those that have some physical challenges." This sport fuses tennis and volleyball, the net is lowered and the rules have been blended from both sports. Carol noted, "Bounce ball is a good cardiovascular workout especially when you have long rallies."

Currently, this is a women's only group meeting Fridays at 1 p.m. Carol Lopez shares her bounce ball enthusiasm with Carol Self, who helped to get this sport going here at On Top of the World. Both Carols were Physical Education teachers who went to college together and taught bounce ball to elementary children!

Describing sports and kids leads me to

look-see. I think you'll find we have much to offer both novice and users that are more experienced!

For those of you who use a Mac, we have several members who use a Mac so it might be worthwhile for you to join us as well. Admittedly, the focus is on PCs but we can answer questions relating to Mac too.

A very Merry Christmas and Happy Chanukah to all.

one of my favorite sayings and the perfect conclusion, "We don't stop playing because we get old; we get old because we stop playing!" Don't stop playing, give bounce ball a try.

Be sure to check out our wonderful courts at the Health & Recreation Fitness Center. There are so many wonderful sports to join in. Improve your health, have fun and meet new friends!

Please note our holiday schedule:

- Christmas Eve - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. No fitness classes.
- Christmas Day - Closed.
- New Year's Eve - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. No fitness classes.
- New Year's Day - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. No fitness classes.

- Swim Lessons - six-week program starts Jan. 12.
- Biggest Loser - six-week program starts Jan. 14.
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Pennsylvania Club
Pat Utiss

The November meeting was held on Veterans Day. To commemorate the day, each attendee was given a small flag. The first door prize was a large outdoor flag set, won by Nell Entinger. A medley of the different Armed Forces songs was played before the Pledge of Allegiance.

The speaker for the afternoon was Joe Pine of Metro Crime Prevention. He gave us a lot of important information necessary to live in today's society. Unfortunately, the economic situation has led to a major increase in all areas of crime. He passed out interesting reading and told us where to purchase various products that will help protect us.

The Christmas party will be held before this paper comes out, so I will be able to report on that in the next column.

The program for our February meeting will be a game called, "How We Met." I am asking members to call me with the stories of how they met their spouse.

I will take this opportunity to wish all readers a happy and blessed Christmas and a very healthy New Year.



Southern Club
Charlotte Hancock

Southern Club members, I am sorry I was unable to attend the November meeting. However, the news coming back to me was favorable and everyone had a great time. I want to thank our Vice President, Earl Hancock, for a wonderful job of conducting the meeting in my absence.

The turkey, dressing and gravy were very good. The sweet potato and cranberry casseroles as well as all the other side dishes were excellent. We ask everyone to refrain from washing their dishes and pans in the sink.

Everyone said the Honey School of Dance ensemble was terrific. These young people are so talented. Their instructor, Honey Nick, has done a wonderful job of training these young people.

We welcomed new members: Wanda White, Keith and Donnell Briggs, Gene and Jean Wheeler. Our guests for this meeting were Ida Chadwick, Frances Blankenship, Mike DeBari, and Shirley George. Hope to see you again soon.

Our Christmas dinner/party will be on Dec. 3 in the Health & Recreation Ballroom at 5:30 p.m. and will be catered by Bruce. Tickets needed to be purchased by Nov. 24. Ladies and gentlemen, bring out your casual Christmas attire (please no shorts or t-shirts).

Everyone is asked to bring an unwrapped gift for the needy children who live in the forest. These will be collected at the dinner and distributed by the fire department.

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Events December

To be listed, call Sid at 861-8775

Dec. 6

Show: Holiday Concert
3 p.m./H&R 732-0706

Dec. 9

Golf Cart Parade
2 p.m./AC 873-2409

Dec. 11

Show: The Singing Christmas Tree
First Baptist Church, Orlando 237-1432

Dec. 13

Movie: "My Life in Ruins"
6 p.m./H&R 873-7507

Dec. 15

Trip: Casino
Tampa 854-8707x10

Dec. 25

Show: Christmas Program (Show Palace)
Hudson 237-8533

Dec. 31

New Year's Eve: Danny & Johnny
8 p.m./AC 854-8707x10

Location Codes

AC	Arbor Club
BR	Ballroom
CC	Arbor Conference Center
CCC	Candler Community Center
CSCC	Circle Square Cultural Center
H&R	Health & Rec Bldg
ICC	Indigo Community Center
MR1	Meeting Room 1
MR3	Meeting Room 3

Upcoming Publication Date

January issue:
Thursday, Dec. 31



**New York/
New Jersey**
Bunny Barba

The October meeting of New York/New Jersey Club was held in the Arbor Club Ballroom. Please note that all of our future meetings will resume at the Health & Recreation Ballroom on the third Tuesday of every month.

Attendance was wonderful. All of the members and guests enjoyed a super afternoon of horse racing conducted by those dedicated race callers, John Zanazzi and Andy Zarella. Several of our attendees managed to win quite a few dollars betting on their favorite horses.

Danny Collora set up a delicious spread of doughnuts, coffee and iced tea. The move to the new location was seamless.

All of our members are looking forward to the annual Christmas party on Dec. 15. We are having a catered affair, complete with great food, Santa Claus, gifts and everything that goes with this wonderful holiday season. The charge for tickets is \$12 for all members (you must be a member to attend) and \$14 for overnight houseguests.

If you have not purchased your tickets, please call me or contact our president, Liz Ettell, at 237 4721. Also, be aware that we will have music, singing and dancing.

The New York/New Jersey Club is happy to announce that our famous Tampa Downs trip will take place on Friday, Feb. 12. Space is limited and reservations will be taken at the Christmas party and after. Check the next issue of this paper for further details.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at 873-8009 or Thebunster29@aol.com.

May your life be full of good luck and great joy, always in all ways.

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New England Club
Peg Corkum

On March 20, 1987 our community's New England Club was founded as a social club. Twenty-two years later, the purpose of the club still is to promote friendship and fellowship for former natives/residents of a New England state who now resides in On Top of the World.

We meet at 2 p.m. at the Arbor Club on the second Friday of the month (October through April).

This year, the committee has made an extra effort to plan new and different events. You might, like me, prefer to participate rather than reading about these fun times later.

Yearly dues are \$10 per person; new members are always welcome.

Planned for December is a "yankee swap." To play, each member brings a \$10 unisex wrapped gift with no ID tags. If you require more information, please call any committee member.

Christmas Concert

By MARGITTA CLATERBOS

The Central Florida Master Choir will perform its 3 p.m. Christmas concerts "O magnum mysterium" on:

- Saturday, Dec. 12, at First Presbyterian Church, 206 Washington Ave in Inverness;
- Sunday, Dec. 13, at Countryside Presbyterian Church, 7768 SW Hwy 200 in Ocala;
- Sunday, Dec. 20, at Dunnellon Presbyterian Church, 20641 Chestnut Street in Dunnellon.

A freewill offering would be appreciated.

This program of classical and classic Christmas music is sure to be a high point in your holiday observances. It takes its name from the hauntingly beautiful "O magnum mysterium" by Victoria. Choral works of the Renaissance and Baroque periods include pieces by Praetorius, Mendelssohn and Bach.

Six residents of On Top of the World sing in The Central Florida Master Choir: Anita Atherton, Gwyn Champlin, Margitta Claterbos, Mary Hensley, Anne Merrick and Bonnie Salo.



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POET'S CORNER

Poetry from On Top of the World Residents

How Blessed is Christmas

By HAZEL EHLE

Christmas eve is finally here
the carolers singing praise.
Children now so very good,
especially these last days.

All the stores will soon be closed,
crowds now thinning out.
People anxious to be home,
the Christmas spirit all about.

Outside the snow is falling
covering the ground pure white.
Trimming trees and bushes all around
so glorious is this night.

Pews at churches filled,
beautiful singing from the choir.
So hallowed this time of year
of which we never tire.

We feel so blessed at Christmas,
bowing our heads in prayer.
Rejoicing in our savior's love
with the joy of Christmas everywhere.

When the wise men followed the star
that was shining so bright
to where our dear savior was born
on that long ago Christmas night.

It's Up To Me

By MARY CULBERSON

I know it's up to me Lord
To do my moral best
To help others if I can
In this life I must invest.

Life is so short when you look back
And wonder where all the time went
I know I must make the best of things
Enjoy life, and my faults repent.

I want to feel I've made a difference
In my life along the way
And perhaps a few will remember
That I loved them to my last day.

If I Were Santa

By ANNETTE SHARPE

If I were Santa
I'd give your spirits a lift.
There'd be no signs of aging.
What a great gift!

You'd never need pills
For this ailment or that.
Like magic, I'd remove
All your excess fat.

If I were Santa
I'd do all I could
To give you good health,
And make you feel good.

With the wink of an eye
I'd open my sack,
And take away all pain
In your lower back.

No wrinkles or dry skin
Would ever ensue,
No itching, or scratching,
Or burning for you.

Your shoes would be comfy,
Your feet wouldn't complain,
No blisters, bunions,
Or corns would remain.

Dear old Santa loves you.
Of this, have no doubt.
By removing all things
You can live without.



Grandchildren Visiting?

Cribs, strollers, booster seats, car seats and more are loaned free to On Top of the World residents. Please see the attendant on duty at the fitness desk in the Health & Recreation Building.



Entertainment Group Presents 'Branson Meets Quebec'

Saturday, Jan. 30 promises to be a wild evening in the Health & Recreation Ballroom! This is when "Branson (Harley Worthit) Meets Quebec (Robbie Carson)" at 7:30 p.m.

For those that saw "Branson Meets Nashville" two years ago will agree, that Harley Worthit may just be the funniest comedian in town with outlandish costumes that will "wow" you. His most recent gig was at the Jim Stafford Theater in Branson.

Sharing the stage with Harley, from Quebec, is song stylist Robbie Carson. This talented vocalist offers a variety of songs from standards to jazz to doo-wop not to mention an international touch

that will charm the audience. Her performance will make you travel through time and bring back good memories.

Please note that there will be no show in December.

Tickets for "Branson Meets Quebec" may be purchased in advance every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from Nov. 30 through Dec. 11 from 8:30 to 10 a.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. Ticket prices are \$6 general and \$8 reserved with a four-ticket limit for all On Top of the World residents.

Ticket sales will resume Jan. 4 and every Monday, Wednesday and Friday thereafter.

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Birders' Beat

Jane Callender

The Peregrine Falcon is a stunning sight; nose-diving over 180 miles per hour to catch its prey. Its speed in a dive makes it the fastest animal or bird in the world. Once the bird has spotted its prey, it begins its stoop, folding back the tail and wings. Small bony tubercles in a falcon's nostrils guide the shockwave of air, thus protecting the bird's lungs.

In courtship flight, it passes prey it has caught to the female in mid-air. To make this possible, the female flies upside down to receive food from the male's talons!

The falcon mates for life, nesting in a "scrape" on cliff edges or, in recent times, on skyscraper window ledges. The only ice-free landmass where it is entirely absent is New Zealand. This makes it the world's most widespread bird of prey.

The Peregrine Falcon (meaning "wan-



Photo © Brooks Jones

Peregrine Falcon.

dering falcon") became an endangered species due to the use of pesticides. Since the ban on DDT and large-scale protection of nesting places, the population is recovering. The accompanying photo is courtesy of Brooks Jones.

This December marks the 110th anniversary of the Audubon Society's annual Christmas Bird Count (CBC). It began in 1900 when Frank Chapman started a "bird count" instead of a "bird shoot." No one knew how important the CBC would become as a resource and tool for conservation.

The next meeting of The Unique Birders will be Dec. 15 at 1:30 p.m. in Suite H of the Arbor Conference Center. For further information, please call Roberta Campbell at 854-4814, or me, at 861-2983.



Genealogical Society

Elizabeth Kyle

Several months ago, I described a painstaking method I used to find my father's ancestors because they always claimed to be Scots. Using the IFH county websites, I explored the frequency of the surnames "Kyle and Patterson" in the counties of Ireland.

Because they were Episcopal, I figured they must be somewhere in Ulster Plantation, the name the English gave to lands taken from the Irish nobility in the 17th century.

Finding both surnames in county Tyrone, I was able to find birth, marriage and death records for my grandparents

and great grandparents.

In one of his e-mails, Ron Chard recommended searching the Internet for information about the surnames.

Lo and behold, the three Kyle men, William, James and Robert who had been loyal to the king were given a land grant to much of what is now county Tyrone. William moved to Tyrone from Ayrshire in southwest Scotland. The names William and James frequently are found in my father's ancestry. Now, I want to spend a summer in Ulster researching, visiting places where they lived and discovering the facts of what little ears heard when they were too young to understand.

"Family Tree Maker" classes will be taught at Master the Possibilities in February and March. Educational meetings continue to meet on the third Monday at 10 a.m. in Suites A and B of the Arbor Conference Center.

We have seen demonstrations of a simple photo scanning device from Pandigital, a presentation on a genealogical trip to Croatia, and using Picasa to edit and improve the appearance and readability of photos and documents. These presentations are invaluable learning tools for those of us in the early stages of our search.

Our regular meetings are on the second Monday at 10 a.m. in Room 3 of the Crafts Building. Helen Gromullz comes early to open the library. It is rich with resources to help in your search. If you can see that genealogy is as much fun as a treasure hunt, come and visit. You might be tempted to join in your own search!



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Mac /PC Tip of the Month

Sherry Surdam

A question that comes up from time to time concerns photographs embedded in PowerPoint shows. I'm frequently asked if there is a way to save a picture from a PowerPoint show someone has received.

There is no "official" way to do it but I figured out a workaround. To do this, you must have the actual Microsoft Office PowerPoint program. The PowerPoint viewer will not do the job. If the show came attached to an e-mail be sure to save

it to your hard drive first (and remember where you put it).

1. Select the .pps file you want to make into pictures.
2. Right click and choose "rename."
3. Change only the .pps to a .ppt.
4. Ignore warning regarding extensions and click ok. The extension of the file is now .ppt
5. Double click the .ppt file and it will open as a PowerPoint file rather than a PowerPoint show.
6. Go up to the file menu and select "Save as."
7. When the dialog box opens, look in the file type drop down box for .jpg and select that.
8. Select ok.
9. PowerPoint will save each slide (you don't get to choose just one) as a .jpg picture file and name them "slide 1", "slide 2", etc.

PowerPoint will save these pictures in a file folder with the same name as the original file and put it on the desktop (or wherever you have put the original PowerPoint show, so be sure to know where it's located or you won't find the folder with the pictures.) You can then delete any of the pictures you don't want and keep what you do want.

I save everything to the desktop so I can find it easily. Once I'm satisfied, I move the files to a location in My Documents.

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Activities December

To make changes, call Theresa at the Activities Office at 854-8707, Ext. 11

Monday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
7:15	Oxycise	H&R
8:00	Mixed Tennis D	CTS
8:30	Men's Softball	SBF
9:00	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
	Woodworking	WW
	Bocce League	BCTS
	Ceramics 9-2p.m.	Art
	Practice Bridge	CR
	Ladies Billiards	PLR
	Dancing Toppers	H&R
9:30	Shuffleboard	CTS
10:00	Tennis Doubles	CTS
	Ladies Billiards	PLR
10:30	Tai Chi	AC
11:00	Bocce League	BCTS
11:30	Lap Swimming	AC
12:00	Ladies Poker	MR3
	Line Dance (Level Two)	H&R
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Men's Golf Group	CR
12:15	Oxycise	H&R
12:30	Bridge	CR
	Northern Lights	
	Mah Jongg	CC:G
	Aqua Belles	AC
1:00	Bocce League	BCTS
1:15	Line Dance (Intermediate)	HR
1:30	Shuffleboard	CTS
2:00	Happy Hookers	Art
	Rummicube	CC:E,F
2:45	Line Dance (Level Two)	HR
4:00	Line Dance (Level One)	HR
5:30	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Table Tennis	CC:D
6:00	Poker	MR3
6:30	Bridge	CR
6:30	Euchre II	CC:H
6:45	Ballet Club	ACF
7:00	Wood Shop	WW
	Dominoes	CC:G

1st Week

7:30	Marion Blood Bank	PL
	(All Even # Months Only)	
9:00	Life South Blood	PL
	(All Odd # Months Only)	
	RC Flyers Club	CC:B,C
1:30	D'Clowns	CC:B,C
2:00	Bocce	CC:AC
2:30	Readers/Theatre	CC:D
3:00	Ocala Clown Express	TR
3:30	Comp. Handicap	CC:H
5:30	Avalon Social Club	AC
6:30	Karaoke Friends	CC:E,F
6:30	Sunshine Singers	BR

2nd Week

8:00	*Flu Shots 12-14-09	CC:E&F
10:00	Genealogical Society	MR3
2:30	Theatre Group	CC:D

3rd Week

10:00	Genealogical Workshop	CC:B,C
2:30	Readers/Theatre	CC:D
1:30	D'Clowns	CC:B,C
3:00	Ocala Clown Express	TR
4:00	Billiards Club	Art
6:30	Karaoke Friends	CC:E,F
6:30	Sunshine Singers	BR

4th Week

9:00	No Community Bus	Run 12-28-09
3:00	Community Patrol	CC:B,C

Tuesday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
7:15	Oxycise	H&R
8:00	Men's Tennis	CTS
8:30	Women's 18-Hole	GC
	Racquetball	HR CTS
	Fun Time Cloggers	BR
9:00	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
	Woodworking	WW
	Arts & Crafts	BR
	Bus Ocala Run	
	Women's 9-Hole	GC
	Horseshoe League	CTS
	Miniature Golf	MGC
9:30	Pinochle	MR3
	Sunshine Quilters	Art
	Horseshoe League	CTS
10:30	Walleyball	CTS
11:00	Lap Swimming	AC
12:00	Lap Swimming	AC
	Men's Poker	MR3
	Cybex Orientation	GYM
12:15	Oxycise	H&R
12:30	Bridge	CR
	Stitch Witches Quilters	Art
1:00	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Badminton	H&R
	(Racquetball Cts)	
	Ballet Club	ACF
	Shuffleboard	CTS
1:30	The New Pretenders	HR
2:30	Chess Club	MR2
3:00	Shutterbugs	CC:B,C
4:30	Table Tennis	CC:D
5:15	Square Dance Class	AC
5:30	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Miniature Golf	MGC
5:45	Mah Jongg	MR2
6:00	Pinochle	MR3/Art
	Mah Jongg	ACC:C
6:30	Duplicate Bridge	CR
	Mah Jongg	CC:G

7:00	Pattern Dancing	BR
	Mixed Poker	CC:H
	Pattern Dancing	BR
	Circle Squares Dance	AC

1st Week

8:00	Men's 9 Hole Golf	P.R.
1:00	Sunshine Quilters	Art
2:00	Italian American	CC:E&F
6:30	Candler Excursion	CCC

2nd Week

9:00	Citizens Emer.	CC:E,F,G
	Response Team	
1:30	Visually Impaired	CC:H
3:30	Alpha Investment	Art
6:30	German Club	CC:G
7:00	Lions Club	CCC

3rd Week

8:00	*Seminole Casino Trip 12-15-09	HR
1:30	Unique Birders	CC:H
2:30	New York/New Jersey	HR
3:00	NY/NJ Club	BR
4:30	Community Bus	HR
	Dinner Run	
	12-15-09 (Olive Garden)	
6:00	Caribbean Club	ICC
7:00	Democratic Club	CC:E,F

4th Week

8:30	Lions Club	CCC
1:00	Scan/American	CC:E,F
3:30	Alpha Investment	Art
7:00	Karaoke	CCC

5th Week

9:00	No Community Bus	
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Wednesday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
7:15	Oxycise	H&R
8:00	Ladies Tennis	CTS
8:30	Men's 18 Hole	Golf
	Men's Softball	SBF
9:00	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
	Woodworking	WW
	Bus Ocala Run	
	Ceramics	Art
	Pinochle	MR3
	Crafty Ladies	CR
	Billiards 101	PL RM
10:30	Tai Chi Practice	AC
11:30	Lap Swimming	AC
12:00	Ladies Poker	MR3
12:15	Oxycise	H&R
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:30	Bridge	CR
	Japanese Emb	CC:C
	Aqua Belles	AC
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Pan Club	CC:MR3
1:00	Bocce League	BCTS
1:30	Shuffleboard	CTS
3:00	Scrabble Club	CC:H
	Newcomers Line Dance	AC
4:00	Softball Practice	SBF
	Newcomers Line Dance	AC
5:30	No Bingo in December	
6:00	Poker	MR3
	Pickleball	CTS
6:30	Duplicate Bridge	CR
7:00	Poker	MR3

1st Week

9:00	Model Railroaders	MR1
10:30	Travel Toppers	CC:A
1:00	Stamp Club	Bank PAB

2nd Week

9:00	Citizens Emer.	CC:E,F,G
	Response Team	
1:45	Native Plant	CC:H
2:00	Golf Cart Parade 12-09-09	
3:00	Pennsylvania Club	CC:E,F
6:00	Community Holiday Festival 12-08-09	BR

3rd Week

1:00	Stamp Club	PAB
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5th Week

9:00	No Community Bus	Run 12-30-09
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Thursday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
7:15	Oxycise	H&R
8:00	Men's Tennis	CTS
8:30	Racquetball	HR CTS
	Fun Time Cloggers	BR
9:00	Woodcarvers	Art:B
	Art Group	Art:A
	Wood Working	WW
	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
	Round Dance Classes	CC:E,F
	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
	Bus Ocala Run	
	Miniature Golf	MGC
9:30	Shuffleboard	CTS
10:00	Round Dance Class	CC:E,F
10:30	Advanced Tap	HR
	OTOW Concert Chorus	HR
	Friendship Bible Study	MR3
11:00	Walleyball	CTS
	Ballroom Dance	AC
11:30	Lap Swimming	AC
12:00	Lap Swimming	AC

	Advanced Square Dancers	CC:E,F
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:15	Oxycise	H&R
12:30	Sewing Bees	Art
	Theatre Group	BR
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Bridge	CR
1:00	Bocce League	BCTS
	Badminton	H&R
	(Racquetball Cts)	
	Ballet Club	ACF
	Ten Pen	CTS
	Square Dancing DBD	CC:E,F
	Table Tennis	CC:D
	Swingin' Sisters	H&R
	Shuffleboard	CTS
1:30	Bus Grocery Run	
4:00	Mah Jongg	CC:A
5:30	Card Game	CC:B
	Miniature Golf	MGC
6:00	Poker	MR3
	Pickleball	CTS
6:30	Bridge	CR
	Chess Club	ART
7:00	Poker	MR3
	Mixed Poker	CC:H

1st Week

10:00	NY/NJ Board Meeting	CC:H
1:00	Rubber Stamping Cards	CC:G
3:00	Opera Appreciation	CC:C
5:30	Southern Club	BR

2nd Week

2:00	Singles Club	CC:G,H
	NARFE Chapter 2279	CH
7:00	Karaoke Night	CC:E,F,G

3rd Week

9:00	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
1:00	Rubber Stamping Card	CC:G
	S.P.C.A.	CC:H
1:30	Orchid Club	CC:B,C

4th Week

9:00	No Community Bus	Run 12-24-09
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5th Week

9:00	No Community Bus	Run 12-31-09
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Friday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
7:15	Oxycise	H&R
8:00	Ladies Tennis	CTS
8:30	Dancing Toppers	H&R
9:00	Woodworking	WW
	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
	Dominoes	MR3
	Bocce League	BCTS
9:30	Shuffleboard	CTS
10:00	Racquetball	H&R CTS
11:00	Bocce League	BCTS
11:30	Lap Swimming	AC
	Tai Chi Practice	AC
12:00	Ladies Poker	MR3
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Mens Golf Group	CR
12:15	Oxycise	H&R
12:30	Aqua Belles	AC
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
1:00	Table Tennis	CC:D
	Canasta the Old Fashioned Way	CR
	Square Dancing	H&R BR

Advance registration and fee may be required. Please check in advance.

A full list of classes can be found in the Master the Possibilities catalog, available at the Education Building at Circle Square Commons.

Emergency After-Hours

Phone Number

236-OTOW (236-6869)

2:00	Fun In The Water	AC
5:00	Happy Hour	AC
6:00	Cribbage	Art
6:15	Nickel Nickel	MR3
	Euchre 4 Fun	CC:A
6:30	Advanced Bridge	CR
6:45	Euchre	H&R

1st Week

10:00	Emb. Chicks	CC:B,C
1:00	Women of the World	CC:E,F,G,H

2nd Week

9:00	RC Ladybirds	CC:A
2:00	New England Club	CC:E,F,G
7:00	Republican Club	CC:E,F,G

3rd Week

2:00	Blackjack Poker	CC:E
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4th Week

10:00	Emb. Chicks	CC:B,C
12:00	High 12 Club	TBA
4:00	No Happy Hour 12-25-09	AC

5th Week

	Arbor Club New Year's Eve Party 12-31-09	AC
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Saturday

8:00	Mixed Tennis	CTS
8:30	Men's Softball	SBF
	Fun Time Cloggers	HR
9:00	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Art Group	Art
	Wood Working	WW
10:00	Mixed Tennis	CTS
10:30	Tai Chi Practice	AC
12:15	Oxycise	H&R
1:00	Table Tennis	CC:D
5:30	Open Mah Jongg	CC:A
5:30	Saturday Pinochle	CR
6:30	Bridge	CR

Sunday

9:00	Racquetball	HR CTS
	Miniature Golf	MGC
	Wood Working	WW
12:00	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Scrapbooking	CC:B,C
12:15	Oxycise	H&R
1:00	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
5:30	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Miniature Golf	MGC
6:00	Pickleball	CTS
7:00	Mixed Poker	CC:H

2nd Week

6:00	Movie of the Month	BR
7:00	K-9 Club	CC:G

3rd Week

2:00	American/Jewish	CC:E,F,G
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Location Codes

AC	Arbor Club
AC CTS	Arbor Tennis Courts
ACIP	Arbor Indoor Pool
ACOP	Arbor Outdoor Pool
Art	Art Studio
BR	Ballroom
BCTS	Bocce Courts
CC	Arbor Conference Center
CCC	Candler Community Center
CLC	Computer Learning Center
CSCC	Circle Square Cultural Center
CR	Card Room
FF	Flying Field
GC	Golf Course
HR	H&R Exercise Room
H&R CTS	Tennis Courts
H&R	Health & Rec Bldg
HRP	H&R Pool
ICC	Indigo Community Center
MGC	Miniature Golf Course
MR1	Meeting Room 1
MR3	Meeting Room 3
PL	H&R Parking Lot
PL RM	Poolroom
SBF	Softball Field
WW	Wood Shop

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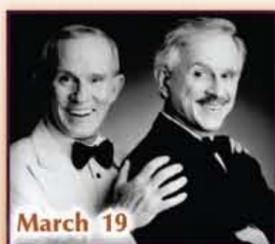
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 Gold \$26 Silver \$24 Bronze \$22



February 15
Presidents & Their First Ladies: Dramatically Speaking
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March 19
The Smothers Brothers
 Featuring the hilarious "Yo-Yo-Man" performance
 Gold \$40 Silver \$38 Bronze \$36



May 22
Bill Allred Jazz Band
 Singing "Route 66", "Love for Sale" and more!
 \$12



January 23
The Duprees
 Greatest hit, "You Belong to Me"
 Gold \$22 Silver \$20 Bronze \$18



February 19
The Kingston Trio
 Greatest hit, "Tom Dooley"
 Gold \$26 Silver \$24 Bronze \$22



April 3
Charlie Thomas' Drifters
 Greatest hit, "There Goes My Baby"
 Gold \$18 Silver \$16 Bronze \$14



June 5
Lola and The Saints
 Doo-Wop at its Best!
 Gold \$11 Silver \$10 Bronze \$9



January 30
Dance Party with Kathleen Kane & the 007 Band
 Singing "For Your Eyes Only" and more!
 \$10



February 27
Jim Stafford
 Greatest hit, "Spiders & Snakes"
 Gold \$13 Silver \$12 Bronze \$11



April 24
Wilson Williams & The Platters
 Greatest hit, "Only You"
 Gold \$20 Silver \$18 Bronze \$16



June 12
Barbershop Quartet Extravaganza
 Barbershop Harmony at its Best!
 Showtime: 2 pm (doors open at 1 pm)
 Gold \$10 Silver \$9 Bronze \$8



February 13
Bowzer's Rock 'n Roll Party w/Rocky and the Rollers
 Singing "Blue Moon", "Shout" and more!
 Gold \$22 Silver \$20 Bronze \$18



March 5
Dance Party with Shepherds Pie featuring Dunning Shaw
 Singing "Twist & Shout", "Pretty Woman" and more!
 \$12



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Photo by Tom Jellifer

Tom Czikk won first place with his F/P-82 Twin Mustang.



Photo by Tom Jellifer

Charles Fisher won second place with his Curtiss Jenny biplane.

R/C Flyers Club Fun Fly

By M. KEITH NADEL AND DICK ROSE

High excitement, keen anticipation and the pure enjoyment of flying radio-controlled aircraft dominated the annual Fall Fun Fly on Saturday, Nov. 7. The day started with a wisp of breeze and a cloudless sky and active flying began at 9 a.m.

A total of 51 flyers signed up and participated of which 23 were club members with the remainder from central Florida and a couple from out-of-state. Over 300 spectators lined the fence, occupied the pavilion and were mesmerized by the constant activity in the air and on the ground.

For the first time, two flight lines were operating simultaneously with helicopters on the far west end and fixed wing aircraft using the normal runway. This venue was an unqualified success and is expected to grow each year.

Our able announcer, Bob "Robo" Wroblewski, introduced each flyer and the progression of each maneuver was explained over our newly installed PA system. In addition, he explained the history of each model's full-scale counterpart, which kept interest at a fever pitch.

As the morning progressed, the wind began to pick up which concerned all but the most experienced and skilled pilots. At that point, nine-year-old Jonathan Bryans, from Port Orange demonstrated the highest level of skill with a 40% scale Extra 300 that had a 105" wingspan and a 22 HP engine. Jon's performance could only be described as phenomenal and he is destined to becoming a serious aerobatic competitor at the national level!

When the clock struck 11:30 a.m., flying was suspended for the pilots to choose a favorite aircraft but only those aircraft that had flown were eligible for judging. First place, a \$100 cash award, went to Tom Czikk from Dunnellon. Tom is an employee here at On Top of the World and he presented a very large scratch built F/P-82 Twin Mustang that he designed and built himself. It has a 102" wingspan and was powered by a pair of 5 HP engines.

Second place, a \$50 cash award, went to Charles Fisher from Port Saint Lucie. Charlie presented a huge Curtiss Jenny biplane with a 105" wingspan, a 5+ HP engine and lots of scale detailing.

In addition to these prizes, two random drawings netted \$25 for the lucky winners. Judy Disney-DiFranco, a realtor with Ellison Realty/Coldwell Banker, sponsored all these prizes. Many thanks, Judy!

After a great lunch, cooked by club members and served by the Lady Birds, flying resumed until 2 p.m. when the participants called it a day. Spectator feedback indicates that this was the most exciting event held at On Top of the World in recent history. They also remarked on the professional conduct of the event beginning with the parking crew, through the flight controllers/spotters, to the announcing and the food service. The participants echoed these remarks and vowed to return next year.

As we turn the page on our Fall Fun Fly, we now look forward to our annual Christmas banquet, which will be held on Dec. 6 at Stone Creek Grille with 131 members and guests attending.

On Dec. 7 (a "day of infamy"), the club meets to cast our ballots for the 2010 officers and board members. Campaigns are expected to be muted since the current officers are running unopposed for a second term.

From all the RC Flyers, we wish you a happy and blessed holiday season with high hopes for the new year.

Photo Restoration

By RAY CECH
WORLD NEWS WRITER

Tom Frostig, resident of Providence in On Top of the World is living the dream. He has a passion for photography and computers, which has led to a business of restoring old and damaged photographs and bringing them back to life.

Tom is a native of the Golden State growing up in Stockton, Calif. Before retiring to Florida, he and his wife Betty lived in Apple Valley, Calif. where he spent several years as an assistant manager at radio station KABR, all the while working with and enhancing his camera and computer skills.

After several years at the station, he and a partner developed a unique idea to help shopping malls promote their business. Together, they created "Fantasy Forest Road Shows." Optimizing their creativity, they composed small, theatrical children's shows and put them on in malls throughout the country. The concept turned out to be enormously successful prompting Tom to purchase his first computer in order to help market their products, which had become popular as a result of the shows. For keepsakes, Tom took photographs of the kids, as well as, photographs to be used as promotional material within the mall.

Fast forward now to 2003 when Tom and Betty retire to On Top of the World. To pass the time, Tom began experimenting with old family photographs, some dating back to pre-20th century. He quickly found that he was a natural at combining his knowledge of photography and computers and was seeing some dramatic results. Photographs that had spent years in an old shoebox and were fading into oblivion, some unmercifully creased, others had seen the underside of a coffee mug, and others still were close to unrecognizable, were magically reborn, into the 21st century.

Working out of his home, Tom brings new life to dying photos. Some may require adding or removing scenes or people, or removing creases and stains or maybe just putting some original color back into the picture. Rather than discarding an old wedding photo or baby picture, Tom's creative skills turn them into keepers to be handed down to our children's children. A very nice thought, isn't it?

You can visit some of Tom's work at FamilyPhotosRestored.com or e-mail him at Tom@Frostig.com.

Before



After



Holiday Festivities

By BOB WOODS
WORLD NEWS WRITER

The Christmas Golf Cart Parade will be on Dec. 9 at 2 p.m. If you would like to enter your decorated golf cart, please call Joanie Bowling at 873-2409, otherwise, dust off your lawn chairs and find a spot along the parade route.

The social will commence the same day at 6 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom where cookies, hot chocolate and coffee will be served, free of charge, followed by Christmas entertainment.

Cookie donations will be accepted at the Health & Recreation Ballroom between 3-5 p.m. For information on the social, please call Kay Chandler at 237-3139.



Photo by Bob Woods

2008 Golf Cart Parade.

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Director of Golf
Sally Collins

Here's a very happy holiday wish to all of our residents and golfers from the golf staff at both On Top of the World and Candler Hills Golf Clubs. We hope all of you and your families enjoy the festivities the month of December brings.

Many golfers and non-golfers alike enjoy walking or biking the golf course cart paths to exercise in a park-like setting. However, this can be a dangerous location, as most of us golfers don't always know where that little white ball is headed! Please keep in mind, the golf course paths are strictly for the use of golfers en-

gaged in a round of golf. Walking, biking, cart riding and dog walking is not permitted on the golf course or the cart paths.

Our golf staff appreciates everyone abiding by these policies.

As the current year comes to a close, golfers need to plan on the renewal of their golf memberships for the upcoming year. Our golf staff has worked very hard to provide the golf members and residents with very competitive membership plans and daily fees.

The World Membership offers the golfers membership privileges at all three On Top of the World golf courses. Where can you play 54 holes of golf (36 of which are at a private facility) and not leave your community to do so?

We are pleased to announce that each member will receive the newly published Member Handbook with the annual and six month program. Please note, if you have a couple membership plan, both members need to be present when registering to join as both will need to sign for receipt of the handbook.

Each member will receive numerous benefits ranging from free golf, a complimentary birthday dessert in the community restaurants and free golf lessons - just to name a few! Check out the new rate brochure available in both Golf Shops to decide which membership plan is right for you!

December is also the month to renew your GHIN fees for the upcoming year. An additional membership perk this year is that your annual GHIN membership is

included in your golf club membership dues! If you are planning on joining either or both golf clubs in 2010, you will not need to renew the GHIN in the Golf Shop.

Any non-member who plans on playing in any league or club event must have a GHIN handicap. This fee for the year 2010 is \$20 plus tax and may be paid in either Golf Shop. After Jan. 1, you will be considered delinquent and dropped from the GHIN rosters.

A new three-day event is being planned for all On Top of the World Golf Club and Candler Hills Golf Club members in February. We are pleased to announce the World Championship - who is really the best golfer in the On Top of the World community? There will be men's and ladies flights, and both nine and 18 hole divisions. Each golfer will compete on all three golf courses Feb. 15, 17 and 19. Mark your calendars now - but remember, you must be a club member to participate; more details to follow.

What would the holiday season be without a Golf Tournament and Christmas party? On Top of the World Golf Club will celebrate Saturday, Dec. 5 starting with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. The golfers at Candler Hills take to their sleighs on Friday, Dec. 11 at noon. Check out the Golf Shops for all the details!

We will be having the 12 Days of Christmas specials starting Dec. 12 through 23. Each day there is a different sale, but only Santa knows what and where (no he or she can't be bribed with cookies to find out the surprise). In addition, every resident

will receive 10% off our everyday retail prices (members off the member price) on clothing and hats during the month of December.

2010 will bring about many great offerings on clinics, golf seminars and demo days. We are planning an On Course Rules Session in February along with a Cleveland Wedge and Short Game Extravaganza. The Cleveland Tech Van will be here in March.

Be sure to continually read the bulletin boards so you are up to date on all the happenings!

Please help us help you - we need all of you to return the range balls, tokens and baskets that are residing in your pockets, golf carts, garages and cars. Range balls and buckets are not to be removed from golf course property. Also, please observe the posted range hours so that our golf course maintenance staff can do their jobs without any problems.

World accolades go out to Tom Paszek for his hole in one on the Links #14. Congratulations Tom!

The Candler Hills Ladies Golf Leagues both deserve a big round of applause for hosting their inaugural invitationals. It is a pleasure to witness the growth of the various leagues at both golf clubs.

Just a reminder, the Golf Shops will close at 3 p.m. on Christmas Eve and will remain closed for Christmas Day. On New Year's Eve, the shops close at 4 p.m. and reopen at 9 a.m. on New Year's Day.

We look forward to seeing all of you in 2010.

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Arbor Club Tennis
Jorge Privat

It's December, so I wanted to wish you all a wonderful holiday season and I hope that all your wishes come true in the New Year.

We have been finally enjoying some nice tennis weather as we could see by the good turnout on the tennis and the pickleball courts.

Speaking of pickleball, it seems the sport has been gaining popularity in the community and I am sure the schedule of play will expand as the number of newcomers increases, especially now that we have six brand new courts. If you need information about pickleball, call me at 484-4815, Tom Seitz at 390-3112, or stop by the bulletin board next to the Health & Recreation tennis courts.

I also want to take this opportunity to officially welcome all the new Arbor Club members and if you have any questions relating to specific activity or to your own

game, I will be glad to help at anytime, or you may choose to come to any of my clinics.

We are planning our yearly mixed doubles tournament in January when everyone is here to participate. Don't forget to look for a suitable partner.

Tennis Tip of the Month

In the previous issue, we talked about nutrition as part of proper preparation for match play. Now, we will touch upon the three other components.

CARDIO: According to the experts, if you want to be a competitive tennis player, you can't just play tennis to get in shape for tennis. "You need a good cardiovascular base."

To achieve this, do some distance workouts on a gradual basis. Jog first for five minutes. When you feel comfortable, increase it to 10 and then to 15 minutes or cycle in increments of five or 10 minutes, up to 30 minutes, depending on your heart condition. This should be done two or three times a week, with one day of rest between workouts.

If you plan to play regularly, you may add one interval workout. They call these, "legs and lung sessions" because that's what you need to succeed on court. You can also add some short sprints combined with the jogging and do the sprints in different directions, as you would move around the court in real situations.

FLEXIBILITY: Specifically for tennis, the most effective type of stretching before a match is the "ballistic stretching" and leave the "static stretching" for after

the match.

You will need to do a dynamic workout to get your muscles fired up before you play. Spend 10 to 15 minutes warming up. Jog two or three laps around the tennis court, and then do walking lunges with twist (for back and hamstrings) from the baseline to the net, then side step with arms crossed (for shoulders, chest and upper back). Shuffle from one doubles sideline to the opposite sideline swinging your arms across your chest and then flying them backward.

STRENGTH: If you want to be a strong player, no matter what your level of play, you need strength in your legs, core, upper back and shoulders. Strong muscles also prevent injuries.

A general full body strength workout twice a week, doing moves such as squats, lunges, plank and back extensions, elastic tubing and light-weight exercises with emphasis on repetitions, which build muscle and strength in the places tennis players really need it.

See you on the courts.

Tennis Association
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**Ladies
18-Hole Golf
Marilyn Rose**

We had our Rally for the Cure in October. There were 49 women and 15 men who participated. Thanks to each and every one of you for making this a great success.

The committee consisted of Linda Bervinkle, Connie Shirley, Georgette Perault and Nancy Nicholas. Valerie Smith did a wonderful job of decorating the tables. Special prizes for closest to the pin were won by Deb Oberg and Bob Cronin.

Additional funds were also raised by a "In Memory" or "For Hope" ribbon tree. The total amount raised was \$1,898.

Many participated in the Koontz Tournament in November and the results will come in the January issue of the World News.

We are now preparing for our Christmas celebration. The luncheon will be held

on Dec. 9 at Royal Oaks located in Oak Run. It will begin at 11:30 a.m. for cocktails and noon for lunch. The cost will be \$14. Please sign up at the golf back room as soon as possible. Check with Ruth Border, Dot Muller, Shirley Smagner or Serine Rossi for any questions.

**Rally for the Cure
Oct. 13 / The Links**

Team 15: 66-Iro Lisinski, Paul East, Serine Rossi, Dea Johnson.

Team 7: Tie-68-Bev Ovrebø, Ellie Rapacz, Mike Driver, Laurie Hall.

Team 13: Tie-68-John Hudacik, Deb Oberg, Velma Rose, Glenna Swank.

Team 1: Tie at 69-Rudy Normandin, Lou Borders, Shirley Smagner, Caroline East.

Team 5: Tie at 69-Frank Smith, Carol Johnson, Flo Emanuel, Betty Schwartz.

Team 12: 70-Gene Sohler, Nancy Zielinski, Kathy Beaty, Jane Wilson.

**Scramble
Oct. 20 / Tortoise and the Hare**

Team 7: 69-Rosemarie O'Neil, Laurie Hall, Glenna Swank, Harriet Brower.

Team 5: 72-Iro Lisinski, Pat MacMurray, Margaret Hudacik, Dot Muller.

**Trick or Treat
Oct. 27**

Two Best Balls / Tortoise and the Hare

Team 6: 133-Rosemarie O'Neil, Flo Emanuel, Rose Hoover.

Team 3: Tie at 136-Joan D'Addio, Angelita Pena, Fran Griswold, Marie Marquis.

Team 7: Tie at 136-Carol Johnson, Mary Jane McAtee, Jo Apperson.

Low Gross/Low Net



Photo by Joan D'Addio

Breast cancer survivors Shirley Smagner, Nancy Zielinski, Linda Bervinkle, Carolyn Cummings and Marilyn Rose.

Nov. 3 / The Links

Low Gross Flight 1: 81-Jerry Gill; 83 Jan Juhlin.

Low Gross Flight 2: 94-Mary Driver; 98-Chris McIntire.

Low Gross Flight 3: 97 Margaret Hudacik; 108 Fran Griswold.

Low Net Flight 1: 65-Nancy Zielinski; 70-Sandy Chase.

Low Net Flight 2: 71-Marti Marta; 73-Peggy Borro.

Low Net Flight 3: 65-Doris Holman; 74-Marie Marquis.

**Scramble/Luncheon
Nov. 10 / The Links**

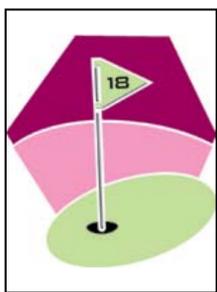
Team 7: 69-Mary Lyon, Carol Johnson, Dea Johnson, Harriet Brower.

Team 1: 71-Bev Ovrebø, Shirley Smagner, Peggy Borro, Helen Foskett

Team 3: 72-Iro Lisinski, Christine McIntire, Janet Kingsley, Mary Skennion.

Team 2: 73-Joan D'Addio, Angelita Pena, Marilyn Rose, Marie Marquis.

We welcome our new members that have joined us. We hope that more of you will come and enjoy our group and this great game called golf.



**Candler Hills
Ladies 18-Hole
Carol Joseph**

Our inaugural Candler Hills Invitational was held on Nov. 12. Sixty-four ladies participated and had a wonderful time. New friendships were made, the golf was a bit cold and windy but the food was good and all had a great time.

We understand that you can find Carol

Clark at the scoreboard still applauding, taking bows and pointing to the first place winners of the Sugar Flight!

Our Christmas party will be held at the Veranda on Dec. 4 at noon. Please bring an unwrapped toy for Toys for Tots. Be sure to sign up in the book in the Pro Shop.

Our play days for December will be as follows:

- Dec. 3: Low Gross and Low Net;
- Dec. 10: Cha, Cha, Cha;
- Dec. 17: Red, White and Blue (something to do with the tee boxes);
- Dec. 24: counting the holes that begin with Ts and Fs;
- Dec. 31: Vegas Challenge.

**Low Net
Oct. 15**

Flight A: 63-Connie Norris, 66-Kelli Brunner.

Flight B: 62-Pam Carpenter, 64-Kathy Beaty.

Flight C: 66-Joan Gustafson, 68-Linda Buschur.

**Cha Cha Cha
Oct. 22**

1: Beverly Ovrebø; 2: Andrea Fratangelo;

3: Joan Gustafson.

**Beat the Pro
Nov. 5**

All those that played actually beat the pro and were awarded shop credit.

**Invitational
Nov. 12**

Sugar Flight: 127-Carol Clark, Chris Selter, Janet Juhlin, Pat MacMurray; 127-Kelli Brunner, Barbara Massachi, Arlene Paulin, Janice Botzenhart; 128-Gail Banavige, Diane Kilfoile, Blenda Langone, Katie Auderheide.

Cinnamon Flight: 124-Donna Sauer, Maggie Mahar, Patty Kennedy, Sandy Chase; 124-Kathy Beaty Donna Biondo, Valerie Smith, Bette DeGeorge; 127-Joan Gustafson, Jeanne Rice, Mary Lyon, Stephanie Adkins.

Please remember that you must participate in at least 10 events to participate in our Candler Hills Ladies championship that is played in May.

It looks like our cooler weather is moving in on us so get out those earmuffs and the cool duds and be ready to play.

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Men's Golf Association George Blankenship

As you can tell from the byline and the photograph at the beginning of this column, there is a new author for the MGA On Top of the World News column. To be the author of this column indicates that I was elected by your MGA Board of Directors to be your MGA President for 2010.

I have only been a member of the MGA board for a little over a year. I was appointed to the board after being asked to fill out the remainder of a term for someone who had resigned.

At that time, I was probably like many other members. I knew that we had a board, but I didn't have a clue about what they did or what was involved in being a board member.

Prior to my appointment, I was happy to show up on Wednesday, pay my \$3, play 18 holes of golf, hope I won something, and then to go to The Pub for a beer and a burger. Good day, lots of fun and good fellowship.

Well, it didn't take me long to realize that there are a lot of people who do a lot of things just so we can pay \$3 and play golf on Wednesdays or have a Chicken Day.

Upon leaving a position, one normally thanks the people who have assisted him during his time in office. I'm going to do this a little backwards and thank some people as I assume office.

I want to begin by thanking the golf staff and tournament directors. Nick puts the pairings together, prints the scorecards and then posts the scores after-

ward. The Pro Shop personnel makes sure your name is initialized on the weekly play sheet, and then Nancy and Frankie hand out the cards and collect the money on play day. Finally, board members, Cal and Ross, count and balance the money and allocate the prize money, every play day.

Thanks also go to the other MGA board members. However, I want to especially thank the three former members whose terms expired this year, Ron Cleveringa, Paul DelVacchio and Bob Cates. I learned a lot about where to go and who to see.

Special thanks go to the group that you see every Chicken Day, the ladies who serve and clean up after us. Also, thanks to Len Ruble who always sees that enough chicken, beer, cake and cokes are ordered.

I would also like to thank former President Doug Graham, who delivers the days scoring results by e-mail to the members, every week and the unofficial photographer for the MGA, Bud May. He takes the photos of the tournament winners and sends your name and picture to the newspaper, and also submits the names of weekly winners to the newspaper, every month.

Yep, except for the people mentioned, and several others, the MGA pretty much runs itself.

Until next month, play well, have fun and remember we "play" golf. It's a game.

MGA 18 Individual Low Gross/Net Oct. 14 / The Links

Gross Flight 1: 78-William E Young Jr; 80-Larry Lucieer; Tie at 81-Jon Hill and Rudy Normandin.

Net Flight 1: 66-Marvin Williams; 69-John Hudacik; Tie at 73-George Blankenship, Paul Perrault and Ralph Solvold. Gross Flight 2: 83-John Hall; 87-Johnny Gill; 88-Art Buecher.

Net Flight 2: 64-Ronald Wilson; 68-Douglas Coleman; 69-Clifford Jones.

Gross Flight 3: 88-Ron Thompson; 92-James Merrick; 94-Jerry Segovis. Net Flight 3: Tie at 67-David Miller and Raymond Shultz; Tie at 73-George Deignan and Ray Messer.

Gross Flight 4: 90-Bill Walker; 98-John Oneil; 99-Alfred Wells.

Net Flight 4: 66-Joe Rappa; 69-Peter M. Pe-

terson; 73-Bob Selmon.

MGA 18 Scotch Twosome Oct. 21 / Tortoise and the Hare

A & B Net: 61-Marvin Williams, Art Dushary; 62-Larry Lucieer, Guy Russell; Tie at 63-Ray Hellman, Paul B. East and John Hudacik, Rocky Groomes; 64-Carl Zeiler, Glen Swiger; 65-Larry Rourke, John Hall.

C & D Net: 59-Steve Gregely, Bernie James; 62-Tary Bole, James Merrick; 63-Mike Flynn, Bill Hawk; 66-Paul Stone, Joe Rappa; 68-Leonard Ruble, John Oneil; Tie at 69-Francis Caprez, John Singer and Freddie Moody, Alfred Wells.

MGA 18 Team Stableford Oct. 28 / Tortoise and the Hare

165-Ralph Solvold, Jack Ashenfelter, Jack Hegarty and Bud Borders. 161-John Hall, Glen Swiger, George Deignan and Dave Brazeau. Tie at 155-Paul Del Vacchio, Charles Senci, Steve Gregely and John Singer; Gene Sohler, Clifford Jones, Ross Mac Donald and Bob Selmon. 154-Marvin Williams, Steve Becker, Tary Bole and Tony Capillo. 153-George Blankenship, Calvin Apperson and Richard Schiller.

MGA 9 Hole Net Oct. 28 / Tortoise and the Hare

29-Robert Giljohann; 30-John Ricciar-done.

MGA 18 Chicken Day Nov. 4 / The Links

Tie at 66-Kenneth Vanderkolk, Rudy Normandin and Phil Johnson; Wally Schilf, Paul Perrault, Jack Hegarty and Peter M. Peterson; Colin Adamson, Rocky Groomes, Raymond Wilson and Arnold Greene. 67-Marvin Williams, Bud May, Raymond Shultz and Bob Selmon. Tie 68-Larry Lucieer, Joseph Bologna, Tary Bole and Roger Rice; Paul Wade, Art Dushary, Jimmy Johnson and James L. Delfraisse. Tie at 69-George Blankenship, Tom Pasch, Ross MacDonald and Alan Mudie; Gary Hassett, Calvin Apperson, Steve Gregely and John Singer; Glen Swiger, Carl Zeiler, Bill Koch and Joe Rappa; John Hudacik, Sherman Hutchings, James Merrick and Jerry Segovis; John O'Neil, Larry Chase, Bill Walker and Glenn Pecor.



Candler Hills Men's Golf Joe Alfano

That cool weather we have been looking forward to finally arrived, here in paradise. By the time you read this, Thanksgiving will have come and gone. Hope you and yours had a wonderful holiday and you went the extra mile by helping out at the end of the feast. Fortunately, at our house, we have a designated dishwasher - we nicknamed him Whirlpool.

Congratulations go out to Chris Jett, John Menzies and Bruce Venslavsky on their recent election to the at-large positions on our board of directors. Your additions to the board will bring added insight and enthusiasm in helping us continue to make this association the best it can be. Welcome and the best of luck from the entire membership.

The CHMGA welcomes new members Rich Trembulak, Ken Zweibach, Don Southard and Phillip Bucchi to our association. In spite of what you may have heard gentlemen, you can expect a cheerful, relaxing and memorable golfing experience but one not adverse to a fair amount of repartee.

Anyone who may be interested in joining our group can contact me at tjalf8371@yahoo.com for more information but be advised to bring along a good sense of humor and no more than 14 clubs.

Our scholarship fund continues to thrive and the membership looks forward to presenting our award in 2010 to the next group of worthy recipients. On league days, please continue to look for Sergeants MacChesney, Cutter or Ballantine for your winning ticket. Remember our motto, "You can't win it, if you ain't in it."

Our semi-annual member's meeting recently concluded and a fair amount of information was passed along to all in attendance. As a reminder, the dues for 2010 will remain the same and are payable by the end of this year.

The schedule of weekly game formats for next year will be finalized by the end of this month and posted on our website and will be provided via e-mail. The schedule will also contain the dates for our various tournaments and those times the course will be closed for maintenance and Candler Hills events.

Famed sportswriter, Grantland Rice, once said, "Golf is 20 percent mechanics and techniques - the other 80 percent is philosophy, humor, tragedy, romance, melodrama, camaraderie, companionship, cussedness and conversation." Putting that 20 percent to good use these past few weeks were Chris Jett (74), Bryant Giffin and Paul Moltisanti (75), Mike Buschur (77), and Bob Shively (78). Nice job golfing your ball gentlemen!

As always, I wish all of you a life of "nothing but fairways and greens."

Individual Net Oct. 13

Flight A: 65-Bryant Giffin; 66-Bill Anger; 67-Paul Moltisanti.

Flight B: 70-Jim McGrath; 71-Dennis Norris, Dick Williams & Nick Nimerala.

Flight C: 68-Ken Zweibach; 69-Don Huston & Jack Ashenfelter; 70-Dave Green.

Four-Man One Net/One Gross Oct. 20

134-Mike Buschur, JC VanBloom, Art McTague and Jeff Ware; 136- Walt Pacuk, Marc Schaffer, Bob Cowie and Jon Raupach; Bob Shively, Bruce Venslavsky, Jack Ashenfelter and Bob Cooke; 137- Chris Jett, Jack Gustafson, Tim Beaty and Dennis Liphardt.

Two-Man Best Ball Nov. 3

Flight A: 60-Fred Spain & Jack Gustafson; 61- Chris Jett & Paul Fratangelo; 63- Bryant Giffin & JC VanBloom; Tom McGurk & Roger Whittle; Walt Pacuk & Dennis Norris; Steve Kupsch & Dave Masachi.

Flight B: 60-Gil Green & Jeff Ware; 61-Dick Williams & Dave Green; 64- Fred Jankowski & Stan Jarmel; Marvin Brooks & Don Huston; John Diaz & Tom Seaver.

Four-Man Scramble Nov. 10

62- Chris Jett, Jack Gustafson, Dick Williams and Don Huston; 64- Chris Piotrowski, Leo McCormick, Norm Giannukos and Phil Bucchi; 65- Joe Alfano, Dick Masterson, John Diaz and Ken Zwiebach; Mike Rec, Marc Schaffer, Jack Ashenfelter and Gary Gentry.



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Wood Shop Ray Utiss

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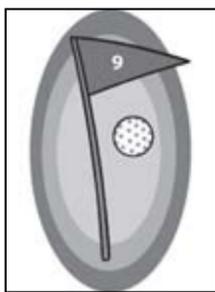
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Candler Hills Ladies 9-Hole
Dianne Masterson

Bells are ringing; children are singing; Christmas time is here! And here at Candler Hills, we're ready for winter golf!

Our course has been overseeded and looks spectacular. With the nine hole ladies of Candler Hills decked out in their red league shirts, we're all set to welcome in the holidays.

On Dec. 17, we'll celebrate the holiday season with a holiday dinner at Stone Creek Grille. Golfers, remember to bring your \$10 golf-related grab bag gift. Come

prepared to have an enjoyable evening with good conversation, lots of laughs and even a few libations!

On Oct. 15, we hosted our first "Falling Leaves Invitational." We invited the nine holers from On Top of the World and we had a wonderful time. Friendships were made and all enjoyed golf. We thank Sandra Noe, our invitational chairperson, and her committee for all of their hard work; Friendship Catering for a wonderful lunch; and our men's auxiliary for their help with the carts. Special thanks go to Sally Collins and Matt Hibbs for all of their assistance. The monies collected from our "pro hits" were donated to the On Top of the World 9 Hole League's Rally for the Cure.

Falling Leaves Invitational
Oct. 15

Front 9: 37-Terry Alfano, Nancy Dreimiller, Diane Dzik and Evelyn Stewart. 38-Sandra Noe, Mary Giannukos, Beryl Leckbee and Lucy Quaranta. 39-Marylyn Tymon, Grace Bock, and Virginia Blanchard.

Back 9: Tie at 42-Olive Curtin, Donna Liphardt, Michaele Beyer and Patricia Howd; Caroline East, Ina Menzies, Pauline Beloin and Cathleen Hathaway. Tie at 42-Carol Venslavsky, Tina Hauer, June Tassinary and Donna Swiger; Heddy Racinowski, Darlene Clark, Gretchen Saker, and

Darlene Bole.

Low Gross/Low Net
Oct. 22

Pink Team Low Gross: Cheryl Engeman. Pink Team Low Net: Ina Menzies. Green Team Low Gross and Low Net: Tina Hauer. Red Team Low Gross: Terry Alfano. Red Team Low Net: Diane O'Brien. Blue Team Low Gross: Heddy Racinowski. Blue Team Low Net: Carol Venslavsky.

Scotch Twosome
Nov. 5

35-Marilyn Mizrachi and Peggy Borro. 38-Diane O'Brien and Judy Parisi. Tie at 40-Sue Buckland-Mulhern and Sandy Schaffer; Heddy Racinowski and Caroline East.

Low Gross/Low Net
Nov. 12

Flight A Low Gross: Sandy Noe. Flight A Low Net: Olive Curtin and Diane O'Brien. Flight B Low Gross: Dianne Masterson and Karen Arens. Flight B Low Net: Tina Hauer. Flight C Low Gross: Betty Dong. In November, we began our second year as the Candler Hills LGA 9. At our general membership meeting, we welcomed

Karen Arens, Dianne Bowles, Betty Dong, Sisca Johnson, Marilyn Mizrachi, Margurite Piotrowski, Vicky Salyers and Piper Thomas to our ranks. We look forward to many enjoyable afternoons of golfing and getting to know you.

HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR FELLOW 9 HOLERS? This season, I'm going to profile some of our 9 Holers. I'll start with myself. I've been playing golf for just about two years. When I moved to Candler Hills, on a daily basis, I would pass the driving range and think, "I should give it a try." But then, given my neuro-muscular disabilities, I didn't think it would be possible. I took a private lesson with Sally Collins so that she could evaluate my abilities and disabilities. After converting me from a golfer with a left-handed swing to a golfer with a right-handed swing (so I could finish my swing on my stronger leg), she suggested that I join her new golfer clinic. After my first lesson, I was hooked. By the end of the series of clinics, I had exchanged phone numbers with a fellow golfer. We started playing on Tuesday afternoons and have been doing so for the past two years. We rarely miss a Tuesday! Last year, I joined the Candler Hills LGA 9 and have met so many more wonderful friends. I look forward to golfing each and every Thursday. I'm addicted!

Wishing you sunny days, long drives and short putts!



Ladies 9-Hole Golf
Diane Dzik

The new handbooks are in and look great. They may be obtained from Gretchen Saker, if you do not already have one.

Ladies, please remember to check the bulletin board in the clubroom since this article goes to press the middle of the preceding month and changes may occur. The winter rally time is 8:30 a.m. with tee-off at 9 a.m. We have successfully played tournaments during the past few weeks on either of the two courses while the reseeding program was going on--that meant two ladies golf leagues playing on one course.

Thanks to all of the members of the 18 and 9-hole clubs for their cooperation and courtesy and special thanks to Nick and the tournament committees for their splendid organizational skills! With the courses looking great, we are now back to our regular schedule. That means the first Tuesday of the month we dress out and play The Links, and on the third Tuesday of each month, we play the Back 9 of the Tortoise and the Hare. The remaining Tuesdays--it's the Front 9 of the Tortoise and the Hare.

Our Christmas luncheon will be held Thursday, Dec. 10 in the Arbor Club Ballroom. Happy hour begins at 12:30 p.m. (cash bar) with lunch served at 1 p.m. The cost is \$17 due by Dec. 1 (no refunds). The menu is house salad followed by baked tilapia or stuffed pork loin with sides of roasted potatoes, Key West veggies, rolls and butter, dessert, coffee or tea. This annual event, held in a beautiful setting, is always a festive way to kick off the holidays.

On Nov. 3, Lucy Quaranta, Gretchen Saker, B.J. Leckbee, Sumi Bridges, Cathy Hathaway, and Dodie Phillips attended the Ocala Palms Invitational. Gretchen's team placed first with an eagle and three birdies while Lucy and B.J.'s team placed third. Lucy received a prize from the money tree and Gretchen won a basket. Congratulations ladies!

POINT TO PONDER: On holes #5 and #8 of the Tortoise and the Hare, there is a free lift in the pipe area and the ditch--no

closer to the hole.

Low Gross by Flight
Oct. 13

Flight 1: 50-Grace Bock; 52-B.J. Leckbee, Agnes Tetti. Flight 2: 50-Darlene Clark; 58-Alice McDaniel; 60-Carol Bell, Judy Garrett, Patti Howd, Donna Swiger.

Rally For The Cure
Oct. 20

41-Pam Carpenter, Alice McDaniel, Dodie Phillips, Marylyn Tymon; 41-Tina Hauer, June Tassinary, Gretchen Saker, Carol White; 41- Mary Hart, Lucy Quaranta, Vi Sica, Marge Warren.

Scramble
Nov. 3

42-Grace Bock, Alice McDaniel, Dottie Migliaccio, Lorraine Rourke; 44-Diane Dzik, Judy Garrett, Charmaine Hassett, Marie Segovis; 45-Therese Bell, Patti Howd, Jane Wilson, Carol White; 45-Mary Hart, Linda Heenan, Arloa Vanderkolk.

Low Net by Flight
Nov. 10

Flight 1: 34-Diane Dzik; B.J. Leckbee. Flight 2: 34-Darlene Clark; 37-Judy Garrett, Sumi Bridges. Flight 3: 38-Lucy Quaranta, Gretchen Saker, Evelyn Stewart.

Curbside Landscape Debris Pick-Up Schedule

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Wednesday

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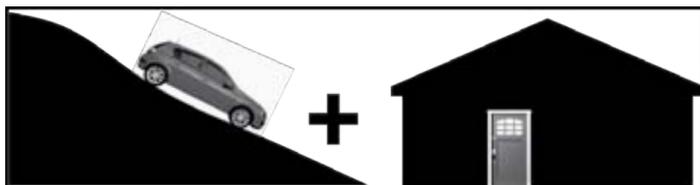
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Pickleball

Tom Seitz

The Pickleball courts at Health & Recreation are finished and actively in use. These six dedicated courts are open to all and offer another great opportunity for us to stay active while enjoying the friendship of others.

A small but dedicated group of players here at On Top of the World has been playing for some time. Now with these courts, many more can play. Interest is increasing, and at a recent introductory session, 20 people arrived for the first time to discover the fun and benefit of a sport that is growing rapidly.

Pickleball's widespread appeal is evidenced by the fact that 400 contestants attended the November national tournament in Arizona. Participants were from 26 states and included seniors up to 88 years old.

Here in On Top of the World, we enjoy regular open play Wednesday and Friday at 9 a.m. and Sunday at 3:30 p.m. We have added an introductory clinic on Wednesday at 2 p.m., and encourage beginners to come and try it. Just wear attire (especially shoes) appropriate for court play, and everything else you need to try this exciting game is furnished free.

If these times are not convenient, or for more info, contact either Tom Seitz at 390-3112 or Gordy Phillips at 854-7981.

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Bocce

Bob Woods

The Bocce Senior Games will be on Sunday, Dec. 6 in Cape Coral. Information and registration forms were available at our last meeting for those who would like to attend. League representatives were requested to hand out the information and forms at their scheduled playing times.

As I stated in last month's column, I had hoped to have all the particulars on the end of the year breakfast available in this column. However, all the details have not yet been ironed out. Stay tuned...

If you have court news that you would like to share in this column, please contact me. I promise to keep all sources of colorful information received confidential.

Kathy Sickler, treasurer, informed me that as of the November meeting, all 136 members had paid their dues. Do you know of anyone who might want to play bocce? Please help us recruit new members.

The rules of bocce are located inside the shed door. Please take time to read them, if you have not already done so.

When a player delivers the wrong color ball, this is interference. What happens next and what happens to the misplayed ball? What happens if the pallina is knocked outside of the court during play? The answers to these two questions will be answered in next month's column.

The next board meeting will be held on Dec. 7 at 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite G. Your board of directors are Ralph Sickler, 732-2363; Bob O'Neal, 861-2861; and Bob Woods, 854-0702.

Keep those bocce balls rolling.



Photo by Robert Riedeman

Club members, Grace and Armann Rohde, at the recent shuffleboard luncheon meeting.



Shuffleboard

Robert Riedeman

Shuffleboard club play continued at the usual times through October. The winners for September and October are as follows:

September

Monday a.m.

Men: Tony Manzo; Women: (tie) Rosemarie Postin & Vicki Lentz.

Monday p.m.

Men: Lou Fisher; Women: (tie) Helen Fokett & Margot Thomas.

Tuesday p.m.

Men: Armann Rohde; Women: Grace Roh-

de.

Thursday a.m.

Men: Frank Dubay; Women: Carol Lopez.

Friday a.m.

Men: Joe Szabo; Women: Nancy Kowsky.

October

Monday a.m.

Men: Charlie Lentz & Bob Schuck; Women: Lena McComb.

Monday p.m.

Men: Al Bice; Women: Margot Thomas.

Tuesday p.m.

Men: Frank Scinlari; Women: Grace Rohde.

Wednesday a.m.

Men: Lou Crudele; Women: Maxine Malone.

Thursday a.m.

Men: Jack Smith & Frank Dubay; Women: Violet Dubay.

Friday a.m.

Men: Joe Szabo; Women: Nancy Kowsky.

A general membership meeting and luncheon was held on Thursday, Nov. 5 in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. The luncheon was the ever-popular pizza and ice cream organized by social director, Helene Sternberger; 78 members attended.

The next general membership meeting will be on March 4, 2010. In the meantime, league play will continue at the usual times.

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Martinis

- The Candler Cosmo
- The Wisp of Windsor
- The Colonnade Colada
- The Providence Peach
- and more!

Fridays and Saturdays have extended hours, open until 8pm!



Billiards

Richard Impresa

'Tis the season for celebrating the holidays with food, drink and friends. The Billiard Club is keeping with the spirit of the times with our annual Christmas/Hanukkah dinner.

Event organizers, Bill Daly and Shirley Impresa, have put together a great evening for club members and their guests. This year's event will be held at the Stone Creek Country Club at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 10. Dinner will consist of a choice of entrees, which include baked Grouper, London broil or chicken cordon bleu along with all the fixings from salad to dessert for \$20 per person. See the bulletin boards in the poolroom for details.

The price of this year's dinner is a little higher than previous years but I think you'll agree that the ambiance of the site and quality of the meal justify the increase. Bill and Shirley canvassed sev-

eral local restaurants gathering information and negotiating prices to get us the best deal for our money. Thanks to both of them for their efforts to make this a memorable event. See me before Dec. 3 for details and tickets.

We have made a special purchase of billiard gloves and are giving anyone who joins our club for 2010 a chance to buy one of these gloves for \$3. These are stretch nylon gloves, one size fits all, left or right hand and are available in black, red, blue, or green (while supplies last). That's a great deal, join the club for \$5 and get a glove valued at \$8 (with shipping, handling and tax) for only \$3.

For those players who haven't used a shooting glove before, take it from me it will make a big difference in your game. The glove eliminates any drag so you can concentrate on your smooth stroke instead of your sticky stick. When your game improves, you are encouraged to play more, which, in turn, improves your game. See me if you're interested, I'm usually in the poolroom any weekday around noon and will have a variety of colors with me for sale. You can also leave your dues in the lockbox with your name and number and I'll call you to arrange a meeting.

Our ladies team has some new competition with two teams from Ocala Palms joining the existing teams from On Top of the World and Cherrywood.

The men's league has 10 teams representing several adult communities in Marion County. Our community is well represented by three teams in this league.

Speaking of representation, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the club members who took the time to come to our October meeting and participate in our election. That meeting will be held on Jan. 4 at 4 p.m. in the ceramic room of the Crafts Building. Hope to see you there.

Until then, keep stroking and keep your tip dry.



Mah Jongg

Mary Ehle

Classes are over and we have some eager new players. If they are playing where you are, please make them welcome.

I have a lovely jacket that was left at the tournament. It is tan and quite different. It doesn't fit me, darn it. Call me and you can pick it up at my house.

No other news for now, so jokers to you all and have a wonderful holiday season.

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Holiday Sides

In case you are growing tired of the same old vegetable and starch sides that you put on the table for the holidays, here are some recipes that will add pizzazz to any holiday event.

This recipe takes a spin on the typical potatoes au gratin. The butternut squash adds sweetness to the dish while the Swiss cheese adds depth and character.

Butternut Squash, Spinach Gratin

- Serves 6*
1/2 teaspoon sea salt
1/4 teaspoon white pepper
4 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted
2 pounds butternut squash
1 onion, sliced lengthwise
2 large eggs
3/4 cup heavy cream

3/4 cup finely shredded Swiss, Sharp cheddar or Fontina cheese
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
20 ounces frozen leaf spinach (optional)
Peel the butternut squash, cut in half and slice thinly. In a bowl toss, the squash with 2 tablespoons of the melted butter, nutmeg, salt and pepper. Place in a baking dish, cover and bake for 40 minutes at 350 F. In a saucepan, place the remaining butter and sauté the onions until they are golden in color. Next, add the cream and add the spinach (optional). Drain the water out of the spinach and set aside. In a mixing bowl, whisk together the cream, eggs and cheese. Then add the onions (and spinach) to the creamy mixture. Pour the mixture over the squash and bake covered for 20 minutes at 400 F then uncover for 10 minutes until golden brown.
Cauliflower is often under appreciated for its ability to create a canvas of flavor. It can be roasted as you would a piece of meat and will complement turkey, lamb or duck.

Roasted Cauliflower

- Serves 8*
2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
1 large head of cauliflower, leaves and core removed
1 bunch chopped fresh parsley
1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
Kosher salt to taste
Fresh ground black pepper to taste
1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
2 tablespoons drained capers
Preheat oven to 450 F. Place the cauliflower in a baking dish and drizzle with two tablespoons of extra virgin olive oil. Shake the pan to ensure that the oil stretches the bottom of the pan. Season the cauliflower with salt and pepper. Bake for one hour until tender. In a mixing bowl, whisk the lemon juice, capers, salt, pepper, parsley and olive oil together.

Place the cauliflower in a serving dish and drizzle with the dressing.

This recipe takes the sweet potato fries to a new level by adding hot pancetta dressing. It's sure to be a crowd pleaser.

Roasted Sweet Potato Spears

- Serves 8*
4 sweet potatoes, peeled and cut into spears
1/2 pound pancetta, chopped
Salt and pepper to taste
1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
3 spring onions, sliced thinly
2 tablespoons sherry vinegar
Preheat oven to 450 F. In a mixing bowl, combine the pancetta, olive oil and potatoes, tossing evenly. Season with salt and pepper. Place the potatoes in a baking dish and cook for 45 minutes turning often to cook evenly. Drizzle the sherry vinegar and spring onions on the potatoes and roast for 15 minutes until the potatoes are crispy.
These wintergreens are a perfect replacement for a typical creamed spinach and much healthier.

Flash Sautéed Greens

- Serves 8*
1 pound escarole head, cut crossway rib removed
1 pound Belgian endive, cut crossway rib removed
1 pound frisee' cut crossway rib removed
6 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
Salt and pepper to taste
4 teaspoons fresh lemon juice
In a large sauté pan or wok, heat the oil and wilt the greens tossing often, until they are evenly cooked but still a bit al dente. Season with salt, pepper, lemon juice and serve immediately.

Italian American Club
Jerome Cauda

The Nov. 3 meeting was a success with all members present and taking part in the Christmas Operation Shoebox grab bag for military personnel. Members were more than generous with toiletries and snack items for our military personnel for Christmas. Not only did the members donate a large amount of these items but they also contributed a substantial monetary donation that will help with postage.

The Dec. 1 meeting was held at the Olive Garden. Due to logistical problems, the February pizza party has been delayed until further notice. The club picnic will be held in May.

A board meeting is scheduled for the fourth Wednesday of the month in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite H at 1 p.m. Have a safe and happy "Buon Natale."

American Jewish Club
Norma Seidman

Our lunch bunch is planning a gala goodbye to 2009 with lunch on Dec. 17 at Sky Asian Fusion. We will meet there at 12:30 p.m. Anyone needing further information or transportation, please call Ruth Barnash at 237-9551.

Dec. 20, at 2 p.m. will be our last meeting of the year. All dust bunnies must be removed from all brains in order to join forces for Jewish trivia. Chanukah doughnuts (in place of latkas) will be enjoyed by all.

Be advised that our first meeting of 2010 will be held at Candler Hills Community Center on Jan. 17 and will be our famous bagels and lox luncheon.

May we all have an enjoyable Chanukah and a healthy, safe and Happy New Year.

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Favorite Recipes
Dinner Club
Luke Mullen

October marked the return of more fun filled evenings of great food and entertainment for our club members. Twenty-two diners participated in three dinners on Saturday, Oct. 17.

Hosting our first dinner were Jimi and Tony Bartolone. Kathy and Luke Mullen started things off with an apricot cheese log served with various crackers. The cheese log was a combination of shredded cheddar cheese, chopped onion, sour cream, mayonnaise mixed with chopped pecans, spices, chilled, covered with apricot preserve. The second appetizer was cherry/grape tomatoes spiked with a vodka/vinegar/lemon zest mixture. These were served with optional seasonings of lemon pepper or salt pepper mixtures. Jimi and Tony then served a delicious Caesar salad, which was followed by a baked sliced ham that was accompanied with baked sweet potatoes. Also included were fried tomatoes stuffed with Parmesan cheese and a great bean salad. Barbara and John Young also served glazed carrots made with walnuts, brown sugar and dried cranberries. Edie and Fritz de Holl served the dessert: a cheesecake pie topped with grated pineapple and chopped walnuts. All had a great time.

Our second dinner hosts were Mary and Bob O'Neal. Kicking off the evening were appetizers prepared by Tish and Don Dertien. They started by serving Mexican quiche and hot crab dip. The quiche was made of beaten eggs, flour, baking powder, cottage cheese, cheddar

and Monterey Jack cheese, green chilies and melted butter. All of this is baked and served hot. The hot dip contained crabmeat, cream cheese, Worcestershire sauce, garlic powder and pepper. This was baked and served with crackers. Following the appetizers Joan Sigafos and Richard Miles served a salad consisting of baby greens, dried cranberries, red peppers, feta cheese served with white wine vinaigrette, garnished with fall pears. Mary and Bob then served the entrée, which was bacon and apple crusted pork loin accompanied by rosemary, basil and garlic oven roasted potatoes and broccoli. After the meal, Kathi and Ray Lang served the dessert, a caramel apple pudding cake served warm and topped with vanilla ice cream. All participants had a fun time.

Ann and Conrad Massa hosted our third dinner. They started their evening off with appetizers prepared by Cherry and Fred Jones. They prepared grapes wrapped in Boursin cheese and rolled in crushed pistachios, and cream cheese covered with raspberry/chipotle sauce for spreading on crackers. Ann and Conrad then served salad of mixed

greens with choice of dressing. The main course was curried chicken, which was made with apricot preserves, French dressing, and "light" curry recommended for chicken. The accompanying vegetable was a rice and spinach casserole. After the main meal, Debbie and Dan Partin served the dessert, which was a Boston cream pie. Everyone enjoyed a fun filled evening.

Our club is currently looking for new members. If interested, call Luke at 304-8104 for more information.

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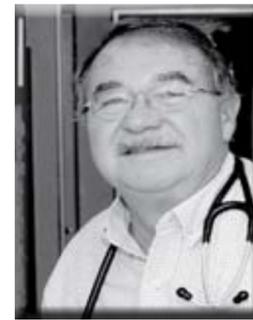
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Don Pixley

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Each month I search for words that will motivate willing donors to help maintain blood inventories at Marion County hospitals. If you have any questions, please give me a call at 861-0321.

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Bill Leon, Tere Molfuleda, Luz Leon, Exy Ramirez and Carlos Santiago at the Halloween party hosted by the Caribbean Club.



Caribbean Club
Luz Leon

The Caribbean Club had its annual Halloween party on Oct. 30 and a party

it was. Indeed, they came dressed in garb that you had to guess who was who. Costumes included many pirates, a nurse, a nun, a black cat, witches, a madam from New Orleans and many others.

Who was that man behind the white mask looking scary with his black cloak? Could it be that blood sucking Dracula or was this a joke? No, it was none other than our On Top of the World national shuffleboard champ, Vernon Uzzell.

All dressed characters danced around in their costumes and boy did they look swell.

The costumes were put to the test. Who would receive first prize? Everyone clapped for whom they thought was the best.

After the voting, who would think that Mike the convict would beat the rest?

It was a fun filled night. Now it's time to plan for the Christmas party!



Sewing Bees
Linda Lohr

The Sewing Bees wish all residents of On Top of the World a Merry Christmas and a wonderful holiday season. Minus the snow, of course!

The weather is getting cooler but the Sewing Bees are working feverishly to complete 52 stockings for the children, filled with stuffed animals and other goodies.

In the last month, we have delivered 27 flannel comfort quilt kits to homeless children in the area. We have been work-

ing on many other quilts, including some with a Christmas theme.

Our group was well represented at Rags to Riches and we earned needed funds for our treasury. One buyer, Norma, forgot to pick up her purchases of two metal cases with many small drawers. Norma, if you are reading this, call either number at the end of this column to arrange pick-up of your items.

Our group raffled off a beautiful Christmas cat quilt with matching pillowcase. Our lucky winner was Janell Dursha who was thrilled with her quilt!

A newcomer to On Top of the World, Sandy Bolyen, has recently attended our sewing sessions as she considers joining the club.

Our Christmas lunch will be held Dec. 17 at Stone Creek Grille. There will be a \$10 grab bag for those wishing to participate.

Our mission is to provide some comfort to the abused, abandoned and neglected children in Marion County via advocacy agencies.

Donations of material, thread, embroidery floss, and fiberfill are always welcome. Monetary donations are used to purchase the quilt batting. Please contact Marcy at 854-1181 or LeeAnn at 854-7205 if you can help. We are grateful for all community support.



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Janell Dursha is the lucky raffle winner of this beautiful quilt.

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Rubber Stamping Greeting Cards
Bev Taylor

What's a waterfall card? This was answered when we met this month. Joan Gattozzi brought examples and instructions to this card. A narrow strip of cardstock was scored and folded. Then squares of stamped images were partially attached to the strip. This was glued to a strip on a card front that we had prepared and when pulled downward which created a waterfall effect. This must be seen to be appreciated.

Our second card was made from an envelope. A one-inch strip was cut off one end of a sealed invitation envelope. The envelope was then stamped and run through a crimper, a tool that corrugates the paper. This crimping makes the envelope overall depth slightly shorter. A piece of cardstock is cut to fit inside the envelope, stamped with an image and sentiment and enclosed in the envelope. The one-inch strip is then placed over the open end.

Both of these cards were done for Christmas, but could be themed for any occasion.

We have such great fun learning new methods of constructing our cards. We just have to decide whether we can part with them. If you would like to come and check out what we do, please do call me at 854-3079.



Artistic Crafts & Gifts
Loretta Troutman

The Health & Recreation Ballroom is beautifully decorated for the Christmas season. We are enjoying visits from people who have come to see the Christmas decorations and are surprised to find that we set up our tables every Tuesday morning to display our handcrafted items. They are all offered for sale. It is a good opportunity to do a little Christmas shopping. We have many lovely and unique items for your selection.

We have had visitors from all over the country and many from foreign lands. In fact, Frances Hansen displays a list of the many states and countries where her intricate tatting and crocheted items have been taken.

You will see a fairly large selection of quilts, jewelry, quilted handbags, knitted shawls and hats, pot holders and hand towels, aprons and bibs, hand-painted items, nightlights, leaded glass designs, tatting and crochet and many, many greeting cards.

There are also stroke counters and golf cart steering wheels covers. Even doggy treats are for sale.

We wish you a very happy Christmas and your guests a wonderful stay here in On Top of the World.



The Happy Hookers
Yvonne Bednar

On Dec. 7 at 1 p.m., we will meet at the Stone Creek Grille. This will be our last luncheon for 2009. I hope you can make it! If you would like to go and you have not yet signed up, please call Naomi Ber-man at 873-4328.

As 2009 comes to a close, we have had an enjoyable year meeting new people and enjoying the many projects, we work on. We have a fun creative group of women.

I have recently bestowed Rosalie Grubowski the "queen of variegated yarn." She has the knack of turning this type of yarn into beautiful lap blankets, with a twist of her hands and a crochet hook.

Over these many months, 45 skeins of yarn have been used, resulting in 15 lap blankets, blankets, hats, mittens and scarves; all donated to Guardian Ad Litem for children who are going to a court appointed guardian. Some of these children have nothing once this happens. At present, she is working on a lap blanket for her husband, at long last.

Pat Hellinger made eight lap robes, requiring lots of red, white and blue yarn.

All blankets are made in a different pattern. These all went to Palm Garden Rehab. Currently, Pat is making herself a hexagon-shaped afghan in white and mulberry.

Pam Jennings is back with us for the winter from England and has completed a Christmas teapot cozy complete with knitted holly leaves on top.

Maureen Wolfe has spent these several past months working on several projects, but now is concentrating on table runners, one for every holiday.

Therese Bell was so excited to find an easy pattern with holes and all done with just purling. Well, it has turned out that this easy pattern needs a lot of concentration, but Therese and I are persevering and feel that we've finally got it. The finished product will be a child's blanket.

Aurora Giattino, new to our group, is embroidering a baby bib for her first grandson.

Marie Dare has information and a pattern for knitting Navy helmet liners; anyone interested in this may call her at 237-6296.

Linda Dienhart and her mom, Joyce, donated yarn to us. Anything we can't use will be donated to another group or club.

For 2010, we will be working The Advent Episcopal Church in knitting hats and mittens for the children of Sunrise Elementary School. Linda was kind enough to take time out and visit us to show us how a hat can be knitted with four cable stitch needles; a very interesting concept.

Chris Resnick also surprised us with donated yarn. Thank you to all who have thought of us throughout the year!

You are welcome to join us on Mondays from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Arts/Ceramic room.

We wish you a very joyous holiday season and a wonderful healthy, happy 2010!

Knit one, purl two.

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Irish American Club
Bob O'Neal

It was a great hit (D'eirigh go feal leis [in Irish])! Talking about Ray Cooper, the 83-year young, one-man performer, who just gave us a remarkably entertaining and high energy show.

But now it's Nollaig (Null-ahg) or Christmas and we are delighted to have a special performance by the Inisheer Irish Dance Company. Come join us on Thursday, Dec. 10, at 6 p.m. for a turkey and ham dinner with all the fixings.

Tickets will go on sale in the Health & Recreation Ballroom at 8 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 30, and again on Wednesday, Dec. 2. The price is \$13 and the dinner is by Rube. All residents are welcome.

In the November issue, we were writing about names and the top ten Irish names

and we covered number 10. Before I tell you number nine, here's a few interesting tidbits about Irish names that you might not have known. In 1465, the English Parliament decreed that all Irish drop their obvious "Irish" names in favor of towns, colors and professions. So, if you are a White, Brown, Smith, Taylor or Butler, you may well be Irish.

Irish names are the rage now but they nearly died out in Britain in the mid-19th century because immigrants were afraid to give their children Irish names in case that would make them the target of discrimination. Research done at two major British universities shows that the Irish gave their children "Protestant names" in an effort to help them blend in. The studies looked at 30,000 records and found that Irish parents overwhelmingly decided against names like Mary or Patrick in favor of names like George or William.

Last month, we covered the O'Reillys and number nine on the list of most popular names is O'Neill. The O'Neill family traces its history back to 360 A.D. to the legendary warrior king of Ireland, Niall of the Nine Hostages, who is said to have been responsible for bringing St. Patrick to Ireland. There are some three million descendants worldwide.

O'Neill is derived from two separate Gaelic words "Lia Niall" which means grandson of Niall and "Neill" meaning "champion." Got me pegged!

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German American Club
Judy Dunn

November saw Ruth and Paul Felschow present a very professional video on Berlin: historical sights, architecture, Berlin Wall, restaurants and food. Ruth narrated while music played in the background. Well done Ruth and Paul!

Our trip to Savannah, Ga. will be from May 3 - 6. Inga and Peter Gaitch have put a lot of time into organizing this trip from hotel accommodations in downtown Savannah to sightseeing, a trolley tour to dinner on a riverboat. The trip is open to all club members and residents. Call Inga or Peter at 237-7428.

Our Christmas celebration will be a potluck with Ruth and George Meyerson providing the meat course, with numerous side dishes and desserts by our members. Mary Rongetti is coordinating it all. Irene Plow is making plans for German music to be played during dinner for our entertainment.

See you all on Dec. 8 at 6:30 p.m. Happy holidays to all!

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Travel Toppers
Jo Swing

At the Travel Toppers appreciation dinner, Sunday, Oct. 25, past president, Audrey Mangan was honored for her years of dedication and service to our organization. Audrey was surprised when she received an engraved presentation clock. The display of admiration and affection overwhelmed her.

On Friday, Dec. 11, Travel Toppers will be attending a performance of "The Singing Christmas Trees" in Orlando. This much requested program will cost \$34 per person which includes show, transportation and tip for driver. Meal will be on your own. We have two buses scheduled for this trip, so contact Rose Bambino for availability.

Another popular event in December is our visit to the Show Palace Dinner Theater on Christmas Day. Their holiday show is always enthusiastically received, as is their great buffet dinner. To check for room on this most enjoyable trip, call Pat Hood.

In January, Travel Toppers has two shows to tickle your funny bone. On

Wednesday, Jan. 6, we will be seeing the one-man show, "My Mother's Italian, My Father's Jewish, and I'm in Therapy" at the Murray Theater of Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater. The cost is \$51, which includes show, bus and tip for driver. Meal will be on your own. The coordinator is Linda Hein.

On Sunday, Jan. 10, we will be in Lecanto to see "Forbidden Broadway" - parodies of familiar Broadway shows. This longest-running Broadway revue will cost \$31. This will include show, bus and tip for driver. Meal will be on your own. As of this time, a wait list is needed. Please call Jo Swing for information.

Reservations will start Tuesday, Dec. 8, for the Saturday, Feb. 13, performance of "The Phantom of the Opera" at the Bob Carr Performing Arts Centre in Orlando. The cost is \$75 for bus, show and tip for driver. Kathy Peterson will be the coordinator.

On Tuesday, Dec. 15, reservations will start for the musical, "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" presented at the Show Palace Dinner Theater in Hudson on Saturday, Feb. 6. The cost of \$60 will include show, buffet meal, transportation and tips for drive and meal. The coordinator will be Mary Lee Coleman.

There are still openings for the New England cruise sailing out of New York, Saturday, Oct. 2, and returning Saturday, Oct. 9. This ship is the Carnival Glory and the ports of call are New York, Boston, Halifax, Nova Scotia, St. John, New Brunswick, and back to New York. Prices range from \$1,289 for an interior cabin to \$1,689 for a balcony. Please contact Allan Rickards for more information and for reservations.

Travel Toppers meets on the first Wednesday of the month. Our next meeting is Wednesday, Dec. 2. Membership is open to all residents of On Top of the World. There are no dues. Come join us.

Until then, happy travels to all.



Photo by Nick Scicluna

The Tall Tale Travelers held a pumpkin carve at their campsite at Jekyll Island, Ga.



Tall Tale Travelers
Jim Lynam

The Tall Tale Travelers R.V. group from On Top of the World recently celebrated their second anniversary while camping at Jekyll Island, which is one of several beautiful islands off the coast of Georgia. Mary Jo and Norm participated as the wagon masters and handled the reservations and planning for the 11 couples making the excursion. The thoughts of escaping the intense heat brought the group to this breezy beach.

On Tuesday, the campers took advantage of the cooler weather and enjoyed their favorite activities including games, cards, biking and kayaking. Some of the members went to St. Simon's Island and suggested that the group plan a day trip for shopping and sightseeing. Later that afternoon it was time to show the skills and creativity of the cooks for the specialized soup supper planned by Mary Jo. The variety of soups and fixins' were as amazing as delicious. During the preparation, Joyce sent out a panic call for John as she thought that she "blew the breakers" in

the motor home, when to her surprise the entire island had lost power. So, the story began to circulate that Joyce was responsible for the power outage for the entire island.

Wednesday morning finally brought a break to the heat wave, but it also brought the splash 'n dash showers. The ladies decided to travel to St. Simon's Island. Jackie and Rosie were the drivers. The ladies enjoyed the time sightseeing and browsing in the local shops. But everyone agreed that eating lunch at Iguana's was the highlight of the trip.

Meanwhile back at the campground, the men decided to take a bike ride in spite of the threatening weather. By the time they reached the pier, the rain was pelting down and they took shelter in the pavilion. They met and talked with Dave, a previous meteorologist who appeared on The Weather Channel. Of course, the burning question of the day was, "When will the rain end?" His immediate trained response was, "Eventually."

Mary Jo and Norm made dinner reservations for the group at the Latitude 31 restaurant on the waterfront.

Thursday morning everyone woke to the scintillating aroma of bacon, sausage, ham, pancakes, eggs and coffee. The men were preparing breakfast. Following breakfast, the artists gathered for the pumpkin carving/decorating activity. Jan and Lucille, Bernadette, Rosie, Liz and Moe, Nick, Linda, Karen, Norm and Mary Jo created the fantastic display. The squirrels found the pumpkins to be irresistibly delectable.

Several couples took advantage of the limited sunshine and enjoyed an afternoon at the beach. The overnight rain made packing and breaking camp quite wet and muddy, but everyone enjoyed the week of fun and camaraderie!

The Tall Tale Travelers hope that everyone had a pleasant Thanksgiving!



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Audrey Mangan, past president, and Allan Rickards, current president of Travel Toppers.

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Women's Cancer Support Group

Patricia A. Woodbury

In October, Charla Griffith from All About You Women's Boutique presented a beautiful display of products from her store. Charla and her partner, Lori, are certified fitters who can provide individualized attention to the woman who has had breast cancer treatment. Insurance policies, such as Medicare, often pick up the bill. Persons who are supporting a breast cancer patient can find many lovely gifts in this boutique, including clothing and jewelry. Charla also mentioned that they

have products for other conditions, such as diabetes. This store is located at Six Gun Plaza, 4001 E. Silver Springs Blvd., Ocala.

On Nov. 19, Marsha Foreman RN, MSN, OCN gave a presentation. Ms. Foreman has been an Oncology educator and clinician for 26 years. She spoke on a variety of cancers: such as breast, ovarian, lung, colon and leukemia. She addressed the known causes, symptoms and treatments.

The next meeting will be Thursday, Dec. 17 in the Health & Recreation Building, Room #2 at 1:30 p.m. The group will take this time to share stories and resources. Women who are cancer survivors, a caretaker for someone with cancer or interested in learning about cancer issues are welcome. For further information, contact Diane Kirol at 854-8152.

New Year's Eve

Candler Hills Restaurant

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Grilled chicken breast with sun-dried cherry reduction, served with Yukon gold diced potatoes and fresh vegetables

Dessert
Decadent chocolate bread pudding with vanilla ice cream or coconut cake with pineapple crème anglaise

Non-alcoholic beverage included

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World Traveler
Bill Shampine

Who among us does not remember the beauty and romance associated with the mythical island Bali Ha'i in the movie "South Pacific?" There is just something about soft breezes and a sunset on a tropical island that sets our hearts pumping overtime. For December, let's indulge your romantic side with a quick trip to French Polynesia.

Although Tahiti typically is the nom de plume for French Polynesia, it actually is only one of 35 islands and 83 atolls clustered into five main island groups. These volcanic islands are only a 7.5 hour flight from Los Angeles, and worth the trip.

The most common tourist destination is the group known as the Society Islands, consisting of Tahiti, Moorea, Bora Bora, Raiatea, and Taha'a. At 403 square miles (about quarter the size of Marion County), Tahiti is the largest island in French Polynesia.

It is estimated that Polynesians between AD 300 and 800 settled Tahiti. The first European sighting was by a Spanish ship in 1606, but it was another 150 years before a European (an English sea captain) actually stopped there. After that, many English seafarers visited, the most famous being the ship HMS Bounty, whose crew were so enamored with the place that they mutinied after leaving Tahiti in 1789.

The European visitors brought with them Christianity, alcohol, prostitution, typhus, influenza, smallpox, and various venereal diseases. The impact of this societal enrichment was so devastating that approximately 70 percent of the entire Tahitian population was wiped out by 1797!

In the mid-1800s, Tahiti became a French protectorate, a governing situation that existed until 1946 when French Polynesia officially became a French overseas territory. Today, Tahitians are considered French citizens and French is the official language; however, the Tahitian language also is widely spoken.

French Polynesia is a gorgeous place to visit. The Society Islands have seemingly unlimited white, sandy beaches outlined by crystal clear blue waters on one side and palm trees gently swaying in the sea breezes on the other. This picturesque view, in turn, is augmented with a background of steep hills covered with lush, green vegetation that seem to rise to the heavens. The combination is so relaxing.

Once there, if you wish, you can stay in thatched-roof bungalows with glass floors that are perched on stilts above the turquoise lagoon water. It is very pleasant to watch the tropical fish swim below your feet as you lie in your lounge chair sipping a cool drink of your choice. If you wish, you even can have your meals delivered to you by canoe so you can enjoy your meal surrounded only by water and sky.

Potential activities include snorkeling and diving, and for the more adventure-some, you can hand feed the sharks in one of the lagoons! Another unique experience might be to renew your wedding vows in a traditional Tahitian wedding ceremony. Couples are bedecked in bright clothing, flowers and shells. The groom is brought to the beach side location in a canoe, while the bride is carried there on a rattan throne. Music and dancers enhance the ceremony. You also might enjoy a private picnic on your own motu (a tiny islet in the lagoon). While you watch the world slowly pass by, gourmet meals are prepared which you then enjoy on a table set either under a coconut tree or in the warm, shallow waters along the beach.

For jewelry lovers, one must not forget that Tahiti is world-renowned as a source of black pearls! They culture the pearls in the lagoons of several of the islands, and the colors include the darkest black to shades of green, blue, bronze, and even pink. They are magnificent, but you might remember to bring your checkbook, as they do tend to be a bit pricey.

People who have been to the area seem to agree on one thing; if there really was a Bali Ha'i, it would have to be located in French Polynesia.

Bingo

Bingo will be closed during the month of December. We resume play on Wednesday, Jan. 6 in the Health & Recreation Ballroom at 6 p.m. Cards will be sold at 5 p.m.

The Bingo committee wishes everyone a safe and happy holiday season. See you in 2010!

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Williamsburg Cruise Club Fred O'blenis

Welcome aboard! Here we are in the month of December and 2009 is almost gone. We hope you all had a great Thanksgiving, with lots to eat with family and friends.

We will be off on our cruise on the Freedom of the Seas in about six days.

Wish you were going with us! We have two buses going this time, and one bus for our Feb. 6 cruise on the Oasis of the Seas.

The cruise we have for Nov. 27, 2010 on the Carnival Dream is going real well. Call soon so you don't miss out on this trip and your seat on the bus. The ports of call are Cozumel, Isla Roatan, Belize and Costa Maya. A deposit of \$250 per person is due upon sign-up. Your deposit is totally refundable up to time of final payment on Sept. 13, 2010 (cancellation/medical insurance strongly recommended).

Also, you will receive a \$50 on board cabin credit. The bus will be \$45 per person round trip, this will include bus driver tips as well as porter tips on arrival at Port Canaveral.

Did you see Good Morning America on Nov. 20 from 7 to 9 a.m.? It was all about the Oasis of the Seas.

I may have only a short column in the January issue of the World News, but I will tell you all about our December cruise, and more about the Dream in the February's column.

Call me with any questions at 237-6367.

Until next time, keep the wind at your back and the sun in your face.



Candler Excursion Club Sylvia Joram

Party, party, party -- that is what happens in the month of December! This is also what the Candler Excursion Club is planning for the December monthly meeting!

Wednesday, Dec. 2, the meeting was at the Candler Hills Community Center. After a short meeting, our social committee, Kathy and Don Grosner, presented the members with a "fun holiday pizza party" with decorations, music, happy people, beverages and more! The music was by Gates Landry! Each member was

asked to bring an unwrapped toy for Toys for Tots.

December's outing is to the Festival of Lights at Silver Springs. This is Silver Springs' biggest event of the year. More than a million twinkling lights and neon displays throughout the park from dusk until 8:30 p.m. It's a dazzling display that will amaze all ages. Entrance fee to the park is \$12.99 per person for a group of 15 or more after 4 p.m. The dinner and drinks at the new Horse and Hounds Restaurant are on your own. Please call Marilyn Lube at 895-3954 for registration!

Last month, a group of 42 people visited Young's Paso Fino Ranch for a tour, show and hayride followed by a luncheon at a local restaurant. Most of us had fun, despite the downpour of rain that cancelled out the hayride. The barn tour was interesting as we got to meet the horses and feed them carrots; the owner of the ranch was quite colorful and entertaining, but the show was interrupted by rain.

However, the Paso Fino horses were simply marvelous, their gait and performance were beautiful, and their history was interesting. They were brought over from Spain by Christopher Columbus in 1493, and are now the most popular and sought after breed of horse.

Any suggestions or comments are welcomed; please call me at 291-1770 or at shantijoram@hotmail.com.

Happy holidays!

Oktoberfest

By RAY CECH
WORLD NEWS WRITER

Candler Hills residents held their annual Oktoberfest party on Sunday, Oct. 25, with more than 150 neighbors getting together to listen to a bit of oom-pah music, down a few celebratory beers (only, of course, because it's the custom) and, generally, to welcome in the fall social season.

"It was another terrific event," said Rich Trembulak. The accordionist kept up the German beat, the beer flowed generously, and the knockwurst--oh, boy!

Oktoberfest at Candler Hills is the precursor to many upcoming events: block parties, BBQs and the much-anticipated holiday party at the Circle Square Cultural Center on Dec. 9.

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On the Road Again Bob Woods

I would like to thank all those folks who recently toured the northeast portion of Florida, namely Jacksonville, Amelia Island and Saint Augustine.

I still have a few cabins remaining on the Jan. 24 cruise aboard the Freedom of the Seas making a seven-day Western Caribbean cruise.

There is great interest in the cruise of a lifetime spending two-night pre-sail in San Diego. We will board the Radiance of the Seas traveling down the Mexican

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Rivera visiting many ports. We will also stop in Costa Rica but the greatest destination of this cruise is a daylight transit of the Panama Canal. Departing the canal, the ship will sail to Cartagena, Columbia, Grand Caymans, and into Tampa where transportation will be waiting to bring us home.

I know this cruise sounds great and there are many who are contemplating going on this trip. As I mentioned in my last article I will have a Royal Caribbean Cruise Line representative here to give a presentation on the ship, cruise, and what we can expect in San Diego. The talk will take place 10 a.m. on Dec. 9 at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite B. If you would like to attend, please call me at 854-0702. There is no obligation on your part. I have to have deposits for this trip by Dec. 15.

The Washington and New Orleans trips are currently sold out. We still have seats remaining for the September trip to Memphis/Tunica and the Smoky Mountains Show trip in November. I am looking for stand-bys for the New Orleans trip in May. Booking trips so far in advance, stand-bys usually have the opportunity to participate in the trips due to cancellations.

I am putting together another trip to Key West, probably in January. Also, I am working on coach trips to Charlestown and Chattanooga, not to mention Boston, Cape Cod, Branson and Niagara Falls. As soon as I have dates and prices on these upcoming trips, I will publish them in my column and also send them to you via e-mail.

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D'Clowns
Paula Magen

We are looking forward to the upcoming holiday festivities on Dec. 9 at On Top of the World. It's fun to decorate our club golf cart and join the parade.

We started November with our usual monthly show at Emeritus. The memory support residents are a fun group who love singing with us. We start off with a balloon toss, which energizes the group. They enjoy our skits, magic and "knock-knock" jokes along with our clown antics. It's great to see their happy faces.

In November, we appeared at Hampton Gardens.

One of our biggest efforts of the year was the Halloween party at the Sheriff's of-

lice on SR 200. Costumed kids of all ages had a fun and safe Halloween. There was a bounce house, a horse to pet and games run by Kiwanis and the Lions Club, a DJ, hot dogs and drinks. D'Clowns painted faces (Ellie, Giggles and Sunflower) while CoCo and DeeDee applied tattoos. There were about 500 kids.

The Kids and Cookies program will continue monthly at TimberRidge. The four and five year olds are excited to see clowns. We give out beads and stickers. They do an activity with the seniors there. It's a joy to see them working together.

Bubbles, Marilyn Buss, has recently joined our group. We are delighted to have this resident of two years. We originally met Marilyn at the Club Fair. She was born in Ohio, has two children and three grandchildren. Marilyn and her husband have an RV and enjoy traveling. She is an enthusiastic gal who will be an asset to the club.

D'Clowns will be making their usual annual donations to several charitable organizations.

We meet on the first and third Monday of each month at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C at 1:30 p.m. We will help train you and before you know it, you'll be hooked. If you are thinking about clowning around, join us at a meeting. We are a fun group. We love what we do especially when it brings smiles and laughter.

For information, call Paula at 873-3433. Happy holidays!



Photo by Ellen Richards

Paula Magen presents new clown, Bubbles (Marilyn Buss), with her clown pin.



Ocala Clown Express
Kathy & Charlie Petrosky

The nursing home clowns had quite a treat a few weeks ago. We attended Volunteer Appreciation Day at Emeritus. It was so nice to see the residents, who were entertaining us. They served us snacks and had a sing-along. We were very touched by the way we were thanked. Little do they know the joy they bring to us!

We assisted at the Ocala Days Celebration. The county school children experienced local history. We helped out with face painting for the children. There were thousands of children who "pass through our hands" on those days. Besides the smiles and thank yous, the museum treats us to a private tour and boat ride in March.

Our hospital program continues on Thursdays. We were happy to have our

new clowns begin to take part in the program. All new clowns have to be interviewed and screened by the hospital as well as our own screening. It is very rewarding to be a hospital volunteer. The hospital treats us to lunch each time we go. That gives us time to sit and chat in the cafeteria. Of course, we "clown around" with the people in there as well.

We helped the Chaney Brothers appreciate their workers. That was a fun time for all. We painted faces, gave out tattoos and balloons. We even got up and danced with the children.

We returned to help the Children's Home Society with their festival.

Did I tell you we invited another Clown Alley to our training meetings? That is great because we get to learn and share from one another.

Our new clowns are doing great. They are learning that we do a lot for the community. In the beginning, it can seem overwhelming. However, they have learned that you do as much as you want. You do what you are comfortable with. So what about you? Just call Dotsy (Carol White) at 873-9223 if you have an interest.

A phone call is not a commitment. It is a "come and see what we do" call. Remember you will get all the help you need in picking a name, making a costume and doing your face. We are all happy to help a new clown. Our new clowns came, looked and stayed!

We meet on the first and third Mondays of the month at 3 p.m. at TimberRidge in Building 300 in the Collins Resource Center. We would love to have you join us!

Gum Drop and Toot



Back at The Ranch
David Gibas

Happy holidays from The Ranch Fitness Center and Spa!

The holiday season is fast upon us and brings so many wonderful things. As you prepare to delight in the joys of this season, beware of the uninvited visitor that often lurks behind the scene-stress! We know you are busy and hard at work thinking of others, but don't forget to think of yourself. A quick visit for a therapeutic service or some pamper time is the perfect solution. We have done some of the work for you. Look at these fabulous events that have been designed especially for you during the holidays:

- "Ladies Power Pamper" - Wednesday, Dec. 9, 5 to 8 p.m.
- "Men's Spa Time & Gift Giving 101" - Thursday, Dec. 17, 5 to 8 p.m.

Both holiday events include spa and salon services. Space is limited, so stop

by the front desk to R.S.V.P.

Staying active during the holiday is a great way to keep off unwanted pounds from all the holiday food! Celebrate the season and stay fit by keeping up with your workouts. Don't miss out on our special class this month entitled, "Trek and Burn" - Friday, Dec. 4 at 5:30 pm. Jessica and Cammy will lead you through this brand new innovative workout. This class was designed as a high intensity challenge for cardio and strength!

"Trek and Burn" incorporates the treadmills, where you will be coached in a super-charged trek challenge. This cardio segment will alternate with strength circuits. Due to the equipment necessary for this class, space is limited so arrive early to secure your spot!

We are also offering non-competitive pool volleyball on Thursday nights at 5:30 p.m. A great way to get fit and have fun!

Coming soon-the New Year is the ideal time to renew your commitment to health and fitness. We are here to lead the way. Looks what's coming in 2010!

- "Who Shed That?!" - six-week weight loss program starts Jan. 11.
- "Boot Camp" - every Friday night at 5:30 p.m.
- "Aqua Zumba" - every Saturday at 10:30 a.m.
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Pattern Dance Club
Jim & Nell Entinger

The word that best describes the Pattern Dancers this year is enthusiasm. Members are showing up early, anxious to learn, dance and have fun. Practice sessions are well attended and that extra practice has paid off. One of the favorite dances this year is the "Barn Dance" which can be a couples dance or a mixer.

A social is being planned for Dec. 17. Sign up during regular dance nights.

Our last dance night has been changed from Dec. 15 to Dec. 17. There will be no meetings on Dec. 22 and 29 and no Sunday practice on Dec. 6 or 27.

Whether you are traveling or staying close to home this holiday season, stay safe and if you get the chance, dance. Happy holidays; see you next year. For more information, call Nell at 861-5351 or Carla at 873-8387.



Ballet Club
Eugenie Martin

It is hard to believe that 2009 is almost over. Last January, we began the year with a performance at the On Top of the World 2009 Health and Wellness Expo held in the Circle Square Cultural Center. To celebrate the start of 2010, we will be performing again at the Expo; this time, on the main stage. We hope you will all attend the event, seeing all the informative exhibitors as well as performances by several On Top of the World groups.

This has been a busy year for the Ballet Club. We have gained new dancers, leaned new routines and taken a field trip to Sarasota. Through it all, however, we have become happier and fit through dancing to beautiful music.

At the time of this writing, we plan to continue our regular schedule of classes throughout the holiday season. All classes are free and are held in the Arbor Club exercise studio adjacent to the indoor pool. They are offered Mondays from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1-2 p.m.

If there are any questions about class on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, which are both Thursdays, give me call.

We welcome all newcomers and no previous experience is necessary. For information, please call me at 854-8589. Happy holidays and happy dancing!



Ballroom Dance Club
Richard P. Vullo

We welcomed several new couples to our waltz lessons in November.

For December, the dance is meringue. This is a great opportunity for the many Latin dancers who reside here to brush-up and/or learn some new steps. Our meringue lessons begin on Dec. 3 at 11 a.m. at the Arbor Club Ballroom. If you forget to make your reservation with our dance instructor, Trish Sands, at 351-2423 or me at 854-6772, just show up. We'll be happy to see you.

Membership dues for our club are only

\$6 per year, per person. Lessons are \$25 per person for four weekly group lessons. Singles are always welcome.

Here at On Top of the World we have dancing most Friday nights at the Arbor Club Ballroom and on most Fridays and Saturdays at Circle Square Commons. In addition, there are numerous venues in the Ocala area for dancing during the week and on weekends. Our club members are happy to share this information with you.

The Nov. 7 Harvest Dance presented by the On Top of the World Dancin' on the Top committee was a resounding success. Approximately 175 residents and their guests attended the sold out dance. They really enjoyed the music and singing of "Automatic" and the complimentary hors d'oeuvres.

The next dance for the Dancin' on the Top committee will be the New Year's Eve bash. Ticket sales begin on Monday, Dec. 7, in the Health & Recreation Ballroom from 8 to 10 a.m. and will continue each Monday and Wednesday through Dec. 23 (or until sold out). Seating will be limited. Each table will have its own cold hors d'oeuvres, including shrimp. Party favors will be provided along with champagne, coffee and sweets at midnight. As usual, two for one drinks will be available. Entertainment will be by On Top of the World resident Roger Bourgault. Tickets are only \$17.50 per person. For more information, please call Jack Stone at 873-3083 or me at 854-6772.

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Square Dancing
Walter Lamp

Our free fun dance went very well. Of all the new people who came and tried it, 21 are now in our current class. As we enter December, they are well on their way to learning and experiencing the fun of square dancing.

The Halloween dance was really fun. Costumes, ranging from Zorro to a sea faring pirate, decorated the floor. Carol Spencer won first prize, with Bob Frechette grabbing second place. The annual parade of people put all the costumes on show. Most of them danced in their costumes, which made each square a little more fun.

Many other members were dressed in orange and black clothing to stay with the holiday spirit. We hope that you will join the fun next year.

The upcoming dance theme for December is 'tis the season to be jolly and dance. And, that's what we're planning to do.

The Christmas season kicks off with a holiday happening dance on Saturday, Dec. 5, at 7 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. We will have lots of food with Christmas decorations and music.

On Tuesday, Dec. 15 at the Arbor Club Ballroom, we have another theme dance. You guessed it, a holiday theme. The new class will be joining us for this event.

On Wednesday, Dec. 30, Don and Loretta Hanhurst, will host a New Year's Eve Eve dance. They are our regular caller and cuer and have hosted this dance for a couple of years now. Again, it's being held at the Health & Recreation Ballroom. The time is from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Refreshments are many, once again, and the fun is limitless.

It gives a person the chance to prepare to welcome in the New Year, while saying farewell to the old one. It personally gives me a chance to look back over this year of square dancing and all the squares, all the laughter and all the time I said thank you to my partners in the square. As my wife and I have improved our dancing skills, our fun and happiness has grown throughout the year.

On behalf of all the members of Circle Squares, Merry Christmas and happy holidays to all.

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'Drive-In' Movie

By RAY CECH
WORLD NEWS WRITER

Jennifer Aniston, Owen Wilson, and their dog, Marley in "Marley and Me," was the first in a series of outdoor movies shown Tuesday, Nov. 3. The story, which, coincidentally, takes place in Florida, was enjoyed by On Top of the World neighbors at the newly appointed Circle Square Commons "drive-in."

A giant outdoor screen with a backlit projection and comfortable seating made it easy viewing. It was very much like the old drive-in days, except cars were replaced by golf carts, and when you went to leave there was no worry about taking the speaker with you.

Popcorn, soda and ice cream, along with the balmy evening air, made it a perfect date night. The audience got a laugh, as well as an emotional jolt from the made-for-family flick about an adorable but neurotic dog that unwittingly helps cement Jennifer (Aniston) and John's (Wilson) floundering marriage.

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Concert Chorus

Anne Merrick

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Come to hear us and get in the holiday spirit.

The Color Guard from Vanguard High School will be presenting The Colors as we sing The Star Spangled Banner.

We are singing some interesting and challenging pieces like The Little Drummer Boy, Joy to the World and a medley of favorites called Ho! Ho! Holidays.

A small group is also singing a few pieces at the holiday festivities on Dec. 9 at 6 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom.

Call Anne at 732-0706 for more information.



Karaoke Friends

Vivian Brown

ter a 10 minute intermission, the second half of the show will resume with, "Holiday Magic."

We have been practicing diligently to bring you a wonderful show. Our performers include: Kathy, Norma, Shirley, Vivian, Bob, Charlie, Donnie and Jimmy.

We invite all On Top of the World residents to join us in making "holiday magic" for all those less fortunate in Marion County. Where there is music, there is happiness and love.

Karaoke Friends gets together the first and third Mondays of the month from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F; it is open to everyone. Try it, you'll love it!

We had such a great turnout at our last session. We all had such fun.

We are performing for the New England Club on Nov. 13 and will tell you all about it next time. On Jan. 7 we are looking forward to performing for the Southern Club.

Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday season. God bless each of you and let there be peace on earth.

If you have any questions, or if you would like us to entertain for you (there is never a charge), call me at 291-0246.

Until next month, keep on singing.

Theatre Group

Dick Phillips

After a successful presentation of the musical comedy, So Long Sunny Pines, on Nov. 13 and 14, activities are underway to plan for the spring production scheduled for April.

Our theatre group holds a general members meeting on the second Monday of every month. At each meeting, after a



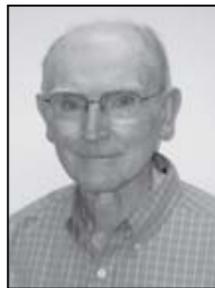
Original Karaoke Group
George Quaranta

Thank you to Judy and Jerry for filling in for me on Oct. 24 at Candler Hills Community Center. The evening was enjoyed by 28 other friends from On Top of the World.

Come and enjoy listening to your friends and neighbors sing. You could try singing too! For information, call George at 873-9667.

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Opera
Bernie Kelly

The opera appreciation class will have its first meeting on Thursday, Dec. 3, at 1 p.m. when Puccini's opera Turandot will be seen. Last year we began with Tosca, which was a much earlier work composed in 1900. Turandot was his last work and was completed by Franco Alfano after Puccini's death on Nov. 29, 1924.

Giacomo Puccini was born in Lucca, Italy, in 1858 to a family, which had for several generations held musical posts in the town. At the age of 22, he was able to attend the Milan Conservatory, which had as one of its teachers Amilcare Ponchielli, the composer of La Gioconda. Ponchielli convinced a friend to provide Puccini with a libretto which he turned into the one-act opera, Le Villi, and entered into a contest for one-act operas. It did not win but the production was so popular that La Scala accepted it for the following season.

Puccini's first full-length opera was Edgar, which was a failure when performed at La Scala in 1889. However, his next one in 1893 was Manon Lescaut, which turned out to be a great success. Puccini was on his way.

In 1896 came La Bohème, which was followed by Tosca in 1900. He was on top of the opera world and was called the successor of Verdi. Then came Madame Butterfly, which today is one of the most performed operas of all the repertory. Unbelievably, it was a terrible failure at its premiere performance in 1904 but in a year, audiences had fallen in love with it as they have ever since.

From 1904 to 1924, there were three operas, The Girl of the Golden West, La Rondine and Il Trittico. Finally, we have our opera, Turandot, which had been suggested to Puccini in 1920 and by early 1924 was almost completed. Puccini was having trouble with the third and final act. To make matters worse his health began to fail. He had throat cancer.

In November, he went to a clinic in Brussels where he underwent surgery, which left him weak, and in great pain. On Nov. 29, he died from a heart attack. After all his work, he had to leave the 36 pages of the final score for someone else to finish. The composer chosen was Franco Alfano who completed the work for its premiere in April 1926.

We are going to see a 1989 production from the Metropolitan Opera directed by Franco Zeffirelli. Eva Marton sings the title role and Plácido Domingo is Calaf who will try to win the heart of Turandot. Also in the cast are bass, Paul Plishka as Timur and Leona Mitchell as Liu. James Levine conducts the Met Orchestra and Chorus.

Turandot is a great opera and we are going to see it performed by a cast of opera stars who in 1989 were top performers in the field.

Remember the date is Dec. 3 in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite D at 1 p.m. Hope to see a large group of opera lovers there.

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Monday Night Bridge Joe Zwick

Oct. 12
1: Ida Rosendahl & Carol Thompson; 2: Jayne Kaske & Joan Lord; 3: Fran Griswold & Betty Morris.

Oct. 19
1: Mary Carol Geck & Caryl Rosenberger; 2: Shirley Stolly & Pat Holmes; 3: Gloria & Fran Griswold.

Oct. 26
1: Carol Rosenberger & Marjorie Benton; 2: Esther Lang & Phyllis Bressler; 3: Ida Rosendahl & Carol Thompson.

Nov. 2
1: Ida Rosendahl & Carol Thompson; 2: Pat Holmes & Shirley Stolly.

Nov. 9
1: Shirley Stolly & Pat Holmes; 2: Carol Johnson & Carol Thompson; 3: Fran Griswold & Betty Morris.

Monday Night Bridge Ginnie Barrett & Myra Butler

Oct. 5
1 (tie): Mildred Lane & Betty Barney; 2: Walter Hicken Looper; 3: Ginnie Barrett; 4: Phyllis Bressler; Cons: Jim Mahoney.

Oct. 12
1: Walter Hicken Looper; 2: Jim Mahoney; 3: Gail Tirpak; Cons: Mary Culbertson.

Oct. 19
1: Art Dushary; 2: Eleanor Giardina; 3: Betty Barney; 4: Ray Dietz; 5: Phil DeVito; Cons: Peggy Borro.

Oct. 26
1: Eleanor Giardina; 2: Kathy Dushary; 3: Art Dushary; 4: Gail Tirpak; Cons: Joan Sigafoos.

Tuesday Afternoon Bridge Agnes LaSala

Oct. 6
1: Agnes LaSala & Carl Woodbury; 2: Joe Zwick & Marie Dare; 3: Betty Morris & Carol Thompson.

Oct. 13
1: Betty Morris & Shirley Stolly; 2: Ray Dietz & Mazie Millward; 3: Elsie Helwig & Richard Fluet.

Oct. 20
1: Shirley Stolly & Pat Homes; 2: Carol Thompson & Jack Slone; 3: Florence & Norbert Heckler.

Oct. 27
1: Betty Morris & Shirley Stolly; 2: Ray Dietz & Mazie Millward; 3: Gloria Richards & Mary Rose Janssen.

Tuesday Night Duplicate Marjorie Benton

We welcome new duplicate bridge players to our game. For more information, or to find a partner, call 861-5700.

Oct. 6
1: Art and Kathie Dushary; 2: Bruce and Marjorie Benton; 3: Mary Carol Geck and Doris Keathley.

Oct. 13
1: Bill and Betty Raines; 2: Mary Carol Geck and Doris Keathley; 3: Harry and Ruth Tindall; 4: Ida Rosendahl and Carol Thompson.

Oct. 20
1: Ernie Lord and Carol Moseman; 2: Bill and Betty Raines; 3: Art and Kathie Dushary; 4: Rose O'Rourke and Norman Shultz; 5: Ida Rosendahl and Dick Mansfield.

Oct. 27
1: Joan Lord and Nel Bosschaart; 2: Ida Rosendahl and Dick Mansfield; 3: Bill and Betty Raines; 4: Jayne Kaske and Caryl Rosenberger; 5: Rose O'Rourke and Norman Shultz.

Wednesday Afternoon Bridge Fran Griswold

We are so pleased to see new faces. Our latest newcomers are George Yemen and the Briggs from North Carolina.

Thank you to Bonnie, Marlene and Pat Gorgart who do so very much to make Wednesday Afternoon Bridge a fun place to be. Their help and also contributions for the Domestic Violence Center make it a privilege to be associated with this group.

Wishing everyone a happy holiday season!

Oct. 14
1: Caryl Rosenberger 4390; 2: Fran Griswold; 3: Bonnie Heinlein; 4: Helene Steinberger; Consolation - Darlene Melberg.

Oct. 21
1: Fran Griswold 6220; 2: Ann Mahoney; 3: Pat Gorgart; 4: Carol Johnson; Consolation - Gloria Richards.

Oct. 28
1: Helen O'Brien; 2: Keith Briggs; 3: Esther Lang; 4: Delores Melberg; Consolation - Shirlee Wolcott.

Nov. 4
1: Ida Rosendahl 4180; 2: Helene Sternberger; 3: Bill Mahoney; 4: Helen O'Brien; Consolation - Bonnie Heinlein.

Wednesday Night Duplicate Doris Keathley

Oct. 14
1: Ernie & Joan Lord; 2: Ida Rosendahl & Doris Keathley.

Oct. 21
1: Bill & Betty Raines; 2: Harry & Ruth Tindall.

Oct. 28
1: Rose O'Rourke & Nancy Drimiller; 2: Bill & Betty Raines.

Nov. 4
1: Bill & Betty Raines; 2: Ida Rosendahl & Doris Keathley.

Thursday Afternoon Bridge Marion Turbin & Betty Legg

Oct. 15
1: Alice McDaniel; 2: Phyllis Silverman.

Oct. 22
1: Betty Legg; 2: Helen Eshbach; 3: Marge Starrett; 4: Marion Turbin.

Oct. 29
1: Mary Rose Janssen; 2: Phyllis Silverman; 3: Gloria Richards; 4: Shirley Wolcott.

Nov. 5
1: Agnes Weber; 2: Marge Starrett; 3: Nancy Clarkson; 4: Joanne Jones.

Thursday Night Bridge Helen DeGraw & Ida Rosendahl

Oct. 15
1: Carol Thompson; 2: Eleanor Giardina; 3: Ray Wilson; 4: Fran Griswold; Cons. Helen Degraw.

Oct. 22
1: Florence Heckler; 2: Carl Woodbury; 3: Jan Moon; 4: Fran Griswold; Cons: Keith Briggs.

Oct. 29
1: Myra Butler; 2: Eleanor Giardina; 3: Flo Penn; 4: Ida Rosendahl; Cons. Janet Becker.

Nov. 5
1: Zane Bartlett; 2: Ida Rosendahl; 3: Myra Butler; 4: Steve Becker; Cons. Jim Mahoney.

Nov. 12
1: Carl Woodbury; 2: Ginny Barrett; 3: Steve Becker; Cons. Jim Smith.

Friday Night Bridge Jack & Mickey Martin

Oct. 16
1: Joan Lord; 2: Ginny Barrett; 3: Mildred Lane; 4: Bill Raines; 5: Jayne Kaske.

Oct. 23
1: Rose O'Rourke; 2: Agnes Weber; 3: Joe O'Brien; 4: Shirley Stolly; 5: Dick Dakin.

Oct. 30
1: Ida Rosendahl; 2: Eleanor Giardina; 3: Mary Carol Geck; 4: Serine Rossi; 5: Joe O'Brien.

Nov. 6
1: Joe O'Brien; 2: Helen O'Brien; 3: Betty Raines; 4: Catherine Edwards; 5: Phyllis Bressler.

Nov. 13
Bruce Benton; 2: Betty Raines; 3: Betty Barney; 4: Ernie Lord; 5: Joan Lord. Grand Slam: Ginny Barret and Eleanor Giardina.

Friday Euchre 4 Fun Irene Pisani

Intermediate and advanced players are all welcome, so come and join us on Friday at 6:15 p.m. at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite A. Come one, come all.

For more information, call Irene at 873-4173.

Oct. 16
1: Out of 28, Sharon Dean had a perfect game. Congratulations! 2 (tie): Joe Scervo, Betty Scervo, Jerry Dean, Zane Barnett & Rich Miles; 3 (tie): Lee Phillips, Bill Eberle & Buck Chaillet; 4: Jean Gillette; 5: Gayle Argano.

Oct. 23
1: Out of 29, Jerry Dean; 2: Joann Shea; 3 (tie): Richard Bartel & Joe Scervo; 4 (tie): Richard Miles & Richard Gillette; 5 (tie): Jerry Harris & John Wall.

Oct. 30
1: Out of 39, Sharon Dean; 2 (tie): Jerry Dean & Joan Sigafoos; 3: Richard Miles; 4: Jo Swing; 5 (tie): Phyllis Wall & Pat Snable.

Nov. 6
1: Out of 39, May Holtz; 2 (tie): Zane Barnett, Sharon Dean & Rich Miles; 3: Trudy Bertrand; 4: Larry Bertrand; 5 (tie): Joe Scervo & Bob Housenger.

Nov. 13
1: Out of 35, Gayle Argano; 2: Irene Pisani; 3 (tie): Sharon Dean, Hank Kolb & Jerry Pinter; 4 (tie): Zane Barnett & Bev DeBusschere; 5: Trudy Bertrand.



Friday Night Euchre Joe Askenase

Oct. 16
Four Handed Game
1: Marcy Askenase; 2: Ross Riegler; 3: Clarence Lietzow.

Six Handed Game
1: Virgil Taylor; 2: Shirley Coe; 3: Helen Fosket; 4: Vi Horton; 5: Diane Riegler; 6: Maria France.

Four Handed Game
1: Marcy Askenase; 2 (tie): Viola Horton & Diana Riegler; 3: Russ Riegler; 4: Clarence Lietzow; 5: Maria France.

Oct. 30
Four Handed Game
1: Russ Riegler; 2: Marcy Askenase; 3: Lou Fisher; 4: Clarence Lietzow.

Six Handed Game
1: Vi Horton; 2: Helen Foskett; 3: Diana Riegler; 4: Maria France; 5: Shirley Coe.

Nov. 6
Four Handed Game
1 (tie): Lou Fisher & Clarence Lietzow; 2: Diana Riegler; 3: Russ Riegler.

Five Handed Game
1: Virgil Taylor; 2 (tie): Shirley Coe & Maria France; 3: Vi Horton.

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Tuesday Night Pinochle Viola Horton

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Oct. 6
Single Deck Winners
1: Lois Rider; 2: Bob Unangst; 3: Andy Mark.

Double/Triple Deck Winners
Tables 1: Margaret & Joe Sciarino; 2: Norma Yonke, Irene Pisani & Jo Swing; 3: Charles Distler & Virgil Taylor.

Oct. 13
Single Deck Winners
1: Lois Rider; 2: Vernon Uzzell; 3: Audrey Bartolotta.

Double/Triple Deck Winners
Tables 1: Margaret Sciarino & Vi Horton; 2: Billy Swing; 3: Virgil Taylor & Ray Bock.

Oct. 20
Single Deck Winners
1: Dot Findlay; 2: Gerry Pinter; 3: George Dertinger.

Double/Triple Deck Winners
Tables 1: Alberta Sarris & Margaret Sciarino & Norma Yonke; 2: Charles Distler & Virgil Taylor.

Oct. 27
Single Deck Winners
1: Audrey Bartolotta; 2: Andy Mark; 3: Lois Rider.

Double/Triple Deck Winners
Tables: 1: Alberta Sarris & Greg Skillman; 2: Norma Yonke & Jo Swing; 3: Charles Distler & Joe Scervo.



Saturday Night Pinochle Elsie Helwig

Oct. 17
1: Gerry Pinter; 2: Greg Skillman; 3: Viola Horton.

Oct. 24
1: Albert Novotny; 2: Viola Horton; 3: Gene Hubbard.

Oct. 31
1: Gene Hubbard; 2: Audrey Bartolotta; 3: Mildred Ferrell.

Nov. 7
1: Viola Horton; 2: Karen Unangst; 3: Elsie Helwig.



Cribbage Greg Skillman

Oct. 16
1: Greg Skillman; 2: Anne Jagielski; 3: Luke Mullen; Cons: Alberta Sarris.

Oct. 23
1: Herb Postin; 2: Rosemarie Postin; 3: Alberta Sarris; Cons: Luke Mullen.

Oct. 30
1: Luke Mullen; 2: Alberta Sarris; 3: Craig Ehle; Cons: Mary Ehle.

Nov. 6
1: Ray Bock; 2: Anne Jagielski; 3: Elsie Helwig; Cons: Norma Yonke.

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Red Hat Society
Vivian Brown

Happy holidays, happy holidays may the merry bells keep ringing, happy holidays to you. The most wonderful time of the year has arrived. As I thought about this, I imagined what a wonderful world it would be if everyone acted and treated each other with kindness year round. So, my New Year's resolution is to try to greet every person I meet with a smile, a kind word and to look for the good in everyone. I hope our Red Hat Ladies and all On Top of the World residents will too.

What a great time was had by all as the ladies dressed in their finest Red Hat attire, sat at tables fit for a queen and her royal subjects. The wonderful fellowship, the great food and the wonderful entertainment made for an outstanding event. Our thanks and gratitude to QM Betty Thayer and QM Mary Curry for a job well done.

Remember our PJ Party coming up in February and the Queens meeting on Monday, Jan. 7 in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C at 2:30 p.m.

Until next month, happy hatting and happy holidays!

The Razzle-Dazzle Red Hat Dames

I have to thank, Connie Forte, Jean Stanley, Celia Miller and Pat Fitzgerald for the fantastic job they did on our table at the Red Hat Gala. I was so proud of each of you and enjoyed a wonderful evening as we laughed and sang the night away.

Connie Forte is our hostess for November and I will report on it next month. I am planning the annual holiday party and hope you will be attending.

I am honored to be your Queen and I want you to know how much you all mean to me. You are the sunshine of my life. God bless, keep safe and happy holidays!
QM Vivian Brown

The Happy Attitudes

I have not reported for the past few months, but we have been busy with our monthly luncheons and any extra activities that come along.

October was busy for us. Nine of us met at Pavarotti's for a lovely luncheon with Marge Schoonmaker as our hostess of the month. We welcomed a new member, Jean Jeitner, who fit in just right.

Seven members of our group attended the Gala, and enjoyed it very much. What a lovely festive evening, with a great meal and wonderful entertainers.

Five of us attended the dinner theater at the Circle Square Cultural Center on Friday, Oct. 23 and enjoyed both the dinner and the "The Sunshine Boys" very much. We are already planning on going to the next dinner theater, which will probably be presented in May. Until next month!
QM June Otto by Mary Black

The Red Gems

Oh dear, oh dear, the queen has lost her red and purple feather fan. It is so missed at this time when she has gone to help care for her newly born great twin grandsons. Have you seen it?

It was probably lost somewhere about the Health & Recreation Ballroom during the Red Hat Fall Festival.

Our Christmas gathering with gift exchange will be at Felix's.

Best wishes to all our Red Hat sisters for a very happy celebration with family and friends. QM Billie Giles by Loretta Troutman

The Glitzy Gals

The Red Hat Gala was a fabulous evening with delicious food, great entertainment, beautifully decorated tables and everyone dressed in their finest attire. A special thank you to QM Betty Thayer and QM Mary Curry for their outstanding work to make this event a memorable occasion.

Seven from our group traveled to Black Diamond Country Club for the Precious Peaches Fashion Show, Luncheon and Entertainment. A Red Hat vendor was available for shopping and Belk's in Crystal River did the fashion show.

QM Mary and her vice Queens attended the West Coast Queens' Council Royal Fall Luncheon in Bradenton. Since it was Halloween, many members were dressed in costumes. There were 178 in attendance, representing 14 counties, 37 cities and 79 member chapters. The group enjoyed entertainment and speakers. QM Mary and Vice Queen Bea won door prizes. QM Mary was also one of the three winners of the "Share the Wealth Raffle."

Bonnie and Clyde's was the location of our luncheon with hostesses Mary Bicknell and Betty Tesmer. Bea Maxwell won the prize and we all received a decorated bag full of chocolates.

Some of us participated in the High Tea at the Arbor Club Ballroom. Meeting new friends, enjoying tea, good food and listening to music made a pleasant afternoon. "Too much of a good thing can be wonderful." QM Mary Curry by Janet Wahl

The Scarlet Foxes

We had a special event in November, when Kathy Hoefler invited us to her house for a bag lunch, and also showed us how to make our own beautiful Thanksgiving cards. Kathy has all the equipment and is involved in the Rubber Stamping Club.

December, we will be at the Mason Jar for lunch, followed by our gift exchange, which is fun and many times surprising!

Kathy will host us for our after eating activities. We will also be welcoming two new Scarlet Foxes to the den. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you!
QM Phyllis Kraus

The Blazing Bonnets

The October Gala was wonderful. Red Hats off to Queen Mary Curry and Queen Betty Thayer for a perfectly planned and organized event. The entertainment was very professional and we sang the songs our groups loved especially the songs from Phantom of the Opera. The food was excellent; the company was exceptional and my ladies are still talking about it.

Last month, we attended the High Tea at the Arbor Club. The food was very good, especially the scones and chocolate covered cream puffs. The music was perfect for a High Tea.

We've also crowned two new princesses in our group in November bringing us to 14. Because it's hard to get reservations for large groups, we are now closing our membership. This month, we're planning to have four golf carts in the Golf Cart Parade on Dec. 9. Hope you can come out to see us; we'll be wearing our Red Hats.

Our Christmas party will be held at Harry's Dec. 10. Princess Arlene had a good idea of not giving gifts to each other but have everyone buy a toy and donate it to the Salvation Army.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all and remember to keep your hat on your head and dessert on your mind at all times. QM Mary Vanasse

Sassy Lassies

Eight beautifully dressed Sassy Lassies attended the Oct. 18 Gala. We were all appreciative and proud of Elinor Hoffman's tasteful and elegant table decorations. The food was delicious and plentiful and the entertainment was excellent. The whole evening was a rousing success. Our Red Hats off to everyone who worked so hard getting this event together.

Our November meeting was a practice session for the PJ Party skit. We will be in the Dec. 9 Golf Cart Parade as a big red hat. Our December meeting will be a Christmas luncheon hosted by our Queen mum. QM Carol Eberly

Send your chapter's activities to vivjcb@cfl.rr.com by the eighth of the month. If you have any questions, please call me at 291-0246.

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January issue:
Thursday, Dec. 31



Women of the World
Terri Molnar

Our Rags to Riches sale was a big success! We were able to raise \$930 for charity thanks to the hard work of chairpersons, Lois Nix and Lorraine Pasek, along with their committee. These women worked tirelessly to staff the collection center, price the articles and see that they were transported to the Arbor Conference Center. In addition to setting up and working as sellers, they epitomized the spirit of Women of the World.

Thank you to everyone who donated to and worked the sale. Along with the husbands who helped pack, transport and unload the items. We could not have done it without you. Fantastic job, everyone!

To all of our wonderful "behind the scenes" women, who volunteer to help on

a monthly basis with little or no recognition - thank you.

At our November meeting, our guest speaker was Carla Grimsley from Guardian Ad Litem. She gave information about becoming an advocate for abused and neglected children. Advocates are specially trained to be a voice for vulnerable children.

Marilyn Laible shared an incident with one of our officers regarding Operation Shoebox. While traveling recently, she struck up a conversation with a young family. During the conversation, the young man explained that he was home for a short period of time from the armed services in Iraq. Marilyn told him of our Operation Shoebox campaign and asked if the service personnel actually had to obtain their own hygiene items. He replied with a resounding, "Yes Ma'am."

He also went on to add that crossword puzzles, newspaper games and comics were more sought after than showers when returning after two or more weeks in the field. He asked that we continue to send these items to them and added his thanks for all the troops. It is because of stories like this that we will continue to support Operation Shoebox as long as the need exists.

As a reminder, it is not too early to think about our fashion show in March. Tickets will go on sale at our January meeting.

Our next meeting will be on Dec. 4 at 1 p.m.; join us and bring a friend.

On behalf of the officers, chairpersons and the members of Women of the World, have a great holiday season!

Embroidery Chicks
Jan Johnson

The holidays are fast approaching and the Chicks are getting ready! We are all thinking of gifts to be completed. Panic! Get to work! And, that is what we are doing, each to her own project: Eileen Utiss is working on velvet holiday decorations for her daughter, someone else on a table

runner, and others on unfinished projects.

Eileen regaled us with tales of working on a huge velvet banner for her previous church. We were in awe. The Chicks will continue to work on holiday projects of their own choice.

We would like to see new Chicks! Join us on the first or fourth Friday of the month in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite B and C. We meet from 9:30 a.m. to sometime after lunch. Bring your lunch and join us! Call Theresa at 291-7570 with questions.

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Arbor Club	Parking Lot	8:53 am
Crescent Ridge 1 & 2	97th Lane - Post Office - 99th Ave. - 96th St.	8:58 am
Americana Village	89th Ct. Rd. - Post Office - 85th Ter. Rd.	9:02 am
Friendship Village	Post Office - 84th Ter. - 93rd St.	9:06 am
Friendship Colony	83rd Ter. - 90th St. - 87th Ave. - 97th St.	9:10 am
Friendship Park	97th St. - 94th Lane	9:14 am
Friendship Village	89th Ct. Rd. - 92nd St.	9:16 am
Health & Rec. Center	At Bus Stop Sign	9:20 am
Exit Community.....		9:25 am

Circle Square Cultural Ctr. At Bus Stop Sign Call Health & Rec. one day
Indigo Community Center Parking Lot in advance for pick-up

OCALA RUN: MON., TUE., WED. & THUR. ARRIVE PICK-UP

1st RUN	ARRIVE	PICK-UP
Jasmine Square (1st & 3rd Thurs) 1st Run Only	9:50 am	12:10 pm
Dillard's or Kohl's..... 1st Run Only	10:00 am	11:40 am
Lowe's..... 1st Run Only	10:05 am	11:35 am
Paddock Mall.....	10:10 am	11:40 am
Wal-Mart.....	10:15 am	11:45 am
Target..... 1st Run Only	10:20 am	11:50 am
K-Mart.....	10:25 am	11:55 am
Gateway Plaza.....	10:30 am	12:00 pm

2nd RUN	ARRIVE	PICK-UP
Wal-Mart.....	12:05 pm	1:45 pm
K-Mart.....	12:10 am	1:50 pm
Gateway Plaza.....	12:15 am	1:55 pm
Paddock Mall.....	12:20 pm	2:00 pm

GROCERY STOP.....LAST STOP OF DAY.....30 MIN. SHOPPING TIME
(No Grocery Stop on SAM'S or BEALL'S Days)

Grocery Run...Every Monday....(Publix)....Start Pick-Up Run @ 3:42 pm....Return @ 5:30 pm

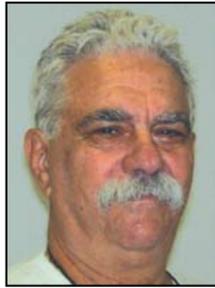
Sam's Club.....2nd & 4th Wednesday of the Month.....2:10 pm...3:30 pm

Beall's & Wal-Mart.....1st Thursday of the Month.....1st Run Ocala...2nd Run Hwy 200 W.
(1st Run Ocala (Porter's & Target)...2nd Run (Big Lots - Beall's - Dollar Tree - Wal-Mart)

Beall's & Wal-Mart.....3rd Thursday of the Month.....1st Run Ocala...2nd Run Hwy 200 W.
(1st Run Ocala...2nd Run (Big Lots - Beall's - Dollar Tree - Wal-Mart)

3rd Tuesday Supper Get-A-Way ...Pick-Up & Drop Off At Rec. Center...Depart @ 4:30 pm
(CALL TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION...ONLY 21 SEATS AVAILABLE EACH MONTH)
* Restaurant Location Posted in Bus, On TV Channel 17, 703 & 22, or Call Number Below *

*For information or reservations call Health & Rec. @ 352-854-8707 ext. 10



Social Club
Mort Meretsky

Although I'm writing this before the event, I'm positive our Thanksgiving party would be a huge success. Thanks for all the hard work done by Carmine, Marie and to all the members for bringing in the great food.

As this is the end of the year, it's time to renew your memberships. To all of the new residents who would like to join, come to our next meeting and sign up. The dues are still only \$10 a year. We play poker and blackjack on the third Friday of the month using play money. At the end of the day the person with the most money at each table wins \$5, second place wins \$3 and third place wins \$2.

Our next poker/blackjack is on Friday, Dec. 18, from 2- 4 p.m. at the Arbor Conference Center. If you would like to check us out, come on down on the 18th.

Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah.

Sunshine Quilters

Ann Weldishofer

We had 31 sunshiny faces at our November business meeting on the first of the month, and Vice-President Shirley Kilpatrick led the meeting. We had a few items left over from the Craft Show, so there was a little more shopping going on. We also welcomed a guest, Aurora Giatino.

Our November workshop was Meridel Jellifer doing "fun and done" quilts, which was held on Nov. 10 and 17. These were fast, easy quilts, and the best part of them, as suggested by the name of them, was that when your top is sewn together, your quilt is finished. They were even bound, so many of the usual steps were

skipped! This was my kind of project!

Our annual holiday luncheon was on Tuesday, Dec. 1 at Stone Creek Grille.

The members voted to have another Quilt Show in 2011. The date will be determined by the availability of the Arbor Club Ballroom. The last one we had was four years ago, and we feel this is a good way of promoting quilting.

Our new officers for 2010 are: President: Tekla Krause, Vice-President: Lee Potoma, Secretary: Ian Johnson, and Treasurer: Murilla Wester. Congratulations to you all, and a big thank you from all the members. I know we will have a great year!

Even though we have not been having workshops while we were working on the Craft Show, we still had a show and tell of three lovely quilts by Tekla, Ruth Kidney and Phyllis Price.

Come join us any Tuesday morning in the Art Room -- this is a good way to see what we do and to join in the fun.

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R/C Ladybirds
Barbara Toeppen-Sprigg

The Ladybirds started the month with their work at the November Fly-In, organizing refreshments for the annual event. The work was followed a week later with a trip to "Tea with Lee". This Italian café is only open for lunch, and the Ladybirds enjoyed the cuisine.

The unusual speaker at the November meeting was Captain John Semmes, the owner/operator of "Singing River Tours" out of Dunnellon. He sang three original songs for the group, accompanied by his guitar.

Tours on the Rainbow and Withlacoochee Rivers are about an hour and forty minutes, and the Ladybirds plan to schedule one in the future.

December will be marked with celebratory events, with a holiday dinner sponsored by the RC Flyers on Dec. 6 at

Stone Creek Grille, followed by a cookie exchange at the time of the usual Ladybird meeting on Dec. 11.

Our featured member this month, Cathy Fanelli, was born in the Bronx, as you might guess from her style of speech. After high school, she worked for Equitable Life in Manhattan until her marriage to Joe, when they moved to Poughkeepsie, N.Y., then the headquarters for International Business Machines.

Cathy was fortunate enough to be a stay at home mom - in other words a chauffeur for their two sons, Steve and Joe Jr., - music lessons, football, and soccer - you name it, she was it. As they got older, she went back to work as a manager for an exclusive women's store.

Then they got hooked. In 1974, they bought their first sailboat. Then they bought a bigger boat, and last, a Trawler. Life revolved around caring for their two sons, working and boating trips to Long Island Sound.

After Joe retired with his 30 years at IBM in 1992, they traveled down the Intercoastal Waterway on the 36 foot Trawler to Captiva, where Joe started his new job as dock master at the resort called Tween Waters Inn.

Cathy got a job at the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce as a receptionist, and they bought a house in Fort Myers on the water. They lived on the boat during workdays and the house on off days.

Cathy and Joe discovered On Top of the World in 2004, moved in 2006 and have been busy ever since. Cathy joined the Ladybirds and served as president for two lively years (2007-2009).

Cathy said, "It was an honor and one of the best times of my life."



Citizens Emergency Response Team
Caroline Scott

After we thought that the storms were over, Ida came on the scene. Fortunately-

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ly, she blew north and didn't affect our area except for some very welcome rains. We always take these threats seriously and keep in mind "what if."

We had our last drill for this year at our house. The scenario was that a tornado touched down and people were trapped in our home. The first thing we had to do was assess the outside to determine whether or not it would be safe to enter. Then we went in and examined each room in an orderly manner for any damages and to find anyone trapped. With the help of six "victims" with various cuts and bruises, we then went into our medical mode, and treated each one as needed.

It was a great learning experience for all of us. Bob Conn, lead trainer from the Sheriff's department, evaluated our drill and felt that we did an excellent job.

Thanks to all who attended and especially those six who came early in the morning to be moulaged.

The month of December is the only month that we do not hold a meeting. We will meet again on the second Tuesday of January to start our new year.

I would like to take this time to wish everyone a very happy and joyous holiday season.



Community Patrol
Ann Berger

The On Top of the World Community Patrol met on Oct. 26. Sgt. Grady Grimes was the guest speaker and he went over "personal readiness," indicating what was necessary for patrol members to be aware of when they start their shift. He explained that a marked patrol car is a "billboard" for the sheriff, and as such, patrol members should be aware of wearing the correct uniform, knowing what and where to patrol, and how to use the communications equipment in the car itself. Sgt. Grimes also stated that we need to be aware of our surroundings, and to be prepared to take the proper action in an emergency.

Announcements were made about the annual golf cart parade, which will be held on Dec. 9, and that the holiday luncheon would be held at the Candler Hills Community Center on Dec. 14. The Sheriff will be there at noon. For the first time, the CERT teams from On Top of the World would be invited to join in the festivities. Please let Gary Rodoff know if you would like to attend. (members only).

If anyone is interested in obtaining more information about the Community Patrol, please contact Gary Rodoff at 291-7508 or Jim Miller at 854-4947.

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Golf Cart: Club Car, 48 volt, 4.97 hp motor, excellent condition. 237-9523.

Golf Cart: Club Car, 48 volt, power drive, deluxe weather protector. White with blue custom seat. 861-0671.

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Misc. Items: Castro 2-piece sofa sleeper with two twin beds. Soft pastels with cream background, excellent condition. \$300. Castro convertible cocktail table, lifts and enlarges to full dining table. Whitewashed modern design. \$195. 867-5535.

Misc. Items: Craftsman web/dry shop vac, extra attachments, new condition; Saturn Model 60EQ 60mm telescope, still in box; wood tater bin, good condition. 873-8600.

Misc. Items: Cream colored couch and loveseat with toss pillole, \$150; ottoman, \$60; two dressers, \$100; two nightstands, \$30 and \$70; printer, \$30. 291-8890.

Misc. Items: Duncane Phyfe dining table with leaf, pad and 4 chairs, pristine condition, \$450. Light fixture, hanging wrought iron with double alabaster globes, \$50. 867-5535

Misc. Items: Gently used 3-cushion Norwalk couch, with with small pattern, \$100. Norwalk wingback chairs, moss green velvet, \$60 each. All in excellent condition. 854-5014, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Misc. Items: Hall carpet runner, 7' x 2-1/2' blue, \$35. Various hand tools and hardware. Women s clothes: new blue velour pants suit, size 18, \$10; new blue suit-skirt and jacket, size 18, \$30; silver evening purse, \$10; new silk beaded and bright print top, petite large, \$10. 873-6336.

Misc. Items: Queen-sized bedspread, blues and touch of purple with white background, like new-\$16. Ladies grey leather jacket, size 10-\$30. Dark blue and black duffel bag, 20" wide and waterproof, many zippers and pockets, roomy, shoulder and hand straps-\$18. 14K gold bracelet thick beautiful detailed bracelet, so far offered

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Misc. Items: Round white formica breakfast table with 4 black leather chairs, large artificial trees, other items. 873-2671.

Misc. Items: Symphonette accordion 120 base blue/white case, \$275. Turntable; two speakers; Thomas organ double key broad with bench, lamp, books. Coffee table with storage, \$85. 812-4343.

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SES Estate Sale: Saturday, Dec. 19, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. 8863-B SW 92nd Street. Contents of home: refrigerator, living room, bedroom, wall unit, etc.

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