



COMMUNITY NEWS & UPDATE

By Kenneth D. Colen, Publisher

Fiscal 2011 Operating Budget

Not surprisingly, I have received a few letters in advance of the Feb. 16 budget meeting. Most letters share the common theme of maintaining affordability and quality appearance of the community.

As noted in my cover letter for the proposed budget, several components of the budget have realized a decrease of expense. We are pleased to report that we are able to deliver a modest reduction in the overall budget for 2011-12.

Building maintenance was reduced as re-painting is a cyclical event and we are at a low point in the cycle of the number of homes needing this service. That said, next year will see an uptick in the number of homes and villas requiring repainting.

Additionally, recreational expenses decreased as golf course operations were able to pare expenses back without harming the overall quality of the operation. Water and wastewater reflects a decrease due to the increased conservation efforts by residents and the management company.

Finally, the Master Association expense was reduced due to an overall reduction in operational expenses. While a reduction in the overall budget will occur this budget cycle, there is no certainty that there will be additional reductions in future budgets. In light of the proposed merger of Progress Energy and Duke Power, we do not know what effect that may have on power rates going forward.

General and administrative expenses comprise the operational overhead of operating an association. This group of expenses was decreased through savings in operational costs, and most significantly, reduced property taxes.

Operational overhead is that portion of any business operation necessary to keep the doors open (so to speak). Compared to other homeowner associations of comparable size operating in Florida, this level of expense is remarkably low.

Master the Possibilities

We continue to be very pleased with the response to our winter Master the Possibilities offerings. February will be one of our largest programs; there will be 107 classes/presentations.

Starting Sunday, Jan. 30, we begin our popular "Florida Week." This is one of the highlights of this season with 30 opportunities to learn more about our Sunshine State. This year, all of these are free. Join in history, archaeology, literature, movies and more!

Of particular interest will be a presentation by author/journalist Warren Richey on Wednesday, Feb. 2. Richey's recent book "Without a Paddle" recounts his 1,200-mile kayak race around Florida. We'll have a signing following his talk. You won't want to miss this!

On Presidents' Day (Feb. 21), we are bringing back veteran performers and historians William and Sue Wills. Last year, their program, "Presidents and First Ladies, Dramatically Speaking" brought the Roosevelts and Eisenhowers to life on our stage. This year, they will present George and Martha Washington and James and Dolley Madison. This is an interesting, insightful and entertaining event that went very well last year. Join them for this new "double feature." Tickets are available at the Master the Possibilities office.

Master the Possibilities continues to be an integral part of our community life. I hope you'll take full advantage of all they have to offer. See you in class!

Circle Square Cultural Center

February is another big month of entertainment at the Circle Square Cultural Center with Little Anthony and The Imperials on Feb. 11; 7 Bridges - The Ultimate Eagles Experience on Feb. 19; and the Home Improvement Expo (free event) on Feb. 26.

At the Home Improvement Expo, we invite dozens of vendors to showcase their services for home improvement ideas. If you are contemplating an upgrade to your bathroom or kitchen or would like to add a lanai to your home or close in the one that you have ... make sure to stop by the World Home Improvements booth at the Expo.

As always, get more information about these events and those coming up throughout the year at CSCulturalCenter.com.

The Town Square

Entertainment on Fridays and Saturdays will resume in March when the weather warms up a bit. We begin with popular recorded dance music on March 18 and 19.

The next live outdoor entertainment event will be on Saturday, March 26 - A Spring Festival. The Festival will include log rolling in addition to dance music with Karen Hall. And yes, you do need water for log rolling ... so come check it out! There's even a dog that gets in the act.



Photo by Mike Roppel

Jason Green taking a bench he built to install on the Longleaf Pine Trail.

Longleaf Pine Trail Receives a Gift

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

The half-mile nature trail has just received a well-needed facelift, thanks to the talents and effort of Jason Green.

Conceived, designed and built by the Native Plant Group, the nature trail is officially named the "Longleaf Pine Trail." Its trailhead is just to the right of the Arbor Conference Center, and, for the next half mile it takes the walker through a tranquil and serene "forest" of indigenous plants and trees. Underfoot, the trail is padded with pine needles and falling leaves. It's a

quiescent hike that easily takes the walker's body and mind to a comfortable and restful place.

Adding to the "rest" are the 10 new benches that recently replaced those that had been taken to their final resting place by Mother Nature.

Jason Green, an avid photographer, is no stranger to the trail, having walked it several times while photographing its wildlife. On the trail recently with his brand new camera in hand, Jason noticed several

deteriorating benches that serve as a "time-out" for strollers.

He got together with Margitta Claterbos, president of the Native Plant Group, and offered to do something about those benches. They agreed on the project, and for the next five days Jason holed up in the woodworking shop and turned out 10 spanking-new benches. It's through Jason's Herculean effort that strollers can now sit and listen to the quiet, follow an eagle in flight, or say "good day" to a gopher tortoise.

The nature trail, a quiet jewel maintained by the Native Plant Group, is open to all residents and their guests. If walking the Ocala National Forest is not an option, the Longleaf Pine Trail will take you there.

The Feb. 9 meeting of the Native Plant Group takes place in Suite H of the Arbor Conference Center at 1 p.m.

2011 Home Improvement Expo

By Robert Colen

Mark your calendar! On Top of the World Communities' third annual Home Improvement Expo is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 26, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Circle Square Cultural Center.

This Expo is a great opportunity for homeowners to see new products and discuss remodeling ideas first hand with experts.

Last year's event was a huge success with over 1,000 attendees meeting more than 60 vendors from across the home improvement industry.

Many of the vendors this year will showcase eco-friendly products that both

conserve energy and protect the environment all the while saving you money. For instance, a circulating pump is a popular product because it makes hot water instantly available at the tap. No more wasting water while waiting for the shower to get hot. Another example is a 15 SEER (System Energy Efficiency Rating) or higher air conditioning unit that provides very high-energy efficiency, which can lower your electric bill. As a bonus, it meets the energy tax credit requirements.

For all of your remodeling plans, like closing in your lanai, remodeling your bath-

room or kitchen, or even adding a room to your house, World Home Improvements will be on hand. World Home Improvements is the remodeling division of COA, the exclusive builder for all of On Top of the World's new homes.

As an added feature this year, there will be farmer's market vendors on The Town Square during the Expo featuring fresh produce, plants, baked goods and more.

For more information about the Expo, or to register as a vendor, contact Theresa Fields at 854-8707, ext. 7530.



The World Has Talent Auditions

By Bob Woods
World News Writer



Frank Miller from Lecanto was the winner of The World Has Talent in 2010.

Get those vocal cords limbered up. Practice reaching those high and low notes. For those past band members, get those horns dusted off and polished.

Show off your talent at the upcoming "The World Has Talent" talent show auditions on Tuesday, Feb. 1 at the Circle Square Cultural Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"No appointment is necessary, just show up in the morning and fill out an application," said Jo Salyers, General Manager of Circle Square Commons. Salyers commented, "single or double acts only, no groups such as bands and the contestants must be 55 years of age or older."

Contestants can be singers, musicians, dancers, comedians, or any type of entertainment. If needed, a piano will be available to play those fantastic tunes.

This will be the second year for "The World Has Talent" show which is open to contestants not only from On Top of the World, but anyone from the Ocala area including residents from our neighboring communities.

"The World Has Talent" talent show is scheduled for Saturday, May 7. Prize money will be presented to the top three contestants:

- \$500 for first place;
- \$250 for second place;
- \$150 for third place.

Tickets for the annual show will be \$9 per resident or \$10 per non-resident and can be purchased at the box office at the Circle Square Cultural Center or online at www.csculturalcenter.com.

Who knows, you just might be the next winner of The World Has Talent!



ON TOP OF THE WORLD NEWS

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GOLDEN OLDIES HUMOR

BY STAN GOLDSTEIN



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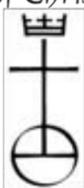
Is It Legal?

By Gerald Colen

SCAM ALERT: I received a recent e-mail from some clowns with a return address at AOL. The e-mail supposedly came to me from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). The "guts" of the e-mail were

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that I should contact some entity named the Economic and Financial Crime Commission, Lagos-Nigeria and then send them \$300 and if I didn't, they "...will have an agent come visit (me) in (my) home for questioning." There was also this statement: "Warning: failure to provide the above requirement in the next 24 hours, legal action will be taken immediately by arresting and detaining you as soon as international court of justice issues warrant of arrest."

Wow! Woe is me! And ya know what happened? By this terrible mistake on my part, I didn't seem to get around to responding within 24 hours. Luckily, though, I haven't yet been arrested and no one has come to my home to question me. Sigh!

Folks, I imagine that someone somewhere will be fooled by this and will actually send in the \$300, thus giving these scammers and phishers additional information on how to access your banking accounts and steal even more than the \$300.

If you get this type of e-mail, please remember that the FBI will never send any such e-mails to you or anyone for that matter. So just delete the message from your computer and then, just to be safe, run your anti-virus and make sure you didn't get hit with a worm or virus or other type of malware. If you don't have an anti-virus system, you should go out and get one right away and don't forget to include a firewall.

Also, there are some very good free programs that will search your computer

for what is called malware—bad computer programs installed on your computer by hackers or scammers. I use "Malwarebytes" at www.malwarebytes.org. Download the free version and then use it.

Q. Any comments on the new tax bill that was passed by Congress?

A. A few general comments only: There is a \$5 million exemption with a 35% rate that applies retroactive to Jan. 1, 2010. The gift exemption remains at \$1 million for those who died in 2010 but increases to \$5 million in 2011. The \$13 thousand dollar exclusion remains in place—so you can give that amount to anyone you wish. If you are married and your spouse agrees, you can double the amount to \$26 thousand dollars.

Unemployment benefits have been extended for two years. If you have any upcoming estate tax issues, it is necessary that you discuss this with your qualified tax advisor in order to learn what does and/or does not apply to your particular situation.

Q. Do you favor appointing the attorney as personal representative or trustee and also as durable power of attorney for me? I am a widow, age 83.

A. I do not have any particular favorites. I think appointing your attorney is fine if he or she does that kind of work. Ask him or her and see what they have to say.

But what about any children or close relatives? They, too, might be a good choice—perhaps even a better choice than anyone else. Also, banks are very good choices, so you might want to meet with someone at your bank's trust department and discuss this.

And by the way, I do not think you should get overly concerned about the age of the person or persons you select. You

can always include an alternate if need be.

Q. Are you still opposed to annuities?

A. In fact, I am not, and never was opposed to annuities. I was (and am) opposed to the way they are oftentimes marketed to senior citizens, who frequently don't need them and should not have them. Also, I am opposed to the marketing and sale of annuities to persons who have not been fully and fairly informed of all of the costs and expenses associated with buying one. But this is nowhere near the same as saying that I am opposed to annuities.

Q. I am 81 and my friend is 76. He thinks I should put his name on my bank accounts so he can pay my bills if I get sick. My children live in (a Midwestern state) although they visit me quite often. What are your thoughts on this arrangement?

A. My thought is that if you do that he can pay your bills all right ... and maybe some of his too.

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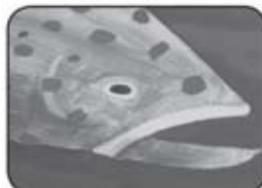
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A view of the New Year's Eve celebration at Circle Square Cultural Center before the doors opened.

New Year's Eve Celebrations

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

Happy New Year! These were the words spoken by those celebrating the New Year at the stroke of midnight while listening to the traditional song "Auld Lang Syne." New Year's Eve was celebrated at the Health & Recreation Ballroom and the Circle Square Cultural Center.

In addition to liquid refreshments, the Circle Square Cultural Center offered a hors d'oeuvres buffet while the Health & Recreation Ballroom venue had plenty of shrimp, meat and cheese trays with added crackers and other finger foods on each table. Both functions were sold out for New Year's Eve.

Ladies were elegantly dressed and the gentlemen wore suit coats or tuxedos. At midnight, both venues, toasted the incoming New Year with champagne. It was evident that the clock struck midnight and 2011 had arrived.

New Year's Day is observed, naturally, on Jan. 1, the first day of the year on the modern Gregorian calendar, which was also used by the ancient Romans.

According to the World Book Encyclopedia of 1984, "The Roman ruler Julius Caesar established Jan. 1 as New Year's Day in 46 BC. The Romans dedicated this day to Janus, the god of gates, doors and beginnings. The month of January was named after Janus, who had two faces - one looking forward and the other looking backward."

Jan. 1, according to Christian tradition, is the day of the circumcision of Christ and the day Jesus was given his name.

It wasn't until the beginning of the 20th Century that the celebrations of New Year's Eve really became a big event. Each year, the celebration of ushering in the New Year is celebrated around the globe with events getting larger and larger each year.

Over 500 of our residents enjoyed usher-

ing out the old year and welcoming in 2011. It was evident the New Year had arrived as fireworks broke the silence of the night during the drive home.

May the New Year bring prosperity, but most of all, good health to all.
Happy New Year On Top of the World!



Photo by Bob Woods

New Year's Eve partygoers, Steve and Mary Kallas, Helen Ogren, John Ford, Grace and Buddy Raymond, Beatrice Thibodeau, and Jack Stone take a break during the dance held at the Health & Recreation Ballroom.



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Dancing the night away during the New Year's Eve dance held at the Health & Recreation Ballroom to the music of the "Sounds of Time."

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All Around Our World

By Lynette Vermillion

I must say that I am very happy that we did not experience the record-breaking cold weather like we did last year. Although we have had some very cold temperatures, we did not get hit as hard here this year as other parts of the country did with the unusually cold weather.

February is a very busy month. We celebrate Valentine's Day, Groundhog Day, Presidents Day and Black History Month. And for you football and NASCAR fans, Super Bowl XLV will occur on Feb. 6 in Dallas and 43 of the best stock car drivers in the world will compete in the 53rd running of the Daytona 500 on Feb. 20. There are also several exciting events and concerts this month right here at Circle Square Commons; so be sure to check out what's coming up, so you don't miss out.

Customer Service

Please note that the Customer Service office is closed the third Wednesday of every month from noon to 1 p.m., which falls on Feb. 16 this month.

Ocala Open

The Candler Hills Golf Course will host the Ocala Open once again this year. The event is sure to be one of the largest charity golf events in Marion County in 2011 and will be held on March 16, 17, and 18 with a Pro Am on March 15. The event will showcase the Candler Hills Golf Course and will highlight some of the world's best men's professional golfers while benefiting local charities, Hospice of Marion County, Inc. and Interfaith Emergency Services. You will not want to miss this — come out and be a spectator and enjoy watching exciting golf.

Pets

We receive many complaints regarding violations of the animal rule within the community. I wanted to take this opportunity to address this topic once again.

While outside residential units, all animals must be kept on a leash or other restraint and must be accompanied at all times by the owner or custodian. Animal

feces must be picked up immediately and disposed of properly by the owner or custodian of the animal. It is the responsibility of the owner or custodian to pick up immediately, no matter the location - your own lawn, the neighbor's lawn, the common area or a vacant lot. If feces are left, it makes for very unpleasant conditions for other residents and the maintenance crews. You may also refer to the Marion County Leash Ordinance Section 4-10: Control of Animals.

I have also been asked to remind residents that the number of animals (cats, dogs, etc.) is limited to two.

Rule Changes

Last month, I briefly mentioned the Amendments to the Rules and Regulations and Community Standards that were approved by the Boards of the Candler Hills East and Indigo East Neighborhood Associations, and the On Top of the World (Central) Owners Associations at their respective HOA meeting in December.

Monthly, I will be addressing each in more detail until all have been reviewed and, of course, you may find the entire verbiage at www.otowinfo.com. Just click your neighborhood and scroll down on the right to Community Rules.

Lawn furnishings found in the Community Standards provides information on lawn furnishings, ornaments and accessories, which have been a hot topic of conversation in recent months. The excerpt below is taken directly from the Community Standards.

"LAWN FURNISHINGS. Birdbaths, bird houses, bird feeders, frog ponds, lawn sculptures, plant pots, artificial plants, birdhouses, rocks, rock gardens, signs, and other types of lawn furnishings, ornaments and accessories on any home site require prior approval of the ARB. Designs and styles shall be aesthetically pleasing and shall recognizably complement, or acceptably contrast with, the immediate surroundings. All lawn furnishings, ornaments and accessories shall be secured or removed as necessary when threats of severe weather are forecasted. Lawn furnishings, ornaments and accessories that have been approved by the Architectural Review Board (ARB) may be installed only in conformity with the following criteria:

- a. Only one (1) large item over eighteen inches (18") in height and two (2) small items under eighteen inches (18") in

height are permitted to be installed on any one home site (oversized statutes are not one-size-fits-all and may be disapproved).

b. Each birdhouse, birdbath, bird feeder and large rock counts as one (1) large item (with the exception that rocks included in the original landscape shall be exempt).

c. Front yards and back yards fall under the same standards. Applications for approval to place lawn furnishings, ornaments and accessories within side yards will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

d. One (1) decorative flower or plant pot with plants from the Approved Plant Palette or other approved plants may be approved within landscape beds. Additional flower or plant pots may be approved if buried within the landscape beds. Flower and plant pots are not allowed on walkways or driveways and may not be attached to the exteriors of any dwelling units.

e. One (1) hanging plant, attached to tree, in an approved manner that does not result in damage to the tree may be permitted.

f. No lawn furnishings, ornaments or accessories may be placed in any common area.

g. Outdoor furniture properly sized and in proportion for the location may be approved."

Guest Passes

We continue to have residents ask about guest passes. You may drop by Customer Service for a guest pass for use by a guest visiting overnight within the community. We do not issue guest passes for visitors who are not residing within the community. They may enter the community by being logged in at the gate and, after 6 p.m., by your calling the gate to announce them.

Use of Amenities

While using amenities and participating in clubs, members must comply with the rules of the Association, amenity provider and/or club. Violating rules or inappropriate behavior can lead to a suspension of use otherwise. We appreciate all of our members, residents, and guests' compliance and cooperation in observing rules, policies and guidelines governing the various amenities, facilities, etc.

Happy Valentine's Day to all.



Community Patrol

By Patricia A. Woodbury

At this time of year when the population is the largest and there are many visitors in the community, the Patrol would like to remind you of our private golf cart rules.

- Private golf carts are required to have a permit from the Association (obtained at the Customer Service office) with proof of \$100K/\$300K/\$100K liability insurance.
- Golf carts may be operated from sunrise to sunset. If driven between sunset and sunrise the cart must be equipped with, at a minimum, headlights, break lights, turn signals and windshield.
- Each operator of a golf cart must be at least 15 years of age and eligible to obtain a valid driver's license.
- Golf carts are motor vehicles and must obey all traffic signs and driver rules outlined in the Florida's Driver Handbook, even while driven inside a gated community. This would include coming to a full stop at a stop sign, giving proper hand or directional signals when making a turn.
- Golf carts may not be operated on any county maintained roadway (or sidewalk) including SR 200 and 80th Avenue.
- Always use caution when driving a golf cart and drive defensively. Do not think because you see the car, the car driver sees you. Remember the golf cart has no more right, to the right of way, than an automobile.

The next meeting of the Patrol is Monday, Feb. 28. Anyone interested in becoming part of the Patrol should call Gary Rodoff at 291-7508 or Jim Miller at 854-4947. Our meetings are usually held on the fourth Monday of the month in Suites B and C of the Arbor Conference Center at 3 p.m. Come and join us, the meeting is open to everyone.



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100 Grandparents

By Eleonora Buba

The volunteer grandparents visited Romeo Elementary School on Jan. 13. With a chill in the air and frost on the ground, the classrooms kept everyone toasty while the children warmed our hearts.

It never ceases to amaze how the students look forward to our visits and how they appreciate the time we spend with them. They make us feel that we are doing so much for them but they give us so much more in return!

Something that may not be well known is that the Ocala Star-Banner prints poems or jokes that are submitted by Marion County elementary students. The paper usually prints these in the Monday edition under the heading "Dear Matt Manatee." Quite often, there is a submission by a Romeo Elementary student. Don't be surprised if you find yourself chuckling as you read what their creative minds have written!

The grandparents group has an ongoing Food-for-Kids backpack program. This program is always in need of juice boxes, cereals, snack bars, pop-top canned goods, crackers, peanut butter and/or jelly, canned

or plastic containers of fruit. These can be delivered to Elliott & Marilyn Barbour's home at 8680-H SW 94th Street, and placed in a tote located on their front porch.

The food is delivered to a location where the backpacks are made up for Romeo Elementary school children. This ensures that the children will have meals over the weekends.

Special thanks also go out to On Top of the World residents who clip and deliver Campbell soup labels and the Labels for Education to the Health & Recreation Building. The labels provide much needed supplies to Romeo Elementary, so keep up the good work!

Our next visit to Romeo Elementary will be Feb. 10. If you are interested in finding out more information or joining us as a regular or a substitute, please contact Barbara Greenwood at 861-2539. The only requirement is a love of children.

Our visits are typically the second Thursday of each month during the school year. The ages range from kindergarten to fifth grade. A school bus picks us up in front of the empty Porter's store in the Winn-Dixie shopping center at 9 a.m. Upon arrival, we are escorted to a classroom, given books to read and have the opportunity to interact with the students. The teacher stays in the classroom. Sometimes, the teacher may ask the grandparent to assist with a class project or an activity instead of reading. We return to Porter's approximately at noon.



View From The Library

By Doris Knight

"The Sins of the Father: Joseph P. Kennedy and the Dynasty He Founded" by Ronald Kessler is our book for this month. I am not really sure whether it's worth spending time on.

I must admit that I find too much time spent on Joe's mistresses—Gloria Swanson was the best known—but there were many, many others as well. It does explain why his sons despite their highly political positions thought they had the freedom to live their lives in much the same way.

Joe started his life as a poor Irish boy who through his own talent and skills was able to turn himself into a millionaire worth between \$400 and \$500 million. His methods often left a good deal to be desired, but in his lifetime there were fewer limits on what a businessman could do legally.

There was little question that Joe Kennedy had hoped that he might be the first Irish American president of the United States. That dream ended in the late 30s and early 40s when he said quite openly that democracy was not the best way but that the efficient organized type of government that Hitler was running in Germany was the wave of the future. Since he was the American Ambassador to Great Britain at that time his words were very poorly chosen.

His oldest son, Joseph junior, died in WWII, so his hopes turned to his second son Jack. It was Joe, according to Mr. Kessler, who talked Jack into running for Congress in 1946, found the best district for him, and supplied the money. Again, there were fewer laws for running for office in 1946 and the charming Jack was an ideal candidate.

In 1952, John Fitzgerald Kennedy (JFK) ran for the US Senate in Massachusetts. He had an unimpressive record as a representative, but Joe's money, Jack's personality, the tea parties his sisters ran for him across the state to involve the women's vote all worked to elect him over Henry Cabot Lodge, a Boston Brahmin.

A losing try for a Vice Presidential nomination in 1956 gave JFK the broad connections that made the 1960 run for the presidency possible. Once again, Joe supplied the money but he also urged his son to learn about television and how to use it. He realized that television would be of great importance in 1960. (Remember the first presidential debates with Richard Nixon?)

After the great triumph in 1960, the great days were almost over for Joe Kennedy. In December of 1961, he suffered a severe stroke. He had always feared being incapacitated in just this way. He lived until 1969—never really able to talk or move about. He was alert enough to understand what happened to Jack in 1963, Bobby in 1968, and also Ted in Chappaquiddick in 1969.

These last years would almost seem to make up for any of his actions in the past but did he find a dynasty? Today, that seems unlikely since there are no longer any Kennedy's in Congress but I still found the book interesting if not impressive.



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Keeping It Green

By Phillip B. Hisey

Last year, we experienced the coldest winter in 20 years in the state of Florida. This year, December brought us record cold temperatures and it looks like we are on track to have another cold winter.

Prepare your lawn and landscape for the spring with applications of fungicides to turf grass and fertilizer on your plants. Make sure you are following the homeowner maintenance calendar found at the "Home Maintenance" tab at www.otowinfo.com under the community, which you live. This calendar will give you tips on when to treat your lawn or make sure your lawn care company is treating at appropriate times.

Cold weather could have damaged the roots of the turf grass making the grass less likely to uptake vital nutrients such as nitrogen and potassium. When the grass is weakened, it is also susceptible to fungal pathogens that can create more issues.

Take-All Root Rot will be a major fungal pathogen residents will deal with. If you had patches of grass last year that were yellow and you could not get them to green up, chances were that you had this fungus. Those same areas will most likely cause problems again this year.

Getting ahead of the game and treating your lawn in the spring when temperatures are favorable for disease development will aid in keeping the disease at bay. Fungal pathogens are most active when soil temperatures are between 60 and 80 degrees F.

Once the symptoms of this disease are seen above ground, this disease is very difficult to control. Preventative measures for alleviating stress are the best methods for completely controlling the disease.

Residents should also be ready for Brown Patch Fungus caused by the Rhizoctonia solani fungi. This fungus is controllable and is often caused by over watering. This fungus is more prevalent in wetter winters and/or where temperatures are not exceeding 80 degrees F. The fungus is typically noticed with the greenish-yellow "halo" that forms on the outside of the infected area.



DOGS MUST BE ON A LEASH AT ALL TIMES

Cold damage will typically not show up until the spring when plants begin to emerge from the winter dormancy. Many plants that are listed for this climatic zone can be found on www.otowinfo.com website.

Please be advised, this list is generated from UF/IFAS publications where they are shown to do well in the climatic area, which we live in, but extreme cold temperatures will damage plants no matter what. Trimming cold damage from plants in the late winter or early spring will be most effective and will not trigger a surge in growth on the plant before the last frost.

The crape myrtle or Lagerstroemia indica is one of the relatively few plants that are easy to grow and produce flowers in many different colors during the summer months. Some crape myrtles are trained into trees while others are grown as shrubs. The best time to prune the crape myrtle is late winter - early spring. This provides the new growth required for summer bloom. The plant is also dormant at this time making it easier to shape.

There are many studies to suggest the proper pruning method for Crape Myrtles but the studies do not show conclusive evidence that one way is better or worse than the other. The method I propose for residents to follow is the "pencil-pruning" method. Basically, you remove all branches smaller than a pencil.

Hope you had a great New Year's and see you next month.

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COMMUNITY NEWS & UPDATE

By Kenneth D. Colen, Publisher

Continued from page 1 Winter Weather and Shrubbery

December was cold and dreary. January was much more temperate. It's all part of the cycle of weather. At least the cold knocks down the pest populations.

So what to do with shocked and droopy plants in your landscape beds? The original plantings installed in your neighborhood at the time of construction were selected for their cold and drought hardiness. Sudden and severe cold weather may cause some plants to brown and leaves to curl.

Do not uproot plants affected by the cold. They will surprise you with their recovery. Neither should they be pruned back until mid-April. There may be several more periods of cold and possible frost. Pruning at this point will spur plant growth that is vulnerable to the cold. Rather, wait until mid-April to consider any pruning of owner-added plantings. Central Florida generally experiences one cold snap with light frost between March 15 and Easter; so be forewarned.

Safety Tip

If you are using a space heater, make sure it is well away from any combustible object. Avoid overloading an electrical outlet with appliances, extension cords, and especially a space heater. Overloading any electrical outlet can be a sure prescription for a fire.

February is a good time to clean out your dryer vent pipe. Lint can become clogged in the vent pipe, reducing dryer efficiency (so that's why it takes an hour to dry a 20 minute load!). Even more to the point, collected lint can become a fire hazard!

Cleaning is not complicated. Moving the dryer may be the hardest part. Disconnect the vent hose from the dryer and the wall vent. Use a vacuum cleaner to suction the vent hose, or you may choose to replace it entirely. Use the vacuum to suction the wall vent as well. If you've never done this before, the vent pipe may need a top down cleaning.



Hospitality

By Linda Tiffany

Be sure to enroll in either our Preferred (for restaurant participation only) or Elite (for golf and restaurant participation combined) Membership. Members receive 5% discount on all food and beverage items and 10% on additional sides, desserts and appetizers purchased at Candler Hills Restaurant and The Pub. Members also receive VIP reservations for restaurant seating and admission to special member-only events. Stop by the On Top of the World Members Golf Lounge to sign up today.

Candler Hills Restaurant

On Saturday, Feb. 12, there will be a Valentine's Day buffet at Candler Hills Restaurant. Seating is limited, so please call ahead for a reservation. Preferred and Elite Members have first priority and are asked to RSVP to Linda Tiffany at 861-9188. Reservations may be made for non-members after Feb. 1 by calling Candler Hills Restaurant at 861-9720. There will be chef carved prime rib, poached salmon, and a pasta station. For dessert, we will feature Bananas Foster and Cherries Jubilee, presented in the dining room.

We will continue our "cold weather

comfort food" menu items in February. Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. You can warm up with a bowl of Texas Red (authentic chili) for \$5.29 and drafts are \$1 with purchase.

The following Dinner Specials are served from 4 p.m. to close and cost \$9.95 each (plus tax and gratuity):

- **MONDAY:** Homemade Spaghetti & Meatballs served with a side salad;
- **TUESDAY:** Baked Ham, green beans and mashed potatoes;
- **WEDNESDAY:** Chicken and Dumplings with choice of vegetable;
- **THURSDAY:** Beef Pot Roast with mashed potatoes, vegetables and gravy;
- **FRIDAY:** Crab Cake Sandwich with French fries and coleslaw.

The Prime Rib Special, which is available 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 feature the fresh catch of the day from 4 to 8 p.m. Price and feature will vary.

Reservations are recommended for special events, and are requested for parties of 10 people or more.

The Pub

The Pub hours are: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Wednesday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Pub is closed on Sunday.

The Pub will also be serving Texas Red (authentic chili) for \$5.29 and drafts are \$1

with purchase from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Wednesday Dinner Special at The Pub is Chicken and Dumplings from 2 to 6 p.m. for \$8.95 (plus tax and gratuity).

Every Wednesday and Friday we will 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.

We will be unveiling a new menu for Candler Hills Restaurant shortly, along with new early bird specials. The Pub menu will also be updated.

Gift cards are available for purchase at Candler Hills Restaurant and The Pub.

In hospitality, we are very concerned with our impact on the environment and with maintaining our costs. We are doing our best to lessen our "footprint," which means smarter purchasing, utilizing as much of our purchased products as possible, and recycling as much waste as possible.

At Candler Hills Restaurant and The Pub, we are going to start with recycling all of our glass, metal and cardboard products. We will examine how we utilize our equipment and will make changes to lessen the amount of energy resources we currently use. Our goal is to reduce our impact on our environment while maintaining our quality and services that we provide to our residents.

Italian American Club

By Jerome Cauda

The regular monthly meeting was held on Jan. 4. An interesting and informative presentation was given by Randell Brown on "Safeguards for Seniors." Mr. Brown is a representative in the Florida division of Consumer Affairs. The presentation was well received by the membership and elicited many questions during the Q&A.

Ann has "The Bubbles," a singing group, scheduled for the Feb. 1 meeting.

In March, a pizza party is planned. Pat Gabriel is scheduled to give an update on plans for the SR200 Corridor. Pat is associ-

ated with the "200 Coalition." Information will be presented at the February meeting.

Plans for the May picnic and horse racing will be presented in future columns.

In 496 AD, Pope Gelasium marked Feb. 14 as a celebration in honor of St. Valentine's martyrdom. The patron saint of love, the young and of happy marriages really existed. Archaeologists have unearthed a Roman catacomb and an Ancient church dedicated to him.

Yearly club dues are due by March 31.

The next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 1, at 3 p.m. in Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F Refreshments at 2:30 p.m.

A board meeting is scheduled for Feb. 23, at 1 p.m. in Arbor Conference Center, Suite H.

German American Club

By Inge Gaitch

This month brings the celebration of Valentine's Day or "Valentinstag" in German. It is interesting to note that, although Germans have celebrated the occasion in their own romantic way for several generations, unlike English speaking countries and France, it has only been celebrated in a commercial way in Germany more or less since after World War II.

The day is aimed towards adults only with no little heart shaped cards given between children at school. It is a strictly mature subject. Although the usual gifts and cards can be found in the stores, you will also find an interesting little German twist in the addition of a pig, and therefore you will find little pigs making offerings of flowers.

Pigs are the symbol of luck and there will be some holding a four-leaf clover while climbing a ladder on a heart. Another store item is the big gingerbread cookies in the shape of hearts decorated with colored icing. They are not unlike those found in the Christmas markets, but these have words on them such as: "Mein Schatz, Ich Liebe Dich" (my sweetheart, I love you).

February and March are also the months for Fasching, Karneval or Mardi Gras and the club will be holding a Fasching party on March 5, which is getting near, so if you have not purchased your tickets for this fun event you are urged to do so while they are available by calling 237-7428.

Our next club meeting will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 8, and it also will be Chinese take-out night. Mary will be contacting everyone to find out who will be attending.

Happy Valentine's Day! (They don't say that in German by the way.)

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Entertainment Group Presents 'Fats the Musical'

The Health & Recreation Ballroom will be jumping on Saturday, Feb. 26 at 7 p.m. From Chicago, Jim Carter pays tribute to the one and only Fats Domino.

Come join us as we twist and shout to rock n' roll, rhythm and blues of "Fats the Musical," a New Orleans style tribute show. Join Jim as he relives those happy days when you "found your thrill on Blueberry Hill."

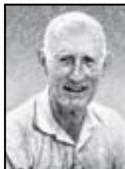
Maryellen Hooper, the recipient of "Female Comedian of the Year" at the American Comedy Awards, opens the show. Maryellen describes her material as, "just plain silly stuff everybody can appreciate." Her material includes marital mishaps,

challenges of home remodeling, home repair experiences and colicky babies; no story is too sacred to share with her audiences. Her show is never crude or offensive.

Tickets go on sale from 8:30 to 10 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 31 and every Monday, Wednesday and Friday thereafter. Ticket prices remain \$7 general and \$9 reserved with a maximum of four tickets per purchase per resident.

Please note that all three shows this show season have sold out in only four days. Please mark your calendar ... we don't want you to miss out!

Thanks to Frank Deluca from Deluca Toyota for making this show possible.



Irish American Club

By Bob O'Neal

Let me start with a "Beanchtai Na Fhele Vailintin" (pronounced Bah-Och-Thee Na Fai-leh Val-in-teen) or Happy Valentine's Day. If you pronounce it slow, it still doesn't make any sense. But that's the Irish!

I mentioned this briefly in a prior column (it's actually been described as a scheme). The Irish government hopes to attract a substantial number of 60 million people around the world who claim Irish ancestry but do not qualify for an Irish passport.

The plan is to issue a "Certificate of Irishness" that will "enable people who have a strong Irish connection to assert their Irishness and their heritage." Along that line, it was noted by the government that the demand for citizenship (a grandparent born in Ireland is a requirement) has spiked over the past two years, with 11,500 people putting in their claim during 2010.

More information can be obtained by typing in "Certificate of Irishness" on your browser.

Obviously, Ireland is interested in getting as many tourists to their country this

year as they can. If you've been putting it off, you will not find a better time to go price wise. Prices are down on everything connected to your plan to visit the "old country."

To make it even easier, both Shannon and Dublin have put in a new security check system that allows passengers on U.S. bound flights to pre-clear of U.S. security checks before departure. Under the new system, passengers will be treated as if their flight originated as a U.S. domestic flight.

If you are planning a trip, think about a visit to Kinsale, County Cork. It was described as one of the top romantic spots in Ireland. It is, according to the travelogue, "indisputably one of the most picturesque little villages in Ireland. Not only is the village filled with beautiful buildings, it also has a wealth of excellent restaurants and intimate pubs. It is an ideal place to spend a relaxing couple of days with your loved one. Or, if you like, you'll also find a great lively night life with traditional music sessions, dancing and theatre."

Wishing you always a bright sky above and the pleasure of doing the things that you love—God's blessing around you, His light from on high, and deeper contentment as each day goes by.



Jim Carter pays tribute to the one and only Fats Domino on Feb. 26.

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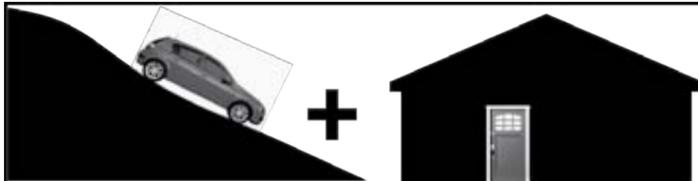
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Advanced Category 1st place: Sedona Arches.



Photo by Gary Rodoff

Advanced Category 2nd place: Sand Dunes.



ShutterBugs Photography

By Doris Mauricio

The ShutterBugs of On Top of the World met on Jan. 4 with a question and answer session introducing the new board and going through all the plans for this year. Five focus/learning groups (Depth of Field, Manual Camera Operation, Macro Photography, Night/Low Light Photography and Portrait Photography) were formed in an effort to enhance the photography skills of all our members.

Gary Uhley will present a Basic Photography Class at the Feb. 1 meeting. Bring your cameras and manuals to that meeting. Tell your friends - especially those new to digital or thinking about buying a camera - about this class.

This is a great time to join our group. We meet weekly, sharing and critiquing our photos, guest speakers, classes and field trips for an annual fee of only \$12. You can go online to www.otowspc.com and view all the upcoming events.

Each month, the ShutterBugs plan one field trip. Last month, we traveled to the Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Historic State Park. A guided tour was provided and great opportunities for photos - then on to Mi-canopy for more pictures and lunch.

The field trip scheduled for Feb. 15 is to the Florida State Fair in Tampa. We went there a couple of years ago and had loads of

fun and good photo opportunities. The tip for this month comes from "The Digital Photography Book" written by Scott Kelby.

IF YOUR PHOTOS AREN'T SHARP, THE REST DOESN'T MATTER: If you want to shoot like a pro, you will need to invest in some of the accessories the pros use in the field every day.

The first accessory that Scott discusses is a good tripod. The one thing that really separates the pros from the amateurs is that pros always use tripods. The tripod's only function is to keep the camera steady. Some do better jobs than others.

Unfortunately, cheap tripods just do not do a good job at holding the camera steady. As Scott states, "That's why they're cheap."

When you buy a good tripod, the ballhead is sold separate. The ballhead moves the camera in whatever direction you require. A good ballhead will lock tight to keep your camera from "creeping" slowly sliding from side to side. Like tripods, a good ballhead is not cheap, "but if you buy a good one, you'll fall in love with it."

You can get more information on photo gear at Scott's webpage: scottkelbybooks.com/gearguide. He can guide you in the right direction.

The ShutterBugs meet the first three Tuesdays of the month at 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C.

Have fun! Get a point and shoot digital camera. They are unbelievably cheap and a great first step in learning how to take great pictures.

For more information, contact Marilyn Cronin at sharpshooter@otowspc.com.



Photo by Gary Rodoff

Advanced Category 3rd place: Break in the Clouds.

Luncheon and Fashion Show

By Nancy Grabowski

The 27th Annual Luncheon and Fashion Show to benefit Hospice of Marion County is slated for Saturday, March 12. Women of the World will host the event in the Health & Recreation Ballroom, at noon.

Attendees are encouraged to come early to peruse the offerings in this year's bas-

ket raffle. Raffle tickets will be sold on the floor before the luncheon begins. One of the most popular baskets will be the "nest egg" which is stuffed with cash!

Tickets are a must and can be purchased at the February meeting. If you don't want to take the chance on being shut out, please check with Marie at 861-6985 to see if tickets remain available. The price of each ticket is \$20 with a portion of the amount going directly to Hospice of Marion County.

The luncheon is a buffet provided by Pavarotti's Pizza and Restaurant. Dillard's will supply the fashions. The loveliest models in the world, some of our own members, will grace the runway and aisle.

An additional way in which to offer your support is the annual "Hoofin' It for Hospice." This yearly event will take place in late February. Please contact Ruth Goldstine for more information.

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Windsor of Windsor

By Diana Bennet

Windsor was a very busy place over the holidays and we finally held our luminaries night on Dec. 20. How welcoming it looked as you drove around our loop with lights outlining peoples' property. Thanks to Peter and Ted for all the organizing and the many helpers for such an inspiring evening.

The first time I saw luminaries was in Mexico City many years ago when I was visiting a friend for Christmas and it was beautiful then too. Several of our neighbors offered treats and drinks at the end of their driveways as we walked around to enjoy the festivities. We also noticed that a number of On Top of the World residents from other neighborhoods came by to enjoy the evening.

Several neighbors went on a cruise over Christmas and we certainly missed them, but I also know they had a great time. Neighbors who spent the holidays here enjoyed going to New Year's festivities at the Circle Square Cultural Center. The band and singers were really good and they even played a few dances for all the line dancers in the community.

"Dancin on the Top" presented a husband and wife duo at the Health & Recreation Ballroom performing music of the past.

Now that the holidays are over, we are getting back to our regular activities and are very appreciative of all the wonderful things we can do here at On Top of the World.

Mary has set up a get together for all Windsorites on the first Friday of the month. The ladies continue with Bunko night and the men with their monthly dinner out and poker nights.

The new issue of Master the Possibilities has arrived and there are several new classes that look very interesting. We are so fortunate to have such a wide variety of great instructors and classes. It's hard to decide which ones to sign up for.

Our line dancers are busy as are our walkers.

Thanks to Jim, Windsor has been added to the community signs on SW 99th Street.

The Avalon Social Group has kindly invited all the residents of Windsor to their first Monday of the month potluck dinner on Feb 7. Call Lorraine Rourke at 390 2120 for the specifics.

We hope everyone has a loving, happy, healthy, prosperous and safe New Year. Stay well everyone!

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Avalon Social Group

By Lorraine Rourke

We are back in the swing of things with our potlucks. I recently put in the paper work to reserve our location for the 2012 season as well.

In January, we tried a potluck with a theme; we will see how that goes over as to whether we implement the French cuisine theme for March. Keep in mind, any dish will do if you don't know a recipe for the country we select.

Don't cook? Our local grocery stores have some great options so you can still bring a dish and visit with your neighbors. Do try to bring enough to feed 10 to 12 so there is enough for others to sample.

If you bring friends, make a slightly larger dish. If you know couples from other areas who would like to join us, we ask that they bring a dish when they join us. We love meeting new folks.

We have new residents moving in so fill them in on the potluck and have them call me with their e-mail. Our potluck dates are mentioned in this monthly column and advertised on TV channel. Save the first Monday unless it's near a holiday, then look to the second Monday.

Feb. 7 will be our Valentine's Day potluck; wear some red to set the tone. Bring a dish to share of appetizer, salad, fruit, casserole, rice, potato, soup (we will assign the desserts ahead of time), or meat. Don't forget a serving utensil and a non-alcoholic beverage. We will have the eating utensils and paper products.

There will also be a 50/50 raffle, which funds our events and some extras.

Location is the Arbor Club Ballroom. Setup is 5 p.m., start 5:30 p.m. with the food lines starting at 5:45 p.m.

We are looking at May being the month of our fish fry, which will be an outdoor event. It will be our Kentucky Derby potluck.

For information or suggestions, contact Lorraine at 390-2120.



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Candler Connection

By Don Grosner

What's for dinner? Swedish meatballs? Southern fried chicken? Lasagna? Grilled smoked salmon?

Well if you wanted one (or all) of the above, along with a lot more, you have two choices; go to one of the all you can eat restaurants or attend the Candler Hills potluck at the Candler Hills Community Center on the last Monday of each month.

What a selection of food and desserts, all for the cost of a little preparation and \$1 per person to cover the cost of the plates, silverware and coffee/tea. In addition to all the great food, you get a chance to meet your neighbors, develop new friendships and explore common interests with people who live in Candler Hills.

The history of the potluck is the story of two people (Bev and Steve McCarthy) who had the first potluck at their home on SW 83rd Circle. To everyone's amazement, about 100 people showed up, overflowing the house, lanai and eventually filling the backyard since people had been advised to bring their own seating.

The amount of salad, main courses and desserts consumed is undocumented but as an eager participant, I was "sold" on the idea of so many people and so many varieties of food gathering together in one place with the common goal of getting to know your neighbor and enjoying a smorgasbord.

After the first potluck, the Candler Hills Community Center was designated as the gathering place. The menu, appetizers, main course and desserts were assigned alphabetically to participants and people are given numbers to sit at tables ensuring a mix of neighbors who could find new friends among the crowd.

The potluck has become a monthly chance to make new friends or renew friendships from times past and is the most popular monthly gathering in the community. Try it for yourself - remember do something different. It is a New Year and great times are found, not sent to your front door. If you want a great time, you must decide to participate. Happy 2011 and show up!

Also, the Candler Gathering, a social club formed to help neighbors plan day trips together meets on the first Tuesday of the month, Feb. 1, at 6:30 p.m. (new time) at the Candler Hills Community Center. Why not come join us to plan an adventure together?

Are you new to Candler Hills? Please call John Podkomorski at 875-9890 to update our neighborhood directory and learn about our New Neighbor Welcome event on the third Tuesday of each month at 3 p.m. at the Candler Hills Community Center, RSVP required.

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.

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Monday*	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Americana Village Friendship Village Friendship Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Friendship Colony Candler Hills** Indigo East** 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Avalon Providence 1 & 2 Williamsburg 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crescent Ridge 1 & 2 Renaissance Park Windsor

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SPCA

By Maria Devine

If you've been thinking about adding a canine companion to your family this year, why not consider giving a shelter dog a second chance for a happy life? The SPCA is continuing our partnership with Marion County Animal Services by showcasing their dogs of the month.

Seven-year-old Molly is a sweet terrier mix, as you can see from her adorable picture. She was rescued by Animal Services. Molly was bathed, given fresh nutritious food and veterinary care and is very happy to be clean and cared for. But a shelter is no substitute for a loving home. Playful and sweet, Molly would make a great addition to your household and you would be part of the solution to stamp out animal cruelty.

General is a four-year-old Miniature Pinscher. This handsome min pin thinks he's a big dog, but he's really a little guy who tops off at 21 lbs. This loyal and friendly pup was found on the side of a road and brought to Animal Services by a Good Samaritan. General is a great size for just about any household. Many of you are looking for a dog on the smaller side but

not too tiny and you need look no further. While it's great that General is off the street and out of harm's way, he won't be happy until he has a real home to share with you.

Molly's ID number is A027577 and General's is A031047. Please give Animal Services their ID number when you call them at 671-8700. Both Molly and General are available for an adoption fee of \$40. This fee includes their spay/neuter surgeries, county licenses, vaccinations and microchips. Instead of calling, you can also stop by the Center at 5701 SE 66th Street.

There are a number of kittens still available for adoption. If you are on Facebook, you can search for Marion County, Fla. SPCA, then click on the dog/cat icon and you will go the SPCA page. Right now there is one photo album dedicated to kittens. Or you can call the SPCA at 362-0985 to inquire about kittens. You may also want to give Arlene a call at 875-9761 - she always has cats or kittens looking for their forever homes.

Our next meeting is at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 17, at the Arbor Club. We're always looking for new members so come out and join us if you can.

If you can no longer care for your dog or cat, we can help you find them a new loving home. If you need help with veterinary bills or want to help foster, please call us at 362-0985. Also check us out at the Farmer's Market on Feb. 3.



General



Molly



Photo by Lennie Rodoff

After much anticipation, this year's Operation Migration passed over the Dunnellon Airport around 10:30 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 14. Five Whooping cranes were seen.

Hospice of Marion County Fundraisers

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

There are currently two fundraisers being conducted in On Top of the World communities benefiting Hospice of Marion County.

First, there is a recycling program helping you rid yourselves of old unwanted electronic equipment that is cluttering your garage or house. This program is looking for

old cell phones, digital/film cameras and laptop computers that are outdated or no longer usable, in fact, any electronic equipment. There are donation boxes placed at convenient locations throughout On Top of the World: Health & Recreation Building, Arbor Club, Customer Service and Master the Possibilities.

The boxes are strategically placed where there is a lot of resident traffic in the public areas. If the item being dropped off is too large for the box or you want it picked up at your residence, please call Bob Woods at 854-0702. All items donated will be repaired and money from your donation will directly benefit Hospice of Marion County.

Second, Hoofin' It For Hospice is a two-mile walk at your own pace from 8 to 10 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 26. This is not a race competing with each other but rather a walk to raise money for Hospice of Marion County. Each walker will pay \$1 to enter as well as have friends and family sponsors. The walk starts and finishes at the Health & Recreation Building.

Sound like fun? Registration forms are available in all public areas.

Information on both events can be obtained by calling Ruth Goldstine at 854-1128 or Margaret Orlando at 854-7306.

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Birders' Beat

By Anne Merrick

The Christmas bird count was a great success in spite of fewer people participating this year. In Marion County, 118 species and 20,191 birds were counted. This is significantly more than last year when the weather was bitter cold. This year was much more agreeable for both birds and humans.

Three people counted for On Top of the World: Tom Miller, Melanie Vittitow, and Jason Green. It was the first time that Jason had participated in a bird count. They started at the Links golf course, then Crescent Ridge, the undeveloped part of Candler Hills and went on to Sholom Park and Stone Creek.

Highlights of the day were seeing a large Blue Heron at Sholom Park for Jason, a male and female Kestrel and a Northern Harrier at Stone Creek for Melanie and two mature Bald Eagles for Tom.

A large flock of Cowbirds were seen in flight and on the ground near The Ranch Spa & Fitness Center. The male brown-headed Cowbird is a striking bird with a rich brown head and a glossy black, stocky body with a shorter tail and thicker head than most other blackbirds. The bill is also much shorter and thicker based, almost Finch-like at first glance.

The female is plain brown, lighter on the head and under parts with fine streaking on the belly and a dark eye.

They feed on the ground in mixed species groups of Blackbirds and Starlings, prefer open habitats and are noisy, making a multitude of clicks, whistles and chatter-like calls as well as a flowing, gurgling song.

They winter in South and Central Florida as well as further north but usually move out of our area for breeding. This is a good thing for those of us who care about the songbirds that we find in this area since the female lays her eggs in other songbirds' nests.

The Cowbird is significantly larger than these foster parents and when the larger egg hatches, the Cowbird dominates the nest to the detriment and demise of the other hatchlings.

The information on this bird was obtained from the Internet at "The Cornell Lab of Ornithology, All About Birds" site.

The Feb. 25 trip will be to Emerald Marsh. Tom and Anita Martinetto are coordinating the event. This is an interesting trip where not much walking is required. The Wood Duck Drive is a little over four miles long with many stops to look at birds.

We meet as usual at 7:30 a.m. at the Health & Recreation parking lot to car pool. Lunch can follow the walk, if you wish. This trip is open to anyone who would like to join us. You never know what you will see and it is a fun group. For more information call, Anne at 732-0706.



Photos by Jason Green

Cowbirds at On Top of the World.



Karaoke Friends

By Vivian Brown

Our New Year finds us with a growing number of restaurants and clubs who have regular weekly Karaoke nights. That is great for those of us who enjoy singing so much.

The Mason Jar, right outside of our com-

munity, is one of them; the food is good and the audience very receptive.

However, we still have Karaoke every first and third Monday of the month from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F.

Come and join us for a wonderful evening of singing, comradeship, fun and laughter. Your worries will melt away and happiness will overcome you. Try it and you'll keep coming back for more.

Any questions or information, call me at 291-0246. Until next month, keep on singing and God bless.

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Larry's Fit Tips

By Larry Robinson

Benefits of Golf

We all know golf is a social game with many mental and physical benefits. Simply being outdoors on a beautiful day can boost a person's spirits; golf can also be a relaxing endeavor that helps decrease stress. There's also the camaraderie of golf, spending time with friends and other players and engaging in conversation.

Swinging clubs and putting are also physical workouts. Repetition can help tone muscles in the arms, back and shoulders. It may also improve flexibility and range of motion. Golf supports motor-visual coordination and balance. It can be a great way for aging adults to remain spry and active in a low-impact way.

Make sure you warm up 10 to 15 minutes before hitting the first tee! Stretch at least three times a week paying particular attention to your back, shoulders, and arms. Getting instruction from a golf pro is important, good technique is your best defense against injuries. Use good equipment including shoes, socks, gloves, and clothing. Don't ignore your aches and pains; the PRICE technique (protection, rest, ice, compression, and elevation) is a sound way to treat many common sports injuries. See your physician if you don't improve promptly.

Being at your best when playing golf requires you get plenty of rest. Studies have shown that regular exercise increases the positive benefits that you get from sleep. You will fall asleep faster and remain in a deep sleep for a longer period of time. Sleep is important because it allows time for your muscles to repair themselves. Playing a round of golf by day will likely increase the quality of your restfulness by night.

ARBOR CLUB FITNESS SCHEDULE

Effective Feb. 1, 2011

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:15-10:00 Arbor Club Indoor Pool	Deep Water Aerobics* Larry	Shallow Water Aerobics* Barbara	Deep Water Aerobics* Larry	Shallow Water Aerobics* Barbara	Deep Water Aerobics* Larry
9:30-10:30 Arbor Club Ballroom	Yoga* Ronnese		Yoga* Ronnese		
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Studies demonstrate that people who have strong social connections live up to six years longer than those that do not. So, get out there and golf (or any sport that keeps you connected)! Grab your clubs and balls, set out to the golf course and enjoy a day in the sun. Before starting any workout regimen, make sure you are healthy enough by checking with your doctor.

During the month of February, the Ranch Fitness Center is offering a Golf Conditioning Workshop. If lowering your golf score and the risk of injury appeal to you, then it is critical that you improve your strength and flexibility. Enhance your golf performance and prevent injury by learning sport specific exercises. Golf conditioning incorporates both strength and flexibility training. Studies prove that

consistent training will improve club head speed and offer healthful changes in body composition.

Golf Conditioning at The Ranch Fitness Center: Feb. 12, from noon to 3 p.m. Cost is \$25 for Ranch members and \$35 for non-members. Stop by or call the front desk to sign up.

FIT TIP #1: Golf fitness includes flexibility, strength and endurance, stick to a regular

exercise routine of strength and flexibility training to keep you feeling and playing better!

FIT TIP #2: Visit your golf pro to make sure you are performing the mechanics of the game correctly.

FIT TIP #3: Being prepared mentally and physically will keep you on track and reflect in your performance.



Ocala Clown Express

By Kathy & Charlie Petrosky

We were grateful for some time off to enjoy the holidays. Our 2011 programs started on Jan. 11 for the nursing home clowns. We started back at Hampton Manor West. We had not been there for a while so it was good to see some "old" faces again.

We had some new skits to start the year off. Jake and Freckles entertained the people with a phone skit. One of the women even got into the act by holding the phone line. A bit later Jake got some of the staff to do a silly skit. The clients loved seeing the staff being silly.

Toot did the "whee" skit. Of course, the clients loved the chicken dance and hokey pokey. We got a little exercise with our sit

and be fit song.

On the second Tuesday of the month you will find us in one of the local nursing homes.

The hospital clowns got back to Munroe Regional Medical Center on Jan. 13. It was great to see the children's smiling faces. They love to participate with the songs and magic. Of course, getting juice and cookies is always a highlight. While they eat, magic is performed. Our puppets got out of the box and our scooters and bikes were fun to get back on.

Our business meeting was on Jan. 17. We reviewed our calendar and discussed training sessions. We got restarted for the New Year!

Have you thought about joining us? What do you need to do? Just call Dotsy (aka Carol White) at 873-9223. 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. We would love to have you join us!

Gum Drop and Toot



D'Clowns

By Paula Magen

Looking back over 2010 ... it was a good one for D'Clowns. We added several new clowns including Clara Bell, Giggles and Penny.

Duties are now shared; Clara Bell is directing our skits and CoCo is our club communicator, making appointments for our shows and walk a rounds. Penny decorated our fabulous golf cart for the annual Golf Cart Parade and Clara Bell did an outstanding clown wreath for the Health & Recreation Ballroom. Mike Roppel aka Joker is always there with camera for publicity.

As for your writer, Sunflower, who keeps the "clown closet," I store all of our clown-

ing paraphernalia: Mardi Gras beads, clown apparel, wigs, face painting and tattoo supplies, music books, tapes, compact discs, magic, puppets, etc. My supplementary closet in the lanai has bubbles, balloons, a variety of clown books and water guns. As you can see, so much goes into what we do but we love it.

I have been writing the monthly column for many years and will be enjoying my 12th year of clowning around. Recalling all of the many clowns who are no longer with us for one reason or another, I'm so proud of the group we have.

D'Clowns will continue to be there for the four- and five-year olds as Kids & Cookies continues their monthly visit to the residents of TimberRidge Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. We also scheduled shows for January and February at assisted living facilities.

Proud to say we have again made annual donations to several organizations.

Please join us at our meetings on the first and third Monday of each month. We are at Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C, at 1:30 p.m. For more information, please contact Paula at 873-3433.

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By Cammy Dennis

Good Carbs – Bad Carbs, How Much Protein and the Skinny on Fat!

Making healthy choices about nutrition can be confusing! There are so many different messages in the media today about what we should eat and what we shouldn't eat. Let's try to clear things up a bit so that you can make healthy decisions when it comes to carbs, proteins and fats.

These three nutrients are considered "macro" nutrients. Since macro means large, we need these in large amounts. Nutrients are substances needed for growth, metabolism and other important functions. All of these provide energy for the body; energy is measured in calories.

Carbohydrates and protein have four calories per gram and fat has nine calories per gram. Fat packs more than double the amount of calories than the other two macronutrients.

Carbohydrates are the body's main source of fuel; the USDA recommends that 45% to 65% of calories come from carbohydrates. Carbs are found mainly in starchy foods like grains and potatoes, fruits and milk. Other sources of carbs such as vegetables, beans, nuts and seeds also contain carbohydrates but in lesser amounts.

With the popularity of high protein diets, carbohydrates have gotten a bad rap; many blaming carbs for the obesity epi-

demio. This is an oversimplification; the goal here should be good carbs, not no carbs! Search for foods that are as close to their natural source as possible, the least amount of refining and/or processing will afford the healthiest options; think whole grains and high fiber.

Protein plays an important role in the growth and repair of our bodies. The USDA recommends that 10% to 35% of our calories come from protein. Animal foods

are very high in protein (beef, chicken and fish). Protein can also be found in smaller amounts in some starchy foods and vegetables; however, plant protein sources do not contain all of the essential amino acids (building blocks of protein).

Essential amino acids are those that our bodies do not produce therefore they need to come from our diet. Choose lean when it comes to protein!

Although fats have a bad reputation for causing weight gain, fat is essential for survival. The USDA recommends that 20% to 30% of our calories come from fat. Fat supports growth and development and is the most concentrated source of energy. Fat is found in animal food products, nuts, milk, oils and grain products.

There are three main types of fat; saturated, unsaturated and Trans fat. Saturated fat (found in meat, butter, lard and cream) and Trans fats (found in baked goods, snack foods, fried foods and margarine) have been linked to an increased risk of heart disease. The best choice here is unsaturated fats.

Fitness happenings:

- Feb. 12: Golf Conditioning at The Ranch Fitness Center from noon to 3 p.m. \$25 for Ranch members and \$35 for non-members.
- Feb. 26: Simply Stress-less lecture at Master the Possibilities at 10 a.m.
- Feb. 25: Fabulous Friday! Boomer Boot Camp at 10:30 a.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom

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Effective Feb. 1, 2011

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10:45-11:30 Aerobics Room	Light Aerobics Jessica		Light Aerobics Jessica		S.O.S-10:30 Kitti
11:30 - 12:00 Aerobics Room	Ultimate 30 Minute Workout* - Han			Ultimate 30 Minute Workout* - Han	
Fitness Center		12:00 Fitness Center Orientation		1:00 Balance Assessments**	

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C.E.R.T.

By Patricia A. Woodbury

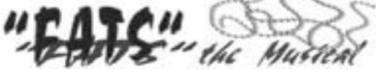
At our January meeting, Walter Lamp, volunteer on the Red Cross Disaster Action Team (DAT) of Marion County, described his role on this team. One week per month Walter is on call for 24 hours per day to provide assistance in the event of an accident or fire. Most of the referrals come from emergency personnel, such as the fire department.

Walter's role as a DAT volunteer is to assess the needs of the individual or families involved in the accident or emergency. He assesses their needs for temporary food, clothing and shelter. He can arrange for housing and provide a time and amount limited credit card.

Currently, there are five teams in Marion County. A team may consist of one or more persons. If anyone is interested in further information about DAT, contact Walter Lamp at 854-9378 or the Ocala American Red Cross office.

We were also pleased to have the new CERT program coordinator from the Division of Emergency Management, Marion County Sheriff's Office, Art Del Zotto attend this meeting. Some residents may remember Art when he was the safety officer here at On Top of the World. Anyone interested in becoming a trained member of CERT, should contact Art at 369-8186. A new member training class may begin in February.

The next meeting of CERT is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 8. CERT meets every second Tuesday of the month at 9 a.m. in Suites E, F, and G of the Arbor Conference Center. Persons interested in learning more about CERT are welcome to attend these meetings or contact me at 854-8718.




We are proud to present Jim Carter in "Fats the Musical" on Saturday, Feb. 26 at 7 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Building! This show will pay tribute to Fats Domino. This is my way of saying thank you to all of our past, present and future customers.

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Lions Club

By Eloise Hollyfield

Lions Club members wish to thank everyone who participated in our diabetes screenings, eye exams, and purchases of emergency light switches.

Lion Estelle Clark is the sponsor for the Florida Center for the Blind, and she is helping to sell tickets to support the Center. Tickets are for the annual luncheon to be held on Feb. 14, at 11:30 a.m. at the Hilton Hotel. For more information on obtaining tickets, please contact Lion Estelle Clark

at 861-7358 or the Florida Center for the Blind at 873-4700.

The Center offers three main programs: Independent Living Adult Program, Vocational Rehabilitation Program, and the Transition Program. Training is offered at the Center, at the home, and in the community. It is a non-profit organization teaching alternatives to the performance of daily living skills with a minimum of inconvenience to the individual.



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How to Display a Flag

By Ron Cleveringa

CAN THE U.S. FLAG BE DISPLAYED IN INCLEMENT WEATHER? The flag should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement, with the exception of an all-weather (nylon or other non-absorbent material) flag. However, most flags are made of all-weather materials.

WHEN THE FLAG IS NOT FLOWN FROM A STAFF, HOW SHOULD IT BE DISPLAYED? It should be displayed vertically, whether indoors or outdoors, and suspended so that its folds fall free as though the flag were staffed. The stripes may be displayed either horizontally or vertically against a wall, and the union should be uppermost and to the flag's own right (that is, to the observer's left). When displayed in a window of a home or a place of business, the flag should be displayed in the same way (that is, with the union or blue field to the left of the observer in the street).

HOW ARE UNSERVICEABLE FLAGS DESTROYED? The Flag Code suggests that when a flag has served its useful purpose, "it should be destroyed, preferably by burning." For individual citizens, this should be done discreetly so the act of destruction is not perceived as a protest or desecration.

Many American Legion posts conduct disposal ceremonies of unserviceable flags on Flag Day (June 14). Such ceremonies are particularly dignified and solemn occasions for the retirement of unserviceable flags.

CAN THE FLAG BE WASHED OR DRY-CLEANED? Yes. No provisions of the Flag Code prohibit such care. The decision to wash or dry-clean would depend on the material.

ARE YOU REQUIRED TO DESTROY THE FLAG IF IT TOUCHES THE GROUND? The Flag Code states that the flag should not touch anything beneath it, including the ground. This is stated to indicate that care should be exercised in the handling of the flag, to protect it from becoming soiled or damaged. You are not required to destroy the flag when this happens. As long as the flag remains suitable for display, even if washing or dry-cleaning is required, you may continue to display the flag as a symbol of our great country.

WHAT IS THE PROPER METHOD FOR FOLDING THE FLAG? The Flag Code does not require any specific method. However, a tradition of folding has developed over time that produces a triangular-shaped form,

like that of a three-corner hat with only the blue union showing.

WHAT IS THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE GOLD FRINGE SEEN ON SOME U.S. FLAGS? Records indicate that fringe was first used on the flag as early as 1835. It was not until 1895 it was officially added to the national flag for all Army regiments. For civilian use, fringe is not required as an integral part of the flag, nor can its use be said to constitute an unauthorized addition to the design prescribed by statute. Fringe is used as an honorable enrichment only.

WHAT IS MEANT BY THE FLAG'S OWN RIGHT? The "right" as the position of honor developed from the time when the right hand was the "weapon hand" or "point of danger." The right hand, raised without a weapon, was a sign of peace. The right hand, to any observer, is the observer's left. Therefore, as used in the Flag Code, the flag and/or blue field is displayed to the observer's left, which is the flag's "own right."

IS IT PROPER TO FLY THE U.S. FLAG AT NIGHT? The Flag Code states it is the universal custom to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flag staffs in the open. However, when a patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed 24 hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness. The American Legion interprets "proper illumination" as a light specifically placed to

illuminate the flag (preferred) or having a light source sufficient to illuminate the flag so it is recognizable as such by the casual observer.

WHAT SHOULD BE THE POSITION OF THE FLAG WHEN DISPLAYED FROM A STAFF IN A CHURCH, PUBLIC AUDITORIUM OR OTHER PUBLIC MEETING PLACE, WHETHER INDOORS OR OUTDOORS, ON PLATFORM, OR ON THE FLOOR AT GROUND LEVEL? When used on a speaker's platform, the flag, if displayed flat, should be displayed above and behind the speaker. When displayed from a staff in a church, public auditorium or meeting place, the flag should hold the position of superior prominence, in advance of the audience, and in the position of honor at the clergyman's or speaker's right as he faces the audience. Prior to the Flag Code changes in 1976, the display procedure was somewhat different. Now, the staffed flag should always be placed to the right of the speaker (observer's left) without regard to a platform or floor level.

WHAT ARE THE PENALTIES FOR THE PHYSICAL DESECRATION OF THE FLAG? There are currently no penalties for the physical desecration of the flag. The American Legion and other members of the Citizens Flag Alliance continue working toward securing a constitutional amendment to protect the flag from physical desecration.

Source: <http://www.legion.org/flag/faq>



Veterans Club

By Fred Pulis

The newly formed Veterans Club at On Top of the World will hold its next meeting on Thursday, Feb. 24. The scheduled guest speaker, Peggy Hearson, will be providing current information on the refurbishment of the Ritz Historical Inn. She is the State of Florida American Legion Auxiliary second vice commander responsible for veteran's

affairs and rehabilitation.

The former hotel will be converted to a 52-room housing facility for homeless veterans. All veterans are encouraged to attend the 2 p.m. meeting at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C.

At the last Veterans Club meeting, Shwana Williams, Veterans Affairs administrative assistant to U.S. Congressman, Cliff Stearns, spoke about important information concerning current and upcoming status of veterans concerns. The meeting was well attended and plenty of time was provided for pertinent questions and answers.

Other guest speakers are scheduled for the rest of the year. Their emphasis will be to provide new and relevant information about veteran's related issues. All service veterans are encouraged to attend.

For any additional information, please contact Jerome Cauda at 873-2007 or Fred Pulis at 854-9976.

Republican Club

By Jerome Cauda

The scheduled Republican Club meeting was held on Jan. 14. Guest speaker, Mike Amsden, presented an interesting and informative presentation on county government. Mike is county commissioner representing the Marion County first district.

The February speaker is scheduled to be state senator, Charlie Dean.

The Republican Club not only has been successful in expanding its membership but also the non-political outside activities it is involved in. This year, for the first time, the club had a golf cart in the Golf Cart Parade on Dec. 8. Thanks to Fred and crew!

This new activity is in addition to our ongoing support of Operation ShoeBox (chaired by Catherine) and Farm Share.

The plans for this year have been finalized and feature interesting and informative guest speakers. All club meetings are scheduled for the second Friday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E, F and G.

Also included this year is a pizza party in April, picnic in August and Christmas party/holiday social in November.

We also have a new reporter with this issue. We cannot thank Tony enough for the many years of service to the club. Again, many thanks from the board and membership.

Pizza party tickets will be available at our next meeting on Feb. 11.

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Sweetheart Dance

By Arlo Janssen

The On Top of the World Dance Committee "Dancin' On the Top" has scheduled a Sweetheart Dance in the Health & Recreation Ballroom on Saturday, Feb. 12. The dance will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. with entertainment and music provided by "Tomaura."

There will be a special treat for the ladies in honor of Valentine's Day. A tasting and sweets table will be made available for the dancers and guests during intermission.

Tickets (\$8 per person) for the Sweet-

heart Dance went on sale on Monday, Jan. 24. Ticket sales will continue in the Health & Recreation Ballroom from 9 to 10 a.m. on each Monday and Wednesday thereafter until all tickets are sold.

The 2011 dance dates are May 7 with "Automatic," Oct. 8 with "Sounds of Time," Nov. 19 with "Karen Hall," and a New Year's Eve dance on Dec. 31 with "Tomaura."

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

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Theatre Group

By Bob O'Neal

"There's no business like show business, like no business I know. Everything about it is..."

Appealing, is what we have in store for everyone who buys a ticket for "It Will Be No Problem Selling the House—the Musical" on Friday, April 1, Saturday, April 2 or Sunday, April 3 in the Health & Recreation Ballroom.

The Sunday performance is a first for everyone. It's a dinner/theatre and the round tables will allow residents to put their eight people parties together for a good meal and a good play.

"Selling" is a two-act play with lots of scenes that portends the difficulty that Chuck and Millie Lindsey have selling their 38-year-old house. They want to move to Florida and enjoy their retirement but they have one major obstacle: Chuck. Although he has never sold a house, he has read a book on house selling and now fashions himself "an expert."

His wife, Millie, tries to convince him to accept the reality of the situation but Chuck is a stubborn man (among other descriptive personality traits) and he wants to do it "his way."

Some strange people come to look at the house and some very rude people call but they hang up when he quotes the price he wants (Millie tells him, "it's absurd"). One of Millie's friends (a real estate agent) calls it "outrageous."

Is our hero dissuaded? Not in the least. Near the end, when it looks like someone with some real potential as a buyer comes to look at the house and then he and his wife ... but you're going to have to come and see the play now aren't you?

Tickets for the dinner/show are on sale now in the Health & Recreation office. The cost is \$18.

The tickets for the Friday, Saturday and Sunday performances will go on sale starting Wednesday, March 2 in the Health & Recreation Ballroom from 8 to 10 a.m. and continue through until March 25. The price is \$8 for reserved and \$6 for general seating. Hope to see you there!

Many thanks to Joe Fanelli and wife, Cathy, for their very "sound" assistance with the Musical Vignettes and A Little Bit of Humor show on Jan. 17 at the Arbor Club. Couldn't have done it without them.

It was that famous philosopher, Puff Daddy, who said: "I have so much respect for people in the theater. You can't do 10 or 15 takes. It's all live. It's like life in motion."



Concert Chorus

By Suzanne Womack

We are embarking upon a new year for the Concert Chorus after a very successful Christmas season. We thank you for attending our concerts and trust you enjoyed the variety of music we presented.

Our director, Carol Slimm, and our members are committed to present to you the best possible programs.

The Concert Chorus is busy working on the music for our spring concert, which will be given on April 10, at 3 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. If you like patriotic music, you will be thrilled with the rendering of "I, Love America." If your taste leans toward classics, you might enjoy "Danny Boy."

These are just a few examples of what is being planned for this wonderful event. Whatever your pleasure is in music, you are sure to find our spring concert a delight. Hope to see you then.

One last thing, if you are interested in singing with the Concert Chorus, can read music and follow a four-part score, just give a quick call to our membership chairman, Marjorie Bruno at 237-3042 and she'll set up a time to go over all of the particulars with you.



Opera

By Bernie Kelly

It is already February and we are going to have our third Opera Appreciation Class when we will discuss and see a performance of Verdi's "Othello" at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 3.

In January, I surprised the class by partly changing the program. The schedule was to have "Il Re" by Giordano and "Il Signor Bruschino" by Rossini but I decided two buffo operas would make a better program. So, we had "La Scala di Seta" paired with "Il Bruschino" to make it a fun filled afternoon with some very good music as well. We had a very good turnout but we can always make room for more.

Verdi's setting of the Shakespeare play, Othello, is very definitely a change of pace from the operas of last month. By the time Verdi completed Othello, he had already been acclaimed as the greatest operatic composer of all time with such successes as "Rigoletto," "La Traviata," "Il Trovatore" and culminating with "Aida."

Verdi went into semi-retirement after the success of "Aida" working on only small non-operatic pieces and attending to his estate. He was even appointed a Senator in

the first Italian parliament, a position he accepted as a responsibility but he took virtually no part in every day politics.

Years passed and it wasn't until Arrigo Boito who was a composer, poet and a writer of his own librettos presented him with a libretto based on Shakespeare's "Othello." It shook him out of is lethargy and got him back to serious work. He did not rest until he had completed "Othello," which was a new kind of work for him because the music was far more dramatic and not full of tuneful melodies. It was staged in 1887 and was so successful that Verdi was given 20 curtain calls.

The five-year period that Verdi worked on this project was worthwhile. Verdi wrote in spurts and was continually encouraged by Boito who was very enthusiastic. They both worked writing and rewriting the music and the libretto until they created a masterpiece.

We are going to see a marvelous production by the Met with Plácido Domingo as Othello and Renée Fleming as his wife, Desdemona. It was filmed in 1995 with a very mature but not aged Domingo and a very young and attractive Fleming as the very happy couple until Iago, sung by James Morris, works his evil scheme. James Levine is the conductor of the Met Opera Orchestra and Chorus. It really is a first-rate production and we will see it on Thursday, Feb. 3, at 1 p.m. in Suites B and C of the Arbor Conference Center. See you there.

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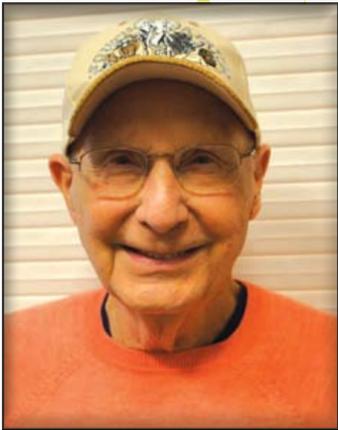
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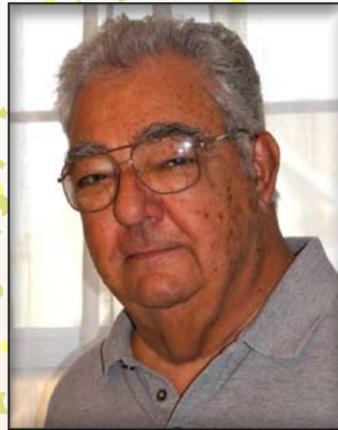
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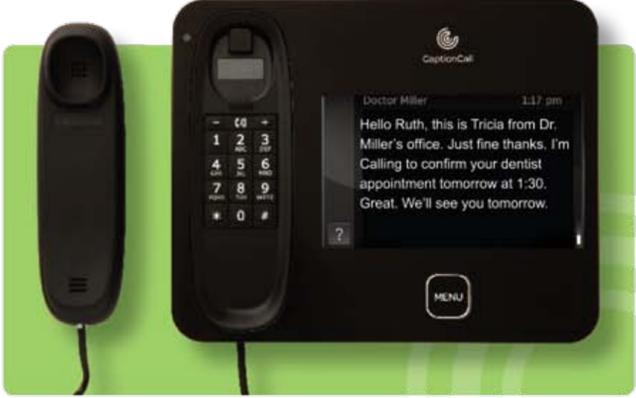
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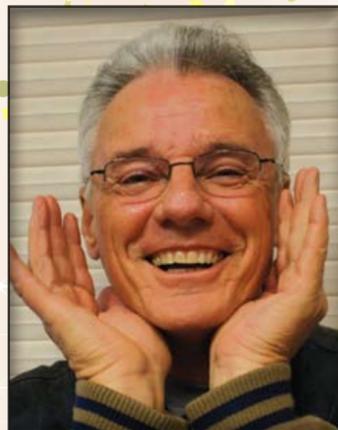
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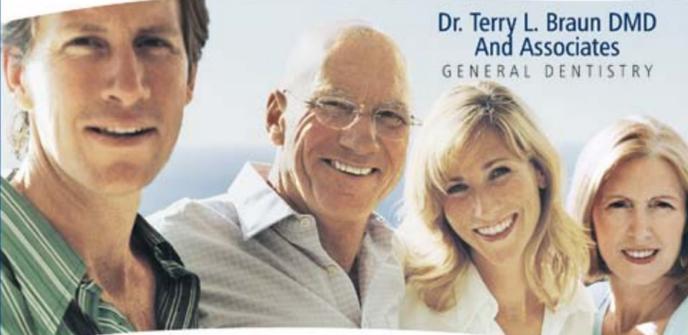
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Tuesday, Feb. 1

The World Has Talent Auditions
Circle Square Cultural Center
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Free

Thursday, Feb. 3

Farmer's Market
Circle Square Commons
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Care & Share Volunteer Expo
Circle Square Cultural Center
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Free

Friday, Feb. 4

Happy Hour with Tomaura
Arbor Club
4 to 8 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 10

Farmer's Market
Circle Square Commons
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 10

Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Trip
Tampa
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Farmer's Market
Circle Square Commons
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 11

Happy Hour with Barry & Nancy
Arbor Club
4 to 8 p.m.

Little Anthony and the Imperials
Circle Square Cultural Center
7 p.m.
\$38-42 per resident
\$42-46 per non-resident
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Thursday, Feb. 17

Farmer's Market
Circle Square Commons
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 18

Happy Hour with the Dukes
Sock Hop Theme
Arbor Club
4 to 8 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 19

7 Bridges - The Ultimate Eagles Experience
Circle Square Cultural Center
7 p.m.
\$11 - \$15 per resident
\$12 - \$16 per non-resident
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Thursday, Feb. 24

Farmer's Market
Circle Square Commons
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Social Hour
Arbor Club Ballroom
4 to 6 p.m.
Free

Friday, Feb. 25

Happy Hour with Sounds of Time
Arbor Club
4 to 8 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 26

Home Improvement Expo
Circle Square Cultural Center
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Free

Monday, Feb. 28

Artist Exhibit
Arbor Club Ballroom
(runs through Saturday, March 5)
Free

Artist Reception
Arbor Club Ballroom
3 to 6 p.m.
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or x7530



Recreation News

By Theresa Fields

We experienced record-breaking temperatures for the second year, however, not 13 days in a row as was the case last year. When you hear the weather channel stating temperatures will be dipping into the lower 20s ... did they say Florida? (I like the comment that we have been hearing from many of our residents lately, "I think we will move to Florida.") A little humor can always make for a good day!

We've been busy planning activities to keep you invigorated during these cool days. The New Year's Eve celebration held at Circle Square Cultural Center was an end to a great year as the crowd danced into the New Year. Ladies and gentlemen were dressed in their finest. We had photo opportunities available for all guests to help make this a memorable occasion along with crystal fluted champagne glasses. This was an enjoyable evening and brings promise for future planning.

Telephone Directories

Please note that the On Top of the World Directories due to come out at the end of January 2011 have been postponed until late February or the first of March. Please stay tuned to the community television for updates or contact the Health & Recreation office for more information.

Care & Share Expo

Join us as we promote one of the country's greatest natural resources ... volunteers! There are many agencies looking for special people to give their time to help others. Come see where you're needed! This event is being held at the Circle Square Cultural Center on Thursday, Feb. 3, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event is free. For more information, contact the Health & Recreation office.

Seminole Casino Trip

Join us for an exciting day at the casino in Tampa on Thursday, Feb. 10. The cost is \$20 per person and you will receive \$25 in free play, a \$5 lunch voucher and transportation. We will board the Lamers bus at the Health & Recreation parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and return at 5:30 p.m. Please stop by the Health & Recreation office to reserve your seating.

Happy Hour

On Dec. 17, 2010, Santa Claus and his elves paid our residents a visit during the holiday celebration at Happy Hour.

We have a full line of entertainment and exciting themed Happy Hours planned for 2011. This month's themed Happy Hour will be a sock hop, and we look forward to seeing many dressed in poodle skirts, saddle oxfords and leather jackets. Come join us for an evening of fun at the Arbor Club Ballroom from 4 to 8 p.m. Resident IDs are required for entry into Happy Hour. Guests must accompany residents and guest fees will apply at time of entry. The schedule for the month of February is as follows:

- Feb. 2 - Tomaura
- Feb. 11 - Barry & Nancy
- Feb. 18 - The Dukes (Sock Hop)
- Feb. 25 - Sounds of Time

Social Hour

Come join us for an evening of easy listening music while socializing with neighbors. La Croix, the popular duo, will entertain on Thursday, Feb. 24, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Arbor Club Ballroom. Light hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar will be available. This event is free to all residents. For more information, please contact the Health & Recreation office.

Home Improvement Expo

Are you thinking of making changes to your home and looking for some advice? Come join us and ask the experts! Visit professionals in a variety of specialties from solar lighting to room additions. You will see how simple modifications to your home could change the look and feel in every room. Join us on Saturday, Feb. 26, at

the Circle Square Cultural Center from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This is a free event! For more information, contact the Health & Recreation office.

Artist Exhibit

Beautiful artwork that has been created by our residents will be featured at the second annual Art Exhibit being held at the Arbor Club Ballroom. You will be amazed at the hidden talent that is living within minutes of your home. The artwork will be displayed Monday, Feb. 28, through Saturday, March 5.

Artist Reception

Meet some of the artists who created the artwork being displayed at the Artist Exhibit during an Artist Reception on Monday, Feb. 28. The reception will be held in the Arbor Club Ballroom from 3 to 6 p.m. Light refreshments will be served with coffee or tea. Registration is required. To register, contact the Health & Recreation office.

Community Information

Don't forget to submit your 2012 room request forms for your club events or meetings. We are now accepting these requests, which are on a first-come basis.

When reserving facilities, please remember that a room deposit is required for all events that will be catered or serving food. If Friendship Catering is catering the event, all fees are waived. Please contact the Health & Recreation office for more information.

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meetings or events at On Top of the World facilities. This form is located at the Health & Recreation information lobby area. If guest forms and fees are not submitted to the Health & Recreation office, guests will be turned away at the gates and it could result in loss of room privileges. For more information, contact the Health & Recreation office.

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Williamsburg	90th St. - 91st Cir.E. - 91st Cir.W - Post Office	8:45 am
Providence	90th St. - 96th Ter. - 92nd Pl. Rd. - 96th Cl. Rd.	8:49 am
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 Cl. 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 Cl. Rd. - 92nd St.	9:16 am
Health & Rec. Center	At Bus Stop Sign	9:20 am
Exit Community		9:25 am

OCALA RUN: MON., TUE., WED. & THUR.			
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	Lowe's	10:05 am	11:35 am
	Paddock Mall	10:10 am	11:40 am
	Wal-Mart	10:15 am	11:45 am
	Target	10:20 am	11:50 am
	K-Mart	10:25 am	11:55 am
2nd RUN	Gaitway Plaza	10:30 am	12:00 pm
	Wal-Mart	12:05 pm	1:45 pm
	K-Mart	12:10 pm	1:50 pm
	Gaitway Plaza	12:15 pm	1:55 pm
	Paddock Mall	12:20 pm	2:00 pm

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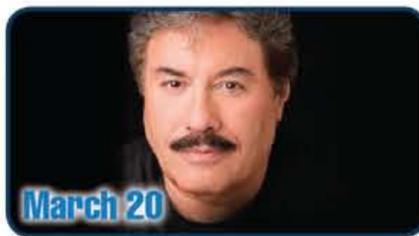
March 11
Frank Sinatra, Jr.
Greatest hit: "New York, New York"
Tickets: \$36-40



May 7
2nd Annual The World Has Talent 55+ Talent Show
Tickets: \$9 General Admission
Auditions: Tuesday, February 1st
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.



February 11
LITTLE ANTHONY and THE IMPERIALS
Greatest hit: "Tears on My Pillow"
Tickets: \$38-42



March 20
Tony Orlando
Greatest hit: "Knock Three Times"
Tickets: \$38-42



May 21
Miss Martha Reeves
Motown Soul Queen
Greatest hit: "Heat Wave"
Tickets: \$16-20



February 19
7 Bridges - The Ultimate Eagles Experience
Greatest hit: "Take It Easy"
Tickets: \$11-15



April 7
Frankie Avalon
Greatest hit: "Venus"
Tickets: \$46-50



June 11
Fun, Fun, Fun: A Tribute to The Beach Boys & The Beatles
Tickets: \$13-15



February 26
Home Improvement Expo
9 am - 1 pm • FREE
Visit the Farmer's Market on The Town Square during this event.



April 23
Jay & The Americans
Greatest hit: "This Magic Moment"
Tickets: \$16-20



June 25
Barbershop Quartets Extravaganza
2 pm
Tickets: \$8-10

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Art Demo

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

Think you can draw? Think you can paint? I am referring to the world of art, painting on canvas or other objects or drawing any subject on paper.

During the Health & Wellness Expo on Saturday, Jan. 15, Master the Possibilities offered an Art Demo Event in Studio 3. Master the Possibilities kicked off their winter session with free art demonstrations with the instructors who will teach the various classes.

The instructors demonstrated their artful techniques during this session showing those future artists the art of watercolor painting, painting on pottery as well as creating a masterpiece, pen and ink drawing with pastels. There even was an instructor demonstrating the art of Wycinanki, which is a Polish paper cutting art.

Master the Possibilities has 40 plus art classes scheduled for the winter session. For more information, stop by the Master the Possibilities office or register online at www.masterthepossibilities.com.



Photo by Bob Woods

Master the Possibilities offered an Art Demo Event on Jan. 15 in Studio 3.

Health & Wellness Expo

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

The ninth annual Health & Wellness Expo was held on Saturday, Jan. 15, at the Circle Square Cultural Center. This year was perhaps the biggest Expo yet as 70 vendors participated.

The Expo was co-sponsored by On Top of the World Communities and Munroe Regional Medical Center. Munroe was

the biggest participant taking up 15 tables demonstrating the countless services they offer.

Vendors included foot and ankle, rehabilitation centers, eye clinics, weight loss solutions, chiropractic, Hospice of Marion County, with the list of services going on and on.

Those attending this year's Expo carried out bags full of give-a-ways such as ball point pens, candy, cloth carrying bags and even one agency gave out a combination back scratcher and shoe horn.

There were some folks standing in line visiting the On Top of the World Lions Club and another line for those seeking a back massage from a chiropractic service. The Big Red Bus was outside for those wishing to donate blood.

Besides all the medical services at the Expo, there was an open house at The Ranch which included a tour of the facility, free trial pass and meeting of the fitness instructors.

On the center stage of the Circle Square Cultural Center, there were many exercise demonstrations put on by the On Top of the World and Ranch fitness gurus. A new demonstration this year was kickboxing, which was widely watched by spectators. This is a free exercise class at the Health & Recreation Fitness Center.

On The Town Square, there was a Zumba and Fitness Dance Jam class attracting not only residents of our community but scores of folks from communities up and down the SR 200 corridor. There was a large crowd participating in these fitness dances.

If you missed this year's Health & Wellness Expo, you missed a great source of free medical information along with many services that are available in our local area.



Photo by Bob Woods

Zumba and Fitness Dance Jam on The Town Square.

CIRCLE SQUARE Commons

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

The Bakery Café— A Gem for Breakfast and Lunch

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

"Brought to you fresh-baked every day," is their mantra.

The Bakery Café, located in the Master the Possibilities building, is a gem of a find, whether for breakfast, lunch, a quick snack, or to bring home a loaf of freshly baked bread.

The breakfast menu could be a bagel and cream cheese for just a \$1.65, or other choices—croissants, Kaiser Rolls, baguettes, or bear claws—to name just a few. For the hungry man, there's a three-cheese or ham omelet with bacon or sausage for just \$3.95.

The service and ambiance at The Bakery Café is warm and friendly. After enjoying homemade soup and a turkey sandwich for only \$6.75, or maybe a Bacon Lettuce Tomato (BLT) sandwich for \$3.75, you can chat with friends, stroll about admiring the photo displays, or just quietly read the paper. It's a pleasant experience.

The Bakery Café is the brainchild of Pascal Denis, who is originally from Cognac, France. Pascal started baking as a kid with his mother, and eventually turned his love of the art into his avocation and profession. He's been a baker in Paris, New York, Washington, D.C., and Ft. Lauderdale. For the past two years, at his own bakery in Dunnellon, Pascal said, "I try to bring New York style baking to On Top of

the World with fresh breads, bagels, Danish pastry, croissants, cookies, and even hamantaschen."

Helping to make it all possible, working alongside Pascal is his super-star, Taria. She's a native of Chicago, who first realized she wanted to bake "for real" when, at the age of five, she got her first E-Z Bake Oven. She started baking professionally more than nine years ago at commercial (Panera) bakeries. But when she met Pascal and he saw her natural talents, they each knew her commercial days were over. She now bakes from scratch, and loves to use her creativity and skills with cakes (birthdays, weddings, anniversaries) and all kinds of specialty baked goods.

Behind the counter, welcoming guests with big smiles and happy dispositions are Trudy, Karla and Taria. Trudy reminded us that whatever you see in The Bakery Café is made from scratch, whether it be the soup of the day, meatballs, BBQ pork, salads and, of course, breads and pastries.

If you're looking for a really neat place for breakfast or lunch, to bring something back to the house, or even cater your next party, The Bakery Café, is open weekdays from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., and on Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. You can preorder by calling, 237-5449



Photo by Ray Cech

Taria, Pascal, Karla and Trudy of The Bakery Café at Circle Square Commons.



Arbor Club Tennis

By Jorge Privat

There are several topics I would like to discuss: recruiting new committee members, social activities for the year and the "tennis ladder." I will be sending e-mails addressing these topics.

Stan Magen has asked me to recommend that you continue to bring any shoes that you are ready to discard. He passes them along to Interfaith Emergency Services. They sure appreciate the donations.

TENNIS TIP OF THE MONTH: CUSTOMIZING YOUR RACQUET. After you have found a racquet with the right specs for your game, you may still have some work to do. Fine-tuning your frame may start with placing a vibration dampener right below the bottom cross string to mute string chatter and minimize vibration traveling to your arm on off-center shots.

If you don't like the grip that came with the racquet, you can purchase a new one that fits your needs. You can add lead tape to your racquet's head to increase weight and therefore power stability and control. Placing a strip at the three and nine o'clock

positions of the head will help steady the racquet on off-center hits.

When it comes to racquet strings, there are a number of things to consider. Should you use natural gut or synthetics: mono-filaments or multi-filaments? Maybe polyester-based strings would be better suited to your game. Should you play with thick or thin strings?

Are you aware that string tension can make a huge difference in the way your racquet performs? If you buy a sports car you need the right kind of tires for that car, or it will not feel the best. As they say, "It's where the rubber meets the road." It is the same for tennis players of all skill levels.

You can spend a good deal of money in a good racquet but if you don't know or you don't care about what type of strings you place on that racquet, I don't think you will play your best.

Strings make a huge difference in how your racquet performs. Bad strings can make a good racquet perform horribly, or simply not feel right. You may lose power and control and everything can go wrong. On the other hand, if you carefully consider which strings might complement your game, you can take your performance up a notch.

It starts with understanding the types of strings available and how they match up with various styles of play.

See you on the courts!



Golf

By Matt Hibbs

With 2010 in the rear view mirror and the New Year upon us, so starts another year of golf. The PGA Tour has kicked off their 2011 season. Who will win the race for the FedEx Cup?

If your New Year's resolution is to improve your golf game, our golf staff offers monthly clinics at both Candler Hills and On Top of the World Golf Clubs. Stop by the Golf Shop to see the 2011 schedule.

February brings the first major tournament of the year, the World Golf Championship. This event is only open to both Candler Hills and On Top of the World golf members. There will be men's 18 hole, women's 18 hole, and women's 9 hole divisions. The event will be played on all three community courses Feb. 14, 16 and 19. The awards dinner will be held Saturday evening following the final round. Registration has already begun so be sure to sign up by Feb. 9 in either Golf Shop.

With March right around the corner, we are proud to announce the return of the Ocala Open. The 2011 Ocala Open will be held March 16 - 18 at Candler Hills Golf Club with a Pro Am scheduled for Tuesday, March 15. The benefiting charities for this year's tournament will be Hospice of Marion County and Interfaith Emergency Services. For more information on the 2011 Ocala Open visit www.ocalaopen.com.

March also presents the first annual Candler Hills Couples Championship. This event is open to any Candler Hills resident or golf member. You must sign up as a couple and a GHIN handicap is required. The event will be held Friday, March 4 and Saturday, March 5 with a 9 a.m. shotgun start each day. An awards luncheon will be held following play Saturday, March 5. Registration will begin on Valentine's Day, Monday, Feb. 14.

With the New Year brings routine golf course maintenance. Andy and his staff will have Candler Hills closed until 9 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 3 for a necessary Ronstar application. The Tortoise and the Hare golf course will also be closed Thursday, Feb. 3 until 1 p.m. for a Ronstar application. We also ask that all golfers fill their divots with sand and repair ball marks on greens. These are your home courses so please help us keep them in great playing condition.

Last reminder - all shop credit expires Feb. 28, 2011. Any credit won in February will not be posted to your account until March 1, 2011. It's time to shop!

Kicking off the New Year right was Joan D'Addio with an ace on Candler Hills #13. Bob Ferruolo shot his age of 74, on the Links. Also shooting his age of 81 was Ed Klodzen, on the Tortoise and the Hare. Ringing in the New Year with eagles were David Miller and Charlie Tichy on Candler Hills holes #2 and #10 respectively. Congratulations to all!

GOLF TIP OF THE MONTH: How many people feel nervous and tense when putting? The key to good putting is the have relaxed soft hands. This will improve feel and relieve tension in your putting stroke. Now get out there and sink that birdie putt!

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Back at The Ranch

By David Gibas

Golf is enjoyed by more than 25 million Americans and On Top of the World is home to three beautiful golf courses! Whether you are new to the game or ready to go pro, everyone wants to improve their golf performance and prevent injuries.

There are two ways to go about this, one is to learn and practice the skills and mechanics of the game, which you can do with our top-notch golf pros! The other is to condition your body physically so that you are stronger and more flexible. The golf swing is a very complex movement. It involves high velocity rotary forces on the back and core muscles. When your body is conditioned your muscles can perform and

support the movement more efficiently.

The evidence is clear; you can improve your golf game through sport specific physical conditioning. Studies demonstrate that the following have significantly improved with golf conditioning:

- Club swing range - due to increases in flexibility
- Club swing speed - due to increased muscle strength
- Club swing power - due to improvements in dynamic postural balance

Put this equation together and the sum is increased driving distance! There is no doubt that improving physical fitness will also improve your golf game as well as reduce your risk of injury.

The Ranch Fitness Center is pleased to bring you a Golf Conditioning Workshop on Saturday, Feb. 12, from noon to 3 p.m. The cost is \$25 for Ranch members and \$35 for non-members, stop by or call the front desk to register.

Shuffleboard

By Claude Servais

The winners for the month of January were:

- Men**
Monday p.m.: Willis Griffin
Tuesday p.m.: Rick Vogel
Wednesday p.m.: Bill Eberle
Thursday a.m.: Roger Werner
Friday a.m.: Jos Specht
- Women**
Tuesday p.m.: Carol Scruggs & Dot Migliaccio
Wednesday p.m.: Elaine Servais
Thursday a.m.: Marilyn Youngman
Friday a.m.: Jane Lippis

The month of December proved to be too chilly for some members of the league to participate in league play. Let's hope that February will be more in tune with what

Florida weather should be.

Last month, I reported that Gregg Rasmussen had accepted the position of safety director and play instructor, holding training sessions on Fridays at 1:30 p.m. I am glad to say that his services are already being taken advantage of by individuals who are interested in playing Shuffleboard.

The club now has 101 members. As you can tell, we have a great opportunity to grow. Therefore, it falls on everyone's shoulders to recruit new personnel and encourage previous members to become active again.

A special thank you for years of service to the Shuffleboard Club is owed to Helene Sternberger who filled the position of social director, spending numerous hours organizing the catering for the two yearly general membership meetings. Helen will be leaving us this month, and we have a new social events director. Margot Thomas has volunteered to take up these duties. We wish her success in this endeavor.

Next year, we will have only one general meeting, if the amendment to the Constitution, as proposed, is voted on favorably by the membership. I mentioned this proposal in last month's column.

John Mataya has proposed a new game in which the members could participate. The goal of this game is to encourage members to get to know other members by playing at other than their regular times. This would be an Intramural type of endeavor.

Two to four players from any given team would not only play on their regular day, but would be chosen by their captain to play on another day with another group.

This would encompass a five-week timeframe allowing each team to play with every other team in the league. At the end of the five weeks, the winning team would get the "bragging rights" of the club.

This is an intriguing concept, which is open for discussion.

It would be helpful if everyone would discuss this on their regular day, and give their opinions to their captain who will report to the board of directors.

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Photo by Bob Wroblewski

Skip Mast working on his restored C130.



R/C Flyers

By Bob Wroblewski

Here we are, well into the start of the New Year and we are 138 members strong. If you are an early riser, you will find all sorts of action going on at the field. Even with chilly morning temperatures, a group of electric flyers can be found having fun at the field starting at 8 a.m. This time of the year, the runway grass is dormant and that makes for improved take offs and landings especially for the smaller electric birds.

With the exception of rain and winds above 15 miles per hour not much deters the hearty R/C flyers from bringing their models to the field.

This month, we feature a member of our club who enjoys building his models from scratch: Skip Mast.

Skip and his wife, Suzanne, moved to On Top of the World from Royal Oak, Mich. in February 2008 and reside in Indigo East. Skip retired as a professional painter and with one week into retirement he decided to move here. A good friend and fellow flyer, Steve Sauger, had some influence in that decision.

Through the years, Skip has built and flown a number of stunning aircraft all from scratch. Scratch building involves research, drawing your own plans, select-

ing materials for the model, determining power requirements and then assembling and painting the model to resemble the full scale version.

Skip has entered his models in contests on the national scene and has won many awards. Not only must the models pass the judges keen eyes for detail, but the model must also fly during the contest.

During the 80s, Skip won first place in the Canadian National Scale Championship. He was selected to represent the United States in Scale meets in Paris and Norway. He also took third place at Top Gun flying a four engine C130.

This past year, Skip participated in the Calvin Miller Memorial Scale and won third place in the expert division with his dual cylinder quarter scale J3 Cub.

He is currently restoring a C130 that had at least 100 flights on it before the two right engines failed on take off and caused significant damage to the plane during an AMA Headquarters Masters in Muncie, Ind. Two days earlier, arrangements were made to donate the plane to the AMA Museum in Muncie, Ind. Needless to say, that did not go as planned. The wingspan is just short of 100 inches. Skip just loves the C130s.

He is also scratch building another C130 that will have a wingspan of 136 inches. It's an honor and pleasure to have a master builder like Skip in our club.

Don't forget, you are always welcome at the field. Sit back, relax under the pavilion and enjoy model aviation at its best.



Stamp Club

By David Groves

Our General Francis Marion Stamp Club welcomed the New Year with an excellent presentation on "Florida Postal History" by John McClelland. We learned that back in the mid-1800s, there were only four cities with Post Offices in the entire state of Florida, so it's very hard to find envelopes that carried mail and were cancelled in 19th century Florida. In addition to information, John also showed members several rare Florida postal stationery items.

Other members were involved in preparations for the club's participation in the Kidfetti festival at Silver Springs in February and in displays for the Marion County library.

Several members attended the American Philatelic Society's national multi-million dollar stamp exhibition and bourse in Charleston, S.C.

Members also enjoyed trading or selling their stamps to other members just before or after our official club meetings. And our informal auctions are always a lot of fun!

For On Top of the World residents who

have discovered a forgotten stamp collection in some previously unopened storage box, or on the top shelf of a closet - or who knows where else - your stamp club members may be able to provide you with an opinion of its value. We can also give you information on making tax-deductible donations of stamp collections to the American Philatelic Society or to Boys Town.

Our club meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 1 p.m. in the second floor conference room of the Park Avenue Bank on SW State Road 200 and the SW 90th Street entrance to On Top of the World.

Monthly "show-and-tell" evening meetings are held on the second Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Queen of Peace Church Library. Visitors are always welcome!

And annual membership dues are only \$6!

For a free "Guide to Stamp Collecting" kit, including a packet of interesting stamps, and our club brochure, please contact Joe Rosinski by e-mail at jrchr8850@embarqmail.com or call him at 237-7366.

If Joe's not available, please contact member Stan Lander by e-mail at slander3@otowhomes.com or call him at 369-8977.

For additional information about the General Francis Marion Stamp Club, please call Roy Schwartz at 237-1204 or send an e-mail to roy678@webtv.net.



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Candler Hills Men's Golf

By Joe Alfano

Whoever it was who came up with the idea for the golf cart heater has an open invitation for cocktails at my humble abode anytime. Those darn things rank right up there with itch-free long johns, sliced bread and the ginsu knife. I'd throw in a free meal but the only things my lovely wife likes to make are dinner reservations and tee times.

The association welcomes new members Richard Smith and Ray Myers into the fold and we hope you enjoy the experience. In spite of everything you may have heard, if you enjoy an environment of camaraderie, repartee, and a good bit of endless chatter after the round, you will enjoy your time spent with us. Anyone who may be interested in joining such a group can contact me at tjalf8371@yahoo.com.

Congratulations go out to members Joe Buba and Marc Schaffer on their recent election to the positions of chairman and secretary respectfully of the On Top of the World Handicap Committee. We commend you for your tireless effort on behalf of all On Top of the World associations and we wish you well in your new positions.

Bobby Jones once said, "Golf is the closest game to the game we call life. You get bad breaks from good shots; you get good breaks from bad shots - but you have to play the ball where it lies." Playing well this past month is spite of the bad breaks was Garry Gerlach, Lon Scheibal and Chris Piotrowski (70), Larry Joseph and Bruce Venslavsky (71), Dan Gill (75), Pat Clay-

ton (76), Bill Anger (78) and Dave Martin, Mike Buschur and Al Wassmer (79). Well done "golfing yer ball" gentlemen. As always, I wish everyone a life of "nothing but fairways and greens."

Four-Man Three Best Balls Dec. 21

180-Bruce Venslavsky, Al Wassmer, Mike Romm & Dick Tidrow. 193-Roger Whittle, Ken Zweiback, Tom Marta & Joe Alfano. 194-Garry Gerlach, Tom Racinowski, Joe Mandala & Bob Starrett.

Four-Man Scramble Dec. 28

64-Chris Jett, Frank McCray, Bob Cooke & Bill Horton. 64-Garry Gerlach, Dave Miller, Jim McGrath & Don Huston. 64-Bryant Giffin, Bill Anger, Danny Cater & Phil Moherek.

Individual Net Jan. 4

Crosby Flight: 63-Larry Joseph; 64-Chris Piotrowski; 66-Dan Gill.
Stills Flight: 66-Al Wassmer; 68-Tony Mysterly; 70-Rick Daddio.

Nash Flight: 62-Tim Beaty; 64-Nick Nimerala; 68-Frank McCray, Jim Bennett & Tom Martinetto.

Young Flight: 66-Gene Francisco; 67-Charlie Tichy, Ed Vilorio & Ray Deluca.

Four-Man Scramble Jan. 11

65- Lon Scheibal, Ken Zweiback, Jim Bennett & Ray Myers and Chris Piotrowski, Jack Gustafson, Rean Morse & Bill Horton and Tom Garrison, Frank McCray, Jon Raupach & Dave Green. 67-Rich Smith, Tony Mysterly, Jim McGrath & Bruce Venslavsky and Marc Schaffer, John McCoy, Hector Lopez and Phil Moherek.



Bloodmobile

By Sara Sommer

We certainly had a December to remember. I am not talking about all those autos sold with the big red bows. I am talking about the weather. It was too cold for me.



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Well Mr. Groundhog, will we have an early spring or six more weeks of winter? No one knows for sure.

I do know our next blood drive for Florida Blood Centers is Feb. 7. The Big Red Bus will be parked in the Health & Recreation parking lot from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. This will be your first time in 2011 to donate with us. What a great way to start the New Year.

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Candler Hills Ladies 18-Hole

By Kelli Brunner

Just a few more weeks and the painfully cold mornings that keep us from teeing it up will be behind us. Let's remember these days in August when we're wilting in 95 degrees. Doesn't that sound good right now?! Okay, everyone all together, "I promise not to complain about the heat if it ever returns."

Inclement weather doesn't dampen our desire for the ultimate golf shot. Standing on the tee box you line up square to the target thinking only positive thoughts. Slowly and smoothly you take the club back with as much shoulder turn as your body will allow. You feel the seamless rhythm and tempo as you swing to the top and then down, keeping your eye on the ball until you hear the crack of a cleanly struck ball.

You know it's going to be good as you follow all the way through to a perfectly balanced finish, searching the sky for the ball to admire your beautiful shot. You find it making a bee-line for the pin and you think, this is going to be close, a tap in, or maybe, maybe, and suddenly the ball disappears out of sight. A hole-in-one! The most coveted achievement in golf.

I can only imagine this feeling, however Joan D'Addio did just that on Dec. 23 during league play on hole number 13.

According to a 2005 issue of Golf Digest, the odds of making an ace for the average player are 12,000 to 1. Statistics about doing it multiple times in your life were not found.

Oh, by the way, this happens to be Joan's third hole-in-one! Great job Joan, but save some for the rest of us.

After some delay by the cold, our annual President's Cup final bracket came down to Iro Lisinski and Andrea Fratarangelo. Iro came away with the match winning the President's Cup. Congratulations Iro!

Pink Ball Dec. 16

Winning Team: Marie Gillis, Angie Jingco, and Deborah Martin.

Odds and Evens Dec. 23

Flight 1: 35- Iro Lisinski, 37-Mia Kolar.
Flight 2: 38-Carol Clark, 41-Kathy Smyth.
Flight 3: 34-Irmgard Anger, 36-Marge Cowie.

Stableford Dec. 30

Flight 1: 43-Iro Lisinski, Tie at 38-Mia Kolar and Deborah Martin.
Flight 2: 40-Pat MacMurray, 39-Pam Carpenter.
Flight 3: 41-Angie Jingco, 40-Kathy Smyth.
Flight 4: 42-Linda Buschur, 41-Gail Schultz.

1-2-3 Team Event Jan. 6

First Place Tie: Irmgard Anger, Carol Joseph, Judy McGrath, and Kathy O'Leary. Andrea Fratarangelo, Barbara Keough, Paula Lilly, and Deborah Martin. Second Place: Pam Carpenter, Betty Dong, Iro Lisinski, and Gail Schultz.

Upcoming play dates:
Feb. 3 - 2 Best Ball, Feb. 10 - Low Gross/Net, Feb. 17 - T's and F's, Feb. 24 - Shamble, March 3 - Stableford.



DOGS MUST BE ON A LEASH AT ALL TIMES



Candler Hills Ladies 9-Hole

By Mary Pat Giffin

Valentine's Day is nearly here and it seems like only yesterday we rung in the New Year.

If you haven't signed up for our First Annual twosome Valentine's Day Nine-Hole Scramble on Thursday, Feb. 10, make your reservation with Vicky Salyers now. It's a shotgun start at 2 p.m. followed by social hour and dinner at 5 p.m. Teeing off mid-afternoon should be a little warmer than it has been in morning.

Like shooting a good round of golf, cold weather is relative. What one golfer considers a good score another may be disappointed; it depends on your perspective. With January temperatures below 50 F and strong winds, few want to brave the cold and pursue that little white ball. Still, we should count our blessings because family and friends in the Northeast and Midwest are housebound with frigid temperatures and snow blizzards.

We have more than mild weather to be thankful for at Candler Hills. Russ Smith, has been at the Golf Shop for several years. When you ask any of the women what they think of Russ, who handles the leagues, the response is unanimous. "He's just so sweet!"

"He's always trying to help you," says Terry Alfano. "He's courteous. He never has an attitude."

Sporting white sunglasses, spiked hair on occasion, and wearing a red (league) shirt on Thursdays, Russ exudes personality. "He's adorable," says Lois Lane. "He's the son we all wish for."

Russ, the tournament man, loves coming to work. "Where can you go to work and hang around people, where your job is to help make their (golf) day?"

Working with the nine-hole league is particularly satisfying for Russ. "I enjoy them because it's all about having fun - the way the game is supposed to be."

As Mary Giannukos described Russ, "he's a schmoozer." And, we appreciate him.

Russ holds a B.A. from Central Florida Community College. He's passed his Player's Ability Test for golf and is in the process of completing bookwork for the Professional Golf Association. He's also a native Floridian, who graduated from Crystal River High School, where he was a four year letterman for both golf and baseball.

Nine Hole Round 1 Dec. 15

Team 1 at 38-Susane Buckland-Mulhe, Debra Massari, Vicky Salyers, and Marilyn Mizrachi; Team 2 at 39-Dianne Masterson, June Tassinari, Danielle Williams, and Donna Liphardt.

Nine-Hole Round 1 Dec. 22

Flight 1: 18-Betty Werner; Tie at 19-Kate Bennett, Sandy Schaffer and Susane Shaffer; Tie at 20-Judy Parisi and Maureen Morris.

Nine-Hole Low Gross/Net Dec. 29

Flight 1: Low Gross at 47-Mary Pat Giffin; Low Net Tie at 36-Diane O'Brien and Olive Curtin.
Flight 2: Low Gross at 56-Kate Bennett; Low Net at 36-Nancy Dreimiller.

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Ladies 9-Hole Golf

By Diane Dzik

On Feb. 8, we will be the guests of the On Top of the World 18-hole league. Please dress out in your blues and whites as we enjoy the annual Cupid Open, an 18-hole scramble. The sign-up sheet is posted in the league room with your choice for lunch. We look forward to this great annual event and the chance to fraternize with our 18-hole counterparts. Deadline to sign up is Jan. 30.

Our league has added two new members. Please welcome Rose Marie Kelly and Ruth Mann. Remember to introduce yourself to these ladies when we rally.

If there are any ladies wishing to join our ranks, please call the Golf Shop who will give you my contact information, remembering that you need to establish a handicap and pay the Ghinn fee there to be entered into the computer.

As of this writing, there are no invitations scheduled from other clubs in our tri-county area. Check the postings in the clubroom if anything comes down.

Our own invitational is scheduled for March 29 and is themed Fairways in Bloom. The cost for golf course members will be \$21 and for pay/play participants, \$30. Social members are cordially invited. The cost for the luncheon is \$16.

We will again be enjoying the amenities of the Arbor Conference Center for our breakfast buffet, and the Arbor Club Ballroom for the luncheon. Chairperson of the event is Patti Howd; co-chair is B.J. Leckbee; decorations is Caroline East; breakfast and doorprizes is Charlie Hassett. We have a lovely history of making this event not only fun-filled but also memorable. Please join in the fun.

Weather has not been in our favor this past month. Remember to dress warm with appropriate headgear, layered clothing, and hand warmers. If you need to scratch, please call the Golf Shop after 7:30 a.m.

POINT TO PONDER: PUTTING GREEN. Mark your ball during green play. If your ball strikes another ball on the green, or the flagstick or another club lying on the green, you incur a two stroke penalty. Remember to leave all other clubs, except your putter, off the green while putting.

Modified Scramble Jan. 4

42-Michael Beyer, Mary Hart, Patti Howd, 43-Carol Bell, Ruth Koch, Alice McDaniel, Ida Rosendahl, 43-Judith Kane, Joan Rappa, Agnes Tetti.

Low Net Jan. 11

Flight 1: 32-Marlene Floeckher; 33-Jane Wilson; 37-Linda Dumeer.
Flight 2: 31-Ann Hetzel; 34-Jean Flynn; 41-Darlene Bole, Judith Kane.



Ladies 18-Hole Golf

By Marilyn Rose

Oh my goodness, a new year and a new start. I was thinking that we would be getting over the cold weather, but so far, it is not the case. On Jan. 11, it was cold, but our ladies braved the weather and played a shamble. Then we had our first luncheon of the year. All had a good time.

Hopefully, we are back on the course and enjoying the game again. We have two new members - Linda Blewitt and Bonnie LeClerc. Please get to know them and make them welcome.

Here are our upcoming play days: Feb. 1 - North Course/Beat the Pro; Feb. 8 - Links/Host 9-Holers-Scramble-Lunch; Feb. 15 - Links/Low Gross/Low Net, Flights; Feb. 22 - Links/Mystery Tee Box.

Low Gross/Low Net - Flights Jan. 4 / Tortoise & Hare

Flight 1: Low Gross-80-Beverly Ovrebo; 85-Nancy Zielinski.

Flight 1: Low Net-64-Iro Lisinski; Tie at 68-Patricia MacMurray, Sandy Chase.

Flight 2: Low Gross-Tie at 93-Carolyn Cummings, Chris McIntire, Maggie Hudacik, Mary Jane McAtee.

Flight 2: Low Net-65-Marti Marta; Tie at 68-Angelita Pena, Harriet Brower.

Flight 3: Low Gross-99-Mary Muller; Tie at 102-Seerine Rossi, Shirley Smagner.

Flight 3: Low Net-61-Susan Rhodes; Tie at 69-Elie Rapacz, Marilyn Rose, Rose Hoovler.

LGA Luncheon Shamble Jan. 11 / The Links

First Team 1: Beverly Ovrebo, Carol Johnson, Flo Emanuel, Susan Rhodes; Second Team 7: Mary Lyon, Jeanne Rice, Yoshiko Young, Blind Draw; Third Team 9: Laurie Hall, Judy Pasch, Joan Cecchini, Susan Watters; Fourth Team 6: Joan D'Addio, Betty Schwartz, Barbara Buecher, Fran Griswold.

Please join with us and the 9-Hole LGA on Feb. 8 for the Cupid Open. The sheet to sign up for golf and the luncheon is in the Golf Shop. The luncheon is \$13 and we will be playing an 18-hole scramble. Put this one on your calendar. See you on the course.

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Men's Golf Association

By George Blankenship

If you notice the name at the top of this column, "Men's Golf Association" one would assume that this column would be about golf. For it to be about golf however, the author would need some material to write about.

At the time of the writing of this column in the middle of January, the MGA has played once since Dec. 1. The latest cancellation of play for "bad" weather was Jan. 12. At this point, my eternal optimism for bright skies, sunshine and great temperatures for this winter is beginning to turn to pessimism.

The one time that we did get a chance to play, Jan. 5, we had a great turn out of more than 90 players. The count was several more than a usual Wednesday. I am not sure if the participation was because the prize money was doubled (carried over from the cancelled Chicken Day in December), or was because we hadn't played in a while. Whatever the reason, I look forward to seeing everyone on Wednesdays every week. Hopefully, we will not have any more cancellations!

Beginning in February and in the following two months, the club and the MGA have three great golfing opportunities. The first one of note is the World Golf Championship, which will begin on Monday, Feb. 14 and continue on Wednesday, Feb. 16, and conclude on Saturday, Feb. 19. Since this is not an MGA event, we will have our regular play day on Wednesday, Feb. 16 for those MGA members who do not elect to play in this event.

The second event is the MGA Championship to be held beginning Wednesday, March 9, with play continuing on Friday, March 11, and completing play on Monday, March 14. This is a flighted tournament at full handicap except for the Championship flight, which will be played at scratch. Anyone, regardless of handicap, may play in the Championship flight.

The last event in this trilogy is the Ryder

Cup competition held annually versus the Candler Hills MGA. This year, Candler Hills will be the "home" team and two of the three days of competition will be held there. This event will be held beginning Monday, April 4 and conclude on Thursday, April 7 and Friday, April 8. I certainly believe that the MGA will prevail again this year. By the way, for those who don't remember or those who were never aware, please take note of the Ryder Cup award plaque hanging on the wall above the windows behind the On Top of the World Golf Shop counter. 'Nuff said.

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

MGA Individual Low Gross/Net Jan. 5 / The Links

Flight 1 Gross: 75-Gary Hassett, 78-Jon Hill, 81-Larry Lucieer.

Flight 1 Net: 66-Rick Daddio, 67-John Hall, 69-Wes Dumeer.

Flight 2 Gross: 84-Tom Fragapane, Tie at 88-Francis Caprez and Robert GT Kingsley.

Flight 2 Net: 66-Ross GT Mac Donald, Tie at 71-Dan Carty, Joseph Bologna and Ed Klodzen.

Flight 3 Gross: 91-John Bauer, Tie 93-Art Buecher and Art Dushary.

Flight 3 Net: 70-Ray Hellman, 71-Phil Johnson, 72-Tary Bole.

Flight 4 Gross: 91-Robert Farineau, 92-Tom Marta, 93-Roy Hira.

Flight 4 Net: 68-Jimmy Johnson, 69-Douglas Coleman, 71-Harry GT Brower.

MGA Individual Low Gross/Net Jan. 5 / The Tortoise and the Hare

Flight 1 Gross: 75-Tom Paszek, 76-Tim O'Neil, 78-John Langville.

Flight 1 Net: 64-Ralph GT Solvold, 66-Guy GT Russell, 71-Tom McHaffie.

Flight 2 Gross: 77-Chuck Nicholas, 82-Jim Weaver, 83-Michael Almon.

Flight 2 Net: 66-Marvin Williams, 67-George GT Noltensmeyer, 69-Maurice Kingsley.

Flight 3 Gross: 86-James Merrick, 90-Richard Schiller, 91-Steve Molnar.

Flight 3 Net: 65-Paul Stone, 69-Bill Walker, 70-Tom Pasch.

Flight 4 Gross: 89-Frank GT Palotta, 90-Jerry Segovis, 93-Joe GT Rappa.

Flight 4 Net: 65-Bob Selmon, 70-Peter M. Peterson, 71-Armando Pena.



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Model Railroaders

By Jim Devine

The start of the New Year brought lots of activity to the On Top of the World Model Railroaders Club. On Tuesday, Jan. 4, a number of club members went to the club's layout room and ran trains to prepare for our Winter Wonderland show. The trains ran great, and we only had one head-on collision. (Only one head-on collision is a good day for us.)

The next day, we had our first monthly meeting of the year. Our new club president, Jimmy Loux, chaired the meeting, and we discussed the club's plan for 2011, possible revisions to our by-laws, improving our user group on Yahoo, increasing membership, and a whole series of other topics.

Now that the club is approaching our second anniversary, we wanted to review how the club operates, and examine what we're doing right, and what areas we need to improve.

On Thursday, Jan. 6, we held our Winter Wonderland show. We had trains running

all day on both the HO and N scale layouts. Andy Kirk and Jimmy Loux had their HO steam locomotives pulling trains, and Jimmy Lyman brought down some of his Pennsylvania Railroad diesel engines. All the steam engines and the diesels are able to produce very realistic railroad sounds. Not just the sounds of the engines, but bells, whistles, horns, comments by the train's crew, and an occasional farm animal.

We had a large contingent of club members at the show during the day. In fact, the room was so crowded at times that visitors had trouble getting into the room. Our apologies to anyone who couldn't see the trains, or left because it got too crowded.

We had some munchies for visitors to eat, but you'll have to take my word for that since the club members ate most of them. Their theory was that railroading is hard work and it increases your appetite. (I would have debated that fact, but my mouth was full.)

At one point during the show, we had three club members running four trains using three DCC controllers. Two of the trains were getting too close together, and someone said, "You'd better go faster Jim, or you're going to crash." The problem was that all three members were Jims (Jim Loux, Jim Lyman, and Jim Devine), so everyone sped up at once, and we had a very impressive crash. The room reacted like it was filled with a bunch of Gomez Addams' from the old Addams Family TV show. Do you remember, Gomez got way too much enjoyment when he crashed his model trains?

We have work sessions every Tuesday from 1 to 4 p.m. to make improvements to the layout or do standard maintenance. Sometimes we don't do any work at all, and just run some trains. Feel free to stop by and visit.

On Top of the World Model Railroader's Club meetings are held at 9 a.m. on the first Wednesday of every month in Meeting Room #3 of the Craft Building. Please join us if you're interested in becoming a member.



Billiards

By Richard Impresa

The New Year is here but we have some unfinished business from last year to report on so let's put the finishing touches on 2010 On Top of the World Billiards.

In last month's column, I mentioned that the Marion County Senior Men's league held an eight-ball singles tournament. The results are as follows:

Eight-Ball Singles Tournament

1: Dave Hartigan from Spruce Creek; 2: Bob Willis from Ocala Palms; 3: Bart Rich from Spruce Creek.

Gene Hueber was the only On Top of the World player to finish in the top five.

This result reflects the competitiveness of play in the league. To paraphrase an old cliché, "On any given Tuesday, any team can beat any other team, no matter their record to that point."

Thanks to Bill Daly for organizing and running the competition. Bill also coordinated our annual Christmas party with help from Penny Wilson and Leslie Conlon. About 47 of our members met at the Golden Corral restaurant on State Road 200 for a fun and festive time. The food and

fellowship were plentiful.

Vivian Brown led the group in a memorable and creative version of "The Twelve Days of Christmas." Everyone went home well fed and in good spirits.

Our first meeting of 2011 was held on Jan. 3. Issues relating to the billiard club and facilities were discussed and Dottie Metcalf and Evelyn Wharen provided refreshments. Our next scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, April 4. Watch this column and the bulletin boards in the pool room for information on this and other billiard club events and news.

We finished 2010 with 155 members and at present have 62 paying members for 2011. Our goal is to maintain an average membership of 150 in order to facilitate the purchase of supplies and cleaning materials to repair and maintain the equipment we all enjoy.

If you see any broken or defective equipment, please let me know and I will get the information to the proper management personnel for correction. You can tell me in person or leave a note in the lock box next to table three in the pool room. Just drop a note in the box with a short description of the problem along with your name and number on it.

Thanks to all of you who support the club's efforts to keep our facility the best in the county.

That's all for now, hope to see you in the pool room soon. Until next time, keep stroking and keep your tip dry.



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Pickleball

By Tom Seitz

Several new players have joined us in January, and we hope more of you turn out when the weather improves.

The playing tip this month is again provided by Bill Booth, and has to do with anticipation.

Pickleball is a very quick game requiring quick exchanges. Better players give themselves an edge by anticipating the shot. If you wait for your eyes to pick up the ball after it is in flight, it may be too late.

It is important to take note of the visual clues that will tell you where the ball is most likely to go. Observe the speed and angle of the opponent's paddle as the ball is struck so that you can begin to react and shift your weight before the ball is actually hit.

Also take note of the position of the feet and body for another visual clue of the general direction in which your opponent is aiming. Watching the paddle will also help you anticipate any spin that is being placed on the ball.

If the paddle is moving from high to low, then the ball will likely have backspin. That is especially true if it is hit with an open face (paddle tilted slightly upward). If the paddle is moving from low to high across the top of the ball with a closed face, it will have topspin. If the paddle is swept horizontally across the body, it will probably have some sidespin.

Current scheduled play times are Monday through Saturday, at 9 a.m. and Sundays, at 3 p.m.

Beginners are welcome at any time. Just come to the courts next to the Health & Recreation Building, introduce yourself as a new player and someone will be glad to get you started. Shoes appropriate for court play are mandatory. All other equipment is furnished for beginners.

For more information and as changes are made there is a bulletin board located on the far side of the courts. Alternately, contact Maryann Johnson or Karen Benson.



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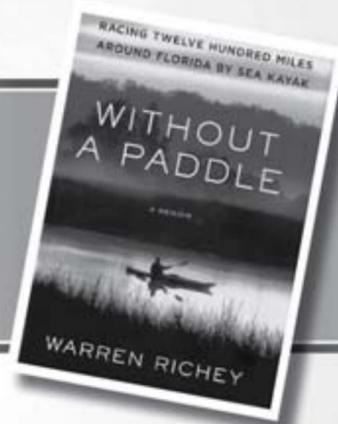
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Line Dancing

By George Conklin

Not one of us is a natural. To have a good golf swing or tennis back hand takes practice and to have a better swing takes more practice.

It's the same with dance; we learn the steps in class and then practice, practice, practice. Without that extra effort, we start each class just as we left the last.

To become proficient in any sport requires the training of muscle memory to repeat set patterns without thinking. The simplest dance in our beginner's class with Carole Smith is made up of step patterns that will be repeated again and again than in the more advanced dance classes. The more advanced classes gradually add level of complexity to the patterns, turns and rhythms. The key here is that we advance gradually. If we practice at each level, we can advance and have more fun dancing.

Just before the New Year a few of the On Top of the World line dancers had an impromptu workshop on dance style and improvisation: how to hold our hands, arms and head; and how to stand and smile. We worked on dance technique, foot, leg and body position and motion during a dance. These are things that will make our dances more enjoyable both to perform and watch. We are now trying to implement these techniques in our classes and practice sections.

Since practice is what makes us better, several groups of dancers, in addition to wearing out the tile floor in the kitchen at home, have setup practice sections in various areas of On Top of the World (Candler Hills, Windsor, Arbor Club Ballroom, Arbor Conference Center and Indigo East). If you do not find a group that fits your needs get with friends and start your own.

Line dancing is a group activity, exercise, social engagement, and fun. Come dance with us. See you on the dance floor, just stay in line and step when the drum goes thump.

For detailed information contact: Bernie and Teresa Randolph at 291-7570; Janice Meade at 861-9345; Bob Ferguson at 873-4478; or Carole Smith at 237-4826.



Ballet Club

By Eugenie Martin

I am currently reading a book entitled, "Apollo's Angels." It is a very interesting 400-year history of ballet.

Did you know that early ballet dancers were mostly men? This is very different from today, when females studying ballet outnumber males. In the mid 1600s, court of King Louis XIV, young men of royal blood were required to train in ballet, "one of the three principal exercises," along with horseback riding and martial arts.

However, the best way to succeed at court was to excel in dance. Dancing badly before the king was a source of deep humiliation, and schools proliferated to help courtiers avoid embarrassment. In the mid 1600s, there were over 200 dancing schools in Paris; more than the number of dance

schools in Manhattan today.

The book explains that posture was considered the key element in ballet training. In the 17th century, the dancer's body was supposed to be held comfortably erect, abdomen and buttocks tucked in, shoulders sloping down, arms held loosely at the sides, hands curved, and toes gently turned out. This is just what we teach the dancers in our classes today. And through this training, everyday posture improves outside of class.

In our ballet classes, we are not preparing nobles to please the king. We are all regular people who want to become more fit, have better posture and enjoy dancing to beautiful music. Our classes are held four times a week: Tuesday and Thursday from 1 to 2 p.m., Monday from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m., and Saturday from 9 to 10 a.m. All classes are free.

To join us, you need no previous ballet experience. All you need are some exercise clothes and socks. For further information, please call me at 854-8589. Happy dancing!



Ballroom Dance Club

By Richard P. Vullo

The Ballroom Dance Club launched its new series of ballroom dance lessons in January. Both the beginner and intermediate dance classes have been well attended. The lessons are given at the Health & Recreation Ballroom every Tuesday. Beginner lessons are held at 2 p.m. and intermediate at 3 p.m.

The first dance style last month was fox-trot. Each month a different dance style will be taught for four weeks. All residents, including singles, of On Top of the World are welcome. The cost is \$8 per person per lesson.

As of the preparation of this column, the dance style for February has not been determined. Please call me (854-6772) for more information and to register your attendance. If you have a non-resident partner or guests who would like to attend, please call me for the details.

Our instructor is Joe Mounts who owns

the Beacon Ballroom Dance Studio. Joe may be reached at 620-5280. He teaches all styles of dance, as well as designing choreography for a variety of performances. Last month, our dancers really enjoyed their lessons with Joe. He makes the lessons easy to understand and execute. His lessons are relaxed and his sense of humor will keep you smiling throughout. During each lesson, individual attention is provided to every dancer.

The next dance for the "Dancin on the Top" committee will be the Sweetheart Dance celebrating Valentine's Day on Feb. 12. We'll have a special treat for the ladies and the outrageously beautiful and tasty sweets tables at intermission. "Tomaaura" will provide the music. Tickets are \$8 per person and went on sale Monday, Jan. 24. Ticket sales are every Monday and Wednesday from 9 to 10 a.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom until the dance is sold out. For more information, please call Jack Stone at 873-3083.

The schedule of remaining dances for 2011 are May 7 with "Automatic," Oct. 8 with "Sounds of Time," Nov. 19 with "Karen Hall," and New Year's Eve with "Tomaaura." It's a great line-up, so mark your calendars and plan on attending each dance.



Sidekicks Western Dance Club

By Jim & Nell Entinger

We are all so happy to be dancing again. We have arranged to use the Health & Recreation Ballroom for pattern dancing and line dancing on a few nights through March. Please mark your calendars for the following dates: Saturday, Feb. 19, Friday, Feb. 25 and Friday, March 18. We will be dancing from 5 to 8 p.m. each night. A big thank you to George Conklin for making these arrangements.

We are so proud of all of our members for practicing and sticking with us even

when the dances seem more difficult. We always find out, once we get it, that the dances were not as hard as it seemed at first.

Dancing is great exercise for the body and the mind. Every challenge and movement makes us healthier; so never give up. Practice is the key and we have lots of fun at our Sunday practice sessions. Additional help is also offered at 6 p.m. on Tuesdays.

Please note that due to a conflict with the Health & Recreation Ballroom on Tuesday, Feb. 15, we will have dance class on Thursday, Feb. 17. We hope you can all make it. See you on the dance floor.

For more information, call Nell Entinger at 861-5351 or Carla and Tony Magri at 873-8387.

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Square Dancing

By Walter Lamp

I start off this article in 2011, by first looking back to Dec. 30, 2010. That was the night of our sixth annual New Year's Eve Eve Dance, hosted by Don and Loretta Hanhurst, the club's caller and cuer.

There were some fancy outfits worn by some of the women. One couple even wore party hats for the occasion, which reminded us that the New Year was within reach.

While we waited for the New Year to arrive, we got in some square dancing and rounds to pass the time. The music was great, with the caller playing some typical holiday songs to enjoy. The tempo was mixed, but the pleasure and fun was unanimous.

We met friends from five other clubs, who joined us. What a good way to send out the old and bring in the new. Square dance friends are never old, they stay current. With the dancing, laughing, hand-shaking and the hugging, it never changes. From one dance to the next, from one year to the next, the happiness continues to grow and multiply.

This being our fourth Eve Dance, my wife and I attended, I appreciated those folks at the dance and what they mean to me. They're fun to be around and now I can look forward to another year of sharing their smiles.

Oh yeah, don't forget the huge amount of food that everyone brought. It helped us keep up our strength and energy on the floor. It tasted good too. You will never starve at a square dance.

On Jan. 6, we had our fifth banner raid (visit) of the year, at Fountain Squares in Summerfield. We went there to take their banner and hold it until they come and retrieve it at a later date.

The 1950s Sock Hop dance on Jan. 11, lived up to its billing with tunes we grew up on and 50s attire. Remember those poodle skirts, penny loafers, scarves around the neck, open t-shirts and jeans? Well, some of them reappeared that night. The music, the dancing and, as an added treat, root beer floats from the club. It was a night worth remembering.

The best part of February is looking forward to our annual Valentine's Day dance. Our theme dance this year is called Sweetheart Dance and will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 15, at the Arbor Ballroom, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. It's fun translating fast calls into fast movements on the floor. We touch hands, smile, laugh and do it all in a group of four couples.

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World Traveler

By Bill Shampine

Because it is so closely associated with the continuing war in Afghanistan, we constantly are bombarded in the media with commentary about Pakistan. I thought it might be interesting, and useful, to learn a bit more about this interesting and strategic country.

Pakistan lies in a tough neighborhood. It borders Iran on the southwest, Afghanistan on the west, India on the east, and China in the northeast.

The Indus Valley region (Pakistan, Afghanistan, and India) was the site of several ancient cultures that date back 4,500 years, including Alexander the Great, Persian, Indo-Greek, Turco-Mongol, and more recently the British Empire. Muslim traders introduced Islam to the Pakistan region in the 8th century, which later came to dominate the region.

The collapse of the Mughal Empire in the 1700s provided an opportunity for the English East India Company to extend its control over much of the subcontinent.

Local unrest seeking independence from the British Empire flourished in the late 1800s and early 1900s. The idea of a separate Muslim state in British India first emerged in the 1930s.

The goal was to create an independent state in the region where Muslims constituted a majority. This finally was accomplished in 1947 when Pakistan gained independence. At the time, Pakistan consisted



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Local bread makers hard at work. The man on the left will place the dough on the side of the oven located in front of him (the hole) and peel it off when it is baked. The bread has no preservatives, so it will be extremely dry and hard by the next day.

of two areas - East Pakistan located on the eastern edge of India and West Pakistan located on the western edge of India (about 950 miles apart). Because Pakistan was created to be dominantly Muslim, a mass

migration ensued where millions of Muslims moved to Pakistan and millions of Hindus and Sikhs moved to India.

Since gaining independence, there have been several conflicts between Pakistan and India, with whom relations have never been good. They fought a war in 1948 over the Province of Kashmir; a war that was never concluded and still is an ongoing, low-key conflict. Pakistan lost a war with India in 1965, and their war in 1971 led to East Pakistan splitting off and becoming the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Pakistan is the sixth most populous country in the world. The people are very diverse ethnically and linguistically, however, which has made it difficult for the government to reach national agreement among the multiple tribes on almost any issue. The country faces challenging problems including poverty, illiteracy, corruption, and terrorism.

Their government has been characterized by instability with multiple coups and oscillating periods of military rule and

elected officials, with occasional political assassinations thrown in for good measure (such as that of Benazir Bhutto in December 2007 and Salman Taseer in January 2011).

Because of its strategic location and the fact that it is a nuclear power, the United States, and others, have given Pakistan many billions of dollars in various aid packages, particularly in recent years. There is, however, some debate about the value received from this aid.

Although the sectarian and political violence impose serious security issues, Pakistan actually would have much to offer a tourist for the adventurer among us. With five of the 14 mountain peaks higher than 26,250 feet, there are incredible mountain vistas. There also are the ruins of many ancient civilizations, many historical fortresses, the architectural glories of Lahore (the former Mughal capital), the ancient bazaars of Ouetta, and many other fascinating historical sites. Contrary to the daily news, most Pakistanis are welcoming and hospitable people and are just trying to get along under difficult circumstances. It clearly isn't for everyone, but Pakistan tends to get about 500,000 tourists per year.

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On The Road Again

By Bob Woods

I still have seats available for the Pensacola and Mobile trip that is departing April 5 for a three-night, four-day coach trip to watch the Navy's precision flight team, the Blue Angels practice at NAS Pensacola. The trip includes a lengthy visit to the Naval Aviation Museum, reportedly, one of the best aviation museums in the world. We will also visit in Mobile the Carnival Museum (where Mardi Gras was born), Bellingrath Gardens and the battleship USS Alabama and museum.

The coach trip to Boston departing Oct. 4 for eight-nights, nine-days is half filled already. This trip includes many scenic and historical locations in Massachusetts such as Gloucester and Rockport located north of the capital on Cape Ann. Visit Salem, site of the Salem Witchcraft Trials of 1692, Concord and Lexington, the birthplace of the American Revolution visiting the site where "the shot heard 'round the world" took place. In Boston itself, there are many locations that will be visited such as Quincy Market/Faneuil Hall Marketplace, John F. Kennedy Library and Museum, "Old Iron-

sides," just to mention a few locations.

There will be guided tours of Boston traveling along the Freedom Trail. The trip includes visits to Mystic Seaport in Connecticut, Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens in Richmond, Va. and the Airborne and Special Operation Museum in Fayetteville, N.C.

I also have booked spaces on Royal Caribbean's Radiance of the Seas for a fantastic Hawaiian cruise that will spend seven-days, seven-nights in Hawaiian waters with a night-time sailing passing Mount Kilauea and a five-day jaunt to Vancouver, British Columbia departing either April 21 or 22, 2012.

We are taking reservations for cabins on the ship but cannot give prices for air at this time, as most airlines do not have their prices or schedules available.

This is how this Hawaiian trip is presently being assembled. If you would like to travel with a bunch of folks flying to Honolulu where the ship will be in port for two-days, a deposit for the ship is required. If the airline tickets are too expensive, you can always back out receiving your full deposit up to 60-days before sailing. By booking now ensures you of current prices for the shipboard cabin of your choice. Passports are required for this trip.

For further information, prices and itineraries, you can call me at 854-0702 or bring up my web site, www.bobwoodsontheroadagain.com. See you on the road again.



Williamsburg Cruise Club

By Fred O'Brien

Welcome aboard! It's February and we will soon be off on our cruise on the Freedom of the Seas. Hope you are ready for fun and tropical breezes; I know I am.

If you are a first time reader of my newsletter and you're saying to yourself 'dang nad it, I missed it. Well, my fair lasses and noble knights, don't despair or have sleepless nights, because there is another cruise opportunity coming soon that is so spectacular, so incredible that I might have to increase my anxiety meds to cope with the excitement.

On Nov. 6, the Williamsburg Cruise Club is taking a group on the Royal Caribbean mega ship the Allure of the Seas. Entertainment includes the Broadway show Chicago and an ice-skating show; you can go skating if you wish too. How about climbing a rock wall then ride the zip line? I'm one of the less adventurous who will ride the carousel or the rising tide bar.

Dining can be fun at the dog house offering traditional hot dogs, wieners, brats and sausages with a variety of toppings. Then try Rita's Cantina for a flavorful fiesta and margaritas then to dinner and a show.

Every show production on the Oasis and Allure is off the charts like Dreamworks' 3D movie theater, the musical Chicago, Blue Planet aerial acrobatic show and Oceanaria an aquatheater extravaganza.

Since there are so many reasons to go on this cruise with us and limited newsletter space, I suggest that you go to www.allureoftheseas.com and look at this state-of-the-art cruise ship. I will have more to tell you about this trip in the coming months.

Right now, we have over 100 people signed up for the Allure. We would love to have you come along with us, bring your family and friends. We have some balcony cabins as well as other categories to choose from. All of our prices include taxes and port charges.

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Genealogical Society

By Elizabeth Kyle

On Nov. 13, Dick Eastman (www.eogn.com) wrote in the free edition of his newsletter an opinion piece on the value of unverified data on the Internet, which I found reasonable, surprising, and genuinely helpful.

Throughout my study of history and genealogy, sourcing has been emphasized as of utmost importance. Information should always be sourced, but don't ignore the value of unverified information in providing clues to factual information that can be verified later. Just remember that the data may be wrong and it is the genealogists' responsibility to verify every bit of data we use before we pass it on. The main message he is sending is not to ignore any clues-- just verify, verify, verify.

Our education committee will be offering intermediate level classes at Master the Possibilities. Enrollees must have a good working knowledge of Family Tree Maker because this course is designed for the more advanced user of the program. This course will be offered twice for a total enrollment of 20. The first session will be on Feb. 24 and 25. The last session will be on March 31 and April 1. Register early to guarantee a spot in these first advanced classes.

Our business meeting is held on the second Monday at 10 a.m. in Room 3 of the Craft Building. Helen Grollmuzz opens the library early to give members a chance to borrow and return materials. Having a month to use something is a real benefit for researchers. Helen also is in our library on most Thursday mornings. She has a wealth of experience and information, which she graciously shares.

Educational meetings on topics requested by members and on free sites are held on the third Monday at 10 a.m. in Suites B and C of the Arbor Club Conference Center.



Travel Toppers

By Jo Swing

Travel Toppers has a real treat in store for this month. We are going to Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater to see the talented Daniel O'Donnell on Wednesday, Feb. 23. This is a chance to see the popular performer who has made such a hit through his appearances both live and on PBS specials. His blend of 60s pop hits, country music, and Irish standards touch us. Daniel is in the style of the clean-cut, wholesome pop idols of yore such as Pat Boone, Andy Williams, and Perry Como. The cost is \$78, which covers bus, show and tip for driver. We will stop prior to show at the West Coast Mall for food, which will be on your own. Call Kathy Brouillard for reservations.

Reservations are currently being taken for the Monday, March 14 production of "Church Basement Ladies 2 - Second Helping" at the Peabody Auditorium in Daytona Beach. This is a hilarious continuation of the Lutheran kitchen ladies and their efforts to solve problems in rural Minnesota. The cost of \$54 covers the bus, show, and tip for driver. Meal is on your own. Linda Hein is the reservations coordinator.

Joyce Wood is taking reservations for the musical "42nd Street" presented Sunday, March 27 at the Show Palace Dinner Theater. This award-winning show is based on the classic 1933 movie that instituted the famous musical theater cliché of the ingénue understudy going on for the ailing star. The cost of \$64 includes bus, show, buffet, and tips for driver and meal.

Tuesday, Feb. 22 we'll be taking reservations for the Mount Dora sightseeing trip. This trip will take place Monday, April 18.

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Consider joining us on our Western Caribbean cruise, Saturday, April 2 to Saturday, April 9. Please contact Allan Rickards as soon as possible to check on availability.

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Travel Toppers meets the first Wednesday of the month at 10:30 a.m. in Suite A of the Arbor Conference Center. Our next meeting will be Feb. 2. All are welcome. There are no dues to join.

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Caribbean Club

By Luz Leon

There was a lot of Christmas cheer at the Caribbean Club Christmas party held at the Indigo East Community Center. The joy and merriment was abounding as we danced and sang our favorite Christmas carols along with celebrating the birthdays during the month. The air was filled with happiness and well wishes for Christmas, which was just a week away.

We ended the year in a blast. As the hour got closer to midnight, it started with a few horns blowing and built up to a loud roar of blaring horns, noise makers and shouting as the clock stuck twelve. You could feel the joy in the air as everyone started kissing and hugging and screaming out those little words ... Happy New Year. It was a great ending to a happy night.

Thanks to Fred Rodriguez our DJ who provided us with the lively music that kept everyone dancing through the evening. He mingled the music so that we had a little bit of everything. Thanks Fred for the great evening, and to all we wish you the best in this New Year.



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Caribbean Club Christmas party.

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Matching quilt and bear made by the Sewing Bees.



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Marcie Askenase stitching a quilt for the Sewing Bees.



Sewing Bees

By Linda Lohr

It's hard to believe it is already February of the New Year! We are pleased to announce that our group donated 1,149 items to the various agencies dedicated to helping abused, abandoned and neglected children in Marion County! That figure includes all quilts, pillowcases, stuffed animals, tote bags and 80 Christmas stockings full of goodies. Unfortunately, the number of needy

children grows each year and the economy is a large contributing factor.

If you are interested in helping the children, please stop by our "hive" on Thursdays, from 12:30 to 3 p.m. in the Art Room, located behind the miniature golf course. We would be pleased to show you our projects.

If you no longer sew but have cotton fabric, fiber fill or batting cluttering up your closets, please consider donating the materials to the Sewing Bees. We will put it to good use! The material is pieced together for quilts, and monetary donations are used to purchase the quilt batting that is needed.

Please contact Marcy at 854-1181, or LeeAnn at 854-7205, for more information.



Rubber Stamp Greeting Cards

By Bev Taylor

When our group met in December, we had a cookie and card exchange. Marie Johnson was our member designer and she brought us two lovely holiday projects.

The first was a sleeve for a hurricane candle. We stamped a piece of cardstock and then perforated around the design. This was wrapped around the candle and when lit the design flickered through the perforations.

The other project was a box with handle for three-inch by three-inch note cards.

Both of these projects could be adapted for any time of the year.

Our January meeting was spent making Valentine's Day and get well cards. The presenters were Linda Lohr and Suzie Freitag. One of the get well cards was a print of a wild woman, which we had to color and then layer on the front of our card.

The other get well had a piece of a map on the front and a sentiment inside saying, "hope you're on the road to recovery."

The two Valentine's Day cards were done with hearts, ribbons, and patterned papers. The one card was a good project for using the many scraps that we have.

We had a great time making these cards and were all surprised that we finished four cards in the time that we had.

If you would like to join us, just give me a call at 854-3079.



Artistic Crafts & Gifts

By Loretta Troutman

Well, here it is February already. We have been busy getting things in order after the Christmas season.

In February, we are thinking of improvements we want to make in our homes. Brighter, prettier ... feathering our nest,

you might say. You might even want to start a garden or add new life with a plant or two indoors.

I had a pleasant surprise returning home after my Christmas visits with family. The little bamboo plant I had on my kitchen sink had produced a dainty yellow flower. I didn't know that bamboo plants bloomed. It was lovely.

Our crafters have been thinking spring as well and are working on new items that will boost your expectations for a colorful spring.

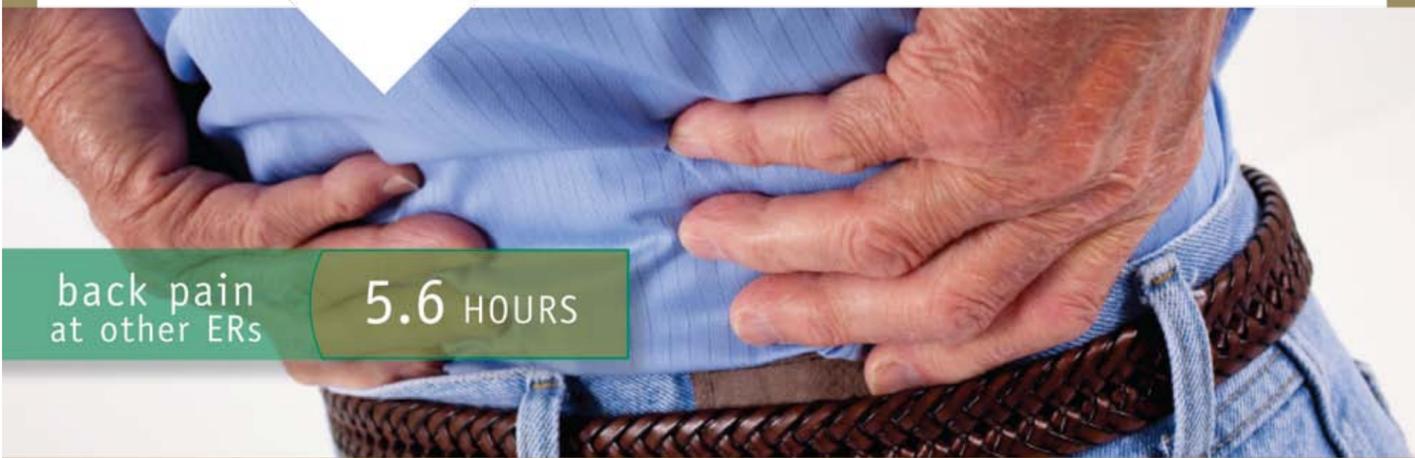
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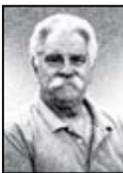
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Bingo

By Mort Meretsky

The New Year started with a crowd of 256 at bingo. We couldn't have been happier. Our new equipment worked fine and the players seemed to enjoy it. The new board shows the games in their different configurations, the last number called blinks, and how many numbers have been called.

We have a new caller, Earl, who called a couple of games to get the feel of it. He's never called bingo before so he had no bad habits to break. He did very well for the first time.

We play bingo on Wednesdays in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. Bingo is open only to On Top of the World residents and their overnight guests. We stop selling cards at 6 p.m.; the games start at 6:10 p.m. and we're over by 8:30 p.m. The cost is a \$1 a card; no equipment is needed as our cards have the slides on them.

If you have any other questions, call me at 237-5112. See y'all every Wednesday.



Mah Jongg

By Mary Ehle

There is some very exciting news this month. On Jan. 7-9, nine ladies from On Top of the World journeyed to Tampa and took part in a Mahjongg tournament.

On Top of the World can be very proud. The ladies from here took second and third place against all those other seasoned players.

Barbara Winter came in second and she also walked away with several other prizes. When you are on a roll it seems to pick up speed.

Barbara McArdle took third and we were all cheering as they posed for their pictures and received the awards.

Now it is time for all of you who are planning to play in our March tournament to get your money to me. For information, call me at 873-7507. The cost this year is \$22.

Our new session of classes is also in full swing.

Remember everyone can play. You just need to get started and you will soon be addicted.



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Monday Afternoon

By Joe Zwick

Dec. 13

1: Caryl Rosenberg & Marjorie Benton; 2: Betty Morris & Fran Griswold; 3: Pat Goltgart & Peggy Lichtefeld.

Dec. 20

1: Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson; 2: Betty Morris & Fran Griswold; 3: Ida Rosendahl & Carol Thompson.

Dec. 27

1: Carol Johnson & Betty Morris; 2: Ida Rosendahl & Carol Thompson; 3: Eleanor Giardina & Joan Lord.

Jan. 3

1: Betty Morris & Fran Griswold; 2: Shirley Stolly & Iro Lisinski; 3: Phyllis & Joe Zwick.

Jan. 10

1: Joyce Walchak & Marge Starrett; 2: Betty Morris & Fran Griswold; 3: Ida Rosendahl & Carol Thompson.

Monday Night

By Art & Kathie Dushary

Nov. 8

1: Judy Wagnitz; 2: Mary Holtz; 3: Kathie Dushary; 4: Art Dushary; 5: Helen DeGraw.

Nov. 15

1: Phil Devito; 2: Phyllis Bressler; 3: Fran Griswold; 4: Sisca Johnson; 5: Ginnie Barrett.

Nov. 22

1: Fran Griswold; 2: Gail Tirpak; 3: May Holtz; 4: Art Dushary; 5: John Van Gordon.

Nov. 29

1: Jack Martin; 2: Fran Griswold; 3: Art Dushary; 4: Kathie Dushary; 5: Micky Martin.

Dec. 6

1: Fran Griswold; 2: Art Dushary; 3: Millie Ferrell; 4: Ginnie Barrett; 5: Carl.

Dec. 13

1: Art Dushary; 2: Myra Butler; 3: Judy Wagnitz; 4: Mary Culberson; 5: Cisca Johnson.

Dec. 20

1: Phyllis Bressler; 2: Kathie Dushary; 3: Bernie Kelly; 4: Eleanor Giardina; 5: Nancy Van Gordon.

Dec. 27

1: May Holtz; 2: Iro Lenski; 3: Walter Hickenlooper; 4: Rich Fluet.

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Tuesday Afternoon

By Agnes LaSala

Dec. 7

1: Shirley Stolly & Betty Morris; 2: Joe Zwick & Bernie Kelly; 3: Agnes Weber & Rich Fluet.

Dec. 14

1: Joe Zwick & Bernie Kelly; 2: Norbert & Florence Heckler; 3: Elsie Helwig & Betty Larsen; 4: Ages La Sala & Carl Woodbury.

Dec. 21

1: Betty Morris & Shirley Stolly; 2: Agnes La Sala & Carl Woodbury; 3: Betty Larson & Ray Dietz.

Dec. 28

1: Bernie Kelly & Joe Zwick; 2: Norbert & Florence Heckler; 3: Agnes La Sala & Gloria Richards.

Tuesday Night Dup

By Marjorie Benton

Dec. 7

1: Bill & Ida Carlson; 2: Bruce & Marjorie Benton; 3: Ida Rosendahl & Dick Mansfield; 4: Ernie & Joan Lord; 5: Rose O'Rourke & Pam Blawie.

Dec. 14

1 (tie): Ida Rosendahl & Dick Mansfield and Rose O'Rourke & Pam Blawie; 2: Bruce & Marjorie Benton 3: Bill & Ida Carlson.

Dec. 21

1: Jayne Kaske & Katie White 2 (tie): Harry & Ruth Tindall, Mary Carol Geck & Doris Keathley and John & Marie Fiorillo; 3: Ida Rosendahl & Dick Mansfield.

Wednesday Afternoon

By Fran Griswold

We had our annual Christmas luncheon on Dec. 22 with lots of good food and a special guest bringing us good wishes and a healthy 2011. We all enjoyed having Mr. Ken Colen visit.

We wish the best of 2011 to all of you and you are always welcome at Wednesday afternoon Bridge each week at 12:15 p.m.

Dec. 15

1: Bill Mahoney (4600); 2: Ruth Goldstine; 3: Carol Johnson; 4: Shirley Stolly; Cons: Shirlee Wolcott.

Dec. 22

1: Ida Rosendahl (5470); 2: Mary Culberson; 3: May Holtz; 4: Pat Goltgart; Cons: Bernie Kelly.

Dec. 29

1: Alice McDaniel (4830); 2: Gloria Richards; 3: Bernie Kelly and Pat Goltgart; Cons: Marlene Floeckher.

Jan. 5

1: Fran Griswold (4990); 2: Ida Rosendahl; 3: Helen DeGraw; 4: Shirley Stolly; Cons: Helene Steinberger.

Thursday Afternoon

By Marge Starrett & Phyllis Silverman

Dec. 16

1: Mazie Millward; 2: Florence Heckler; 3: Agnes La Sala; 4: Betty Larsen.

Dec. 23

1: Pat Goltgart; 2: Marge Starrett; 3: Helen Eshbach.

Dec. 30

1: Mazie Millward; 2: Mary Rose Janssen; 3: Alice McDaniel; 4: Betty Larsen.

Thursday Night

By Helen DeGraw & Ida Rosendahl

Dec. 16

1: Dick Mansfield; 2: Keith Briggs; 3: Carl Woodberry; 4: Janet Becker; Cons: Myra Butler.

Dec. 30

1: Millie Ferrell; 2: Ida Rosendahl; 3: Keith Briggs; 4: Sara Anderson; Cons: Eleanor Giardina.

Jan. 6

1: Fran Griswold; 2: Jan Moon; 3: May Holtz; 4: Nancy Van Gordon; Cons: Helen DeGraw.

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Friday Night

By Elly Rapacz & Serine Rossi

Dec. 17

1: Shirley Ebert; 2: Ernie Lord; 3: Helene Sternberger; 4: Mary Culberson; 5: Jayne Kaske.

Jan. 7

1: Ruth Tindall; 2: Phyllis Bressler; 3: Carol Johnson; 4: Shirley Stolly; 5: John Buccu.

CRIBBAGE

Friday Night

By Rose Marie Postin

Dec. 10

1: Rose Marie Postin; 2: Ray Bock; 3: Herb Postin; Cons: Shelia Howell.

Dec. 17

1: Alberta Sarris; 2: Frank Chamberlain; 3: Craig Ehle; Cons: Elsie Helwig.

Jan. 7

1: Sheila Howell/Frank Chamberlain; 2: Norma Yonke; 3: Rose Marie Postin; Cons: Mary Lou Chamberlain.

EUCHRE

Friday Night

By Joe Askenase

Dec. 10

Four Handed Game
1: Clarence Lietzow; 2: Helen Foskett; 3: Jim Hein; 4: Maria France; 5: Shirley Coe.

Dec. 17

Four Handed Game
1: Jim Hein; 2: Lou Fisher; 3: Russ Riegler.

Five Handed Game

1: Diane Riegler; 2: Marcy Askenase; 3: Helen Foskett; 4: Virgil Taylor; 5: Maria France.

Jan. 7

Four Handed Game
1: Russ Riegler; 2: Lou Fisher; 3: Jim Hein; 4: Clarence Lietzow.

Six Handed Game

1: Maria France; 2: Helen Foskett; 3: Diana Riegler; 4: Viola Horton; 5: Marcy Askenase.

PINOCHLE

Tuesday Night

By Viola Horton

After 16 years, this will be my last column. The Tuesday night pinochle group is being taken over by Alberta Sarris. It is a great group; so come on up all you pinochle players on Tuesdays in the Craft Room of the Art Building at 5:30 p.m. See you there.

Dec. 7

Single Deck Winners
1: Lois Rider; 2: George Dertinger; 3: Larry Hartman.

Double/Triple Deck Winners

Tables 1: Ilse Kersey & Jerry Beaky; 2: Verna Harsh; 3: Charley Distler & Virgil Taylor.

Dec. 14

Single Deck Winners
1: Audrey Bartolotta; 2: Walter HickenLooper; 3: Cherie Cunningham.

Double/Triple Deck Winners

Tables 1: Alberta Sarris & Elsie Helwig; 2: Ann Pelham; 3: Charley Distler; 4: Virgil Taylor.

Dec. 21

Single Deck Winners
1: Cherie Cunningham; 2: Lois Rider; 3: Vernon Uzzell.

Double/Triple Deck Winners

Tables 1: Ilse Kersey & Verna Harsh; 2: Charley Distler & Virgil Taylor.

Dec. 28

Single Deck Winners
1: Betty Legg; 2: Albert Novotny; 3: Andy Mark.

Double/Triple Deck Winners

Table 1: Elsie Helwig & Alberta Sarris; 2: Ilse Kersey & Jim Mazzotta; 3: Virgil Taylor & Charley Distler.

Saturday Night

By Elsie Helwig

Dec. 4

1: Millie Ferrell; 2: Bob Unangst; 3: Al Novotny.

Dec. 11

1: Dot Findlay; 2: Viola Horton; 3: Bob Unangst.

Dec. 18

1: Al Novotny; 2: Bob Unangst; 3: Karen Unangst.

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Photo by Luke Mullen

Christmas party guests and hosts look over the splendid array of hors d'oeuvres and desserts set out prior to evening festivities getting underway.



Favorite Recipes Dinner Club

By Luke Mullen

A wonderful Christmas party was held on Saturday, Dec. 18 at one of our club member's home. All participants had a marvelous time. This was the club's activity for the month of December. Twenty-three diners attended this great evening of fine food and fun entertainment. Our hosts for this annual event were Tish and Don Dertien.

We had this hors d'oeuvres and dessert party in place of our normally scheduled dinner because Tish and Don graciously volunteered to host this event and open up their home to all club members. As in the past, each couple was requested to provide either two hors d'oeuvres or two dessert dishes after our hosts knew how many couples would be attending. This step provided the opportunity to balance the number of both hors d'oeuvres and desserts.

Participants started the evening by selecting from the approximate 16 different types of delicious hors d'oeuvres, which included mushroom pate, mango chicken, shrimp cocktail, buffalo wings with salsa sauce, fruit salad, pigs in a blanket, shish kebab, olives/sausage and tomato salad,

cream cheese and raspberry chipotle, moose meatballs, spinach and artichoke dip, sausage pin wheels, Italian meatballs in vodka sauce, crab cakes with dill sauce, meatballs with cheese sauce, scallops and Angelino salad.

The hors d'oeuvres were followed by a wonderful selection of desserts that included razz-ma-tazz bars, apple peach cobbler with pecan, fudge brownies without nuts, and festive date log with nuts and rum, along with chocolate chip cookies among many others.

The event was full of fun and exciting conversation. Also, as in the past, we had a typical Yankee swap. Here all member couples were requested to bring a \$10 wrapped hospitality type gift. This swap turned out to be great fun and was enjoyed by all members. Our master of ceremonies for this activity was Luke Mullen.

This type of activity was nice as some club members have not met all other members. Everyone attending the event had a wonderful fun-filled evening.

The club periodically sponsors all-member type evenings throughout the year. These events are the result of fellow members volunteering to undertake hosting these events to accomplish this entertaining evening.

Our club is currently looking for new members. If you are a couple who enjoys preparing and cooking food for others and likes entertaining people in your home, you might consider joining our club. Call Luke at 304-8104 for more information.

Our next meeting will be Feb. 3 in the Health & Recreation Building with the meal being served at 5:30 p.m. Our program will be in house and you will surely not want to miss. Whip up those southern dishes and come on down for an evening of great fellowship and fun.



Southern Club

By Charlotte Hancock

The first meeting of the New Year was Jan. 6 in the Health & Recreation Building with some good ole' southern cooking. Collards, corn bread, black eyed peas, deviled eggs, corn, casseroles of various descriptions, ham, chicken, meatballs and more desserts from our famous bread pudding, pecan pies and more. If anyone did not get enough to eat it was their fault; more than enough food to go around.

Our meeting began with the invocation prayer being the Lord's prayer followed by our pledge of allegiance to our nation's flag. The meal was served and following a brief business meeting we were entertained by none other than the Rev. Jeff Roundtree, worship minister at the College Road Baptist Church. Oh what a tremendous voice God has given this man. We were carried back to our younger days by way of theme songs from various television programs that maybe we watched or at least watched by our children. Remember the theme songs from "Gilligan's Island," "Roy Rogers," "The Brady Bunch" and several others? He also led us in singing his version of the southern national anthem, "Dixie."



Pennsylvania Club

By Pat Utiss

At the January meeting, we brought back horse racing. Since this has been so popular, we will now try to schedule it more often. This time around, we had several big winners of \$10 and \$12, whenever only two people bet on the winning horse.

As usual, our tellers did a wonderful job of helping. Many thanks to Carol Emrick, Joan Cummings, Eileen Kreps, Judy Dunn, Janet Wahl and Shirley Wilver. They are so experienced; they will be taking over for me.

Our number callers, Larry Wilver and John Kreps were also great. The many jockeys worked hard, too. We couldn't have done it without you all.

Jai Alai is tentatively scheduled for March 11. Hopefully, before our February meeting, I will be able to confirm that date.

Speaking of our next meeting, it will be Feb. 9, at 3 p.m., in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite E. Our entertainment will be the group from On Top of the World called the Bubbles. They promise to put on a Valentine's Day show for us. I am really looking forward to seeing it. I hope everyone will be able to attend. See you then.



Red Hat Society

By Vivian Brown

Queen Mothers Betty Thayer and Mary Curry have decided to resign as chairpersons of our group activities. Thank you for all your achievements over the years. You will be missed.

THE RAZZLE-DAZZLE RED HAT DAMES: All had a wonderful happy holiday season! We are now trying to find some ways to control our appetites, be more active and help those in our communities who are in need. Our hostess for January was Delores Bilello, who chose Chili's for our luncheon. I will report on that next month.

Remember ladies, live every moment, laugh everyday and love beyond words. You are the sunshine of my life. Stay well and God bless. *QM Vivian Brown*

THE BLAZING BONNETS: Princess Mary planned a lovely luncheon at Ruby Tuesdays for January. She is a great organizer and had her plans set before the New Year.

Also, Vice Queen Linda and I attended a Queen's meeting in Orlando on Jan. 22. Details on these events will appear in next month's newspaper.

Kudos to Queen Mary Curry and Queen Betty Thayer for organizing the On Top of the World Queens these past several years. These lovely ladies are now retiring and are hoping to hand the royal scepters to two other Queens who would be willing to take the responsibility for organizing events. The Blazing Bonnets would like to say thank you Queen Mary and Queen Betty for the great times we had at their events.

The February luncheon will bring us to Mount Dora and the Windsor Rose Tea

Room arranged by Princess Vee. Princess Vee made a special trip to Mt. Dora to make sure the Tea Room's menu and the Tea Room itself would accommodate everyone.

Happy Valentine's Day y'all. Remember to keep dessert on your mind and your hat on your head at all times. *QM Mary Vannasse*

THE GLITZY GALS: Our sixth anniversary celebration was held at Abigail's Cafe in Dunnellon. Hostesses QM Mary and Carol Cecala did an outstanding job. The food was very good, the tables beautifully decorated and purple balloons floated above each chair. Favors were shiny silver bags with candy and a rhinestone six pin in each.

QM Mary presented everyone with a red rose and told them individually how much they are appreciated in the group. "Forever Friends" was read together as we received a glitter ball, a circle with no beginning or end keeping us together like our circle of friends. All enjoyed a delightful afternoon.

Tampa Bay Downs, Hoofin' It for Hospice and several other activities are on the horizon. As we start a New Year, let's remember our motto, "It's all about each other." *QM Mary Curry by Janet Wahl*

RED HAT DOLLIES: Twelve Red Hat Dollies and two guests got together in December for a Christmas celebration at Romeo's restaurant at Juliette Falls. We exchanged gifts, ate wonderful food and had good service from the staff. We hope all of our Red Hat sisters had a Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year. *QM Connie Cameron by Peggy Greer*

Please send your chapter's activities to: vivjcb@cfl.rr.com. If you have any questions, call 291-0246. Until next month, God bless.

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Monday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
8:00	Mixed Tennis D	CTS
	Water Walk	ACIP
	Men's Softball	SBF
	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
9:00	Woodworking	WW
	Ceramics 9-2 p.m.	Art
	Ladies Billiards	PLR
9:30	Shuffleboard	CTS
	(Sept. - Apr.)	CTS
10:00	Tennis Doubles	PLR
	Ladies Billiards	ACF
	Tai Chi	ACF
10:30	Water Walk	ACIP
11:00	Golf Groups	PAV
11:30	Lap Swimming	AC
12:00	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Beginner II	HR
12:30	Bridge	CR
	Aqua Belles	ACF
12:45	Line Dance (Sept.-Dec.)	AC
1:00	Line Dance	AC
	Newcomers Class	AC
	Intermediate	AC
	Line Dance (Sept.-Dec.)	H&R
	Dominoes	CC:H
1:30	Shuffleboard	CTS
	Line Dance	ICC
2:00	Happy Hookers	Art
	Rummicube	CC:E,F
	Line Dance (July- Sept.)	HR
2:30	Line Dance Level II	HR
3:00	Line Dance (Sept.-Dec.)	HR
4:30	Line Dance Level I	HR
	(Sept.-Dec.)	HR
5:00	Mah Jongg	CC:A
5:30	Beginner Line	HR
	Dance Level 1	HR
6:00	Table Tennis	CC:D
	Men's Poker	MR3
6:15	Euchre II	CC:H
6:30	Bridge	CR
6:45	Ballet Club	ACF
7:00	Dominoes	CC:G
	Mah Jongg	ICC
	Pinochle	MR2

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
3:30	Handicap Comm.	CC:H
4:00	Billiards	ART
5:30	Avalon Social Club	AC
6:30	Karaoke Friends	CC:E,F
6:30	Sunshine Singers	HR

2nd Week

10:00	Genealogical Society	MR3
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3rd Week

10:00	Genealogical Workshop	CC:B,C
1:30	D'Clowns	CC:B,C
5:00	Card Game	CC:C
6:30	Sunshine Singers	HR

4th Week

1:30	Community Patrol	CC:B,C
4:00	Candler Potluck	CCC

Tuesday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
8:00	Men's Tennis	CTS
	Arts & Crafts	HR
	Fun Time Cloggers	HR
	Water Walk	ACIP
	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
	Pickleball	CTS
8:30	Women's 18-Hole	GC
	Raquetball	HR CTS
9:00	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
	Woodworking	WW
	Women's 9-Hole	GC
	Horseshoe League	CTS
	Arts & Crafts	HR
9:30	Sunshine Quilters	Art
	CSI Bible Study	CC:A
10:00	Yoga	ICC
	Concert Chorus	AC
10:30	Horseshoe League	CTS
	Wallyball	CTS

Location Codes

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

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.

11:30	Water Walk	ACIP
	Lap Swimming	AC
12:00	Lap Swimming	AC
	Men's Poker	MR3
	Cybex Orientation	GYM
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:30	Bridge	CR
	Tall Tale Travelers	CC:G
1:00	Badminton	HR
	(Racquetball Cts)	
	Ballet Club	ACF
	Shuffleboard	CTS
	Crochet Club	ICC
2:30	Shutterbugs	CC:B,C
3:00	Chess Club	MR3
5:00	Mah Jongg	CC:B
	Table Tennis	CC:D
	Poker	CC:G
5:45	Mah Jongg	ACC:C
	Side Kicks Western Dance	HR
6:00	Pinochle	MR3/Art
	Poker	CCR
6:30	Duplicate Bridge	CR
	Mah Jongg	MR2
	Circle Squares	AC
7:00	Mixed Poker	CC:H

1st Week

8:00	Men's Golf Assoc.	CC:A
8:30	Lions Club	CCC
10:30	Shuffleboard	CC:H
11:30	OTOW Ladies 9-Hole	HR
	Golf (Oct.-March)	HR
2:30	Italian American	CC:E&F
6:30	J.B. Poker Club	CC:E,F
	Indigo Girls Bunco	ICC
7:00	Girls Night Out	CC:G

2nd Week

9:00	Citizens Emer.	CC:E,F,G
	Response Team	
11:30	Ladies Golf Assoc.	HR
	18-Hole (Oct.-April)	HR
12:00	Visually Impaired	CC:H
3:00	Knights of Columbus	ICC
	Golf	Art
3:30	Alpha Investment	Art
6:15	Game Knight	ICC
6:30	German American	CC:E,F
7:00	Lions Club	CCC

3rd Week

2:00	Candler Connection	CCC
5:00	Caribbean Club	ICC

4th Week

8:30	Lions Club	CCC
11:30	Ladies 9-Hole Golf	HR
12:30	Scandinavian Club	CC:E,F
3:30	Alpha Investment	Art
5:00	Providence II Club	CC:E,F
6:30	Ladies Poker	ICC
7:00	Karaoke	CCC

Wednesday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
8:00	Ladies Tennis	CTS
	Water Walk	ACIP
	Pickleball	CTS
8:30	Men's 18-Hole	GC
	Men's Softball	SBF
	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
9:00	Woodworking	WW
	Crafty Ladies	CR

9:30	Fun w/Ceramics	ART
10:00	Tai Chi Practice	ACF
11:00	Golf Group	PAV
11:30	Lap Swimming	AC
12:00	Ladies Poker	MR3
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:15	Bridge	CR
12:30	Japanese Bunka	CC:B
	Lucky Thirteen	
	Mah Jongg	CC:G
	Aqua Belles	ACP
1:00	Mah Jongg	ICC
1:30	Shuffleboard	CTS
2:30	Scrabble Club	CC:H
	(No Mtgs in Aug)	
3:00	Yoga	ACF
5:30	Bingo	HR
6:00	Men's Poker	MR3
	Line Dancing	AC
	Duplicate Bridge	CR
6:30	Square Dance	CC:E,F

1st Week

8:30	OTOW LGA 18-Hole	CC:B
9:00	Model Railroaders	MR3
6:00	Democratic Club	CC:G
6:30	Tall Tale Travelers	CC:B,C

2nd Week

1:00	Native Plant Grp	CC:H
2:00	Project Giving Back	ART
3:00	Pennsylvania Club	CC:E,F

3rd Week

11:00	Arbor Tennis Club	CC:E,F
6:40	Bunco Club	CC:G
7:00	Square Dance	CC:E,F

4th Week

1:00	Italian American Club	CC:G
2:00	Military Cards	CC:E,F
	Project Giving Back	ART
6:30	Tall Tale Travelers	CC:B,C
	(No mtgs Dec, June-Sept.)	
7:00	Mystery Book Club	CCR

Thursday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
8:00	Men's Tennis	CTS
	Water Walk	ACIP
	Fun Time Cloggers	HR
	RC Flyers	Field
	Pickleball	CTS
8:30	Raquetball	HR CTS
9:00	Woodcarvers	Art
	Art Group	Art
	Wood Working	WW
	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Circle Square Dancers	CC:E,F
	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
10:00	Reflexology	ICC
10:30	Wallyball	CTS
	Water Walk	ACIP
	Lap Swimming	AC
	Lap Swimming	AC
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Aerobics	ICC
12:30	Sewing Bees	Art
	Bridge	CR
1:00	Badminton	H&R
	(Racquetball Cts)	
	Ballet Club	ACF
	Table Tennis	CC:D
1:30	Shuffleboard	CTS
2:00	Swingin Sisters	HR

2:30	Pretenders	ICC
5:30	Card Game	CC:B
6:00	Men's Poker	MR3
	Poker Night	CC
6:15	Mah Jongg	CCR
6:30	Bridge	CR
7:00	Cards	ICC
	Mixed Poker	CC:H
	Square Dance	CC:E,F
	Card/Game Club	CC:G

1st Week

1:00	Rubber Stamping Cards	CC:G
5:00	Southern Club	HR

2nd Week

6:00	Karaoke Night	AC
6:30	Ballroom Dance CL	HR

3rd Week

1:00	SPCA	AC
	Rubber Stamp Club	CC:G
1:30	Orchid Group	CC:H
5:30	Friends Game	CC:E,F

4th Week

9:30	American Jewish Club	CC:G
6:30	Ballroom Dance Club	HR

Friday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
8:00	Ladies Tennis	CTS
	Water Walk	ACIP
	RC Flyers	Field
	Pickleball	CTS
9:00	Woodworking	WW
	Dominoes	MR3
9:30	Shuffleboard	CTS
10:00	Raquetball	H&R CTS
	Women's Bible Study	CC:A
	Tai Chi	ICC
10:30	Water Walk	ACIP
11:00	Golf Group	PAV
11:30	Lap Swimming	AC
12:00	Ladies Poker	MR3
	OTOW Circle	
	Square Dancers	HR
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Leo's Golf Group	CR
12:30	Canasta Old Fashion Way	CR
	Aqua Belle	ACP

1:00	Table Tennis	CC:D
	Mah Jongg	CCC
	Mexican Train	CC:H
5:00	Cribbage	Art
6:00	Advanced Bridge	CR
	Euchre 4 Fun	CC:A
6:15	Nickel Nickel	MR3
6:45	Friday Night Euchre	MR2

1st Week

10:00	Emb. Chicks	CC:B,C
11:00	Women of the World	CC:E,F,G,H

2nd Week

8:30	RC Ladybirds	CC:B,C
7:00	Republican Club	CC:E,F,G

3rd Week

2:00	Social Club	CC:E,F,G,H
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4th Week

10:00	Emb. Chicks	CC:B,C
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Saturday

8:00	Mixed Tennis	CTS
	Fun Time Cloggers	HR
	RC Flyers	Field
	Pickleball	CTS
8:30	Men's Softball	SBF
9:00	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Wood Working	WW
10:00	Mixed Tennis	CTS
	Swingin Sisters	CC:E,F
	Tip Top Tappers	HR
	Yoga	ICC
1:00	Table Tennis	CC:D
5:30	Saturday Pinochle	CR

2nd Week

6:00	Northern Lights	CC:B,C
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3rd Week

2:00	Circle of Friends	AC
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Sunday

9:00	Raquetball	HR CTS
	Wood Working	WW
9:30	RC Flyers	Field
12:00	Mah Jongg	CC:A
1:00	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
	Table Tennis	CC:D
5:00	Pattern Dance	AC
6:00	Pickleball	CTS
7:00	Mixed Poker	CC:H
6:00	Movie of the Month	HR

3rd Week

2:00	American/Jewish	CC:E,F,G
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4th Week

2:00	Line Dancing	HR
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Movie and a Potluck

By Mary Ehle

The next movie will be on Feb. 13 in the Health & Recreation Ballroom, at 6 p.m. The movie will be "The Bounty Hunter" starring Jennifer Aniston and Gerald Butler. This is a comedy and rated PG-13. I will try to show some different movies this year. Several people have expressed a desire for movies that are not "kiddies" so I will try to find some with a bit more adult theme to them. I need your input, so please let me know if you hear of one that you feel everyone will enjoy.

February is also potluck night. The club

will be providing meatballs and hot and sweet sausage. Remember to bring your table service, a drink and a dish with food to share with everyone. Don't forget your serving spoon.

Come by at 5 p.m so that we can eat promptly at 5:15 p.m.

The cost is \$2 payable, if you are not a member, and \$6 for the yearly membership. You do not need to be a member to eat. Also, if you want to only see the movie just come later. Hope to see you there.



Ladies Billiards

By Leslie Conlon

Can you believe it's already February? Time flies when you are having fun either playing billiards/pool or whatever!

The main thing now is staying warm and the billiard room is always a nice place to keep warm and believe it or not, it's a form of exercise. We sure have had our fill of cold days and we're hoping they are over for this year.

The ladies started off the new team league season on Monday, Jan. 24. This game was

played at home against Ocala Palms. The results will be reported next month.

The travel team season is from Jan. 14 to Monday, May 2. Penny Wilson is the team captain. She has the schedule and will be calling to see who is available to play. As everyone knows, we try and have all billiard players play on the league at some point during the season.

As I had said last month, I would let you know the winners of the drawing we had at our holiday luncheon held at The Mason Jar. The winners were: Carol, Diane, Jayne, Barbara, Marie Marquis, Ruth & Irmgard, and someone else who I can't for the life of me remember who it was, so I apologize to that person.

Well, that is it for this month and as always, remember, "A club is only as good as its members make it."

Singles Club

By Lorraine Serwan

Do you like potato chips? If so, join us for a tour of the Golden Flake Potato Chip Factory on Wednesday, Feb. 9. We'll meet in the Health & Recreation parking lot to carpool to the factory at 10 a.m. After the tour, we'll go to Denny's for lunch. Call Ellen at 304-8675 to sign up.

On Feb. 24, the various singles clubs along the SR 200 corridor will join together for a potluck lunch. Oak Run is hosting the luncheon this year. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m. Bring a dish large enough to

feed six to eight people. Beverages will be provided by the Oak Run singles. There will be a \$2 fee at the door to cover the cost of the refreshments. Entertainment and a 50/50 drawing will take place. This is usually a fun day to get to know singles from other communities. To join the party, call Ellen at 304-8675.

The regular monthly meeting of the Singles Club will be held on Thursday, Feb. 10, at 2 p.m. at the Arbor Club Conference Center, Suites G and H. Our guest speaker will be Cammy Dennis, On Top of the World's Fitness Director, who will give us some advice on exercise and good health. Join us and bring a friend.



Women of the World

By Maureen Corr

The January meeting of Women of the World was held on Jan. 7, in the Health & Recreation Building.

We were busy planning for the upcoming luncheon/fashion show to benefit Hospice of Marion County on March 12. Baskets were available for members to take and use for their theme baskets. Tickets went on sale for the first time and sales were brisk with many of the tickets already sold.

Our charity for the month was Hands of Mercy Everywhere and members brought their donations of paper products, toiletries, etc.

The charity for February will be Children's Home Society and some of the requested items are diapers, toiletries, cleaning supplies, books, and games.

The speaker this month was our very own Larry Robinson of the Health & Rec-

reation fitness staff. Larry started his talk by telling the group about himself and his family and shared some of his personal adventures such as a foray into bread making, which was not a success!

Besides being a personal trainer, Larry has expanded his duties into teaching deep-water aerobics and doing a balance assessment class. He advised the members how important exercise and balance are in maintaining good health.

Of course, eating well-balanced meals also plays a part in good health.

With weight control in mind, he shared his thoughts on which foods could be eaten in any quantity ... this was done "tongue in cheek" and mentioned that food eaten on last expiration day did not contain calories or food eaten on your birthday does not have calories! Members all applauded this new information while laughing.

On a serious note, Larry showed the members exercises that can be done while sitting ... these can be done almost any time and do not require any equipment.

Our next meeting will be Friday, Feb. 4 and we request that members wear red to support our troops. We will meet in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E through H at 1 p.m.

Women's Cancer Support Group

By Patricia A. Woodbury

Why do I need a support group, you ask? Despite the many kinds of assistance provided by the formal health care system, some people feel that does not meet all their social and emotional needs. For this reason they may turn to self-help and mutual support groups.

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The Women's Cancer Support group meets on the third Thursday of each month on the first floor of the Health & Recreation Building at 1:30 p.m. (Note that this is a

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American Jewish Club

By Carol Aronoff

I hope you all had a wonderful New Year's and are going to keep your New Year's resolutions. Why not start out by joining us on Wednesday, Jan. 19 for our visit to Cross Creek, the home of author Marjorie Kinan Rawlings? Everything in the house is intact, even her car in the driveway. Afterwards, we will go back to Ocala for lunch at La Cuisine.

December's Chanukah party and January's Lox & Bagels were a great success. If you think we are always eating, you are so right.

We are planning a boat ride this spring, a Hospice of Marion County event, horse racing game and a potluck dinner. Keep posted for dates and more information.

Do you know of anyone who needs some cheering up? Don't forget to call Renee Filzer, our sunshine lady at 861-1030.

For any further information at any time about the club, or just for the fun of it, please call me, Carol A. at 861-8074.

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Snowy Night

By Annette Sharpe

The moon made a silver path
Across the silken snow.
Layered in white, the evergreens
Seemed basking in its glow.

Barren trees, encapsulated in frost
From icy weather,
Stood sparkling, drooping low,
And huddled close together.

Not many folks would venture out
On such a wintry night,
But, frosted windows can't reveal
Full beauty of this sight.

There's nothing quite as peaceful
Or as beautiful as snow,
When it blends itself with moonlight,
For that extra special glow.

The only sound was snapping
From dark woods close by,
As the silver moon shone brightly
From the gray, wintry, sky.

Silver moonlight glistened
On the scene of silken snow, and
It was as though a bit of heaven's glory
Had graced the earth below.

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Aerosol Portable Nebulizer: Ideal for people with COPD or breathing problems. 3 power sources & carrying case \$74.95. 873-4759.

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E-reader: Aluratek. Taken out of box but never used. Comes with all attachments. Asking \$100. Call 229-4513 for further details.

Fender Flares Kit: New, for E-Z-Go golf cart 2009-2010. \$85. 237-3426.

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Sofa and Loveseat: Wall hugger/reclining leather, forest green. 237-

3426.

Tag Sale: Friday and Saturday, Feb. 4 and 5, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Household goods, collectibles, bicycles, furniture, etc. 9201-D SW 83rd Court (Friendship Colony).

Tag Sale: Saturday, Feb. 5, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Four-family household, furniture, clothing, misc. Good stuff. 9491-A SW 85th Terrace (Friendship Village).

TV: 21" Toshiba with DVD, VCR with two remote hand controls. 10 DVD's and delivery in OTOW. \$125 obo. 291-1168.

TV Cabinet: Base cabinet for large screen TV. Double glass doors, for storage with shelves. Swivel top. New condition. \$50. 873-8600.

TV Stand: Black, with shelves. \$20 obo. 854-8810.

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