



## COMMUNITY NEWS & UPDATE

By Kenneth D. Colen, Publisher

### Community Update

Last month, I wrote a few short paragraphs about the uncommon generosity of the On Top of the World, Candler Hills, and Indigo East communities. The very genuine kindness and decency of our residents have once again manifested themselves in the overwhelming support and success of the community-wide food drive.

No joking, the lobby of the administration office looks like a food warehouse! We fully expect that the outpouring of contributions will fill a 34-foot box truck!

The Interfaith Emergency Services has expressed both their surprise and gratitude at your generosity. I've said it before and it bears repeating: kindness to each other is the glue that binds us together regardless of different backgrounds. It is the core of a community.

It is important to be grateful, to remind others that they are appreciated and important in some way. Thank you for all that you do.

### Annual Meetings

I would like to thank all of the Association members who returned their proxies for the annual meetings. Second, to thank all those members who attended on Dec. 9 for Candler Hills and Indigo East Neighborhood Associations and the On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association on Dec. 14.

We covered a great deal of material generally dealing with the state of the community and the factors that affect the operation, and very much by extension, the quality of life for every resident.

Judging by the questions, insurance was a topic on many people's minds. The gist being, what is adequate coverage on your home and contents?

In the On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association, buildings are insured under a master policy in the name of the Association. The per event deductible remains \$10,000 for any event per occurrence including wind/hail related damage. Named storm events carry a separate deductible of 5% subject to a \$250,000 minimum deductible for any one occurrence such as a named storm. With respect to all other events all loss, damage, and/or expense arising out of any one occurrence shall be adjusted as one loss, and from an amount of each such adjusted loss there is a \$100,000 deductible.

Property coverage for the Association is expected to increase significantly in fiscal 2012-13. To begin with, 2011 has been a very costly year for storm-related damage on a national level. I have seen estimates of over \$52 billion in the U.S. alone. Bear in mind that insurance is an international business, so consider the damage from the tsunami in Japan, floods in Thailand, and other disasters. As if that isn't quite enough, global insurance companies are feeling very pressured on their earnings in this global recession and low interest rate environment. Profitability needs to be restored and that will happen through higher rates and stricter underwriting standards (harder to bind coverage).

Other questions focused on what we (the board), are doing to control costs and operate efficiently. I always welcome these types of questions. By way of response, let me state that the board delegates most of the operations to Parkway Maintenance and Management Company. That said the board remains accountable for the outcome.

Parkway, regularly bids work to 1) keep existing contractors honest, and 2) identify competent and competitive suppliers and mechanics.

Much of the work that was going to third parties is now performed "in house" at significant savings. Roofing repair is done in house, as is most construction-related maintenance. Grounds maintenance and aerial tree work is also performed by competent and trained management company staff.

The board uses local contractors on larger tree removal jobs or when trees are in vicinity to overhead power lines.

Roof replacements are contracted because of the extensive scope of work it entails. Largely because of the terrible tornados in the Midwest and South, the hurricane in the East, and high petroleum prices, roofing materials have gone sky high. As a result, the board will be bidding all new reroofing work due in 2012. We do not expect material and labor price increases to abate any time soon.

Finally, a good deal of time was spent discussing enforcement matters. We live in a tight knit community. What one person does (or doesn't) may adversely affect their neighbors.

### Master the Possibilities

We at Master the Possibilities believe that the best New Year's resolution is to keep on learning. Like physical fitness, vigorous mental activity is a key component of healthy and productive living. It is, in-

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Photo by Ray Cech

Santa Claus and helpers led the annual Golf Cart Parade.

## Annual Golf Cart Parade

By Ray Cech  
World News Writer

This year, with the absence of snow for his sleigh, Santa Claus and his helpers took the next available mode of transportation—a classic '62 Corvette convertible. And to quote that jolly ol' guy, "Life is good!" In it, they cruised their way around On Top of the World Communities spreading plenty of holiday cheer, candy canes and good wishes.

Wednesday, Dec. 14, was the 12th annual Golf Cart Parade that traditionally welcomes in the Christmas season. As usual, it was a high-spirited and fun-filled event that included not only Mr. and Mrs. Claus but many of the local clubs that got into the spirit of things by dressing up, decorating their golf carts and joining in the festivities. The parade revelers gathered outside

the Arbor Conference Center to await the starting bell that would signal the start of this year's celebration. The skies were "Florida" blue with a light breeze, and at 2 p.m. sharp, to the sound of the sheriff's thunderous horn, the parade-goers got into position and moved out smartly.

There were more than 40 vehicles that included a kaleidoscope of golf carts, motorcycles, fire engine, a SWAT Humvee, classic cars and even a daring young man on a one-wheeled bicycle.

The samba line of golf carts wound around our communities waving to the crowds and tossing candy canes and other holiday goodies to grandkids and grown ups alike. It was just a great afternoon for everyone here at On Top of the World.



Photo by Ray Cech

Sami Odeh (far left) assists with online registration at Master the Possibilities.

## Master the Possibilities Opens for Early Registration

By Ray Cech  
World News Writer

With the publication of the winter/spring course catalog on Thursday, Dec. 15, Dan Dowd, director of education, announced there were more than 1,400 registrations in the first two days. The Master the Possibilities Education Center was abuzz with people signing up for classes with many getting online help from the staff. All were able to enjoy free coffee and snacks provided by Sid's Coffee Shop & Deli.

The new catalog has more than 500 classes, and rather than being just a quarterly, it covers both winter and spring classes. It was introduced two weeks earlier than previous catalogs. The larger publication extending beyond just one quarter now gives everyone the opportunity to plan well ahead of just a couple of months. Dan Dowd said, "I am really pleased

with the response, particularly with so many signing up online. And while this catalog is offering over 500 learning opportunities, we will be adding almost one hundred more during this catalog period; much of that addition will come from the Visiting Scholars Program."

The new catalog includes almost 50% new offerings; so if you think you've taken them all, take a look at the catalog, which is included in this issue of the World News or go online and see what's new.

Meanwhile, those who have not yet signed up for Master the Possibilities "e-mail alerts" are missing a good thing. By signing up, you will receive notification of special events and programs that are in addition to the published catalog. To sign up for these special notices go to [www.masterthepossibilities.com](http://www.masterthepossibilities.com).

## Kids Say 'Thank You'

By Ray Cech  
World News Writer

The Horizon Academy "Angel Tree" that spent the month of November at the Arbor Club was a huge success. On Top of the World resident Ed Barnes said, "The participation of so many of our neighbors in reaching out to our kids was extraordinary. They succeeded in fulfilling nearly half of all the wishes posted on the Angel Tree by Horizon Academy students." The Horizon Academy staff, as well as other communities and churches around Marion County fulfilled the remaining wishes.

Horizon Academy Principal Troy Sanford and Assistant Principals Scott Broth and Paige Zadnik sent letters of thanks. Their letters expressed their own feelings, but also those of the entire faculty and staff. Principal Sanford said, "... I can only imagine the joy your gifts will bring on Christmas morning. I offer you my gratitude for all that your community has offered to our students this very special time of year."

Mr. Broth was equally as effusive, writing, "You are certainly 'angels' for our school family ... and undoubtedly will make a child's dream come true."

Ms. Paige offered her thoughts saying, "Our students are special young people, and we know they will feel the same on Christmas morning. Thank you."

The "Angel Tree" has now been replaced by the "thank you" tree. You can read what the Horizon Academy kids have to say about your love and generosity by visiting the Arbor Club. There on display, is their own very special "tree of thanks."

## World War II Vet?

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

Attention all World War II veterans, the next Honor Flight leaving Ocala is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 25. This will be the last Honor Flight from this area.

If you have not been on this trip to Washington, D.C. to see the World War II Memorial erected in your honor, why not sign up for the flight now? This flight is open to all World War II veterans who have not made the trip previously.

For more information, please call 351-9341 or visit the official web site at [www.ocalahonorflight.org](http://www.ocalahonorflight.org).



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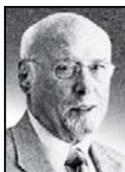
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## GOLDEN OLDIES HUMOR

BY STAN GOLDSTEIN



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### Is It Legal?

By Gerald Colen

**Q.** Out of curiosity, do you ever edit the questions you get?

**A.** Sure. I edit letters or e-mails for various reasons. Someone might include information that I feel could identify them and even if they don't care about being identified, I do. An example is where I will list an area in, say, a northeastern state rather than a specifically named city.

I always edit out names and addresses if they're included in a communication with me. From time to time, I try to correct grammar—although not if a particular type of it helps explain the question.

If a letter or e-mail has more than one question, I will usually delete one of the questions and just include the question

that I perceive to be the main purpose of the communication with me. I always delete derogatory comments as well as those that exude bigotry.

Quite often, I receive a communication that was specific to a man or a woman but as I see it, the question may apply equally to men and women. So although the actual question came from a "he" or "him" I might say "she" or "her" or "they" or "them."

I try to focus on questions that have something to do with a legal issue, rather than one that may be very interesting but not have anything to do with the law. Of course, I break that rule if the question seems to me to be one my readers would like to read.

From time to time, I miss the real purpose of a question until it's too late to edit it because I've already turned it in to the newspaper. Examples might be where someone couches a question in a way that seeks a legal answer, but really isn't about a legal matter at all. It's not always easy to know if a question really is about a legal matter or about something else. To tell you

the truth, I usually don't worry about it and go ahead and print the question.

And of course, there are the questions which are great fun for me to read—some have had me laughing out loud—but they're not so good to be in a family-oriented newspaper. From time to time, I have to remind myself that I'm a lawyer, not a doctor or therapist. (I guess I should write a book!)

Here's something to keep in mind about the questions in my column. After I write them up, I usually don't remember where I got them. I always throw away letters after I use them and always delete e-mails afterwards also. I might write up parts of a column and then not get back to finishing it for a few weeks or even longer. So when I go back to a column I might re-read what I wrote and decide to edit it for some reason or other.

**Q.** I have some children and I want to make them some gifts. Can I do this without having to file a gift tax return?

**A.** In 2011 and in 2012, you can make gifts of up to \$13,000 to anyone and you do not have to file a gift tax return (the return is known as the I.R.S. Form 709). If a spouse joins in the gift, it can be doubled or up to \$26,000. This is known as the annual exclusion for gifts. You can give away more than \$13,000 per person, but if you do that,

then you will have to file I.R.S. Form 709. After giving away a total of \$1,000,000 (not counting the \$13,000 annual exclusion) amount, you will have to pay a gift tax to the I.R.S.

**Q.** What is the estate tax amount?

**A.** I assume you mean what is the amount someone can have in his or her estate, at death, before having to pay estate taxes. In 2011, the amount is \$5,000,000. However, in 2012, the amount goes to \$5,120,000. An accountant should calculate the amount one would have to pay unless you are completely familiar with estate tax laws.

**Q.** What kind of law work do you do?

**A.** I concentrate my law practice in the following areas: wills, trusts, probate, simple and complex estate planning for adults, primarily but by no means exclusively for those over age 55. Also, I concentrate my law practice in real property and title insurance matters as well as asset protection planning for professionals and retired professionals.

I consider myself a generalist. I am licensed to practice throughout all of Florida but the vast majority of my clients are in Pinellas, Marion, Hillsborough, Manatee and Sarasota Counties.

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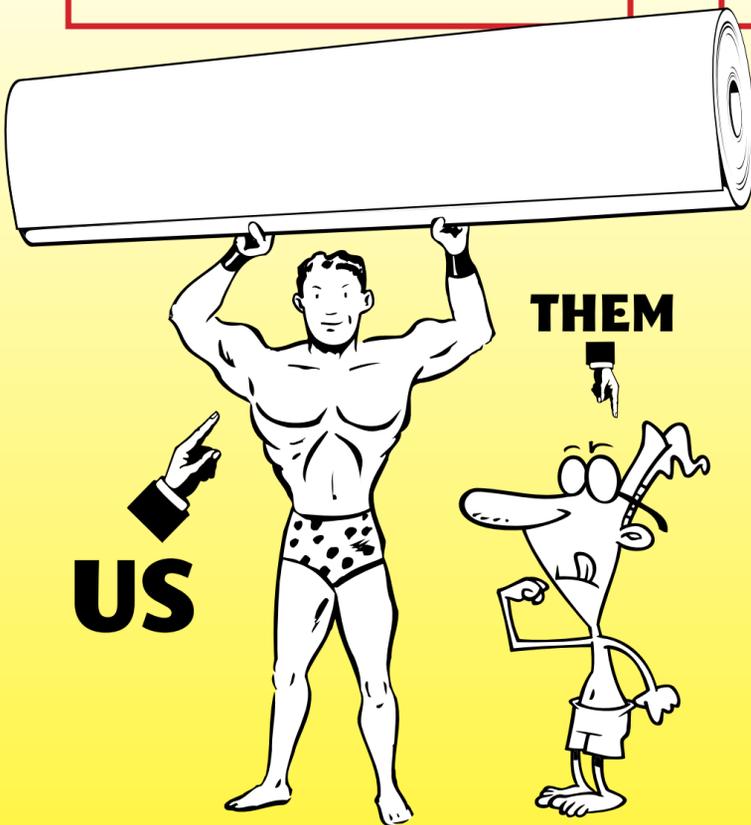
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## All Around Our World

By Lynette Vermillion

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and is ready to start a new year with new goals for the coming year. We wish you a wonderful 2012, filled with happiness, success and good health.

### 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 Jan. 18 this month. Customer Service may be reached by phone: 236-OTOW (6869); e-mail: otowservice@otowfl.com; or in person by visiting Suite 200, in Friendship Commons.

The Customer Service office will be closed Monday, Jan. 2, in observance of New Year's Day. We will reopen for regular business hours on Tuesday, Jan. 3.

Customer Service is a one-stop shop. For those who may not be aware, at Customer Service you may:

- apply for a modification;
- submit a work order;
- rent a storage or RV space;
- obtain your resident I.D. or decal;
- pay your Bay Laurel Center CDD bill;
- pay your Digital Communications Media (DCM) bill or discuss the latest package offerings;
- sign up for automatic debit;
- have a multitude of questions answered including those regarding your water bill;
- purchase On Top of the World license plates;
- peruse the posters to see what's happening in the community;
- review paint schemes for your

- home;
- obtain a list of vendors who have provided proof of insurance and proper license, if required;
- and the list goes on and on.

So, if you are ever in doubt as to whether Customer Service handles something or not, please feel free to stop by, because more than likely they do.

### Contact Information

Next time you are in Customer Service, please make sure we have an up-to-date phone number for you in our service database. Some residents have changed out their phones and replaced with either cell phones or Voice over Internet Protocol (VOIP). New residents may not have had their permanent phone number when they were set up.

While you are there, if you have not updated your emergency contact information, please do so.

### Association Meetings

Annual meetings were held in December for Circle Square Ranch Master Association, On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association, Candler Hills Neighborhood Association and Indigo East Neighborhood Association.

Operational challenges, traffic safety, insurance costs, community improvements, and the number of enforcements issued were among the topics of discussion.

### Holiday Decorations

Please make sure that all holiday decorations are removed by Jan. 16. Live Christmas trees may be placed at the curb in front of your home for pick-up on your community's regularly scheduled debris pick-up day. Please do not put out debris prior to 7 p.m. the night before your day of pickup.

### Golf

If you play golf and end up hitting a ball into a resident's backyard, please do not drive your cart or walk into their yard or climb over the fence to retrieve the ball. The out of bounds marks the boundary of

the golf course and golfers should not trespass onto private property of a resident to retrieve a ball without permission to do so.

### Lawn Furnishings

The Community Standards provide information on lawn furnishings, ornaments and accessories, which were discussed at the recent homeowner association meetings. Residents were concerned that the standard was not being enforced throughout the community and should be. They were advised that we would be enforcing the lawn furnishing violations once the holiday ornaments were removed.

The excerpt below is taken directly from the Community Standards. We ask that each of you please take a look at your lawn and landscape and bring your home in compliance if needed.

"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:

- Only one large item over 18-inches in height and two small items under 18-inches in height are permitted to be installed on any one home site (oversized statues are not one-size-fits-all and may be disapproved).
- Each birdhouse, birdbath, bird feeder and large rock counts as one large item (with the exception that rocks included in the original landscape shall be exempt).
- 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.
- One 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.
- One hanging plant, attached to tree, in an approved manner that does not result in damage to the tree may be permitted.
- No lawn furnishings, ornaments or accessories may be placed in any common area.
- Outdoor furniture properly sized and in proportion for the location may be approved."

### Getting Ready for the Cold

Winter is here and even though we are experiencing warmer than normal tem-

peratures, I'm sure that the colder weather is right around the corner. That being said, cold temperatures can have an effect on your backflow preventer. Have you seen Phillip Hisey demonstrate how to winterize your backflow preventer? If not, please check the "Homeowner Maintenance" tab on [www.otowinfo.com](http://www.otowinfo.com) to watch Phillip's demonstration and read more details about how to winterize your backflow preventer and protect it from freezing temperatures.

### Indigo East Gateway

The Indigo East community is unique in that they may choose to opt in or out of the Gateway of Services. For those Indigo East residents wishing to enjoy the amenities behind the gates, a Gateway of Services is necessary.

Several payment options are available when you sign up: monthly automatic debit from your checking, savings or credit card; one time check or credit card payment; or quarterly payments with a quarterly processing fee. If you would like more information regarding the Gateway of Services or if you would like to sign up, please contact Customer Service for an appointment.

### Shopping Carts

We have received several complaints that a few residents are pushing shopping carts from the nearby grocery stores into the community and then leaving them on the sidewalk. The shopping carts are the private property of the store; we ask that you please do not bring the shopping carts into the community.

### Single Stream Recycling

Single stream recycling started in the community a couple of years ago at the SW 90th Street post office and quickly spread to other sites. It has been popular and we have had plenty of positive feedback from residents. If you haven't taken time to check out this convenient and easy form of recycling, you should do so, it will save you money in the long run. Many materials can be recycled and the good news is that everything goes into one bin - no sorting required! Just look for the container that states, "single stream recycling." Please do not include:

- glass such as light bulbs, ceramics or mirrors;
- aluminum products such as aerosol cans;
- plastic bags.

Plastic containers must be numbered one to seven on the bottom of the container and all cardboard must be broken down. Please rinse all containers and remove lids. Please follow the guidelines on the sign, refer to [www.ontopoftheworldinfo.com](http://www.ontopoftheworldinfo.com) or pick-up information at Customer Service.

### Pet Waste

The subject has been discussed many times - picking up after your animals - however it continues to be an ongoing problem in the community. 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. Pet waste should not be disposed of in the street drains as these flow to the retention areas where the waste will lay until physically removed.

If feces are left, it makes for very unpleasant conditions for other residents and the maintenance crews. It is also a potential hazard. Pet waste also carries bacteria and parasites, which can be harmful. Flies may also spread the bacteria and parasites when not properly disposed of. The community rules require it, therefore we ask everyone to pick up after their animal and properly dispose of the waste.

Best wishes to all of you in the New Year and good luck with those New Year goals.

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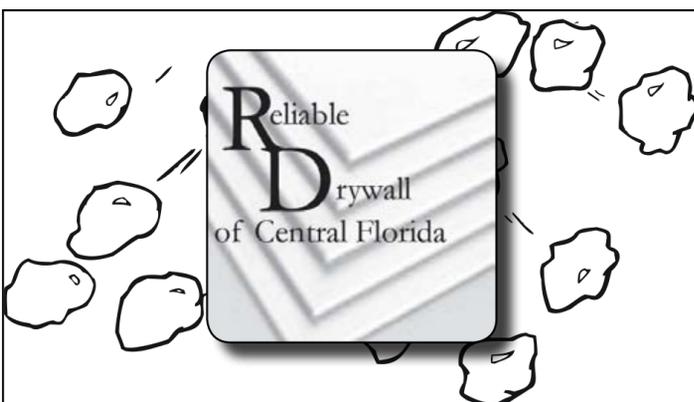
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### Keeping It Green

By Phillip B. Hisey

This winter has been unseasonably warm. With the temperatures hanging around the 70s and 80s, the environment has been perfect for fungal development and it's starting to show up everywhere. The University of Florida has a Rapid Turf Diagnosis Service available to anyone. The service is \$75 and will diagnose turf problems and provide accurate details on how to control the problem. The results typically take three days.

I mention this to remind everyone that fungal pathogens can be severely detrimental to landscape turf grass if not treated in a timely manner. Most likely, residents will see an increase in disease pressure and problem spots in the turf this spring if temperatures do not decrease, lowering the soil temperature to a less favorable temperature for fungal development.

The problems people are seeing now, and will see in the spring, will be two or three-dimensional. The diseases that could possibly be found in sampling will be Pythium, Brown Patch Fungus and Take All Root Rot. The good news is ... all of these are controllable and/or preventable. Below is a list of preventative steps to take and how to approach these problem areas in your lawn.

First of all, back off on your watering. You need to be watering once per week and if you have the new ET Rain Sensor the irrigation system schedule should be reduced according to the solar radiation, temperature and humidity.

Secondly, raise the mower deck height and mow the areas infected last. By removing more than 1/3 the leaf surface at mowing you are effectively removing the amount of Photosynthetic capacity the plant has. Photosynthesis is the process for which plants make food. Mowing the areas last will help in not spreading the diseased areas.

Finally, avoid fertilizing the areas where infection is noticed. Fertilization of infected areas can lead to increased damage.

Okay, so now that you have an idea on how to keep it from spreading, I will tell you how to control it. Pythium aphanidermatum is a fungus that causes root rot. There are probably several methods of control for this fungus but the University of Florida recommends the use of Subdue

Maxx or a product with the active ingredient mefenoxam. This is a systemic fungicide that is specifically labeled for Pythium Blight Fungi and should be treated in 10-21 day intervals. Read the label and treat accordingly if you are treating yourself.

The Brown Patch Fungus is caused by the Rhizoctonia solani fungus. It is controllable and often caused by over watering. This fungus is more prevalent in wetter winters and 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.

The last of the trio is the Take All Root Rot. This is caused by the fungi Gaeumannomyces graminis var. graminis. The disease is typically found on all warm season turf grass roots and generally becomes a problem with environmental factors conducive to the further development of the fungi. The symptoms of this disease are the yellow patches in the lawn that we have all seen. 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. Stress on turf grass can be from many factors; mowing height, proper watering, and proper fertility are the key factors. Also, try to avoid herbicide applications to St. Augustine lawns.

The recommended treatment method for these fungi is the use of T-Storm or a product with an active ingredient of thiophanate-methyl. Read the label and treat accordingly if you are treating yourself.

Heritage is a great fungicide to use with Brown Patch and has proven to be a great measure for control. Headway is also a great fungicide and will assist with the control of all pathogens listed in this article.

Preventative control is the key to any disease. Cultural practices should create environments that are not conducive for fungal development. We cannot change the rainfall amounts or the temperatures we receive but we can prevent most, if not all, of these diseases from occurring. If diseases are expected, make sure you are following the proper cultural practices. Check your mowing height, irrigation and proper fertility.

All of these should all be carefully examined before chemical controls are applied. Before making any applications read the label entirely to fully understand the limitations of the products and alternate mode of action listed on the label to avoid resistance to the product.

I hope you had a great holiday season.



### 100 Grandparents

By Eleonora Buba

Happy New Year! Congratulations ... you made it through another holiday season ... whew! So much preparation and it's over so quickly! Hopefully all who traveled north have returned safely and are settling back into the moderate temps.

Dec. 8 at Romeo Elementary was like the "Night Before Christmas;" all the grandparents were laden with surprises and treats, in anticipation of the children's faces they would soon greet.

The Secret Santa Shop held by the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) and assisted by several grandparents was available for two weeks. One of our grandparents, Margitta Claterbos, shared an excellent tip with us. For her classroom each year, she gives each child a "coupon" valued at a certain amount that they can use at the Secret Santa Shop. She gives a check to the principal to cover the total amount of coupons. This way, no one in her classroom is left out. A really good idea!

Following our classroom time, we were given a tour of Romeo's new science lab. Making good use of a vacant portable classroom, Romeo's faculty outfitted the space with existing materials, such as tables for experiments and metal cabinets to house resource materials for earth, life and physical science.

One of our grandparents, Pat Russell, initiated a project to purchase metal microscopes to replace the small plastic ones currently in use. The school needs 18 for the science lab at a cost of \$70 each. It was heartwarming to see how many grandparents immediately stepped up and contributed. Pat is reaching out to everyone.

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She has even e-mailed John Travolta for a donation! If you would like to donate to the microscope project, please contact Pat at 237-9712.

As you know, you can deposit aluminum pop tops and education labels in the designated drawer of the Health & Recreation Building lobby. Romeo Elementary turns these in and receives educational supplies. Just a reminder - please be sure to save the full label or box top that states it is for education. Some of the education labels include the UPC code. We really appreciate your efforts in this cause.

The Backpack program can use juices, cereals, snack bars; pop top canned goods, crackers, peanut butter, jelly, macaroni & cheese, canned or plastic containers of fruit, etc. These may be delivered to Elliott & Marlyn Barbours' home (8680-H SW 94th Street) and placed in a tote located on their front porch. The Barbours deliver the food to the church where the backpacks are assembled for Romeo and Dunnellon Elementary children. The filled backpacks are returned to the schools on Fridays. Hard as it is to believe, this is the only food that many of these children eat the entire weekend. It is only through your generosity and caring hearts that this program continues.

Our next grandparent visit is Jan. 12. If you want to get information about becoming a permanent or substitute grandparent, please contact Barbara Greenwood at 861-2539 for more information. It's easy, fun and very rewarding!

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The Pub	8 am - 3 pm Normal Hours	CLOSED	CLOSED	8 am - 3 pm Normal Hours
Candler Hills Golf	7 am - 5 pm Normal Hours	6:30 am - 3 pm	8 am - 2 pm	7 am - 5 pm Normal Hours
OTOW Golf	7 am - 5 pm Normal Hours	6:30 am - 3 pm	8 am - 2 pm	7 am - 5 pm Normal Hours
Home Sales	9 am - 5 pm Normal Hours	Closing time based on traffic	CLOSED	9 am - 5 pm
The Ranch	5:30 am - 8 pm Normal Hours	7 am - 2 pm NO CLASSES	CLOSED	5:30 am - 9 pm Normal Hours
MTP	8 am - 4 pm Normal Hours	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
CSCC	11 am - 2 pm Normal Hours	11 am - 2 pm Normal Hours	CLOSED	CLOSED
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## COMMUNITY NEWS & UPDATE

By Kenneth D. Colen, Publisher

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deed, a lifelong journey.

The expanded winter/spring catalog is included in this issue of the World News to ensure that everyone knows about these opportunities ... even if you picked one up earlier at the Education Center. This edition has over 500 classes and presentations that will occur from January through May.

Be advised that there will be even more programs and classes announced later. Master the Possibilities will continue to offer and add classes that come up after the publication of the catalog. These will be marketed via emails, announcements and word of mouth. Keep connected for the latest news ... e-mail alerts are the most efficient way to do this ... as is online registration. Remember to sign up for e-mail alerts on the homepage (masterthepossibilities.com).

The breath and depth of these classes coupled with faculty expertise are indeed impressive. It is our hope that you will begin in the New Year, and Master the Possibilities' seventh year of operation, with an intellectual curiosity that finds satisfaction in our classrooms, lab and studios. See you in class!

### Other Updates

The traffic signal slated for SW 80th Avenue and SW 80th Street is in final review by the Marion County Transportation Department. Conflicts with underground utilities have been resolved. At this juncture, we cannot offer a firm start date. More information will be available to update everyone on this much-needed improvement in my next column.

Progress Energy will be adding an additional underground line from their substation south of SR 200, north along SW 80th Avenue and terminate at SW 80th Street. Work will begin after January 2012. Please use caution while driving in this area during construction.

Looking back over the last 12 months, we were really pretty busy updating the recreational amenities. The Arbor Club

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indoor pool deck was resurfaced and accessibility was enhanced as well as a new heater in the Arbor Club indoor pool. The last two Arbor Club tennis courts were resurfaced with the 10-ply Plexi-cushion surface.

At the Health & Recreation Building, we updated the men and women's whirlpools, changed the flooring in the Fitness Center and added three new pieces of fitness equipment. New grills were added at the pavilion and we added the dog park pavilion and resurfaced the parking area.

At the SW 90th Street post office area, we added a restroom and repainted the basketball courts. We added a new piano at the Health & Recreation Building as well as Arbor Club. Lastly, we purchased a new community bus.

### Circle Square Cultural Center

The entertainment line-up at the Circle Square Cultural Center for the first half of 2012 has been released and is available on [www.csculturalcenter.com](http://www.csculturalcenter.com). We are excited about some of the biggest acts we have booked to date coming to our community in January.

On Jan. 6, The Diamonds will "rock the house!" On Jan. 13, Lovin' Spoonful will take us back to some happy memories; and on Jan. 19, we welcome Kid Fiddlers who display amazing talent.

On Jan. 21, don't miss the annual free Health & Wellness Expo. Once again, we are expanding this event to include The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa that will simultaneously host an open house - everyone is invited! Also, the fitness team for On Top of the World Communities and The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa, led by Cammy Dennis, will provide fitness demonstrations on the Circle Square Cultural Center stage.

Wrapping up the month, on Jan. 28, is The Duprees.

### The Town Square

The Farmer's Market continues on hiatus until March 1, at which time it will reopen during morning hours. Watch for upcoming details.



### Food For Thought

By Don Hall

For many, the New Year is a time to take stock of their situations and if needed make a resolution to either fix a problem or achieve a goal that has eluded them in the previous year. Many times the resolution is set in such a way it becomes unachievable and unrealistic and failure is quick and obvious.

Over the past few weeks, we in the hospitality department have spent time reflecting on this past year and what we wanted our continued focus to be. As we are, everyone is feeling the pinch of the economic situation. Thirty years in this business and I have never witnessed this dramatic of an increase in the cost of our raw products and it has affected every aspect of our business. And there is no clear end in sight.

So, we decided to make a New Year's resolution that counts not only to us as individuals but for our guests and residents also. As much as we wish we could, we certainly can't control the markets that provide our products but what we can control is the way we handle ourselves. So having said that, our focus will be:

- **RESOLUTION #1:** We are going to continue our efforts on providing the best possible services that we can to our residents and guests.
- **RESOLUTION #2:** We are going to

continue providing the highest quality food items, menu choices and drinks to our residents and guests.

- **RESOLUTION #3:** We are going to do this each and every day at every location, in every situation, at all times.
- **RESOLUTION #4:** Look for every opportunity, obvious or not, to achieve the first three resolutions.
- **RESOLUTION #5:** Be sincere in the service that we deliver.

There will be some menu changes at Candler Hills starting this month. We are going to be adding a selection of "flatbread" pizzas to our menu. Dropping off of the menu will be the "spuds" selections.

The most exciting change will be Chef Todd's sundowner menu. There will be entrees priced from \$8.99 and they will be available Monday through Saturday, 3 p.m. until close.

There will be a few other changes and we hope you come out to see them.

For The Pub, there will be the addition of individual pizzas and we will continue with the daily specials, which have done very well to date.

Without getting too far ahead of ourselves, we are going to have a Mardi Gras night at Candler Hills Restaurant on Sunday, Feb. 19. Reservations will be accepted for preferred and elite members starting Jan. 30. All other reservations will be accepted starting Feb. 6. We are limiting this to the first 100 individuals. There will be food, entertainment, games of chance and maybe even some voodoo. I gar-on-tee you will have a great time.



### Community Emergency Response Team

By Patricia A. Woodbury

Ken Colen provided a wonderful luncheon at the Arbor Club on Monday, Dec. 12, in appreciation of the Community Patrol and CERT. Members of the Sheriff's Office were also in attendance.

At this luncheon, Patricia Woodbury, team leader, addressed the group regarding the accomplishments that CERT has made this past year. For the first time, the team was able to have actual drills from the Command Center at the Health & Recreation Building. They not only had developed a

disaster procedure but also incorporated ham radio operators from the community to work with the CERT members.

Pat recognized the members who helped make the accomplishments of this year possible, particularly the leadership team and the ham radio operators. She also acknowledged the help and support of the On Top of the World management and staff this past year.

A new training class for new CERT members is planned to begin Thursday, Feb. 16 either in the afternoon or evening at the Division of Emergency Management, Marion County Sheriff's Office, and main building 692 NW 30th Ave, Ocala. This is an eight-session course and interested persons should contact Bob Conn, trainer, at 812-0853, as soon as possible, for more information.

The next regular CERT meeting is scheduled for Jan. 10.

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 Pat at 854-8718.



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UPCOMING EVENTS:

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**SPCA**

By Maria Devine

Are there any woodworkers or carpenters out there willing to donate their time and labor for a worthy cause? Our cat welfare volunteer, Arlene, is converting an empty horse barn to a new foster facility for senior cats called Seniors Saving Seniors (SSS). This 24-foot x 60-foot building can be used as a temporary shelter for senior cats as they await new adoptive parents. If you have the ability to create individual "homes" for the shelter cats, please give Arlene a call at 875-9761. Also please give her a call if you have any extra cat condos or toys your cats no longer use.

The SPCA is still fostering three cats that need forever homes. Pumpkin is a seven-year-old black female, Kitten is a three-year-old tortoise female, and Ginger is a six-year-old red and white male. All three cats have come a long way in foster care with socialization to people and to each other. Please give the SPCA a call at 362-0985 to visit them and see if one or two is right for you.

The Animal Center would like us to highlight two dogs this month that would suit a senior individual or couple best. Faith is a sweet, small, tri-colored beagle.

At seven-years-old, Faith has a very calm demeanor and likes nothing better than to relax with you and will do so given any opportunity. Don't want to spend your day running around in a tizzy from one activity to the other? No problem - neither does Faith. She'll curl up beside you as you read a good book or sit next to you outside as you tend to your garden. Faith has arthritis in her left knee, but many of us can relate to that these days. Just ask your vet for advice on how to keep her comfortable.

Our next senior girl is Fifi, a 10-year-old black miniature poodle. What a lovely profile, eh? She is another sweet, calm doggie that would love to just sit in your lap and keep you warm on these cool winter nights that are coming up. Fifi has cataracts in both eyes, yet the rest of her body seems healthy. If you've been pining for a loveable snuggle companion, then Fifi is the answer to your prayers.

Faith's ID number is A061161 and Fifi's is A063433. Please give Animal Services their ID numbers when you call them at 671-8700. Both dogs 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 Animal Center at 5701 SE 66th Street. They are open Tuesday through Saturday and closed on Sunday and Monday. You can call for hours.

Our next meeting is Thursday, Jan. 19 in Suite H of the Arbor Conference Center, at 1 p.m. Why not start the New Year off right and join us?



**Ocala Clown Express**

By Kathy & Charlie Petrosky

We wish a happy and healthy New Year to one and all! With the New Year, we look forward to getting back to our hospital program. Our monthly nursing home visits start up again as well. So we are looking forward to a great new year of clowning.

Ocala Clown Express had a holiday party to celebrate the season. Can you picture a room full of clowns just being joyous? We did a gift exchange and were very creative this year. As Rosey Nosey read a story, we had to listen very carefully. Each time she said "left," we had to shift a gift to the left. Each time she said "right," the gift went to the right. At the end of the story, you got to keep the gift in front of you unless you wanted to make a trade. All had a great holiday time.

Did you see some of our clowns in the Christmas Golf Cart Parade? To continue the holiday spirit, some dressed up and decorated golf carts. A parade and clowns just seem to go together. We had a great time. Did we wave to you?

**Italian American Club**

By Jerome Cauda

Many members brought their lucky rabbit's foot with them for the day at the races. The Dec. 6 meeting proved to be a great success. Members were treated to special holiday desserts before taking part in a rousing group of horse races. Members all had a great time.

The rest of the year will consist of a spring pizza party in February or March and an end of season bang up picnic in May. Also the entertainment chairman has been busy scheduling interesting and entertaining groups for meetings throughout the year.

**A LITTLE BIT OF ITALY:** Even though Christmas is celebrated in Italy, Dec. 25 is a religious holiday. The giving of gifts takes place in January on the Feast of Three Kings. That's when Witch Belfina visits the children. The good ones receive gifts of fruit and sweets, while the bad ones get coal.

The next scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday, Jan. 3; at 3 p.m. Refreshments will be available at 2:30 p.m. A board meeting is scheduled for the latter part of January; members will be notified of time and place.

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# Residents Decorate the Community

By Jim & Kay Chandler

If you've had a chance to visit the Health & Recreation Ballroom over the holidays, you were able to view Christmas decorations created by generous resident volunteers from throughout the community.

A group of residents met on Friday, Nov. 25, to erect and decorate a large Christmas tree and surround it with some clever decorations. Led by Shirley Schopf and Kay Chandler, the group also consisted of Tom and Rita Miller, Dick Wolfe, and Cindy Kreal.

In addition, 16 clubs and other groups from the community picked up wreaths from Kay in November, decorated them with original themes, and returned them on Nov. 26, to be hung around the Ballroom by Tom Miller.

Please take the time to thank any of these volunteers for their efforts. On Top of the World would not be such a great place without the efforts of our community volunteers.



## Karaoke Friends

By Vivian Brown

What a crowd! Some old friends and some new faces plus our regulars made for a wonderful evening.

We sang love songs, novelty songs, country as well as holiday and Christmas songs. There was a very happy feeling, as the music engulfed us and filled the room

with laughter.

I want to take this time to give special thanks to Charley and Kathy for the great equipment they provide, and Donnie sometimes too, that makes us all sound so good.

I want to tell you how very much you all have enriched my life, not only in song, but in friendship and caring and love. May God bless each and every one with good health and happiness.

Remember we meet the first and third Mondays at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F, from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Remember to keep on singing!



## Art Group

By Anne Merrick

Sylvia Willoughby invites us and our spouses or friends, if they wish, to lunch at her house each December. We all contribute a dish and Sylvia makes a special effort setting up her home with delicious appetizers and lovely china.

We had spiced apple cider and lemonade made with local lemons to drink. The meat dish was medallions of pork with apple gravy accompanied by Louisiana-style cornbread, bean salad, sweet potatoes, a cheesy potato dish and some I have missed. Dessert was pineapple cake, cheesecake and strawberries plus coffee. We ate and drank with gusto; some going back for more and everything was delicious. We really didn't need to eat again that day.

We are a very congenial group and were a little loud at one point. So much so that a Carolina wren set up a competing racket right outside the window, continuing for some time.

Thank you, Sylvia, for your hospitality. We look forward to next year already.

Over the years, artists have heard words that either inspired or crushed their artistic growth.

At a recent gathering for the Art Group, we shared some of the encouraging as well

as disparaging words we have heard during our art careers.

One art teacher told a member, "Don't continue pursuing art, you will never be an artist." Another was shown a coloring book picture where the neat and precise coloring stayed within the lines and was told "Now, this is art ...". Another was told, you have to put more paint on your brush ... as well as one being told "Stop painting portraits until you have completed 100 still life paintings."

A few artists complained that critical people looked for perfection ... or wanted to see a photograph reproduced before they would call it "art." The crusher for a lot of artists is the words, "Are you finished?" One of us was told, "You are getting so much better." It was her first acrylic painting ever. Some of the favorites were, "You would be good if ..." or "For a beginner, you are doing quite well" and "This is just a hobby, right?"

Other stories seem to suggest that there were people who just said the simple words of "I love what you just did" or "You are like a magician." Some shared that people exclaimed about the work they had done as bringing joy to the onlooker.

It is important to have the courage to keep on doing what you enjoy and not to take unwanted criticism too much to heart. Appropriate criticism is a wonderful thing and can help make your work so much better. It is nice if the timing is good when you get it.

Thursdays and Saturdays find us at the Art Room from 9 a.m.



## Model Railroaders

By Jim Devine

I hope you were able to join us at the On Top of the World Model Railroaders Club's Christmas train show on Wednesday, Dec. 28. I am predicting that the trains ran flawlessly, the club members were brilliant, and everyone had a wonderful time. I wonder if Santa made an appearance.

You may remember from prior articles that the club seriously considered building an O scale layout in the train room to join the already existing HO and N scale layouts. After considerable discussion, we decided that we did not have the space in the room for an O scale layout. We also recognized that trying to build an O scale layout at the same time we are continuing work on our already existing layouts would be spreading our resources too thin.

It's good to get some of our snowbirds back. They bring lots of new ideas and enthusiasm to the club, and help fire up everyone to get to work. A Christmas present that one of our members received was placed on the HO scale layout in early December.

The Drive 'n Dine fast food joint now stands right inside the door to the train room. The model has quite a lot of detail. If you look closely, you will see a giant ice cream cone on the roof, car hops (remember them?), bicycles parked outside, trashcans, and even a fire hydrant.

Installing the fast food joint required us to rearrange the models and false fronts that were up against the wall on that side of the layout. We also improved the scenery by putting down some foliage to eliminate the flat artificial look in that area. There's still more work to be done to improve our scenery both on the HO and N scale layouts. The N scale layout is especially overdue to have its scenery improved.

If you have been down to the train room recently, you have seen that we have wired some of the turnouts (i.e., the switches that allows trains to be directed onto another tracks) that could not be easily reached by hand. The wiring is temporary right now (the permanent wiring should be installed this winter). The club would like to thank Jim Lynam and Jim Loux for the work they did on this.

We are always looking for new members, you're welcome to join us in our train room on the first floor of the Health & Recreation Building near the Fitness Center. We work on the layout and do standard maintenance Tuesdays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Feel free to stop by.

Our monthly meetings are held at 9 a.m. on the first Wednesday of every month in Meeting Room #3 of the Craft Building.

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## Lions Club

By Eloise Hollyfield

As previously reported, the On Top of the World Lions Club, in partnership with Volunteers of America, has sponsored two rooms to be converted into living quarters at the Historic Ritz Inn for homeless veterans. Each of the living quarters accommodates two veterans.

On Nov. 16, the Lions Club members turned these two spaces into homes. On Top of the World Communities donated the furniture for the living quarters.

A/C Atina Self-Storage graciously provided storage space for materials until painting, etc., was completed by those contracted to address these needs.

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### Community Patrol

By Patricia A. Woodbury

Ken Colen provided a wonderful luncheon at the Arbor Club on Monday, Dec. 12, in appreciation of the Community Patrol and CERT. Members of the Sheriff's Office were also in attendance.

Patrol members enjoyed leading the community Golf Cart Parade on Dec. 14 right behind the Sheriff's car and motorcycle.

At our November meeting, Captain Burton reminded the members and all holiday shoppers to be alert to thieves in and around the shopping malls. The Sheriff's Office Stress Detail, with increased patrolling by the deputies, will be seen out on the streets during the holidays. He advises that if residents see a stranger in the community looking or acting in a suspicious manner, they should contact a deputy.

During this meeting, the members reviewed another section of the video "Its Your Sheriff's Office," on the SWAT Team. SWAT stands for Special Weapons and Tactics. There are approximately 20 members in SWAT. They are trained to handle hostage situations, barricaded gunman and assist drug enforcement units. Their goal is to save the lives of the officers as well as the citizens. They are a highly selected and well-trained team in physical agility and shooting proficiency with excellent equipment. They are the "911 for the police." There are three medical persons on the SWAT team. The film included a tour of the SWAT mobile unit.

The next meeting of the Community Patrol is Monday, Jan. 23.

Anyone interested in becoming part of our Community 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.



### Avalon Social Group

By Lorraine Rourke

We had a wonderful turn-out for our Christmas potluck - over 90 Avalon residents showed up to enjoy a delicious meal. Three couples who are new to the neighborhood joined us and countless old friends. We raffled off the 50/50, our centerpieces, Winn-Dixie gift cards and a lovely wooden pen and pencil set that Joe Hilchey made and donated (he sells these at the Tuesday craft sales in the Health & Recreation Ballroom). Thank you to all the volunteers who pitched in to help with setup.

Our January potluck is on the second Monday due to New Year's. So mark your calendars for Jan. 9. Bring a dish to share (appetizer, salad, fruit, bread, vegetable, casserole, meat, pasta, soup, no desserts), a serving utensil, and a non-alcoholic beverage. We meet at the Arbor Club Ballroom, at 5 p.m. for setup. Start time is 5:30 p.m. and we eat at 5:45 p.m. Not into cooking? Stop by the grocery store and pick up a prepared dish to bring.

Our 2012 events will be on Jan. 9, Feb. 6, March 5, April 2, May 7, June 4, Sept. 10, Oct. 1, Nov. 5 and Dec. 10. If you have any questions or ideas, call Lorraine at 390-2120.

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### Candler Connection

By Janet Wiles

Happy New Year to all Candler Hills residents! We hope this will be a year filled with fun, happiness, and good health for you, your family, and friends.

The Candler Connection Communications Committee will be conducting a new neighbor welcome session on Jan. 10. The purpose of this session is to introduce new residents of Candler Hills to each other and to familiarize them with all the programs available within Candler Hills, On Top of the World, Ocala, and Marion County. John Podkomorski who has been doing this very effectively for the last five years will conduct this hour and a half session. We are asking those residents, who receive this notice and have new neighbors who may not be on the e-mail list, to please notify them about this welcome session.

The Candler Connection Social Club board of directors announces that the annual election meeting for incoming board members will be held on Jan. 24; at 4 p.m. Refreshments and light snacks will be served. The On Top of the World Theatre Group will be providing the entertainment, which will include songs and comedy skits from their November show.

There are three two-year openings on

the board of directors. All residents of Candler Hills, both owners and renters, are eligible for election to the board. At the present time, current board members, Bob Scherff and Caroline Caprano, whose terms expire in January, have indicated that they will run again. Marilyn Lube, our communications chairperson, has indicated that she, too, will be running for the board. Anyone else who is interested in running should put together a brief resume of their past experience and submit it to Bob Scherff at bob.scherff@otowhomes.com. If anyone has any questions, please call Bob Scherff at 291-1505.

The Candler Connection Social Club is now offering the residents of our community the opportunity to purchase golf shirts with "Candler Hills" written above the "On Top of the World Communities" logo on the front left of the shirt. This is the first time that shirts of this type with this logo have been offered to the residents of Candler Hills. This is strictly a Candler Connection program and is not associated with On Top of the World. Go to [www.candlerconnection.org](http://www.candlerconnection.org), and select Section 4 Golf Shirts in the left column. The instructions, catalog, and order form are there for your use. Orders will be consolidated to submit to the manufacturer. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Scherff at 291-1505 or bob.scherff@otowhomes.com.

Thanks to everyone who attended the holiday party at Stone Creek. We all had a great time enjoying the music of LaCroix, the companionship of our neighbors, and some excellent food. Plans are underway,

but not finalized, for a Candler Social Committee Mardi Gras party on Feb. 19, at the Candler Hills Restaurant. The menu and entertainment being considered will make you think you are on Bourbon Street in New Orleans. Mark your calendars now and stay tuned for more news coming shortly.

The next potluck will be Monday, Jan. 30. This is a wonderful occasion to meet your neighbors. Those residents with last names beginning with A-C and T-Z should bring salads or vegetables; D-K, desserts or appetizers; L-F, main entrees. Label your dish with its name and ingredients, especially nuts, high sugar or salt contents, or even sugar substitutes, to assist people with dietary issues. Please start arriving at 5:30 p.m. to enjoy appetizers. Make sure you get a number for the table where you will be sitting.

The cost of \$1 covers eating utensils, plates, napkins, and decaf coffee. Volunteers are always needed to help with set up and clean up. To attend, contact Bev McCarthy at 854-9416 or bjtr6@yahoo.com to let her know how many will be attending, what dish you will be bringing, and if you can help with set up.

## The Movie Club Presents 'The Help'

By Mary Ehle

We will start off the New Year with a bang. The long-awaited movie, "The Help," is now out on DVD so we will show it on Sunday, Jan. 8, at 6 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom.

The movie is open to all residents and their overnight guests. The cost for non-members is \$2 per person, payable at the

door.

We are currently selling yearly memberships for \$6. This entitles you to 12 shows. Gee what a deal!

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**Winds of Windsor**

By Peter Wood

December at On Top of the World can really keep you hopping. So when I volunteered for this column, my strategy was to



Photo by Peter Wood

Luminaries on Dec. 13 in Windsor.

use very few words and a big accompanying photo.

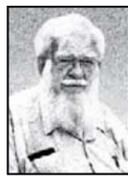
Speaking of volunteering for the Winds of Windsor columns, Walter Lamp really does a great job in coordinating this effort. Windsor now has approximately 50 homes. So, the way I look at it there are at least 100+ unique stories about the passages of life available here. So, Windsorites, for future columns, contact Walter with something you have always wanted to write about.

The photo shown is of our fourth annual luminary event held on Dec. 13, and

we will continue it each year. Our luminary event consumed approximately 1,300 candles for 50 homes ... imagine in the future what you might see driving through another December luminary event on the winding streets at Candler Hills, or Avalon or Providence!

This year our Loop reminded me of the soul touching beauty of night runway approaches in my old Cessna. That's a story for another time.

Windsor changed in a positive way in



**Stamp Club**

By David Groves

Our first club meeting in December began with an interesting and often humorous talk by Joe Rosinski who showed us several fascinating older envelopes bearing interesting U.S. stamps and cancellations.

Joe's envelopes or "covers" included a Mother's Day cover with Mother's Days stamps, dated May 13, 1934; an unusual Railroad Post Office cancel; a letter sent via Rattlesnake Island's Ford Tri-motor airmail; and a 200th anniversary of George Washington's Birthplace postmark.

At the same meeting, our General Francis Marion Stamp Club members elected Don Parcels as president, Larry Fahy as vice president and re-elected Jeff Howard as secretary and Joe Rosinski as treasurer.

Our stamp club - now with almost 60 members -celebrated over 20 years of the club's philatelic activities with a luncheon held at Ocean Buffet with record attendance by members and their spouses.

In appreciation for their activist roles in expanding the scope of the activities of our club, our immediate past president, John Renyhart and long-time member, Tom Weixmann, were elected life members of our stamp club.

December with returned snowbirds, noticeable increases in new home construction, the beginnings of "fall color" on the golden lawns (Zoyzia does that in the winter), great get-togethers and creative dinners.

I think all of us like living here for several reasons; some of them being a pleasant group of diversified people who enjoy like-minded people who strive to be physically fit and intellectually stimulated!

On Nov. 11, our club's special Ocala Veterans Day station souvenir envelope with a special cancellation and 11/11/11 cachet, "honoring all veterans, past and present" was available at Ocala post offices.

Almost unnoticed, the USPS issued its fourth "semi-postal" stamp. This stamp portrays an attractive Amur tiger cub (illustrated) whose habitat is in eastern Asia. In the 1940s, only 40 Amur tigers remained in the wild.

Regarding this stamp, the USPS explained, "Semi-postal means that it sells for a higher price than First Class stamps, with net proceeds (distributed through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service) benefitting a worthy cause; in this case, five conservation funds protecting six threatened species around the world: Asian and African elephants, great apes, rhinoceroses, tigers, and turtles."

Back to the future, the president of the Florida stamp dealers association, Sheldon Rogg, reported that dealers are enthusiastic about holding our 2012 Ocala Stamp Show on Sept. 8 and 9 at the Circle Square Cultural Center. For additional information, contact Stan Lander at Slander3@otow-homes.com or 369-8977.

We meet the first and third Wednesdays of the month, at 1 p.m., in the second floor conference room of the Bank of the Ozarks on SW State Road 200 and the SW 99th Street entrance to On Top of the World.

Monthly 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 our new stamp club brochure and a free "Guide to Stamp Collecting" kit, please contact Joe Rosinski by e-mail at jr8850@embarqmail.com or call him at 237-7366.

Now, if you would like additional information about the General Francis Marion Stamp Club, you are invited to visit our really informative new website at <http://ocalagfmstampclub.com> where you will find information on our history, calendar of meetings, officers, photo gallery, philatelic links, disposition of your stamp collection and much more!



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**Sewing Bees**

By Linda Lohr

Happy New Year everyone! I can still remember waiting for the year 2000, and here it is 12 years later. Time is flying by while we are having such a great time here at On Top of the World!

On Dec. 8, the Bees held their Christmas luncheon at Stone Creek Grille and enjoyed a great lunch and grab bag exchange.

The Sewing Bees have a mission: to bring some comfort to the many abused, abandoned and neglected children of Marion County. To this end, we have donated 1,304 items during 2011! This includes our comfort quilts, carrying totes, pillows, stuffed animals, ditty bags and 50 Christmas stockings filled with goodies and a handmade fleece hat. This amount is larger than last year, which is a credit to all the hard work of our fantastic Bees.

We could not accomplish all that we do without the contributions of the residents here and throughout the community. Your generosity is amazing and deeply appreciated.

If you are interested in helping the children, please stop by our "hive" on Thursdays, from noon to 3:30 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, fiberfill or batting cluttering up your closets, please consider donating the materials to the Sewing Bees. We will put it to good use!

Please contact Marcy at 854-1181, or LeeAnn at 854-7205, for more information. As always, we and the children thank you for all your support.



**Knit Wits**

By Rita Miller

Between the summer of 2011 and March of 2012, knitters and crocheters from across the USA will contribute thousands of handmade scarves to 40 participating Special Olympics winter programs.

The scarves are created and donated by school children, community centers, church groups and knitting groups such as the Knit Wits. The colors chosen by the 2012 Special Olympics Scarf Committee were soft navy and cherry red. The scarves can be either crocheted or knitted from Red Heart yarn ... one of the corporate sponsors of the project. To keep them uniform, they must use only the two colors selected, be 60 inches long and six inches wide.

The Knit Wits along with a few members of the Sewing Bees recently made and sent 12 scarves to the Pennsylvania Winter Games where athletes will compete in cross country skiing, snow shoeing, speed skating, figure skating and Alpine skiing. Special Olympics athletes, coaches, families, volunteers and supporters will wear them with pride knowing they have become part of the Special Olympics family.

The Knit Wits are already wondering what next year's colors will be and which state will receive our gifts since Florida does not participate in the Winter Games. If any of you are interested in participating next year, drop by the Card Room in the Health & Recreation Building on Tuesdays, from 9 to 11 a.m. or call Rita Miller (237-6660) for information.

Or, if you just enjoy knitting, have a project you're stuck on, or looking for a particular pattern, stop and see us in 2012. In the meantime, knit one, purl two.



**Artistic Crafts & Gifts**

By Loretta Troutman

We were pleased with the number of people who came up to the Health & Recreation Ballroom to shop, see the pretty decorations and to participate in our three "giveaway" drawings during December.

At this time, I can only talk about the results of the first of our three "giveaway" drawing dates in December. The results of the Dec. 6 drawing of tickets for gifts given by individual crafters were as follows:

- Charlotte Erickson won the lovely necklace and earrings from Helen Solan.
- Grace Hansen won the greeting card package given by Carol Smith.
- Adele Stilljes won the handmade potholders from Jackie Nolte.
- Becky Redecker won the towel set.

I will give you the results of the Dec. 13 and Dec. 20 "giveaway" ticket drawings in the next issue of the World News. Thank you for visiting us. We hope you enjoyed seeing the beautiful handmade items displayed by our crafters and that you will tell your friends that we are in the Health & Recreation Ballroom every Tuesday from 9 a.m. to noon.

We wish you good health and happiness in the New Year.

**Sunshine Quilters**

By Tekla Krause

Sew you want to quilt? Here is an interesting way to start the New Year. The Sunshine Quilters will be offering beginning quilting classes starting the third week of January. These will be very basic classes filled with information for new quilters and for those of us who would like to brush up on the basics. These classes will be taught by different members and is open to all residents of On Top of the World. For registering and more information, please call Renee Aden at 861-9951 or Lana Kuler at

(903) 407-5116.

Our Christmas party was a great time with delicious food for all held at the Oasis Restaurant. We welcomed our incoming officers for 2012. Lana Kuler will be president. She hails from Texas with a vast experience in both quilting and working in organizations. Other officers include Margaret Miller, vice president; Jeanette Wroblewski, treasurer; and Pat Szabo, secretary.

We are looking forward to another year of quilting fun and new ideas. If you'd like to join us, you are welcome to stop by any Tuesday around 10 a.m. in the Art Room. Our business meeting is held the first Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m.

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**Rubber Stamp Greeting Cards**

By Bev Taylor

What a fun time we had at our December meeting. Lynn England was our member designer. She brought us five projects all cut out and individually bagged. All we had to do was some stamping and assemble according to the samples she provided.

The first was a card with an embossed background and three stockings attached to the front. A sentiment was stamped on a provided label and a frame of contrasting paper was glued around the sentiment.

We next made a gift cardholder. She

provided the paper pieces and the words joy to decorate the front. I'm sure we will all be able to use this!

Next was a round ornament shaped card. A gold cut out angel was provided to place on the front. A ribbon to go through the hanger and a sentiment for the inside completed this card.

We next assembled a box with attached handles. It was decorated with a pleated flower, brad and ticket. How nice for a small gift for someone special.

Our final card was a black and white birthday card with red accents. We always need extra of this type of card.

Kudos to Lynn for all her prepping for this meeting. What a nice gift she gave to all of us.

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**Larry's Fit Tips**

By Larry Robinson

The New Year is here along with resolutions to start exercising. Making a commitment is at the forefront of improving your health and wellbeing. Whether you are starting an exercise program or you just need some help to revamp your old workout, why not make a commitment here at your Health & Recreation Fitness Center? Free orientation classes are offered every Tuesday at noon.

If you need more instruction, motivation and accountability, we have several fitness classes to choose from and we even have personal training services available to assist you.

We have all heard or used similar excuses for not sticking with an exercise program: "I'm too busy," "Exercise is boring," "It's too confusing." Sixty percent of Americans don't get enough exercise and 25% don't exercise at all. Here are some other reasons people don't exercise and suggestions for how to overcome them:

- Can't stick with it. Accountability is critical for success; find a workout-buddy, pack your gym bag the night before and leave it by the door and/or join a support group.
- Seeking immediate changes. This is especially true for weight loss. Extra body fat isn't put on overnight, and it won't come off overnight. Patience is important, along with a realistic wellness goal.
- It falls low on the priority list. Your health and wellbeing should be high on your list of priorities so

**ARBOR CLUB FITNESS SCHEDULE**

Effective Jan. 1

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-9:45	Deep Water	Shallow Water	Deep Water	Shallow Water	Deep Water
Arbor Club	Aerobics*	Aerobics*	Aerobics*	Aerobics*	Aerobics*
Indoor Pool	Larry	Barbara	Larry	Barbara	Jessica
9:30-10:30	Yoga*		Yoga*		
Arbor Club	Stuart		Mary Pat		
Ballroom					

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\*Denotes a fee-based class - Fitness Pass required

Deep water participants are expected to have their own belt for class

make the time for your physical activities by scheduling them just as you would any other important appointment.

- The motivation to exercise, which is high at the beginning of a new year fades quickly. Look for the many ways that exercise improves your life from the very first day; you sleep better, you reduce your stress, you make new friends and you feel better about yourself!
- It hurts. A lot of people try to do too much too soon and end up getting sore or hurting themselves. The solution is to start slow and celebrate your success with small progressions in exercise intensity, frequency and duration.

The American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons reports that regular physical activity helps to enhance muscle and joint function, maintain bone strength, and reduce the risk of heart attacks and strokes.

Sedentary aging can cause older adults to lose ground in four areas that are extremely important for maintaining function and independence; strength, balance, flexibility, and endurance.

**FIT TIP #1:** If you are beginning an exercise program, get an okay from your healthcare provider, and start slowly to avoid injuries.

**FIT TIP #2:** Set a realistic goal. For example if you want to lose weight, a one to two

pound loss per week would be a realistic goal. Along with being realistic your goals should also be specific and measurable. For example, "I intend to lose 15 pounds by April 1 of 2012."

**FIT TIP #3:** Put your goal where you can see it every day; on the fridge or on your bathroom mirror. Stay accountable to your wellness goal and improve the quality of your life in this New Year!



**Back at The Ranch**

By David Gibas

Are you looking to kick off the New Year with a results-orientated fitness program?

Unfortunately, statistics from several studies on exercise adherence indicate that approximately 50 percent of individuals who start a self-monitored exercise program will drop out of that program within six months. The reason is that we tend to have unrealistic expectations. We drift away from our resolution when we do not expect

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A realistic goal that is specific and measurable is a critical step in your commitment to get fit. Once your goal is in place you will need to stay motivated and accountable to keeping up with your workouts. A fitness plan is simple by design, but difficult by nature. Human behavior is complex and changing that behavior is hard.

We are here to help! The Ranch now offers a premium fitness membership, which includes personal coaching. Personal coaching was designed to combat the obstacles that keep most people from achieving the results they want. Your personal coach provides goal setting and program design but, most importantly, keeps you motivated and accountable to get the results you want! The personal coaching schedule is flexible with morning, evening, and weekend options. See the front desk for details.

Kick off the New Year with Zumba Jam! The Ranch is very excited to partner with The March of Dimes for this exciting event on Saturday, Jan. 21, at 12:30 p.m., at The Town Square. If you're a Zumba fanatic or love to dance, you won't want to miss the high energy and rousing rhythms of this mega class. The Ranch's amazing Zumba team will lead you in this New Year's celebration. A small donation of \$5 will gain you entry into this awesome dance party. All proceeds will go to The March of Dimes.

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**Fitness Happenings**

By Cammy Dennis

**Racquetball Clinics**

Health & Recreation offered two free racquetball clinics back in September under the leadership of Andy Pawlowski an AmPRO (American Professional Racquetball Organization) certified instructor. Andy's generous volunteer instruction has been an exciting catalyst for drawing new players to the sport here at On Top of the World.

Andy returned to Health & Recreation in October and November to follow up with an enthusiastic group of residents who attended the first clinics and are continuing to play on a weekly basis. This entire group of new racquetball players consists of women, way to go ladies!

Most of the women in the new ladies racquetball group have never played racquetball before. The few women who have had previous racquetball experience are helping the others with the game as they refresh their own skills.

After talking with several of the women in the group regarding what drew them to try racquetball, the consensus is clear; they wanted to seek out a new challenge. I was especially pleased to hear this statement by Bobby Roeder, "I feel changing the challenge every once in a while is good for the body and mind." Challenging your body and brain in new ways is important to keep muscles strong and minds sharp. Learning a new sport is perfect for both.

Andy has been very generous in sharing his time and talent with the new racquet-

ball group. The ladies have pointed out to me that he is very patient and really knows how to teach the sport; he works with them as a group and also individually.

Betty Thayer noted, "racquetball is a challenging sport but we have fun while playing and can laugh at our mistakes. There are a great bunch of ladies who play so it's exciting to learn something new and enjoy it at the same time."

The ladies play racquetball every Wednesday at 1 p.m., and Andy comes in the last Wednesday of every month to continue with his instruction.



A few of On Top of the World's ladies racquetball group from left to right; Andy Pawlowski, Bobby Roeder, Mary Osborne, Barbara Enos, Betty Thayer and Marj Groover.



**Bloodmobile**

By Sara Sommer

We had a beautiful day on Dec. 5 for the latest blood drive. I am pleased to list the names of the local heroes who saved Lives: Kathleen Becker, Linda Blewitt, George Borgia, Eleanora Buba, Donnamarie Castellano, Kay Chandler, Robert Cura, Carol Deahl, Michael Deahl, Nancy Dunne, Art Dushary, Kathleen Dushary, Louise Fazenbaker, Nancy Frank, Patrick Frechette, Os-

car Joseph, Robert Kawalec, Marilyn Kelley, Vincent Kelley, Edward LaLonde, Beth Linguri, Jeannie Maire, Audrey Mangan, Leonard Price, Joan Rappa, Virginia Rivers, Patricia Russell, Darlene Schimelfanick, Raymond Schimelfanick, John Searls, Sara Sommer, Linda Toner, William Vaughn, Barbara Weyres, and John Wilson. What a great job!

Our next drive is Feb. 6, from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Florida Blood Centers is merging with two other groups as of January 2012. We will join a group from the Miami area and the Tampa area. I don't know what the new name will be. We will be the largest blood center in Florida. We will still be the sole provider of blood to Marion County hospitals. Keep watching this column for updates.

**HEALTH & RECREATION FITNESS SCHEDULE**

Effective Jan. 1

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:00 Aerobics Rm	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video	Oxycise-Video
8:00-8:50 Aerobics Room	Cardio Mix Jessica	Strength & Stretch Cammy	Cardio-Kick & Tone Jessica	Strength & Stretch Cammy	Dance Party Jessica
9:00-9:50 Aerobics Room	Core and More Jessica	Tai Chi Mary Pat	Stretch for the Stars Jessica	Chair Yoga Jennifer	Strictly Strength Larry
10:00-10:45 Aerobics Room	Balanced Body Jessica	'KB KB' Kick boxing Han	Balanced Body Jessica	'KB KB' Kick boxing Han	Balanced Body Marie
10:45-11:30 Aerobics Room	Light Aerobics Jessica		Light Aerobics Jessica		S.O.S. Larry
10:45-11:30 H&R Ballroom					Light Latin Dunia
11:45-12:30 Aerobics Room	Get Fit While You Sit Kitti		Get Fit While You Sit Kitti		Get Fit While You Sit Dunia
12:00-1:00 Fitness Center		Fitness Center Orientation		Balance Assessments**	

Come to the Zumba Jam on Saturday, Jan. 21, at 12:30 p.m. at The Town Square! Only \$5 per person.

\*\*Balance Assessments are free! Please call for a reservation at 387-7534.

If you're looking for a new activity to kick off the year stop by and meet the ladies racquetball group. Bring your racquet (or borrow one of ours!) and some protective eyewear and give this great sport a try.

I would like to extend a very special thanks to Andy Pawlowski and Elton Autwell for their continued support of our new racquetball group. Elton is an On Top of the World resident and an accomplished racquetball competitor.

**FITNESS HAPPENINGS:**

- Friday, Jan. 20 at 11:30 a.m., The Biggest Loser, 6-week weight loss program at Health & Recreation Meeting Room #2, \$10 to participate.
- Saturday, Jan. 21 from 10 a.m. to

2 p.m., Health & Wellness Expo at Circle Square Cultural Center.

- Saturday, Jan. 21, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., Zumba Jam at The Town Square, \$5 to participate.
- Wednesday, Jan. 25 at noon, Get Results Now wellness seminar at The Ranch Fitness Center, free and open to the public.
- Thursday, Jan. 26 at 11 a.m., Wellness Through the Connection of Body and Mind at Master the Possibilities.
- Saturday, Jan. 28 at 11:30 a.m., Get Results Now wellness seminar at The Ranch Fitness Center, free and open to the public.

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## Sidekicks Western Dance Club

By Gail & Doug Perry

We kicked off the Christmas season with a lively dinner dance in the Health & Recreation Ballroom on Dec. 6, which featured Italian food and country and western dancing to holiday music. Our newest members since September got to try out some of their repertoire of almost 12 dances while our vets joined them and also displayed their polish on more difficult steps.

Our members-instructors Carla and

Tony Magri received well-deserved recognition for their continuing contribution to our club.

Sidekick Roger Schwartz gave us an early Christmas present by designing a club website featuring photos and videos of members and our dancing. Anyone with access to the Internet may now check us out at <http://wix.com/schwartz8096/sidekicks>.

Christmas is over but if you want to give your country music fan a belated gift, you might try the recently released album of "new" Hank Williams songs. Although his reckless lifestyle caught up with him at age 29 almost 60 years ago, superstar Williams left a treasure trove of unrecorded songs and lyrics in his notebooks in the backseat of the Cadillac where he quietly died en

route to a New Year's gig.

Supposedly, a cleaning lady at the music publisher's that owned the jottings of the so-called "Hillbilly Shakespeare" found them in a company dumpster and sold them. The publisher got them back after some legal tussles and commissioned songwriter extraordinaire Bob Dylan to turn the raw lyrics into an album.

Dylan, a walking encyclopedia of American folk music who gained early fame channeling Woody Guthrie, in turn enlisted a dream team of country and pop stars. All penned melodies to go with their assigned songs, reverently keeping to Williams' lyrics and spirit. The listener gets everything but his fringed jacket and cowboy hat.

The result goes beyond mere trib-

ute and reaches all-out veneration of the iconic Williams, who gave the world "Your Cheatin' Heart," "Lovesick Blues," "Cold Cold Heart," "Hey Good Lookin'," and "I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry," among many other hits.

Dylan croaks a froggy-voiced waltz-time number on the album, and is joined by other luminaries such as Vince Gill, Merle Haggard, Norah Jones, Alan Jackson, Levon Helm, and Sheryl Crow. Critics have particularly praised the numbers sung by Jackson and Helm as performances worthy of the best efforts of Williams himself.

Listen to "The Lost Notebooks of Hank Williams" and feel shortchanged that this country music legend, master of the broken-heart ballad and whose up-tempo songs paved the way for rockabilly and then rock and roll, never saw age 30.



## Line Dancing

By George Conklin

It is going to be a good new year. Our winter friends are back with us and we will be dancing off a few of those extra pounds we put on over the holidays.

From September to the end of December we had 16 weeks of instruction. Our newcomers and level one and level two beginner class have together learned 27 dances and our intermediate class has learned 11. Several of the beginner dances are taught only to instruct fundamentals and to learn the nomenclature of the dance steps. Other dances are classics that are danced all the time.

Those that went to the Tampa Bay Line

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Dance Classic in November reported that they had a great time. The opening night dance floor for beginner/intermediate danced 18 dances we know out of the 32 people can remember.

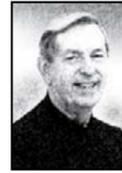
We are waiting on a report from the Country World Dance Championships at Disney World, which are being held Dec. 30, 2011 through Jan. 7, 2012.

Nancy Carmack held a special workshop in November for the intermediate level dance, "Stuff You Gotta Watch." This was a review for some of us but a chance for others to learn a dance we like.

Carole Smith is making plans for workshops for the beginner/level ones to learn some of the more popular level two dances.

We are still dancing at The Town Square on Friday and Saturday nights, Friday Happy Hour at the Arbor Club and at Health & Recreation Ballroom. See you on the dance floor. Just stay in line and step when the drum goes thump.

For detailed information contact, Janice Meade (861-9345), Bob Ferguson (873-4478) or Carole Smith (237-4826).



## The New Pretenders

By Bill Shampine

It's getting close to show time for 2012! I hope you are getting as excited as we are. Every year, the show seems to get more sophisticated, more professional, and just plain better.

Tickets will be available in the Health & Recreation Ballroom every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:30 to 10 a.m., starting on Monday, Jan. 2 through Wednesday, Feb. 8. General admission tickets are \$6 each and reserved seating tickets are \$8 each.

The performances will be on Friday, Feb. 10 and Saturday, Feb. 11, at 7 p.m., and Sunday, Feb. 12, at 3 p.m. Each will be a two-hour show.

Historically, we have had large crowds on the first day of ticket sales seeking reserved seating tickets. We have tried to devise a process that minimizes the confusion caused by a large crowd and to make sure that people are served in a semblance of order.

Even though ticket sales don't actually begin until 8:30 a.m. on Jan. 2, we will have two people in front of the Health & Recreation Building front door that morn-

ing by 6:30 a.m. They will take your name, ask you how many tickets you want and on what day (this is non-binding information, but helps us to keep track), and give you a number (similar to the process at the deli counter at a grocery store). After you get your number, you can go back home, have breakfast, and return just before 8:30 a.m. to actually buy your ticket(s) when your number is called. If you are not there when your number is called, you forfeit that position and have to get another number.

The folks passing out numbers will be available to give you a number from the time they arrive in the morning until ticket sales close for the day. You must have a number to buy a reserved seating ticket, but only on that first day. It has been our experience that this "number system" works pretty well in ensuring that people will have an opportunity to purchase tickets on a first-come-first served basis.

We always have individuals who want to buy large blocks of tickets, but we think that is unfair so we don't permit it. We limit the number of reserved seating tickets you can buy to four per number (on the first day) or per person (on all other days), but you can buy all of the general admission tickets you want at any time.

The Friday and Saturday reserved seating tickets will be sold at the same time and same place, so you can compare the availability of seats for both nights before you decide which night you might prefer. Sunday reserved seating tickets and all general admission tickets will be sold separately.



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### Square Dancing

By Walter Lamp

So, we made it to 2012; happy New Year. Here's the line up for January. On Jan. 10, we are having our annual back-to-the-50s sock hop. This is just another chance to revisit our past (musically speaking) with some square dancing thrown in. Of course, some of our members might try to re-create their attire from then also. This is part of our monthly theme nights and will be held in our regular dance location, the Arbor Club, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

On Jan. 21, we have our annual beginners' ball, at the Health & Recreation Ballroom, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. It's kind of an introduction for our beginner students. We only use calls that they have learned so far. They get to see what it feels like dancing with current club members; then one day, after they graduate, it will be their regular thing. It's a fun time for the students and it's certainly a lot of fun for us club members.

On Monday, Nov. 21, we paid a visit to our close friends, the Oak Run Twirlers, over at Oak Run. We went there not just to

say hi, but also to retrieve our club banner. One of the fun aspects of square dancing is visiting other clubs, renewing friendships and, of course, square dancing. We were all decked out in our club colors: red, white and black.

Our winter wonderland, featuring Jerry Biggerstaff from North Carolina, along with very festive decorations and dancing to our Christmas favorites, made a cool Saturday night a holiday time. We had 15 squares, with only Santa missing.

Our Dec. 20 Christmas dance was so much fun. Dancing to many of the popular holiday songs, with our friends and students, made for an enjoyable evening. This year, in the holiday spirit, we asked members to bring cookies for our snack table and many responded with their favorite homemade recipes.

On Jan. 26-28, the annual Florida Winter Festival is being held in Lakeland. It's two days and three nights of square dancing and round dancing. There will be five different callers and three different cuers from around the country.

You can dance as much or as little as you want. But, believe me, my wife and I find it difficult to sit down and rest up with all of these callers doing their thing. It's the first of two major dances in Lakeland this year. This will be our third festival and we look forward to it and the next one in May.



### Ballet Club

By Eugenie Martin

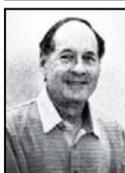
In our ballet classes at the barre or in the center of the floor, we learn how to stand in certain positions and execute certain steps by explanation, example, and correction.

My co-teacher, Julie Sines, is superb at teaching ballet technique. She demonstrates with beautiful form and explains in detail how each movement affects the body and, conversely, how the body can best support the position or movement in question. At times, she actually places our arms or legs in the correct positions. It seems that she demonstrates and explains almost every position or movement, but we never tire of her teaching. We are like sponges -

soaking up all that she can teach us. Hopefully, we are all improving with each of her classes.

In the Ballet Club, we are all working at different levels and yet we come together in classes to do essentially the same steps. A demonstration of our dancing will be shown at the On Top of the World Health & Wellness Expo at the Circle Square Cultural Center on Saturday, Jan. 21. We will be performing on the big stage at noon for approximately eight minutes. Julie and I each choreographed three short pieces. Please drop by to see us and say "hello." We'll be looking for you.

Our classes continue in the Arbor Club Exercise Studio adjacent to the indoor pool four times each 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. Newcomers do not need to buy ballet apparel right away to start class with us. All you need are exercise clothes and socks. If you are interested in joining us, please give me a call at 854-8689. Happy dancing!



### Ballroom Dance Club

By Richard P. Vullo

Happy New Year to all of our On Top of the World residents. With holiday parties being held and the "Dancin' on the Top" dances, this is a great time of year to get out and dance.

Beginning this month, on Jan. 20 and on the third Friday of each month, the Friday night dance socials will be held at the Health & Recreation Ballroom instead of the Arbor Club Ballroom. This will give everyone the opportunity to dance and socialize with their friends in a much larger facility, with a better sound system and conversation environment.

This a great time of year to resume dance lessons. Irish Sands continues her dance lessons at the Ocala Health, Senior Health & Wellness Center, right outside the main gate of On Top of the World, next to the Customer Service office. For more information about her lessons, call Trish at 351-2423.

Of course, there are several places to enjoy dancing each month. USA Dance holds its dances on the first Tuesday of each month at the Pioneer Garden Center, 4331

Silver Springs Blvd., Ocala. USA Dance, Citrus County continues with its dances every other Saturday night at the Kellner Center in Beverly Hills.

The "Dancin' on the Top" committee will sponsor its annual New Year's Eve Dance at the Health & Recreation Ballroom. The entertainment will be by the popular duo Tomaura Guests will enjoy hors d'oeuvres including shrimp, cheeses and veggies along with table snacks and party favors. At midnight, the usual champagne toast as well as coffee and sweets will be served.

Because of other cancellations and the popularity of our dances, the New Year's Eve Dance was sold out very quickly. In an effort to accommodate as many residents as possible, the committee sold 263 tickets, which will result in an overflow crowd. The committee asks for your patience and understanding of the crowded conditions this year and promises to limit tickets sales for future dances.

The schedule of remaining dances for 2011/2012 season are the "Sweetheart Dance" on Feb. 18 with Automatic and the "Spring Fling" dance on April 28 with Tomaura. Posters advertising each dance will be up in several On Top of the World locations, including the Health & Recreation lobby and the Arbor Club. It's a great line-up, so mark your calendars and plan on attending each dance. For more information, please call Jack Stone at 873-3083.



### Irish American Club

By Bob O'Neal

Happy New Year or Athbhlian Faci Mhaise—easily pronounced Ah-vleen fwee wash—eh.

The Certificate of Irish Heritage is now available. There are up to 40 million Americans with Irish roots and Ireland hopes that some will honor and celebrate their ancestors by applying online to "Irish Heritage Certificate." The cost is approximately \$55 for a document that is "suitable for framing."

A cheaper alternative to the certificate could be to attend the club's last meeting on Thursday, March 15. This will be a traditional St. Patrick's Day festivity with corned beef and cabbage, lots of singing, the pipes

and Irish dancers. This final event will be open only to members and their guests.

If you are listed on the current membership list, you will be reminded by a postcard. Tickets will be on sale for \$12 on Monday, March 5 from 8 to 10 a.m. Call me at 861-2861 with any questions.

Here's hoping your face is wearing a smile as cheery and bright as the old Emerald Isle and may a full measure of Irish luck too make each day of the year a grand one for you.



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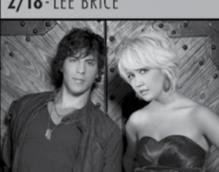


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**Novice category first place: Solar Energy.**



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**Novice category second place: Dogwood Tree in Bloom.**

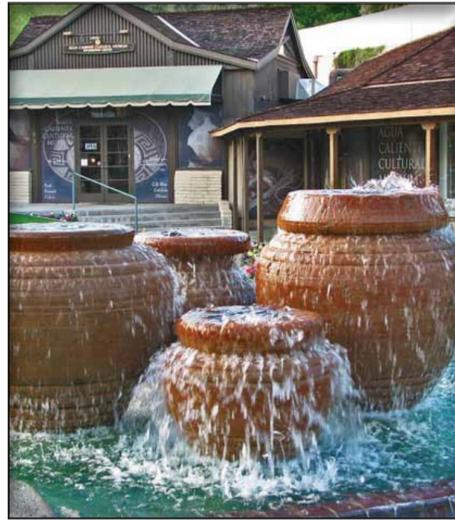


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**Novice category third place: 4 Jug Waterfall.**



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## ShutterBugs Photography

By Marilyn Cronin

The 2012 board of directors has been elected to serve January through December. They are: Joyce Levin and Sue Goldberg, co-presidents; John Bauer, first vice president; Robert Levin, second vice president; Mike Crosa, treasurer; Doris Mauricio, secretary; and Bruce Hagstrom, display director.

The January Master the Possibilities display is by Robert Durst. The Freedom Library display will be various photos, some from the November exhibit.

If Santa brought you a new camera and you need help learning to use it or just want to become a better photographer, come join the ShutterBugs - it's only a \$12 annual fee.

Bob Levin has planned some exciting programs for 2012. Check out some previous presentations on our website: <http://www.otowspc.com/presentations/>.

Let's revisit excerpts from an article by Mitchell Kanashkevich for dPS: Common Mistakes Aspiring Photographers Make.

- **NOT BEING AWARE OF LIGHT:** This means that you simply shoot whatever you see in any given lighting conditions without giving much thought to the whole matter. Being aware of light means you know there are different kinds of light and that the way your image looks will greatly depend on the light you

shoot it in. You can make a conscious effort to photograph in the kind of light that will reflect what you want to say and how you feel about the subject.

- **FORGETTING ABOUT COMPOSITION:** When we travel, the new sights, sounds, and smells can be overwhelming or they can get us so excited that we forget why we want to take the picture. With an image, we're not only capturing memories, we can also communicate what we want to say or how we feel about the subject in front of the camera. We forget about framing the shot, about composition. Sometimes there is too much irrelevant visual clutter in the frame, making it unclear what the photo was actually about. Before pressing that shutter button, it's important to pause, regroup, get your thoughts together, and consider what you actually want to communicate within the frame of a photograph.
- **THINKING THAT PHOTOS WHICH CAPTURE DRAMATIC OR INTERESTING MOMENTS ARE LUCKY SHOTS:** experienced photographers will tell you that great "images of moments" are created when luck meets preparation. Have a rough idea what you want to shoot; research the location.

The ShutterBugs meet the first three Tuesdays of the month, at 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. The fourth Tuesday is usually a field trip with good photo opportunities. For more information, contact Marilyn Cronin at [sharpshooter@otowspc.com](mailto:sharpshooter@otowspc.com).

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## Holiday Festival

By Jim Chandler

What a great day! If you could not attend our annual Golf Cart Parade, you missed seeing a large assortment of decorated golf carts, vintage cars, police and fire vehicles, a one-wheeled cycle, Santa (Bill Kreppel), clowns, etc.

Robert Colen, representing On Top of the World management, and Undersheriff Dan Kuhn, representing the Marion County Sheriff's Department, greeted bystanders from the back of Tom Miller's vintage convertible, which led the parade.

The festivities did not end there. The Holiday Festival at the Health & Recreation Ballroom included homemade cookies, hot coffee, hot chocolate, and some great entertainment.

For the parade, special thanks go to Robert Colen (parade marshal), Marion County Sheriff's Deputies, the Community Patrol, and the fire fighters from Friendship Fire Station #21. Also, thanks to Kay Chandler for putting the participants in order in time for the "move out" command at 2 p.m.

For the festival, hours before the doors opened at 6 p.m., helpers collected donated cookies from residents and set up for the entertainment. Kay Chandler (coordinator) was assisted by Janice Meade, Shirley Schopf, Gloria and Ike Hull, Ginny Rivers, Bob Ferguson, Carol Brock, and Jim Chandler.

The Master of Ceremonies for the entertainment was Bill Shampine, with assistance from Santa Claus (Bill Kreppel). The Concert Chorus sang a selection of holiday songs, The Swingin' Sisters Dance Group performed, and The Bubbles entertained us with a few songs. Elaine Hersh gave a special presentation about Hanukkah. We had a great finish with "12 Days of Christmas - Southern Style," led by Jean Monroe.

Thanks to the sound and light crew for their assistance, and to On Top of the World management, the Bingo Club, and The Entertainment Group for financial assistance.

On the following day, my wife and I delivered all remaining cookies to three assisted living facilities in the area, as well as to all three On Top of the World gates.



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Dogs must be on a  
leash at all times.

**Health & Recreation Office**

Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., 854-8707 x7530 or x7533



**Recreation News**

By Theresa Fields

It's that time of year when we all make those wonderful New Year's resolutions ... shedding a few pounds, trying to rid ourselves of a nasty habit or getting fit and staying healthy. These are just a few of the most popular resolutions out there. We have planned plenty of activities and fitness classes within the community to help you get started with obtaining some of these goals.

This month, we will present the annual Health & Wellness Expo. Open house at The Ranch, and live Zumba on The Town Square.

**Health & Wellness Expo**

Come and see what is new and interesting in the medical field today. This free event will take place on Saturday, Jan. 21, at the Circle Square Cultural Center, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be over 50 health-care providers on site to provide you with information on the latest technology in health care. Doctors and specialists will be available to answer questions and conduct wellness screenings and demonstrations.

Additionally, instructors from the On Top of the World Fitness Department will provide on-stage demonstrations of the many fitness classes and newest exercises that are being offered in our community. The Ranch will hold an open house showcasing the newly renovated salon and locker rooms, and instructors will demonstrate their latest in fitness class offerings.

Don't forget to attend one of Ocala's largest Zumba Jams on The Town Square, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Registration is required to attend the Zumba Jam.

**Bingo**

Bingo will resume this month; it will be held every Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. Cards go on sale at 5 p.m. Resident I.D. is required and reserving of seats is not permitted. Indigo East residents must have a Gateway of Services pass to participate.

Don't forget The Pub has extended hours on this night until 6 p.m.

**Victory Casino Cruise**

Join us for a day at sea as we board the newly renovated casino ship Victory Casino Cruise. It has hundreds of slot machines, card tables such as craps, roulette, black jack and more. We are also glad to announce that this cruise has a non-smoking slot and seating section.

This trip will be boarding on Tuesday, Jan. 10, at the Health & Recreation parking lot at 7:15 a.m. and the cost is \$31 per person. This will include transportation, boarding fees, lunch buffet and a casino card with \$10 in free credit. Please note that a valid government-issued photo I.D. will be required to board the ship. There will be no refunds issued one week prior to the trip. Register at the Health & Recreation office.

**Seminole Hard Rock Casino**

The next Seminole casino trip is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 17. The cost of the trip is \$20 per person, which includes \$25 in free play and a \$5 lunch voucher. The 2012 casino dates are available at the Health & Recreation office. Please note that assigned seating is required on all our bus trips. The Health & Recreation office does not hold or save seats without payment. Sign up at the

Health & Recreation Office.

**Ocala Poker & Jai-Alai**

We are happy to announce our first trip to the Ocala Poker & Jai-Alai on Tuesday, Jan. 31. They will have poker tournaments and up to nine different live poker games with 28 tables. You can also enjoy Florida's Premier Inter-Track Pari-Mutuel Wagering with horse and greyhounds on plasma screens tuned to your favorite tracks.

Would you like to enter in an On Top of the World Texas Hold 'Em resident team tournament? All this is now being offered to our residents! This is a non-smoking facility and No. 7 smokeless cigarettes will be available at the cashier areas. The best part about this trip is that you will receive lunch and bus transportation absolutely free! We will depart the Health & Recreation parking lot at 11 a.m. and should return back to On Top of the World around 6 p.m. To register for this trip, please contact the Health & Recreation office.

**Happy Hour**

As of January 2012, the third Friday of every month Happy Hour will be held in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. This will offer a larger scale dance floor, large screen video of past themed Happy Hours, pitchers of beer for sale, 25 round tables to accommodate a larger crowd including singles and newcomers tables with plenty of aisle space. Please note that this will only be the third Friday of each month; we will continue to have all other Happy Hours in the Arbor Club Ballroom.

The Happy Hour entertainment for this month is as follows:

- Jan. 6: Katie Lynn
- Jan. 13: Retro Express
- Jan. 20: Automatic (Health & Recreation Ballroom)
- Jan. 27: Barry & Nancy (Beauty & the Beast Pirate Party)

Resident I.D. cards are required at all Happy Hours. Guest fees do apply to all outside guests and are payable at the door.

**Facility Request Forms**

Don't forget it is that time of year to put in your room request for 2013. If you have a special event coming up or you have monthly meetings, you will need to turn in your room request forms to the Health & Recreation office. All room requests are currently being entered for 2013. Room request forms are available at the Health & Recreation lobby area.

**Club Guest Notifications**

Please have all club guest notifications turned into Theresa Fields no later than one week prior to the event. We appreciate your cooperation.

**Holiday Facility Hours**

Please see page 5 of the World News to note facility hours during the holidays!

**Telephone Directories**

The new 2012 On Top of the World Telephone Directory will be coming out soon; please monitor the crawl on channel 17/22/703 for the dates to pick up your directories at the Health & Recreation information desk.

Stay warm and keep safe! Happy New Year to all!

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Receive information about Circle Square Commons including the Farmer's Market, special events, entertainment, The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa, Circle Square Cultural Center, Master the Possibilities, Mr. B's Ice Cream Shop, Sid's Café and more! Sign up at: CircleSquareCommons.com

**EVENTS/ACTIVITIES\***

\* Schedule and performers subject to change. For the latest information, please visit [www.ontopoftheworldinfo.com](http://www.ontopoftheworldinfo.com) or see channels 17 / 21 / 703 / 730 (Brighthouse).

**Friday, Jan. 6**

**Happy Hour with Katie Lynn**  
Arbor Club  
4 to 8 p.m.

**Recorded Favorites**  
The Town Square  
5 to 9 p.m.

**The Diamonds**  
Circle Square Cultural Center  
7 p.m.  
\$16-20 per resident;  
\$18-22 per non-resident  
For tickets, call 854-3670.

**Saturday, Jan. 7**

**Ray & Kay**  
The Town Square  
5 to 9 p.m.

**Tuesday, Jan. 10**

**Victory Casino Cruise**  
Port Canaveral, Fla.  
\$31 per person  
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.

**Friday, Jan. 13**

**Happy Hour with Retro Express**  
Arbor Club  
4 to 8 p.m.

**Recorded Favorites**  
The Town Square  
5 to 9 p.m.

**Lovin' Spoonful**  
Circle Square Cultural Center  
7 p.m.  
\$21-25 per resident;  
\$23-27 per non-resident  
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**Saturday, Jan. 14**

**Sound of Joy**  
The Town Square  
5 to 9 p.m.

**Tuesday, Jan. 17**

**Seminole Hard Rock Casino**  
Tampa, Fla.  
\$20 per person  
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.

**Thursday, Jan. 19**

**Kid Fiddlers**  
Circle Square Cultural Center  
7 p.m.  
\$9-11 per resident;  
\$10-12 per non-resident  
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**Friday, Jan. 20**

**Happy Hour with Automatic**  
Health & Recreation Ballroom  
4 to 8 p.m.

**Recorded Favorites**  
The Town Square  
5 to 9 p.m.

**Saturday, Jan. 21**

**Health & Wellness Expo**  
Circle Square Cultural Center  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Open House**  
The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Zumba Jam**  
The Town Square  
12:30 to 1:30 p.m.  
\$5 per person

**Recorded Favorites**  
The Town Square  
5 to 9 p.m.

**Friday, Jan. 27**

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

**Sounds of Time**  
The Town Square  
5 to 9 p.m.

**Saturday, Jan. 28**

**Recorded Favorites**  
The Town Square  
5 to 9 p.m.

**The Duprees**  
Circle Square Cultural Center  
7 p.m.  
\$21-25 per resident;  
\$23-27 per non-resident  
For tickets, call 854-3670.

**Tuesday, Jan. 31**

**Ocala Poker & Jai-Alai**  
Reddick, Fla.  
11 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.

**ON TOP OF THE WORLD NEWS**  
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February Issue  
Thursday, Jan. 26

**On Top of the World Communities BUS SCHEDULE**

PICK-UP	ROUTE	TIME
1st Pickup	90th St. - Post Office	8:42 am
Williamsburg	90th St. - 91st Cir.E. - 91st Cir.W. - Post Office	8:45 am
Providence	90th St. - 96th Ter. - 92nd Pl. Rd. - 96th Ct. 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 Ct. Rd. - Post Office - 85th Ter. Rd.	9:02 am
Friendship Village	Post Office - 84th Ter. - 93rd St.	9:06 am
Friendship Colony	83rd Ter. - 90th St. - 87th Ave. - 97th St.	9:10 am
Friendship Park	97th St. - 94th Lane	9:14 am
Friendship Village	89th Ct. Rd. - 92nd St.	9:16 am
Health & Rec. Center	At Bus Stop Sign	9:20 am
Exit Community		9:25 am

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Target	12:25 pm
K-Mart	12:30 pm
Gaitway Plaza	12:35 pm
Wal-Mart	1:45 pm
Best Buy	1:50 pm
Gaitway Plaza	1:55 pm
Paddock Mall	2:00 pm

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**JANUARY 13**  
Lovin' Spoonful  
Tickets: \$21-25



**JANUARY 19**  
Kid Fiddlers  
Tickets: \$9-11



**JANUARY 21**  
Health & Wellness Expo  
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
**FREE EVENT**



**JANUARY 28**  
The Duprees  
Tickets: \$21-25



**FEBRUARY 17**  
Bronx Wanderers  
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**MARCH 23**  
Debby Boone & Orchestra  
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**MARCH 24**  
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**APRIL 27**  
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**JUNE 9**  
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## It's Show Time

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

Now that the final curtain has closed the stage performances for 2011, it is time to raise the stage curtain for the 2012 season with fabulous entertainment to be held at the Circle Square Cultural Center.

I hope some of your New Year's resolutions include attending the shows offered right here in your own backyard. There is a fantastic slate of shows and personalities that are going to be on stage. You don't want to miss any of them.

There are five shows scheduled for this month with one having free admission:

### Friday, Jan. 6

#### The Diamonds

I know you remember this rock and roll group and the tunes they recorded. Does the song "Little Darlin'" ring a bell? This song has been classified as "the national anthem of rock and roll" and reportedly has sold around 20 million copies. The Diamonds have been around for years. They appeared 33 times on American Bandstand. Inducted into the Doo-Wop Hall of Fame and the Vocal Group Hall of Fame. They have had many more accolades and they will be appearing right here at the Circle Square Cultural Center. Buy your tickets today!

### Friday, Jan. 13

#### Lovin' Spoonful

This group was a big hit back in the 1960s recording many hit songs. They are a rock and roll group combining folk music with rock and roll. After going their separate ways, the group started up again in 1991 visiting over 150 cities. They have been going strong since then, bringing good time music to many neighborhoods. In 2000, the group marked a milestone by

being officially inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Don't miss the show. It promises to be great!

### Thursday, Jan. 19

#### The Kid Fiddlers

This is a Jackson Family Band out of Las Vegas. Don't be fooled by the group's name, they are a very talented group of youngsters playing many instruments along with belting out tunes and dancing. The Kid Fiddlers were granted "Entertainers of the Year in 2010" among top venues in the country. I understand they are a very sought after act. Don't miss this performance either. You might be very disappointed if you do.

### Saturday, Jan. 21

#### Health & Wellness Expo

This event is free and runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The primary mission is to introduce folks to new medical advances. There will be all kinds of free medical tests and giveaways for eyes, weight loss, pharmaceutical, chiropractic clinics, and the list goes on and on. It's free, so get yourself over to the Circle Square Cultural Center and see what is medically transpiring.

### Saturday, Jan. 28

#### The Duprees

This group started back in the early 1960s and their first single was "You Belong to Me." The group performs complex harmonies in rock and roll and sings many tunes you will remember. They were inducted in the Vocal Group Hall of Fame in 2008.

Visit the ticket office or go online to [www.cscculturalcenter.com](http://www.cscculturalcenter.com) to purchase your tickets. See you when the lights dim and the curtain rises.



Photo by Roger Foley

Horse Fever collage.

## Resident Photographs 'Horse Fever'

By Ray Cech  
World News Writer

Roger Foley, an avid photographer and horse aficionado, found inspiration in our November article on "Horse Fever." After visiting and photographing On Top of the World's "Inspiration," he decided he would make a day of it; photographing all 27 horses throughout Marion County.

With that, Roger picked up a map of horse locations and set out to do some serious picture taking. "I love photographing horses, but when I do they're usually jumping over fences, pulling a carriage or helping to round up a stray cow; in other words, action shots," said Roger.

But as he traveled around Marion County locating each of the beautifully adorned, and very still sculptures, he found that he was just as inspired about shooting these beauties as if he were at a rodeo catching a bull rider flying through the air.

Roger Foley's collage of his day-in-the-field photographing "Horse Fever" is pictured here, and hopefully, an incentive for all of us to take the same tour—with or without camera.

A horse locator map can be picked up at Artful Gifts on The Town Square, or downtown at Brick City.



The Van-Dells.

## The Entertainment Group Presents 'The Van-Dells'

On Friday, Jan. 27, the Entertainment Group will host the most expensive show ever - The Van-Dells in the Health & Recreation Ballroom, at 7 p.m.! They will perform "The Nation's #1 Rock 'n Roll Review!"

This fun fast-paced show begins in the 50s and runs through the 60s backed up by a five-piece band.

Their show is broken down into two segments. They begin their show representing the last graduating class of Van Dell High School in 1958. Dressed in their letter sweaters, they combine comedy with rock 'n roll songs from the 50s. In the sec-

ond segment, they take the audience on a nostalgia trip though the "glitter and gold" period that made the 60s famous.

Ticket prices are \$8 general and \$10 reserved. Ticket sales will resume on Monday, Jan. 2, and every Monday, Wednesday and Friday thereafter, from 8:30 to 10 a.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. As always, the shows are for residents of On Top of the World Communities with a maximum of four tickets per purchase.

We wish to express our thanks to Dr. Steven Dunn, DDS for making this show possible.

## Christmas Lights

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

Although the Christmas holiday season is behind us, there is still time to view some beautiful holiday lights and decorations.

If you don't want to venture too far, take a ride around our community by driving up and down the streets and you'll come across many homes colorfully decorated.

If you are willing to drive a little bit further, a ride to Ocala's downtown square is well worth it. The square is lit with 80,000 twinkling lights and decorated for the Christmas season through Jan. 9. For a small fee, you can ride a Ferris wheel to view the lights from up above.

If you continue traveling down SR 40, you will end up at Silver Springs Nature's Theme Park. Their "Festival of Lights" can be viewed through Dec. 31. There is an admission fee to this park but it is beautifully

decorated with lights hanging from trees and a lighted boat parade.

If you are willing to drive for an hour and a half, two theme parks in Orlando are worth seeing. Magic Kingdom's Main Street USA is decorated with lights but the best part of this park, other than the Kingdom's main street, is Cinderella's Castle. The castle when lit is absolutely beautiful, as Walt Disney would say, "for kids of all ages."

Another theme park is Disney's Hollywood Studios. At this park, there is a scattering of lights along the park's streets but after darkness sets in the Streets of America section of the park is lit beyond the imagination. There are millions of lights decorating buildings along the streets and at time dancing lights synchronized motion

to Christmas music while at the same time snow flakes wither downward from the roof tops. It is definitely something to see and witness. It is unforgettable.

The best location for viewing Christmas lights, I believe, is at Florida's Stephen Foster State Park located about two hours north off of I-75 at White Springs. There are approximately six million lights, according to a park ranger. The main attraction is the over two hundred foot tall, 97-bell carillon tower, which is the largest carillon tower in the world. The carillon plays popular Christmas songs.

You can view the lights (through Dec. 31) by walking around the park, driving around in your automobile or leisurely viewing the lights from a horse drawn carriage or wagon. After viewing the lights at the craft area, you can toast marshmallows over an open fire while sipping hot chocolate or nibbling on popcorn. The cost to en-

ter the state park is \$2 per person after 3:30 p.m. and the park is open until 8:30 p.m.

For those not familiar with Stephen Foster, he was one of the first United States composers and some of his best known favorites are "Old Folks at Home," along with one of his most known songs, "Way Down Upon the Suwannee River," "My Old Kentucky Home," and "Oh Susanna," just to mention a few.

Most of these venues will be displaying their lights and decorations after Christmas but don't wait too long.

If you missed any of these colorful locations this year, please mark you calendar to visit them next year, particularly, Stephen Foster State Park, which I was told by many park rangers that additional lights are added each year. I will definitely return to this park again next year to view the awesome light display. You won't be disappointed.



Photo by Bob Woods

Stephen Foster Park in White Springs, Fla.



Photo by Bob Woods

Manger at 9286 SW 91st Circle (Williamsburg).



## Director of Golf

By Brian Boeling

### What Are You Going To Do About Your Game?

First and foremost I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. Now that we are getting back into the swing of things, lately all I have heard is about the terrible slice from a lot of our members. So, this is the time to start getting on track. There is nothing golfers fear more than the dreaded slice. With the proper technique your slice can be a thing of the past. Follow these simple tips and say goodbye to your slice forever.

- **ADDRESS POSITION:** When addressing the ball, start by placing it in the heel area of the club head, as this will help to promote an inside-out swing path. Next, use a strong grip (hands turned back with the V's from the thumb and forefingers turned toward the right shoulder, for right-handed golfers). Make sure to grip the club lightly in the fingers with the right hand. This grip position will help you rotate the hands over, which squares the clubface upon impact. Finally, take a slightly closed stance.
- **BACKSWING:** Start the club back by turning the left shoulder away from the target, feeling as though your left shoulder is behind the ball at the top of your backswing. To help you make a full-shoulder turn, slide the left knee back to the center of your stance, and let your left heel come off the ground as you turn away from the target. On the top of your backswing, 80 percent of your weight should be on your back foot, and your head should remain over the ball. You are now in position to unload your weight and power into your left side on the downswing.
- **DOWNSWING:** Start the downswing by stepping down on your left heel and letting your left hip move

slightly toward the target. As your lower body starts to move, pull your hands down, keeping your right elbow close to your right hip as long as possible.

- **IMPACT POSITION:** This is the moment of truth: Keep the shoulders square to the target as the club head strikes the ball. At this point, the hands and arms should pass your body, your right hand should be turning over your left hand (releasing the club), and the force of your swing should pull you off your right foot so your weight will be moving toward the target.
- **FOLLOW-THROUGH:** As you release the club through impact, let your arms straighten out toward the target. From here, let the momentum of your swing continue until your hands finish up high. Hold this follow-through while you watch the ball fly down the fairway. (A good example of a PGA Tour player to watch is Sergio Garcia as he holds his follow-through position until the ball comes to rest.) As you practice the follow-through, feel as though the momentum of your swing is pulling you through. Try not to force this motion.

Just contact one of our golf professionals and we'll get you on track to get rid of the terrible slice.

### Golf Clinics

I am happy to say that our golf staff professionals have created a wonderful and exciting schedule for 2012 for the free monthly clinics as well as the game improvement clinics.

The free clinics are designed to provide the golfer with professional advice on different areas of the game. This program is geared to information only. Jan. 6 starts off with "Rules & Proper Etiquette" at the Candler Hills Community Center. I suggest anyone who plays golf should attend.

The game improvement clinics are structured to give golfers advice and work with the golfer in a group setting. These clinics are the best value at \$10 per student. The first class starts Jan. 20 and will start off with "How to Establish a Pre-shot Routine and Lower Your Scores."

More information on both of these types of clinics and yearly schedules can be

obtained at one of our golf shops.

### Respect Thy Neighbor

Recently, we have had problems with golfers jumping the fences and entering onto residents properties at Candler Hills as well as people entering onto properties at On Top of the World and disrupting personal flowerbeds and such. It's not outsiders doing it, but members and residents in private carts.

We are asking that you please respect others properties. A lot of residents have worked hard to enhance their property and make our neighborhood and yards look good, so if your ball goes into one's yard, before you enter onto it, ask yourself one question, "Would I want a person in my yard?" We thank everyone in advance in cooperating in this matter.

### Help is Needed

It's that time of year where all of our courses are getting a lot of play, a lot of ball marks not being repaired, and a lot of divots not being repaired. I am going to challenge you ... please fix three ball marks while you are waiting to putt, fix one extra divot while you're driving down the fairway. We have some great golf courses here at On Top of the World and in conjunction

with the great work Andy Jorgensen's team does in maintaining the courses, they also need your assistance.

### World Accolades

To the members and residents of On Top of the World, this past year our members and residents have contributed not only to our community but to worldwide organizations. You all raised monies for Hospice of Marion County, Interfaith Emergency Services, Rally for the Cure, Patriot Golf Day, Toys for Tots in memory of Cal Apperson, scholarships for the West Port High School Golf Team, St. Jude Children's Hospital, and on a quarterly basis send packages to our overseas military units. That said, the funds raised were over \$50,000. So, kudos to all of you for your support of these great organizations.

### World Golf Accolades

**ON TOP OF THE WORLD LINKS:** Nov. 11, Karl Zeiler, Eagle on #17. Nov. 18, George Youman, shot 83 (two less his age).

**CANDLER HILLS:** Oct. 28, Nick Nimerala, hole-in-one on #8. Oct. 28, Sue Trebulck, Eagle on #2.

Congratulations to all for your accomplishments this past month.



## Billiards

By Richard Impresa

The first trimester of the Marion County Senior Men's Billiard League is completed and I'm proud to announce that the On Top of the World team #1 finished undefeated at 9-0. Team 2 is newly formed and still getting used to each other and consequently had a rough session at 0-9 but they are improving each week. Team 3 finished strong in third place with a 6-3 record.

Play will resume after the holidays for another nine weeks, followed by a break and then the final nine weeks of competition.

Bill Daly ran a double elimination singles eight ball tournament to fill in between sessions. It was comprised of 23 players representing all of the league teams. The action took place in our poolroom over a two-week period.

The first session ended with three undefeated players, Fred Adolph, Mike Cruz, and myself (all from On Top of the World) on top of the list. Play resumed the following week in the double elimination format. The field was whittled down to the final four adding John Cahill to the previous three finalists. When the dust settled your

humble reporter finished on top with Fred Adolph, John Cahill, and Mike Cruz finishing second, third and fourth respectively.

The competition was intense with most of the final four matches being decided by one shot, either made or missed with the help of the pool gods. Congratulations go out to all the players who participated and especially to Bill Daly for organizing the tournament.

The annual On Top of the World Billiards Club Christmas/Chanukah dinner was sold out. We had a great time with our fellow members and spouses.

Even though the holidays are behind us, it's not too late to exchange those socks you got for Christmas or Chanukah for some upgraded billiard supplies. A nice cue stick, cue case, gloves, chalk holder, etc. will surely give you more pleasure than some undies.

We have the latest catalog from Mueller's billiard warehouse available in the poolroom to assist you in your selections.

Thanks to one of our members, Dick Rumpik, we also have some instructional and entertaining DVDs for your viewing pleasure. Please feel free to take them home to view, but remember to return them as quickly as possible so other members can enjoy and learn from them also. If anyone has other DVDs or tapes they would like to leave in the poolroom, just see me.

Our first meeting of 2012 will be held on Jan. 2, at 4 p.m. in the Ceramics Room of the Craft Building. Watch the announcements on the bulletin boards in the poolroom for details. Hope to see you there.

That's all for now, so until next time keep stroking and keep your tip dry.

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### Ladies 9-Hole Golf

By Diane Dzik

The New Year has arrived with a calendar of activities but the afterglow of our Christmas tea at the Stone Creek Grille will remain a delightful memory. What a party!

Co-chairs Jean Flynn, and Gretchen Saker and their committee of Betty Jo Dent, and Charlie Hassett outdid themselves in organizing this lovely event. Ceramic table favors filled with chocolate kisses and snowflake ornaments graced each table setting. The high tea, catered by the Stone Creek staff, was abundant and scrumptious - tea sandwiches, salad, pastries, scones, custards, petit fours, assorted teas and coffee were a wonderful treat.

The event climaxed with a Christmas carol sing-along and the singing (table by table) of "The Twelve Days of Christmas" along with much laughter and good cheer.

**OFFICER CHANGES:** Caroline East, our former vice-president, has assumed the position of president effective Nov. 29, and Diane Dzik will function as vice-president. Jane Wilson will continue in her role as treasurer as will Lorraine Rourke continue as secretary. Myra Noel will co-chair the handicap committee. Michael Beyer will

chair this year's 9-Hole Invitational. We thank these ladies for their willingness to "step up to the tee" and serve our league.

Plans for the 9-18 Invitational are quickly coming together. It will be on Tuesday, Feb. 28, rallying at 8:30 a.m. with luncheon to follow at the Arbor Conference Center. Please sign up in the clubroom.

Please remember that if you are a pay as you play golfer, Ghinn fees are now overdue and payable as they always are at the end each year. If you have not done so by this writing, please do so immediately or you will be put on the inactive list.

#### Three Blind Mice Nov. 15

Chip-In: Carol Bell  
Flight 1: Tie at 22-Grace Bock, Linda Dumeer, Marlene Floeckher, Agnes Tetti.  
Flight 2: 20-Carol Bell; Tie at 22-Kathy Dushary, Jean Flynn.  
Flight 3: 21-Ethel Miller; 23-Ruth Mitchell.  
Flight 4: 19-Carole Brown; Tie at 20-Pat Black, Donna Fisher, Linda Heenan, Evelyn Stewart.

#### Low Gross Nov. 22

Birdie: Betty Tully.  
Chip-Ins: Diane Dzik, Ruth Mitchell.  
Flight 1: Tie at 49-Grace Bock, Judy Harmon, Marlene Floeckher.  
Flight 2: 50-Carol Bell; 55-Connie Deignan; 56-Kathy Dushary.  
Flight 3: 60-Pat Black; Tie at 64--Eileen Gusta-



Photo by Qhuntea MCFatten

#### LGA-9 Christmas party attendees.

vus, Ruth Mitchell.

vus; 22-Evelyn Stewart.

#### T's and F's

Flight 1: 17-Lorraine Rourke; 18-Linda Dumeer; 19-Grace Bock.  
Flight 2: 16-Michael Beyer; 17-Kathy Dushary; 18-Jean Flynn.  
Flight 3: 17-Adele Stelljes; 20-Eileen Gusta-

#### Modified Scramble Dec. 6

43-Carol Bell, Linda Dumeer, Eileen Gustavus, Joan Rappa. Tie at 45-Joyce Ferruolo, Linda Heenan, Deb Mallardi, Marie Marquis; Grace Bock, Ruth Mitchell, Myra Noel, Adele Stelljes.

### Shuffleboard Club

By Grace Rohde

On Tuesday afternoons, the shuffleboard courts have been full or nearly full. Helping to fill the courts are nine new shuffleboard players who joined the team: Trudy Brobst, Jack Myers, Louise Cheese, Paul Wiseman, Rita Wiseman, Verna Harsh, Peter Van Arsdale, Kathy Kostishion, and Ed Kostishion.

With so many newcomers on the team, games played are a mixture of experienced and new players. This creates a challenge for all players. Therefore, keep the following in mind while playing, not only for the Tuesday team, but for the other teams as well.

#### FOR NEWCOMERS:

- When you are playing with the team, observe how your teammates play the game. Observation can be a great teacher.
- Watch how others hold the cue, how they deliver, and how or where they push the disc.
- Be alert to what kind of strategies or techniques your teammates use to score, push off your scoring disc, or bump your disc into the kitchen.
- If another player offers you some

tips on playing, you may or may not want their advice. Listen anyway and try it out at some point. Who knows, it may be just what you need to improve your game, and you may never know unless you try it.

- Other ways to improve your game are to join another team, come to the courts with someone else, or come by yourself to practice.
- You can play by yourself by practicing to push the disc straight, by attempting to score all four discs (not as easy as it looks), and by trying to bump a disc into the kitchen.
- If you play games by yourself or with others, you will be surprised how fast your game will improve. But most of all enjoy yourself, and you will want to play shuffleboard for years to come.

#### FOR EXPERIENCED PLAYERS:

- Have fun playing with the newcomers. Remember, most of them are beginners just like all of us were at one time. When they are your partner, do not expect them to score all of the time as their shots may, on occasion, be short of or over the scoring places. This will come with time and practice on their part, and patience on your part.
- At times you may want to give them

pointers, but watch for their reaction when you do, for some may not want your advice, as they may prefer their own techniques at first.

- If you see newcomers have some good shots, let them know, as encouragement helps them to enjoy the game and want to return.
- Whether you win or lose a game with any of the newcomers, if you had a good time playing with them, also let them know. This is what shuffleboard is all about - to enjoy playing the game and enjoy playing with your teammates.

The winners (those who won the most

games) in regular weekly play for the month of November were as follows:

#### Men

Monday a.m.: Jim Baker  
Tuesday p.m.: Armann Rohde  
Wednesday p.m.: Lou Fisher  
Thursday a.m.: Jerome Griffin  
Friday a.m.: Carl Tecce

#### Women

Monday a.m.: Vickie Lentz  
Tuesday p.m.: Margot Thomas  
Wednesday p.m.: Paula Magen  
Thursday a.m.: Agnes Hickman  
Friday a.m.: Shirley Lindsay



### Bowling

By Jerry Roney

We had another great month at the bowling alley. Teams at the top have changed again with the New Kids edging out the Snowbirds. Four for Fun is close behind.

Noteworthy games bowled above average among the men were Rod Shepherd

with 58 pins over and Jerry Roney and Pete Gorczok with 55 pins over average. The women turned in impressive games starting with Georgie Maguire at 77 pins over, Linda Foreman at 75, A.J. Smallwood at 66 pins over followed by Hedy Schamal with 54 and Caroline Caprano with 52.

We welcomed some new bowlers - Bob Redden, George and Marilyn Vayko and Ron Jandura. We are looking forward to another great month and the New Year.

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**Men's Golf Association**

By George Blankenship

The holidays are almost history for 2011. Christmas is over (no new putting stroke from Santa as requested in last month's column) and the New Year is just around the corner (wait! Is New Year a 2012 holiday?). All this signals the end of another year.

For the most part, we had a pretty good year for golfing. I would like to take this opportunity to wish every one a very happy and prosperous 2012. My wish for all this coming year is many days of bright skies with days of great golf.

The last Chicken Day for 2011 was held on Dec. 7, and can you believe it, we had chicken at this year's December Chicken Day (not possum and greens as I threatened last year)! As we do every year at this luncheon, we presented our annual donation to Hospice of Marion County. This year, our 14th consecutive, we were able to present a check for \$1,115. Just remember that all of this money comes from you, the MGA members, when you purchase muligans on Chicken Days.

We also discussed the donation that was made to Toys for Tots in the memory of one of our long time MGA and MGA board members, Cal Apperson. That donation was in the amount of \$400. I want to thank all of our members and our friends of the MGA who contributed to this fund. As a matter of fact, \$290 of this donation was collected in a five-minute period at the Wednesday rally on Nov. 16. Again, thank

you!  
It was also announced again at Chicken Day that the former Veterans Cup tournament's name was changed to the Cal Apperson Veterans Cup retroactive to this year, 2011 tournament. The decision for this name change was made by your MGA board via an e-mail called ad hoc meeting on Nov. 20. I am extremely pleased and happy to announce the winner of the first annual Cal Apperson Veterans Cup. The winner was your author of this column, George Blankenship.

As we always write in the columns this time of the year, if you have forgotten, now is the time to pay your MGA dues for 2012. Remember the first Wednesday play date for 2012 is Jan. 4, and you need to have a current membership to play. Again, the annual membership dues are still only \$10 and the On Top of the World MGA is open to any resident.

Also, now is a good time for members who want to change to a different set of tees, white to gold or gold to white for MGA play, to let us know by writing your tee change wishes on the sign up sheet. We have already had several requests to change. Just remember, if you sign up to play from the Gold tees with the MGA, your every day posted scores must show that 50%+ of your rounds were played from the Gold tees.

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

**Veterans Cup Stableford Net Nov. 9 & 11**

Flight 1: Tie at 79-George Blankenship and Larry Lucieer. Tie at 76-Gary Hassett and Jim Weaver. 72-Jay Bouton.  
Flight 2: 83-Francis Caprez. 80-Carl Zeiler. 74-Michael Almon. 72-Tom Treppa. Tie at 70-Maurice Kingsley, Norm Lallier and Paul Wade.  
Flight 3: 78-Mike Driver. 76-Tom Marta. 72-Tary Bole. 69-Tom Cummings. 68-Peter M. Peterson. Gold Tee Flight: 83-Tony Magri. 82-Dan Carty. Tie at 81-Edward C. Wilson and Jack Ashenfelter. 80-Ralph Solvold.

**MGA Individual Quota Points Nov. 16 / The Links**

Flight 1: 12-Steve DiFranco. 6-Rudy Normandin. Tie at 5-Guy Russell and Ralph Solvold. 4-Ed Klodzen.  
Flight 2: 7-Bill Blewitt. Tie at 3-Paul Wade and

Tom McHaffie. 2-Jack Hegarty. 1-Marvin Williams.  
Flight 3: 6-Edward Conaway. 4-Sam Harris. Tie at 3-Steve Becker and James Merrick. Tie at 2-Barry Barringer and Art Buecher.  
Flight 4: 7-Ronald Wilson. 5-Richard Enos. 3-Ray Hellman. Tie at 2-Peter Peterson and William McGarry.

**MGA Team Stableford Nov. 30 / The Links**

153-Gary Hassett, Barry Barringer, Edward Conaway and Richard Enos. 147-John Hudacik, Tom Treppa, Ron Thompson and Tony Magri. 146-Rudy Normandin, Willie Schneider, Jack Ashenfelter and John Ricciardone. 145-William E Young Jr, Leonard Ruble, Jerry Chase and Carl Giddings. 143-Guy Russell, Ron Cleveringa, John Hodd and Douglas Coleman. 142-Jay Bouton, Leo McCormick, Norm Lallier and Peter M. Peterson. Tie at 141-Carl Zeiler, Larry Rourke, Harry Brower and Blind Draw; Paul Stone, Art Buecher, Ray Hellman and Blind Draw. 140-Phil Johnson, David Miller, Sam Harris and Jim Tait. 139-Steve DiFranco, Joe Dent, Anthony Romiti and Joe Rappa.

**MGA Chicken Day Dec. 7 / The Links**

62-Dan Carty, William Muller, Steve Becker and Ronald Wilson. 64-Paul Del Vacchio, Bob Cates, Vince Nucaso and John Hodd. Tie at 65-William E Young Jr, Jack Ashenfelter, Joe Dent and Tom Cummings; John Hudacik, Bernard Locklear, Michael Krzeminski and William Miller. Tie at 67-Guy Russell, Charles Casale, Tony Magri and Tom Pasch; Ross Mac Donald, Dennis Brown, James Merrick and Jimmy Johnson; Jim Tait, Bill Carson, Roland Schwab and Kas Kaske; Ralph Solvold, Carl Zeiler Jerry Segovis and Robert Farineau.

**MGA Chicken Day Dec. 7 / Tortoise & Hare**

Tie at 65-Rudy Normandin, Mike Driver, Norm Lallier and William McGarry; Bob Cronin, Carl Caraway and Peter M. Peterson; George Blankenship, John Bauer, Art Dushary and Bill Walker. 66-Jon Hill, Jack Hegarty, Hira Roy and Richard Enos. Tie at 67-Gary Hassett, Edward Conaway, Douglas Coleman and Carl Giddings; Jay Bouton, Maurice Kingsley, Jerry Chase and Rogers Rice; Jim Weaver, Leo McCormick, Paul B East and Bernie James; Ed Darichuk, Paul Wade and Tary Bole.



**Ladies 18-Hole Golf**

By Marilyn Rose

Can you believe that it is Christmas and Santa has arrived? Where have the days gone?

Our December luncheon was outstanding. The committee did a great job, and all had a wonderful time. Thanks to all who made it a great success.

The poster is up for the January Black & White luncheon. The meal will be Lee's Famous Recipe Chicken and the cost is \$8 per person. Please sign up in the back room of the Golf Shop. I encourage all of the ladies to attend. This will be the first gathering of the New Year.

**Low Gross/Low Net November 15 / The Links**

Flight 1 Gross: 84-Jan Juhlin; 85-Beverly Ovrebø. Flight 1 Net: 66-Linda Blewitt; 72-Gretchen Normandin.  
Flight 2: Gross: 90-Mary Lyon; 97-Mary Driver. Flight 2 Net: 71-Sandy Chase; 77-Judy Pasch.  
Flight 3 Gross: 95-Angelita Pena; 100-Margaret Hudacik.  
Flight 3 Net: Tie at 98-Lori Anderson, Peggy Borro.  
Flight 4 Gross: 100-Joan Cecchini; 106-Nelly Neumann.  
Flight 4 Gross: 71-Mary Muller; 75-Serine Rossi.  
Flight 5 Gross: 102-Harriet Brower; 103-Carolyn Cummings.  
Flight 5 Net: 69-Ellie Rapacz; 74-Shirley Smagner.

**Scramble - Sand Extension Nov. 22 / The Links**

70-Jan Juhlin, Joan D'Addio, Mary Muller, Carolyn Cummings. 71-Iro Lisinski, Judy Pasch, Peggy Borro, Ellie Rapacz. 72-Linda Blewitt, Betty Schwartz, Barbara Buecher. 73-Beverly Ovrebø, Sandy Chase, Carol Johnson, Dorothy Muller. Criers

**Nov. 29 / The Links**

Flight 1: 60-Linda Blewitt; 63-Iro Lisinski; 65-Christine McIntire.  
Flight 2: 57-Rosemarie O'Neil; Tie at 64-Susan Watters, Sandy Chase, Margaret Hudacik.  
Flight 3: 63-Mary Muller; 70-Angelita Pena; 71-Jo Ann Roney.  
Flight 4: 61-Marilyn Rose; 63-Carolyn Cummings; 64-Shirley Smagner.

**Two Best Balls Dec. 6 / Tortoise & Hare**

116-Nancy Nicholas, Joan D'Addio, Joan Cecchini, Carolyn Cummings. 120-Beverly Ovrebø, Margaret Hudacik, Lou Borders, Dorothy Muller. 123-Iro Lisinski, Sandy Chase, Lorie Anderson, Ellie Rapacz. 124-Valerie Smith, Patricia MacMurray, Mary Muller, Gienna Swank.

Don't forget membership for 2012 is due at the end of December. We encourage you to take care of that as soon as you can. The Association is ready for 2012, and hopes each and every member and their families have a prosperous New Year.

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### Candler Hills Ladies 9-Hole

By Judith Parisi

Congratulations to Olive Curtin for winning the golf cart decorating contest! The results were announced at the holiday party on Dec. 9, with Olive winning a bottle of chocolate wine (yum!). The party was a fun and festive event, with a surprise appearance by Santa (Dennis Liphardt) and elf (Rich Trembulak) who passed out gifts.

Continuing our series on getting to know our fellow members, I asked Lorie Anderson to share with us some information on her and how she came to On Top of the World.

"I'm from Minneapolis, Minn., and no

we don't have an accent. I have two brothers, two sisters all living in or near the Twin Cities. I met my husband, Gary and most of my closest friends to this day while attending Mankato State College. I worked as a registered nurse in a corrections facility; Gary was a residential building contractor. I love to garden, both vegetables and flowers, but most of all I love spending time with my husband and my two cats.

Gary and I ride motorcycles and if you're a true biker, Daytona Bike week is a must. When my college roommate wrote to tell me she was retiring and spending her winters in Ocala, I knew we had to get together. We drove through Ocala for our annual bikers trek. We hadn't seen each other in close to 30 years, but had always kept in touch.

My husband and I had been looking at places to purchase, but more in the southern part of the state. After our visit, we saw what On Top of the World had to offer, like

racquetball courts, and we knew this was the place for us. We were fortunate to have an extended group of friends that have filled the void of our families.

I learned how to play pickleball the first year we were down here, and loved the people and the game but I had a problem with my shoulder that golf doesn't seem to bother. I told Gary, I wanted golf lessons last winter for my Christmas gift. I've tried to take all the golf clinics offered by our great professional instructors, to read as much as I could and then attempt to implement that knowledge on the range. Ah, there is the challenge, correct stance, keep head down, alignment, grip, keep head down, swing-not too fast, keep head down, don't tense up. Whew, it was overwhelming at first.

The greatest part is meeting a bunch of fun ladies who enjoy playing golf and have a good time, which brings me to this interview."

It's great to have Lorie on board and part

of our league.

### Scramble Nov. 17

39-Susy Trembulak, Elaine Van Bloom, Sue Johnson. 40-Olive Curtin, Vicky Salyers, Mary Giannukos, Pat Gill. 40-Ginny Redden, Renee Aden, Carol Hobbins, Ina Menzies.

### Best Ball Dec. 1

Chip-In: Cheryl Engeman. Birdies: Mary Ann Holmquist, Carol Deahl. 27-Terry Alfano, Judy Parisi, Carol Deahl, Mary Ann Holmquist. 28-Lorie Anderson, Pat McCrory, Lois Laine, Carole Venslavsky.

### Shamble Dec. 8

Chip-In: Lorie Anderson. Birdie: Olive Curtin. 23-Terry Alfano, Linda Mandala, Lois Laine, Carol Deahl. 24-Lorie Anderson, Carole Venslavsky, Debbie Massari, Patty Beeman.

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION:** Eagle on hole #2 by Susy Trembulak on Nov. 13.

Chip-ins not previously noted: Donna Liphardt on Oct. 6.

### Republican Club

By Fred Pulis

At a well-attended meeting on Friday, Dec. 9, the guest speaker was County Commissioner Charlie Stone. His annual topic was "State of the County." This was Charlie Stone's last presentation as he is retiring after the Nov. 6 election.

In addition to the scheduled speaker, several candidates in the Aug. 14 primary were given time to introduce themselves and present a short synopsis of their background.

Be sure to register for and vote in the upcoming Florida presidential preference on Tuesday, Jan. 31.

The club sponsored golf cart was entered and gladly participated in the Christmas Golf Cart Parade.

Club volunteers completed the refurbishing and furnishing of their sponsored two-bedroom at the Ritz Historic Inn. Final personal touches to the homeless veteran's facility will be finished soon.

Club members are also actively engaged in Operation Shoebox. They recently completed a delivery for their "Charlie Brown Christmas Tree" project. As of right now, they continue to collect items for later delivery; included are newspaper puzzles, snack foods and stationary items. Help is always welcome; if interested, contact Fred at 854-9976.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, Jan. 13 in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E, F and G, at 7 p.m. In January, our guest speaker is County Commissioner Mike Amsden, District 1, and in February it will be Stan McClain, County Commissioner, District 3.

All regular meetings are scheduled for the second Friday of the month at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E, F and G, at 7 p.m.

### American Jewish Club



By Carol Aronoff

This time of year is a busy one for all of us. The season's festivities roll in, one after the other. We, of the American Jewish Club, want to wish all of our friends and neighbors a very happy Chanukah, merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

We celebrated Chanukah at our Dec. 18 meeting.

We are looking forward to our annual box luncheon and refreshments.

I would like to tell everybody how much we all enjoyed the Irish Step Dancers presented by Kirk Roiken at our November meeting. They were spectacular.

Members of Holy Trinity; the girls are aged from 15 to four-years-old and they

were absolutely adorable in authentic Irish costumes. Ms. Roiken is to be commended.

We will announce the dates for our trips that will take place in early 2012 at the meeting, and lists will be available for sign ups along with all pertinent information.

Our lunch bunch will continue on the third Thursday of the month (restaurants to be determined).

And last but not least, don't forget to call our sunshine lady, Renee Filzer, at 861-1030, if you need a card sent.

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## Candler Hills Men's Golf

By Joe Alfano

Here's hoping everyone enjoyed the holidays but, on a personal note, I'm a little peeved at the bearded and jolly round guy in the red suit. Seems he forgot to leave me that wished for golf game under the tree again this year. Alas, I suppose I'll just have to scrape it around the course with whatever resemblance of a swing that shows up on the range on that particular day.

Our website, CHMGA.com, has been updated with this year's schedule of weekly games and the dates of the various tournaments for our membership. You will also find an explanation of those games in the link "Games We Play." There is a lot of useful information within the site so it would behoove each of our members to take full

advantage of that fact and visit the site.

Marc Shaffer has been elected our new treasurer and we wish him well in that capacity. A special thank you to outgoing Treasurer Garry Gerlach for all his time and effort while serving on the board these past years. Garry has been a devoted member of the board in particular and the association in general and I know he is looking forward to all this newfound free time to find that extra fifteen yards he so desperately craves.

Lee Trevino recently said "Columbus went around the world in 1492. That isn't a lot of strokes when you consider the course." Getting around Candler Hills in a heck of a lot less strokes this past month were Chris Jett and Tom Garrison (73), Dave Martin (74), Larry Joseph, Walt Pacuk and Larry Smallwood (75), Chris Piotrowski and Al Wasmer (76), Lon Scheibal and RL Moore (77), Jim Dyke and John Menzies (78) and Gil Schofield (79). A hearty well played "baffin' yer ball" gentlemen.

The association welcomes Ray Cech as our first new member of 2012. As I am in-

clined to do, allow me to forewarn you that, although we may seem to be an unpretentious bunch, modesty is not a word easily found in our vocabulary. If you allow me to be more to the point, just think of famous actress Betty Davis when she once proclaimed "fasten your seat belts boys, it's going to be a bumpy ride!" All kidding aside, there is a reason why our association's motto is "Honor the game, respect the course." Enough said!

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

### Four-Man Two Best Balls Nov. 15

113-Larry Joseph, John Menzies, Dave Miller & Stan Jarmel; 117-Dave Martin, Gene Francisco, Roger Bannister & Guy Lewis; 118-Gil Schofield, Ernie Koy, Bob Thomson & Bruce Venslavsky; 120- Mike Deahl, Guy Lewis, Larry Greenfield & Bob Veale.

### Two-Man Stableford Nov. 22

Patton Flight: 79-JC VanBloom & Ray Myers; 76-Tom Racinowski & Bob Starrett; 73-Dick Masterson & Jon Raupach.  
Montgomery Flight: 80-Jim Dyke & Bruce Venslavsky; 79-Larry Smallwood & Ken Zweiback; 78-Gil Schofield & Joe Alfano.

### Four-Man Three Best Balls Nov. 29

189-Larry Smallwood, John Redden, Rich Smith & Dave Green; 193-Rich Robertson, RL Moore, Jon Raupach & Phil Moherek; 196-Chris Jett, Dick Masterson, Bob Cowie & Fred Hobbins.

### Individual Net Dec. 6

Barney Flight: 67-Norm Giannukos; 68-Jack Gustafson; 70-John Redden.  
Dietrich Flight: 66-Don Huston & Bob Starrett; 72-Bob Cowie.  
Fish Flight: 63-Tom Garrison; 70-Glenn Sauer, Jim Dyke and Larry Joseph.  
Wojo Flight: 67-Tony Mistry; 70-Chris Scharar; 71-Bruce Venslavsky.



## Candler Hills Ladies 18-Hole

By Mary Pat Giffin

As the New Year gets underway, many of us promise to eat healthier, exercise more,

and improve our golf game. So, why not combine health, fitness, weight and golf goals all in one program?

The golf swing requires certain levels of flexibility, balance, strength, endurance, and power to execute correctly. And, yoga exercises and poses are an excellent way to improve overall flexibility, balance, strength and endurance regardless of age. If you haven't practiced yoga, give it a try this year. It will improve your coordination,

concentration and focus on the golf course.

Start with a simple exercise for proper posture, an important component on the golf course, which can be challenging for some older players. In front of a mirror, stand as straight as possible with your back against a wall, and pull your stomach in as far as possible. Now press your buttock against the wall and straighten your shoulders to pull your hip cage up. Pull your shoulders back and stretch your neck out for as long as possible. Breathe deeply for five to 10 breaths. Relax and do this five to 10 times. If you do this daily, you will soon see improvements on, and off the golf course.

In golf, like all sports, mental discipline/attitude is just as important as talent. Your mind can be your ace in the hole or your down fall. Make a habit of monitoring your thoughts in your pre-shot warm up. Free your mind by inhaling and breathing out several times with your lips apart.

There are certain recurring thoughts as you prepare for your game. Try this mental exercise when you feel these numbing thoughts welling up in your mind with concerns about the results of your action.

Repeat to yourself several times, "Stop it, stop it, stop it. You can do this!" Tell yourself, "I am in charge ... I can do this!" Conclude - "That's the spirit."

Our first general business meeting for 2012 will be held on Thursday, Jan. 19 at the Candler Hills Community Center following league golf. At that time, we will discuss upcoming tournament events.

As of now, we are looking at a Mardi-Gras outing with each member inviting their best friend, spouse or significant other. It will be a shotgun start with lunch and prizes to follow. The board hopes to have at least 50 people in order to secure the Candler Hills Community Center. Watch for details.

The Nine Hole Golf Invitational is

scheduled for March 31. This is always a good time with good friends.

Start working on your golf game now for the Club Championship, which will be held April 19-20 and 26.

### Team Stableford Nov. 17

154-Tona Scheibal; Carol Joseph, Mary Pat Giffin; Marge Cowie.

### Odd and Even Dec. 1

Flight 1: 35-Deb Martin; 32-Iro Lisinski; 32-Tona Scheibal.

Flight 2: 36-Deanne Green; 38-Pam Carpenter; 39-Betty Dong.

Flight 3: 36-Carol Clark; 40-Marie Gillis; 40-Sandra Noe.

Flight 4: 38-Kathy O'Leary; 39-Vivian Scholfield.

### Two Best Balls of Foursome Dec. 8

118-Pam Carpenter; Kate Beaty; Carol Clark; Angie Jingo. 122-Judie Anderson; Kathy Smyth; Joan Gustafson; Kathy O'Leary.

### President's Cup Dec. 8

Championship Match: Connie Norris defeated Deb Martin.

President's Cup Semifinal Match: Betty Dong defeated Judie Anderson.

Consolation Match: Tona Scheibal defeated Toni Stevenson.



## R/C Flyers

By Bob Wroblewski

At our December meeting, our president, Chuck Foreman, announced the new slate of officers for the coming year. They are: Joe Fanelli as president, Ted Pope as vice president, Gale Perry as secretary, Charlie Kruger as safety officer, and Bob Perry as field marshal. The directors are Jerry Deluyck and Allen Kauffman. Best wishes for a successful 2012 and congratulations one and all.

On Dec. 11, the club held its annual Christmas party at Stone Creek Grille. Everyone attending came dressed in their finest, especially the ladies. The entertainment for the evening was provided by the Westport High School chorus and what a fine job they did of putting us in the holiday spirit. Over 30 very talented chorus members sang a variety of holiday songs.

Do keep in mind two important items:

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This column will be taken over by another club member. I have enjoyed sharing thoughts with you over the last few years. Best wishes for a healthy and happy New Year. Let's fly!

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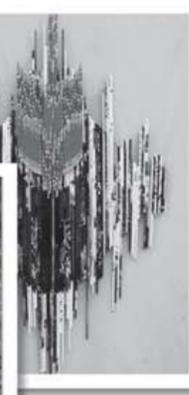
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### Arbor Club Tennis

By Jorge Privat

Happy New Year to you! I sincerely hope you all had a wonderful Christmas. My wish for you in 2012 is of course very good health, lots of exercise (particularly tennis) and the best disposition you can muster on the tennis courts.

A retired champion to whom I owe many of my basics, once told me, "Remember Jorge, of all the tennis matches that were played today, one half of the players lost. I don't mean to preach, just to give you perhaps a different perspective on the sport." So, don't be too disappointed if you lost today, nobody wins every day, but try

your darnedest to win every time you step on court.

Can't run as fast as you used to? Play smarter, make use of your other strokes (like the lob, the drop shot, short angle balls), keep your cool under pressure, and don't lose sight of the fact that we play tennis "for the health of it" and having fun in the process.

I would like to make an open invitation to all the former tennis players to dust off the old racquet and come down to the courts. I can assure you, you will have a good time.

I hope that by now, you all have picked your partners for the yearend tournament. Don't let the word tournament scare you. It's all fun, just an opportunity to enjoy good camaraderie, some food and a social interaction that we don't have on a regular basis.

#### How to Minimize Unforced Errors

Because of the way we keep score in tennis, matches are often much closer than set scores indicate. For example, in a set won by a score of 7-6, 7-5 or 6-4 the loser may have actually won more points than the winner.

Suppose you were on the losing side, if you would reverse the outcome of 15% of the points, you would usually win. And the culprit is usually in the unforced errors department.

So, let me tell you that the surest way to reduce unforced errors is by playing the percentages. This means that, unless you have a good reason to do otherwise on any particular shot, choose the "percentage" shot - that is, the one with the greatest margin for error. Here is what you need to know to help determine the percentage shot in any given situation.

1. Topspin increases your margin for error. Topspin is forward roll, while underspin is reverse rotation or backspin. Topspin brings the ball down, like a curveball in baseball. So, topspin shots dive downward after they clear the net. You can hit them hard and easily clear the net by five feet. Flat shots are like fastballs. Both, flat shots and underspin shots are low percentage shots. Underspin shots tend to plane (fly like an airplane wing) so you must barely clear the net with them and not hit them too hard or they will go out long.
2. Hitting over the lowest part of the net (the center) increases your margin for error. The net is six inches lower in the center than at the posts. If that doesn't seem like much to you, think of how many netted shots hit the top six inches of the net! Any opportunity you have to aim for the center of the net - an inside out forehand, for example, rather than a down-the-line winner - will increase your chances of success.
3. Improving your perspective by moving closer to the net increases your margin for error. Relative to you, the net gets lower and more of the opposition's court lies exposed to your shots.
4. Hitting crosscourt increases your margin for error. Down-the-line shots are low percentage shots. The court is shorter and the net is higher down the line. Returning a crosscourt feeder down the line is the most error-ridden shot in tennis.
5. Shot selection can be crucial. Many players think "mixing it up" is hap-

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hazard shot selection. It's not. Mixing it up should be occasional variation, not continual variation.

Constant variation not only increases your frequency of error by playing against the percentages, it is counterproductive because it doesn't lull your opponents into a pattern.

Moreover, you should select the low-percentage shots only when the situation and the feeder shot are right for them. Most singles players hit too many shots down the line.

Stick with the high percentage tactics unless you have a reason to depart from them on any particular shot. In other words, never depart from them arbitrarily. Let the high-percentage shot (e.g., topspin crosscourt) be your default shot selection.

Some players might complain that it would be boring to hit the same shot all the time. I can tell you, stay with what's proven to work best.

See you on the courts!



### Pickleball

By Bill Daugherty

Let's talk about the serve this month. Put your serve into the correct service court. I cannot stress enough the importance of doing this. Pickleball is different from tennis in this regard. You don't get a second try, and most serves, no matter how good they might be, are returned.

Don't try to "ace" the serve. Your serve can be slow, high, or otherwise less than stellar, but, if it lands in the serve court, you are that much closer to making a point.

Have fun but play hard. If you miss the service court, your attempt at the point is lost.

Call the score just before you serve (not while you're serving and not too far ahead of the serve). Call the score, then leave a few seconds for any questions or corrections, before starting the serve. Doing this alerts all the players that you are preparing to serve the ball. Calling the score while you serve is distracting to you and your opponent and is considered to be poor etiquette on the court. You'll find that anything occurring while you serve will cause you to serve out of bounds, into the net, or other wise serve poorly.

Vary your serve. If you serve deep before, try a short serve to throw your opponents off guard. Try deep serves to the baseline. Players can sometimes be caught "creeping" into the court area and, because they must play off the bounce, they'll have trouble doing so if they are too close.

Serve to your opponent's backhand. Most players are weaker on the backhand side, and their reach isn't as long, so this is typically a good strategy.

Serve low since these serves are generally harder to return than high floaters.

Upcoming events:

- Jan. 11: Beginners safety and orientation class, at 3 p.m.
- Jan. 18: New player skills class, at 3 p.m.
- Jan. 25: Advanced skills class, at 3 p.m.

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## World Traveler

By Bill Shampine

With the exception of Canada and Mexico, we usually think of foreign countries being a pretty long way from the U.S. However, the Commonwealth of the Bahamas is only 50 miles off the coast of Florida, roughly half the distance to Orlando!

Another fact that was new to me is that the Bahamas consist of a bunch of islands—specifically, 29 islands, 661 cays (very small islands), and 2,387 islets (an island that is not much more than a rock above water). The major islands are Bimini, the closest to the U.S., New Providence, where the capital city of Nassau is located, Paradise, connected to New Providence by two bridges, and Grand Bahama, only 55 miles from the U.S.

It has been well documented that Christopher Columbus did not land on U.S. shores. Instead, the evidence suggests that

he landed on San Salvador, one of the Bahamian islands, in 1492, although another theory proposed in 1986 has Columbus landing on Samana Cay instead of San Salvador. Lucayan Indians originally populated some of the islands from about 300 AD until Christopher Columbus's arrival. Unfortunately, the friendly native population was quickly decimated through enforced slavery and western diseases.

English Puritans established the first permanent settlement in the Bahamas in 1648, on the island of Eleuthera. In the early 1700s, pirates had pretty well taken over the Bahamas. The many small islands, shallow waters, and proximity to the shipping lanes used by the Spanish for their treasure ships, made the area an ideal location for the pirates. Finally, the King of England made the Bahamas a British colony and ordered the new governor to restore order, which he did by 1718.

Colonizers tried to farm on the islands, but that required slave labor to be profitable. The British abolished the slave trade in 1807, which led to the forced settlement on Bahamian islands of thousands of Africans liberated from slave ships by the Royal Navy. The British then abolished slavery all

together in 1834.

Modern development of the Bahamas began after World War II, leading to its independence in 1973, thus ending 325 years of peaceful British rule.

The Bahamas have a population of about 354,000 people, with 70% of them living in Nassau. Common to most of the islands in the Caribbean, life in the Bahamas is pretty laid-back. The economy is dominated by tourism and offshore finance, although fishing and some agriculture can be found. Tourists are happy with the abundance of boutique shops, fine dining, wonderful beaches, fishing, snorkeling, diving, golfing, boating, bird watching, and many other activities.

The Chamber of Commerce claims that the water in the Bahamas is the clearest in the world, with visibility of more than 200 feet. A periodic fun event that is found only in the Bahamas is Junkanoo. It is an incredibly energetic, colorful parade made up of brightly costumed Bahamians dancing to the music of cowbells, drums, horns, and whistles. Junkanoo parades are held on major holidays, and occasionally just for fun. All in all, the Bahamas is a nice place to visit.



Photo by RealJunkanoo

**One of the elaborate and colorful costumes worn for a Junkanoo parade in the Bahamas.**



## Tall Tale Travelers

By Jim Lynam

The Tall Tale Travelers R.V. group recently camped at Salt Springs Recreation Area located in the heart of the Ocala National Forest and operated by the U.S. Forest Service.

Salt Springs acquired its name from the nine vertical fissures rising from within the earth that produce 54 million gallons of 72 degree water every day. The water contains potassium, magnesium and sodium salts, which makes the water slightly saline.

Donella and Keith participated as the wagon masters and coordinated the reservations and planning for the 14 couples included in the excursion.

The members arrived on Monday to temperatures in the high 70s with splash-n-dash showers. After supper, the group went to the "barn" where John and Patrick, the camp hosts, provided firewood to feed the enormous fireplace which took the chill out of the air, and coffee was always available. The evening continued with the usual cards and games and sitting around the fire catching up on summer travels and family news.

Donella and Keith made arrangements for breakfast at the Square Meal restaurant where we had the side room all to ourselves. Good-natured fun and conversation was on the menu as Nick's table was the last to be served. The men took a bike ride to the

springs and the boat ramp. While on one of John's "shortcuts," the bikers were surprised by a flock of at least 20 hen turkeys. How appropriate for the Thanksgiving theme.

Donella and Keith chose Thanksgiving as the theme of the potluck dinner and the members provided all the turkey, ham and fixings for a complete feast. The chilly temperature, the warm fire, the tables and benches, and the rustic barn reminded everyone of the original Thanksgiving.

Donella and Keith chose and made dinner reservations at the Bass Champions restaurant. Once again, Nick was seated with the first group and was served absolutely last.

Thursday morning Dick and Jim left for another adventure in fishing while the ladies played cards. Keith and Donella had to leave because of a suspected propane leak in their unit. Fortunately, it turned out to be just a battery leak. The group returned for happy hour and supper included the leftovers and must-goes.

Following dinner, in honor of traditional Veterans Day, the group recognized all the veterans and their spouses for their personal sacrifices and service to their country. The group thanked Darcy and John for their hospitality and warmth while at the barn. The evening concluded with games and camaraderie and Rosie and friends were determined to finish the jigsaw puzzle before they left.

As always, the members of the Tall Tale Travelers left Salt Springs Recreation Area with fond memories and an appreciation of Florida's natural resources and agreed to return another time.

May the New Year bring even more "tall tales" and memories!



## Favorite Recipes Dinner Club

By Luke Mullen

November marked the beginning of our holiday season of having great meals and fun entertaining. Twenty diners celebrated this dinner at three club member's homes.

Martha and Dick Riberdy hosted our first dinner. Preparing the hors d'oeuvres were Barbara and John Young. The first was a dip served with a vegetable plate while the second was an array of barbecued sausage balls. Also, Joan Sigafos and Richard Miles prepared citrus-marinated olives, sables (a French cheese cracker) with creamy nacho sauce, and sausage pinwheels.

After the delightful cocktail hour, Martha and Dick served a dinner of shrimp cocktail or a broccoli salad for those who did not eat seafood. That course was followed by a salad of fresh tomatoes and basil paired with sliced mozzarella and bathed in Greek olive oil. The main course consisted of white lasagna (béchamel sauce and mild sausage) and asparagus.

Gitte and Paul Agarwal served the dessert. It was a Kahlua chocolate almond cake. All had a delightful evening.

Hosting our second dinner were Cherry and Fred Jones. Carolle and Tom Carlton brought the appetizers. Since dinner had a little international theme, they brought a touch of Italy, artichoke appetizers that combined cream cheese, mozzarella cheese and Parmesan cheese with Italian season-

ing, artichoke hearts and black olives baked on mini bagels. The second appetizer was a feta spread from Greece, consisting of feta cheese, pepperoncini, fresh oregano mixed with olive oil and lemon juice in a food processor and served with pita chips.

After the appetizers, Cherry and Fred served the main meal. They had prepared Chile Verde (pork and hominy stew) and New Mexican spinach, preceded by a pear salad.

Following the meal, Ann and Conrad Massa served the dessert. They had prepared a Bundt cake, which consisted of yellow cake made with poppy seeds and pistachio pudding and sherry. The cake was covered with a lemon curd icing. All participants enjoyed a fun time.

Our third dinner hosts were Barbara and Art Bartlewski. Jean and Joan Breslin prepared appetizers for the dinner. The first was a dip of black beans, cream cheese, scallions and artichokes with homemade Parmesan pita chips. The second was crackers topped off with cream cheese mixed with horseradish and chili sauce that was topped off with shrimp.

Following the hors d'oeuvres, Barbara and Art served the main meal. It was Cornish game hens with a Dijon mustard-honey glaze, Southern praline, sweet potato casserole, wild rice, cranberry/orange/walnut relish, and tomato aspic salad on greens.

After the dinner, Jeanne and John Lombardi served the dessert. It was an elegant cheesecake. A very nice time was had at the dinner.

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**On The Road Again**

By Bob Woods

In a couple of days, we will be celebrating the New Year. I would like to wish everyone a very happy New Year. I hope one of your resolutions is to participate in one or more of my future trips!

I have three trips planned this year: two motor coach trips and one fabulous cruise.

Let's start with the Royal Caribbean Radiance of the Seas cruise, which we will board in Honolulu after flights starting from Orlando on April 22. The cruise is a total of 12 days in length, spending seven days in Hawaiian waters visiting four different islands including a nighttime sailing past the active volcano, Mount Kilauea. The ship will spend five days transiting to Vancouver, B.C. where we will disembark and then head to Seattle for a two-night post cruise before flying back to Florida. Does this cruise sound good? Call me for details.

The next trip is a nine-day motor coach extravaganza, departing Sept. 15, heading for Cape Cod, Mass. with stops en route. We will visit Hyannis Village, JFK Museum, and John F. Kennedy Memorial in Hyannis, Historic Sandwich, beautiful lighthouses, guided tour of the Outer Cape, Eastham Windmill, Cape Cod National Seashore, Marconi Station, and colorful Provincetown. The trip also includes a ferry ride out to Martha's Vineyard where we will tour the island for one day plus many more Cape Cod attractions.

Departing Cape Cod, the trip also includes a stop in Plymouth to visit the Mayflower II and Plymouth Plantation along with the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond. How does this trip sound good? Call me.

Back by popular demand is a seven-day motor coach trip departing Nov. 11 to the Smoky Mountains and Pigeon Forge. This is primarily a show trip taking in six shows while in the Pigeon Forge area and a step on a guided tour of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. There will be some free time in Gatlinburg and at Pigeons Forge's Historical Old Mill Square. A nighttime visit to the second largest Christmas tree shop in the United States is also planned.

Departing Pigeon Forge for home, a planned stop at Rock City Gardens is also planned which is located atop beautiful Lookout Mountain, Ga. a few miles from downtown Chattanooga. If you are interested in this trip, please contact me as soon as possible as this trip is already three-quarters sold out.

All my trips start and end right here within the confines of On Top of the World. On motor coach trips, the coach will stop every two to two and a half hours for a rest stop. Deposits are fully refundable up to final payment.

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The flyer for the Hawaiian cruise gives you the island stops but don't go by the prices listed, as the shipping company has raised those fares. This is one reason why it is advisable to book as soon as a trip is published.

Call me at 854-0702 for additional information. See you on the road again.



**Travel Toppers**

By Jo Swing

Ring out the old. Ring in the new. Welcome 2012!

Travel Toppers starts the year with the great Glen Miller Orchestra on Jan. 17. As of now, we have a full bus, but can always use a wait list. The cost is \$44. Call Jo Swing to be put on the list.

We are still taking reservations for that delightful trip back to early 1960s Baltimore, "Hair Spray." This will be presented at the Show Palace on Saturday, Feb. 4. The cost is \$64 for a fun show, great buffet, bus and tips for driver and meal. Audrey Mangano is the coordinator.

Don't miss the 25th anniversary production of "Les Miserables" on Saturday, Feb. 11. This brand new edition of the classic Victor Hugo story features new staging

and scenery. If you have never seen it or even if you have seen it many times, this is the one show not to miss this year. The cost is \$96, which includes bus, show and tip for driver. Meal will be on your own at the International Mall. Call Linda Hein for reservations.

New this year is a trip on March 5 to the Strawberry Festival in Plant City. The cost will be \$30 for bus and admission. Meal will be on your own. Come with us and celebrate the strawberry in every delicious form and style. Reservations start Monday, Jan. 16. Mary Lee Coleman will be the coordinator.

Reservations will start Monday, Jan. 23, for "104 Years of Broadway" on Monday, March 19, at Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater. This presentation of the "Senior at Leisure" series recreates memorable moments from the most successful Broadway hits. The cost is \$44, which covers bus, show, box lunch and tips. The coordinator will be Mary Lamp.

There are still cabins available for the 10-day Panama Canal cruise from Friday, March 9, to Monday, March 19. Sail-

ing from Ft. Lauderdale, the ports of call are Half Moon Cay, a private island in the Bahamas; Oranjestad, Aruba; Willemstad, Curaçao; Colón, Panama; partial transit of the canal; and Puerto Limón, Costa Rica. Cabins range from \$1,676 for inside, \$1,866 for ocean view, to \$2,176 for a veranda. Prices are based on double occupancy and include all port charges and taxes. There will be a shipboard credit of \$50 per cabin. Call Inge Gaitch for information and reservations.

Travel Toppers also has a 13-day Alaska cruise and tour scheduled for Friday, Aug. 31, to Wednesday, Sept. 12. The cruise will be on Princess Cruises' "Island Princess" and accommodations will be at Princess Lodges. Cabins start at \$2,081 per person for inside, cruise tour only. Airfare is approximately \$800 to \$1,000 extra and is non-refundable. Call Inge Gaitch for information and reservations.

Travel Toppers will hold the first meeting of the New Year on Wednesday, Jan. 4, at 9:30 a.m. at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite A. All residents are invited.

Until then, happy travels to all.



**Sail Away Cruise Club**

By Fred O'Blenis

Happy New Year and welcome aboard! We still have room on our spring 2012 cruise. It is a five-night on Royal Caribbean's Jewel of the Seas from the Port of Tampa. The departure date is April 14. The ports of call are Costa Maya and Cozumel, Mexico. Cabins start at \$514.69 double occupancy with a \$50 per stateroom onboard credit. Time is now a factor on this cruise. A spring cruise after the winter cold is just the ticket. Call Fred at 237-6367.

The club's annual late year sail away cruise in 2012 is a seven-night on the Grand Princess out of Ft. Lauderdale. We will depart on Dec. 1 with cabins starting at \$669 and a \$50 onboard credit per cabin. Book now with the required deposit and make monthly payments. This option helps ease that big hit at final payment time.

Feedback from our frequent cruise clients indicated the desire to see the southern Caribbean, but didn't want the air travel to Puerto Rico. Our travel consultant suggested the Grand Princess.

The ship leaves from Ft. Lauderdale and by the next morning it docks at Princess Cay in the Bahamas. This is a private island with 30 acres of beach. If you want to do more than sleep on the sand or lie around, the island offers glass-bottom boats and water activities including kayaking, paddle boating and snorkeling.

By the end of this fun and active day you'll be ready to spend time at sea as the ship heads to Curacao. The ship is there for a half-day and evening with a late night departure to Aruba for the third port of call.

Day six and seven are sailing the Carib-

bean Seas and the Atlantic Ocean. It's never too early to hold a cabin, but it might be too late for the best cabin location and price if you wait.

If you change your mind, for whatever reason, you'll get all your money back as long as it is before the final payment due on Sept. 10.

Although we are a cruise club with large groups as our specialty, our clients often book individual cruises, as well. Call Fred at 237-6367 for all your travel questions and I'll be happy to assist you.

I wish everybody a healthy, happy and prosperous 2012. I'll see you on one of our future cruises or here at On Top of the World.

Until then, fair winds and following seas.

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Photo by Ron Broman

**A young Eastern Red Cedar in the Native Plant Garden.**



**Native Plant Group**

By Ron Broman

Cedar tree? Yes, I see der tree. You may see the tree, but it may not be the cedar tree. Confused? You're not the only one.

In Florida, there are two species that have the name cedar in them: Atlantic white cedar and Eastern red cedar. The challenge, however, is that neither is of the species to which the Cedars of Lebanon belong, Cedrus libani. There are no true cedars in the U.S. That is there are no trees of the species Cedrus in the U.S.

Atlantic white cedar, Chamaecyparis thuyoides, in Florida is found mostly in the

wet woodlands and swamps and riverbanks west of the New River in Liberty County in the panhandle in the Apalachicola

National Forest. However, the species is reported in swamps and streams in Marion and Putnam counties. In the Morman Branch scenic area of the Ocala National Forest, the trees "are tall and straight and tower over the understory in beautiful stands." (The Trees of Florida, by Gil Nelson)

The Eastern red cedar, Juniperus virginiana, is Florida's most common cedar tree. You may notice that the genus name is Juniperus, which technically makes it a juniper. Male and female cones are borne on separate trees, so if you want progeny you'll need at least one of each gender. The male cone clusters are about two to three inches long and yellowish, while the female cones are bluish, small, (less than an inch) and berry-like.

If one is considering adding a so-called

cedar to the landscape, Juniperus virginiana is probably your best

choice, unless the site is permanently wet, because it is highly adaptable, "from roadsides and old fields to moist hammocks." By the way, if conditions are right, it could grow up to be 60-feet tall. The one in the picture was just planted in back of the Native Plant Garden, just west of the Arbor Conference Center.

Guess what? Next week brings in a brand new year, 2012, and the 2012 edition of the Native Plant Group meetings. Amazing, and do we have a winter, spring planned for you, starting with our own Phillip Hisey on Wednesday, Jan. 11, presenting Florida Friendly Landscapes in On Top of the World, at 1 p.m. in Suite H of the Arbor Conference Center. This is guaranteed to be a winner. We hope to greet you there, to gather and to enjoy growing native!



**Birders' Beat**

By Anne Merrick

Nov. 18 to Blue Run of Dunnellon Park. This is a newly spruced up park just off CR 484 by the bridge over the Rainbow River.

We met at the Health & Recreation parking lot to carpool. It was a cool morning again and some time before the birds showed their faces. The trails through the woods are well-marked and fun to walk.

After a while, as we became attuned to our surroundings, we became aware of the

birds, a call here and there, the flash of a tail or wing and a silhouette against the sky.

We took the first trail with the trees meeting overhead and the leaves underfoot making for very comfortable walking. By now, the expert spotters had seen and identified several birds.

We wandered on and after half an hour or so the river came into view on our right and we followed it south on the next trail. Although this is a birding trip, you cannot help but notice all the amazing native plants many of which were blooming and delighted us.

Some of the birds seen were: Sandhill Crane, Red-bellied and Pileated Woodpecker, Carolina Chickadee, Carolina Wren, Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, Phoebe, Wood Duck, Coot, Blue-white and Pine Warbler and Great Blue Heron.

We went for lunch at Gruffs Tap and Grille where a long table was set up for us and had a delicious lunch and a congenial time. It is always fun to go with this group.

The worldwide Christmas Bird Count is on Jan. 3 with the Unique Birders helping to cover the South Marion County area. This is also a fun time.

The January outing, to Paynes Prairie, is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 26. At the present time, with the drought, the Prairie is very dry which may impact the outing. However, this could change at any time. We will meet at the large tree in the Health & Recreation parking lot at 7:30 a.m. to carpool. Please check with Bob Mackenzie, who will be our leader, before the date to reconfirm at 861-0544 or 1-847-452-3782.



Photo by Anne Merrick

**Unique Birders at Blue Run.**



**Pennsylvania Club**

By Pat Utiss

I hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful

holiday season. Members of the Pennsylvania Club started celebrating with our annual Christmas party, on Dec. 7. As usual, the food was abundant and delicious.

The tables were decorated with live poinsettia centerpieces, colorful napkins and Christmas pen, light up favors. The members had a good time with those favors. The pens were put to good use doing several seasonal quizzes while we awaited the visit of Santa Claus.

The traditional first door prize at our Christmas party was a basket of Pennsylvania products. Members donated the products and the basket was beautifully decorated by Hazel and Elmer Radabaugh. This year, the lucky winner was Nell Entinger. The poinsettias were also given away, as additional prizes.

Following the door prizes, our grab bag gifts were distributed while Nancy Minehart read "Twas the Night Before Christmas." Our refreshment committee, Eileen and John Kreps and Carol and Rod Emrick did their usual fantastic job getting the food tables ready and also, decorating the other tables. Our thanks to everyone who helped.

Our collection of toys was successful. Through the generosity of our members, seven large bags were taken to Salvation Army headquarters in Ocala.

I hope you all got a chance to visit the Health & Recreation Ballroom and view the wreaths. Eileen Kreps decorated the beautiful one from the Pennsylvania Club. We thank her so much for doing such a marvelous job.

Our next meeting will be held on Jan. 11, at the Arbor Conference Center, in Suites E and F. The meeting starts at 3 p.m., but come early for food and fellowship. Our dues remain at \$5. They will be collected at this meeting. Following the meeting, we will be treated to a performance by the Pattern Dance Group from right here in On Top of the World.

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**Opera**

By Bernie Kelly

On Thursday, Dec. 1, we began our Opera Appreciation Class with several new members; everyone had a very enjoyable learning experience watching a performance of Madame Butterfly starring Mirella Freni and Plácido Domingo.

It is not too late to get involved. We will meet again on Thursday, Jan. 5 for a performance of Rossini's La Cenerentola, which is a retelling of the Cinderella myth.

Gioachino Rossini is known mostly for his comic opera, The Barber of Seville that was staged in 1816 when Rossini was 24. He was born in 1792 and retired from composing opera having reached fame and fortune with his 29 operas. Because of the song-like melodies that characterized his scores, he was given the nickname of "The Italian Mozart."

Rossini's parents were both involved in music; so it is not surprising that the young Gioachino was laying the triangle in his father's group at six. Rossini senior got involved in the politics of the French Revolution on the wrong side and ended up in prison for a time. His mother took young Gioachino to Bologna where she made a living as a singer in various theaters.

At 14, he was entered into a counterpoint class where he also became a very competent cello player and even an adequate horn player following his father's

example. He rebelled from the severity of the instructor's views on counterpoint and tended to favor a freer school of composition during his long career.

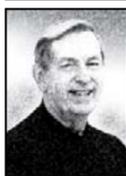
In 1817, Rossini composed La Cenerentola a year after the Barber of Seville, and it was received almost as enthusiastically as was the Barber. The story of Cinderella was seen in an opera by a rival composer in 1814, which has been completely forgotten today but it served as a model for Rossini's librettist who especially liked the subtitle.

William Tell written with a French libretto in 1829 was Rossini's 39th and last opera. The audience received it very unfavorably because it was far too long, the libretto was poor and there were too many dull stretches. If the opera is not presented with discrete cuts, it is nearly six hours long. For whatever reason, Rossini spent the remaining 39 years of his life composing only a few sacred works and piano pieces.

Everyone knows the story of Cinderella, which has been the subject of ballets and several operas. The Comediantis is a performance group of Catalan origin and they staged this performance at the Gran Teatre del Liceu in Barcelona. This particular staging was first done at the Houston Grand Opera in 2007 with rave reviews.

The stars we will see are perfect for their roles with Juan Diego Flórez as the Prince and Joyce DiDonato as Cinderella. Bruno de Simone is Don Magnifico, stepfather of Cinderella, and he plays the role for great comic effect. The rest of the cast is first rate and the sets and costumes are very colorful. I think everyone will enjoy it thoroughly.

Remember, we will meet in Suites B and C of the Arbor Conference Center, at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 5.



**Concert Chorus**

By Bill Shampine

We hope you all enjoyed our Christmas concert held on Dec. 4; we certainly did. The Concert Chorus just loves to sing, and it is particularly rewarding when we can sing for an audience! We wish to thank all of our fans who attended the performance. We also thank you for your generous contributions, which will be used to purchase new music.

Actually, the concert in the Health & Recreation Ballroom was not our last hurrah for 2011. We also did special performances on Dec. 10 for the "loopers" of Providence, and on Dec. 14 at the Holiday Festival.

We are grateful that Jean Muncy stepped up and served as an interim director for our Christmas concert. She did a wonderful job and we cannot thank her enough. Similarly, Joan Stenson also stepped up and served as an interim director for the "loopers" concert and the Holiday Festival. She also did a terrific job for us and we thank her as well. It's a blessing to have such wonderful and talented friends.

If you have been reading these columns, you know that the Concert Chorus has been looking for a new director. I am happy to report that our search for a new director has been successful! Christine Douglas has been selected as the director of the On Top of the World Concert Chorus. I will give you more information about Christine in next month's issue. But, for now, know that she brings a wealth of experience to the job, and we are excited about getting started on rehearsals for the spring concert.

Sally Misuraca is the featured chorus



Photo by Bill Shampine

**Sally Misuraca**

member for this month. She was born way up north in Connecticut. Loving the area, she grew up there, went to school there, and worked there until she retired and moved to On Top of the World in 1991 from Suffield, Conn. Sally has a Master's degree in education, and was an elementary and middle school teacher for 33 years, specializing in reading.

She has loved music all of her life and sang her first solo at the advanced age of six. Sally studied voice for many years, and has sung in multiple church choirs and choral groups. She has a terrific soprano voice, and sings a solo at most of our concerts. We are so grateful that she joined the chorus as soon as she moved here, and has stayed with us.

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**Japanese Bunka Embroidery Classes**

Bunka classes start Jan. 11 from 12:30 to 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite C. Nine hundred years ago, the Ladies of the Japanese Imperial Court, were the only ones allowed to do Bunka Embroidery. The ladies worked so long on their embroidery in dimly lit rooms, that they were going blind. The emperor then banned the ladies from doing their embroidery and took all the needles away. The ladies missed doing their beloved embroidery so much that they grew their finger nails very long, filed them to a point and used them as needles.

Bunka Embroidery in its present form was started in Tokyo, Japan, about 70 years ago. At that time, silk embroidery was taught and practiced by many Japanese. One Japanese gentleman while touring Europe noticed a form of embroidery being done with the use of a punch needle. His immediate thoughts were how much simpler this would make the silk embroidery

done in his native land. Upon returning to Japan with this idea in mind, he experimented for 10 years with various threads and needles until he perfected the needle and thread we use today.

Working the picture with a needle from the front or back of the canvas is a definite variation. This is what makes Bunka Embroidery a unique art in a category by itself. Bunka, or Boonka as the Japanese say means "cultural" and this name has stayed with the art ever since. Bunka Embroidery is now being widely referred to as painting with thread.

Both men and women are invited to come and see on Jan. 11. Previous students are welcome.

Pauline Upchurch, a certified instructor and a member of the Japanese Bunka Embroidery Association of the U.S.A, will teach the class. For more information, please call 854-8598.

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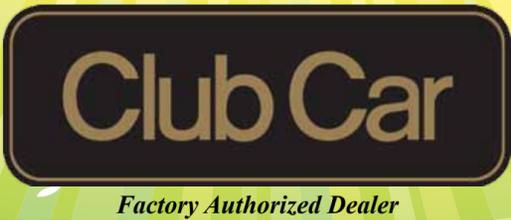


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## Bingo

By Mort Meretsky

Welcome back to another year of bingo. First, I'd like to thank all of our volunteers for giving their time to assist Lolly and myself in running bingo. I would personally like to thank Lolly for the wonderful work she has done.

We had a nice vacation from bingo in December, but we're back. We start 2012 on Wednesday, Jan. 4. If you've never been, we start selling cards at 5 p.m. and begin playing at around 6:05 p.m. We stop selling cards at 6 p.m. Cards are only \$1 each and they'll last you all night. You don't need any equipment as our cards have slides. Three or four cards are enough for most players. We're finished at around 8:30 pm. So come on up to the Health & Recreation Ballroom and meet your friends and neighbors. See y'all on Wednesday night.



## Mah Jongg

By Mary Ehle

The time is now. Please get your reservation for the Saturday, March 3 spring tournament to me as soon as possible. Everything is the same as previous tournaments. The cost is \$22 and I prefer cash.

Call me for additional details, but you all know the drill by now. Jokers to you.

## Visually Impaired

By Lee Wagner

Hope you all had a really great holiday season and are looking forward to the New Year.

We have some programs planned for 2012, but please remember we do not meet the first month of the year - so you have January as free time to catch up after the busy time we all just went through! This is an open invitation to anyone in On Top of the World who has a vision problem and their caregiver. We try for interesting and informative programs.

Our meeting is reserved for second Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m., at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite H. Come and join us. Any questions, call Lee Wagner at 237-4843.

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# CLUB CARDS & GAMES

## BRIDGE

### Monday Afternoon

By Joe Zwick

#### Nov. 7

1: Ida Rosendahl & Mary Carol Geck; 2: Joyce Walchak & Marge Starret; 3: Carol Johnson & Mary Edwards.

#### Nov. 14

1: Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson; 2: Betty Morris & Fran Griswold; 3: Marjorie Benton & Carol Rosenberger.

#### Nov. 21

1: Ida Rosendahl & Mary Carol Geck; 2: Eleanor Giardina & Joan Lord; 3 (tie): Esther Lang & Shirley Ebert and Betty Morris & Fran Griswold.

#### Nov. 28

1: Ida Rosendahl & Mary Carol Geck; 2: Caryl Rosenberger & Marjorie Benton; 3: Phyllis Bressler & Jayne Kaske.

### Monday Night

By Kathie & Art Dushary

Players of various skill levels are welcome. We meet in the Card Room by 6:20 p.m. as we start at 6:30 p.m. We usually have six to seven tables.

#### Nov. 7

1: Jim Mahoney; 2: Kathie Dushary; 3: Fran Griswold; 4: Jan Moon; 5: Judy Wagnitz & Phil DeVito.

#### Nov. 14

1: Shirley Stolly; 2: Phyllis Bressler; 3: Gail Tirpak; 4: Carl Woodbury; 5: May Holtz.

#### Nov. 21

1: Kathie Dushary; 2: Susca Johnson; 3: Ray Wilson; 4: Myra Butler; 5: Bob Durst.

#### Nov. 28

1: Myra Butler; 2: Ron McNeilly; 3: Mary Ann Curry; 4: Art Dushary; 5: Walter Hickenlooper.

### Tuesday Afternoon

By Agnes LaSala

#### Nov. 1

1: Mazie Millward & Bob Buchan; 2: Betty Morris & Shirley Stolly; 3: Norbert & Florence Heckler.

#### Nov. 8

1: Betty Morris & Gloria Richards; 2: Agnes LaSala & Carl Woodbury; 3: Bob Buchan & Phyllis Bressler.

#### Nov. 15

1: Mazie Millward & Agnes Weber; 2: Betty Morris & Shirley Stolly; 3: Millie Farrell & Betty Larsen.

#### Nov. 22

1: Betty Morris & Gloria Richards; 2: Norbert & Florence Heckler; 3: Agnes Weber & Mazie Millward.

#### Nov. 29

1: Florence & Norbert Heckler; 2: Betty Morris & Phyllis Bressler; 3: Joe Zwick & Bernie Kelly.

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### Tuesday Night Dup

By Marjorie Benton

#### Nov. 1

1: Rose O'Rourke & Pam Blawie; 2: John & Marie Fiorillo; 3: Ida Rosendahl & Caryl Rosenberger; 4: Mary Carol Geck & Doris Keathley.

#### Nov. 8

1: Mary Carol Geck & Doris Keathley; 2: John & Marie Fiorillo; 3: Ida Rosendahl & Caryl Rosenberger; 4: Bruce & Marjorie Benton.

#### Nov. 15

1: Mary Carol Geck & Doris Keathley; 2: Kathie Dushary & Dick Mansfield; 3/4 (tie): Rose O'Rourke & Pam Blawie and Bruce & Marjorie Benton; 5: Ida Rosendahl & Caryl Rosenberger.

#### Nov. 22

1: Ida Rosendahl & Caryl Rosenberger; 2: Mary Carol Geck & Doris Keathley; 3: Bruce & Marjorie Benton.

#### Nov. 29

1: Ernie & Joan Lord; 2: Bruce & Marjorie Benton; 3: Rose O'Rourke & Pam Blawie.

### Wednesday Afternoon

By Fran Griswold

Happy New Year to everyone! Let us all pray for peace and goodwill to all.

We are happy to welcome Sharon Davis to our group. Please bring your quarter and join us for an afternoon of bridge.

#### Nov. 16

1: Shirley Stolly (3700); 2: Kay Boland; 3: Gloria Richards; Cons: Phyllis Silverman.

#### Nov. 23

1: Esther Lang (4250); 2: Bernie Kelly; 3: Phyllis Silverman; Cons: Mrs. Smith.

#### Nov. 30

1: Nancy Dreimiller (4200); 2: Ida Rosendahl; 3: Alice McDaniel; 4: Mrs. Smith; Cons: May Holtz.

#### Dec. 7

1: Nancy Dreimiller (4300); 2: Dot Calbeck; 3: Helen O'Brien; 4: Eleanor Giardina; Cons: Bonnie Heinlein.

### Thursday Afternoon

By Alice McDaniel

#### Nov. 3

1: Joyce Walchak (6130); 2: Mary Rose Janssen; 3: Marge Starrett; 4: Babs Marsden.

#### Nov. 10

1: Joyce Walchak; 2: Mazie Millward; 3: Nancy Clarkson; 4: Ed Mathers.

#### Nov. 17

1: Joyce Walchak (5840); 2: Kay Boland; 3: Nancy Clarkson.

#### Dec. 1

1: Mazie Millward; 2: Pat Goltart; 3: Cleona Redman; 4: Marge Starrett.

### Thursday Night

By Ida Rosendahl

#### Nov. 17

1: Carl Woodbury; 2: Mildred Lane; 3: Natalie Fluss; 4: Ed Horner; 5: Erwin Fluss.

#### Dec. 1

1: Ida Rosendahl; 2: Fran Griswold; 3: Jim Mahoney; 4: Keith Briggs; 5: Ron McNeilly.

## CRIBBAGE

### Friday Night

By Rose Marie Postin

#### Nov. 4

1: Frank Chamberlain; 2: Herb Postin; 3: Lee Topf; Cons: Anne Jagielski.

#### Nov. 11

1: Alberta Sarris; 2: Norma Yonke; 3: Poppy Kalen; Cons: RoseMarie Postin.

#### Nov. 18

1: Lee Topf; 2: Frank Chamberlain; 3: Craig Ehle; Cons: MaryLou Chamberlain.

#### Nov. 25

1: Alberta Sarris; 2: Herb Postin; 3: Lee Topf; Cons: Luke Mullen.

## EUCHRE

### Friday Night 4 Fun

By Irene Pisani

Intermediate and advanced players are all welcome on Fridays, at 6:15 p.m., at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite A. For more information, call Irene at 873-4173.

#### Nov. 4

1: Wendell Kohrs (out of 30); 2: Irene Pisani; 3: Richard Miles; 4: Marie Marquis; 5 (tie): Phyllis Wall, Pat Savage & Edith Kolb.

#### Nov. 11

1: Joan Sigafoos (out of 24); 2: Arlene Luehrs; 3 (tie): Irene Pisani & Verna; 4: Mary Holtz; 5: Buck Chaillet.

#### Nov. 18

1 (tie): Edith Kolb & Rich Miles (out of 26); 2 (tie): Joan Sigafoos & Nancy Kowsky; 3: Paul Agarwal; 4 (tie): Esther Lang & Mary Bartel; 5: Mary Holtz.

### Friday Night

By Joe Askenase

#### Nov. 11

##### Four Handed Game

1: Virgil Taylor; 2: Bridget Hughes; 3: Annette Taylor

##### Five Handed Game

1: Marcy Askenase; 2: Lynn Hoelzer; 3: Lou Fisher; 4: Maria France; 5: Jeff Hoelzer

#### Nov. 18

##### Four Handed Game

1: Virgil Taylor; 2: Jim Wheeler; 3: Marcy Askenase; 4: Carol Wheeler; 5: Shirley Coe.

##### Five Handed Game

1: Lou Fisher; 2: Maria France; 3: Viola Horton; 4: Annette Taylor.

#### Nov. 25

##### Four Handed Game

1: Lou Fisher; 2: Dan Voigt; 3: Marcy Askenase; 4: Viola Horton; 5: Jim Hein.

#### Dec. 2

##### Four Handed Game

1 (tie): Bridget Hughes & Jeff Hoelzer; 2 (tie): Maria France & Lynn Hoelzer.

##### Six Handed Game

1: Jim Wheeler; 2: Vi Horton; 3 (tie): Marcy Askenase & Annette Taylor, & Carol Wheeler.

## PINOCHLE

### Saturday Night

By Mildred Ferrell

Come join us at 5:30 p.m. on Saturdays, and play pinochle to your heart's delight! Where fun and laughter fill the air and no one wants to play solitaire! We are in the Card Room near Health & Recreation Building.

#### Oct. 1

1: Al Novotny; 2: Cliff Abbate; 3: Vi Horton.

#### Oct. 8

1: Edith Kolb; 2: Cliff Abbate; 3: Dottie Findlay.

#### Oct. 15

1: Ilse Kersey; 2: Gene Hubbard; 3: Sharon Abbate.

#### Oct. 22

1: Edith Kolb; 2: Andy Mark; 3: Ann Davis.

#### Oct. 29

1: Cliff Abbate; 2: Dottie Findlay; 3: Bernard DiGrigorio.

#### Nov. 5

1: Dot Findlay; 2: Larry Hartman; 3: Sharon Abbate.

#### Nov. 12

1: Gene Hubbard; 2: Dot Findlay; 3: Walter Hickenlooper.

#### Nov. 19

1: Walter Hickenlooper; 2: Gayle Argano; 3: Millie Ferrell.

#### Nov. 26

1: Gene Hubbard; 2: Audrey Bartolotta; 3: Edith Kolb.

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**Computer Club**

By Jeannie Maire

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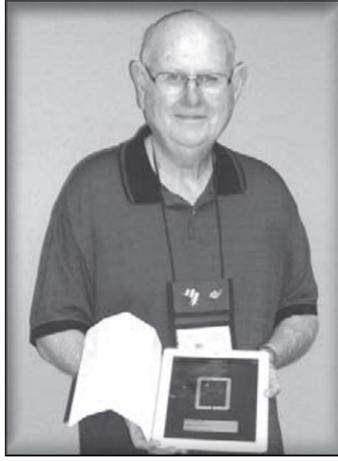
The raffle drawing for a new iPad2 took place the end of November and the winner was Walt Childress, a long-time member of the club. No one could be more deserving as Walt has served the club well as a director and membership chairman for many years. With the help of Sherry Surdam, he is now spending his time learning all the things he can do with his new iPad.

It is membership renewal time. Flo Manning, our new membership chairman, will be present at every meeting to accept renewals and new memberships. Remember, the password for our website will be changed at the end of January and if you haven't renewed, you won't have access to much of the information on our web pages.

We welcomed new members Gil Brooks and Bonnie Salo in December, bringing our membership to 220.

The highlight of our December meeting was Cathy Barbera's presentation on Microsoft Word 2007. Cathy is a member of the club and is a business instructor for the Senior Learning Institute at the College of Central Florida. Her first class covered some of the basics of the program. Her next class is scheduled for Feb. 11 and will cover some of the more advanced uses of the program.

Many of our members are using Vista and should be aware that Microsoft has ended support for Microsoft Vista with Service Pack 1, effective July 12, 2011. This means the operating system is no longer eligible to receive software updates. To continue to receive important operating system updates, including security patches, Vista users should be sure they have Service Pack 2 installed. You can download it via Windows Update or from [tinyurl.com/389loab](http://tinyurl.com/389loab).



**Walt Childress was the winner of the new iPad2.**

Incidentally, if you're still using Windows XP, you have until April 8, 2014, before Microsoft pulls the plug on your updates.

If you have a number of web pages or browser tabs open and want to quickly close them without using the mouse, press CTRL-F4. With programs that can have multiple documents or tabs open at the same time, the CTRL-F4 key combo will close one document at a time.

If you want to shut down the entire application, hold down ALT and press F4, which will shut down all active documents or tabs. This is much easier than using the mouse to click the small red X in the corner of the screen. This also works when you get unwanted pop-up pages, because you can avoid accidentally clicking the pop-up.

Membership in the Computer Club is open to everyone residing in any of the On Top of the World Communities and we would like to see more residents from Candler Hills and Indigo East become members. Visitors are welcome at any of our meetings on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. We meet in Suites B and C of the Arbor Conference Center, at 9 a.m.



**View From The Library**

By Doris Knight

Anyone who watches CNN news is familiar with the commentary of David Gergen. His book "Eyewitness to Power" explains very well the basis for his ideas. He served in the Nixon, Ford, Reagan, and Clinton administrations and has lived through and witnessed a great variety of crises and approaches used by various presidents to deal with them.

He also has an educational background, which enabled him to draw lessons from the various techniques used. At different points in the book, he lists the lessons, which can be drawn from the techniques as an aid for future presidents.

He started his advising career in the Nixon White House. Assisting with speeches, and generally involving himself in the actions of the administration as a young man, he had a chance to get an up-close picture of the events of Washington. He has a positive assessment of Nixon; he was impressed by his intellectual abilities and his wide knowledge of world history, which assisted him in his foreign policy. But then there was the other side of the Nixon character, which made him distrustful of virtually everyone around him and led eventually to the horrors of Watergate.

Gerry Ford then took over the White House and Gergen stayed on. He liked Ford

greatly as a person but regrets that he started out wrong with the pardon of Nixon. As well as a poorly organized administration, Ford, of course, had no background or preparation for the executive branch; Gergen thinks he never really was able to get a feel for the job.

Ronald Reagan came next and Gergen, with his years of experience, had more influential responsibilities. He was impressed with how well Reagan established his administration, the high caliber of the persons with whom he surrounded himself, and the way his ideas and goals dominated the White House. Even when Iran-Contra marred his second term, Gergen felt he handled it well, came right out and admitted it, and dealt with it with as little fuss as he could. Reagan gets the highest evaluation of any of the four Presidents.

Early in Bill Clinton's administration, Gergen received a call from the President saying, "I need your help." This was long before the crisis of the second term started. But Clinton had begun his first term with a very poorly organized staff, didn't dominate them, as he should have, Gergen feels. Clinton was of a new generation of free-thinking undisciplined young people who were not prepared for the structure and organization required to run the presidency. Gergen was greatly impressed with Clinton's "luminous intellect" but found him not of the material to run the White House.

There is so much more to this book. If you are a political junkie, you would enjoy it thoroughly. You may not always agree with him but you will learn a great deal about life in our nation's capital and especially in the White House.

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**Bloodmobile**

By Dick & Judy Copeland

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## Monday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
8:00	Mixed Tennis D	HRCT
	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
	Tai Chi	ACF
9:30	Shuffleboard (Sept.-Apr.)	HRCT
10:00	Tennis Doubles	HRCT
	Ladies Billiards	PLR
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	ACP
12:45	Line Dance (Sept.-Dec.)	AC
1:00	Line Dance	
	Newcomers Class	AC
	Intermediate Line Dance (Sept.-Dec.)	HR
	Dominoes	CC:H
1:30	Shuffleboard	HRCT
	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 (Sept.-Dec.)	HR
5:00	Mah Jongg	CC:A
5:30	Beginner Line 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	Mah Jongg	ICC
	Pinocle	MR2

## 1st Week

7:30	Marion Blood Bank (All Even # Months Only)	PL
9:00	Life South Blood (All Odd # Months Only)	PL
	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
2:00	Bowling League	AMFW
7:00	Theatre Group	CC:E,F
	Original Karaoke Group	CCC

## 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

3:00	Community Patrol	CC:B,C
4:00	Candler Potluck	CCC

## Tuesday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
8:00	Men's Tennis	HRCT
	Arts & Crafts	HR
	Water Walk	ACIP
	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
	Pickleball	
HRCT		
8:30	Women's 18-Hole	GC
	Raquetball	HR CTS
9:00	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
	Tai Chi	ACF
	Woodworking	WW
	Women's 9-Hole	GC
	Horseshoe League	HRCT

## Location Codes

AC	Arbor Club	FF	Flying Field
ACF	Arbor Club Fitness	GC	Golf Course
ACCT	Arbor Tennis Courts	HR	Health & Recreation
ACIP	Arbor Indoor Pool	HRCT	Exercise Room
ACOP	Arbor Outdoor Pool	H&R	Tennis Courts
Art	Art Studio	HRP	Health & Recreation
AMFW	AMF Galaxy West Lanes	ICC	Building
BCT	Bocce Courts	MGC	Health & Recreation Pool
BO	Bank of the Ozarks	MR1	Indigo East
BR	Health & Rec Ballroom	MR3	Community Center
CC	Arbor Conference Center	PL	Miniature Golf Course
CCC	Candler Hills	PLR	Meeting Room 1
CCR	Community Center	RCT	Meeting Room 3
	Candler Hills Community	SBF	Health & Recreation
	Card Room	WW	Parking Lot
CLC	Computer Learning Center		Poolroom
CSCC	Circle Square		Raquetball Courts
	Cultural Center		Softball Field
CR	Card Room		Wood Shop

9:30	Arts & Crafts	HR
	CSI Bible Study	CC:A
	Concert Chorus	AC
10:00	Yoga	ICC
10:30	Horseshoe League	HRCT
	Walleyball	HRCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
11:30	Lap Swimming	AC
12:00	Lap Swimming	AC
	Men's Poker	MR3
	Cybox Orientation	GYM
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:30	Bridge	CR
	Tall Tale Travelers	CC:G
1:00	Badminton	RCT
	Ballet Club	ACF
	Shuffleboard	HRCT
	Crochet Club	ICC
2:00	Ballroom Dance	HR
	Lessons (Beginners)	
3:00	ShutterBugs	CC:B,C
	Chess Club	MR3
	Ballroom Dance	HR
	Lessons (Intermediate)	
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	Pinocle	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	Ladies 9-Hole	
	Golf (Oct.-March)	HR
1:00	Sunshine Quilters	Art
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

8:00	Citizens Emer. Response Team	CC:E,F,G
10:00	Sunshine Quilters	Art
11:30	Ladies Golf Assoc. 18-Hole (Oct.-April)	HR
12:00	Visually Impaired	CC:H
2:00	Cancer Support Group	CC:E,F
3:00	Knights of Columbus Golf	ICC
3:30	Alpha Investment	Art
6:15	Game Night	ICC
6:30	German American Club	CC:E,F
7:00	Lions Club	CCC

## 3rd Week

10:00	Sunshine Quilters	Art
2:00	Candler Connection	CCC
5:00	Caribbean Club	ICC

## 4th Week

8:00	CERT Team	ICC
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8:30	Lions Club	CCC
10:00	Sunshine Quilters	Art
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

## 5th Week

6:15	Game Night	ICC
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## Wednesday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
8:00	Ladies Tennis	HRCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	Pickleball	HRCT
8:30	Men's 18-Hole	GC
	Men's Softball	SBF
	R.C. Flyers Club	Field
9:00	Woodworking	WW
	Crafty Ladies	CR
	Tai Chi Practice	ACF
	Tip Top Tappers	HR
9:30	Fun w/Ceramics	ART
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
	Mah Jongg	ICC
1:00	Shuffleboard	HRCT
1:30	Scrabble Club	CC:H
2:30	Yoga	ACF
3:00	Bingo	HR
5:30	Men's Poker	MR3
6:00	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
10:30	Travel Toppers	CC:A
1:00	General Francis	
	Stamp Club	BO
6:00	Democratic Club	CC:G
6:30	Tall Tale Travelers	CC:B,C

## 2nd Week

1:00	Native Plant Grp	CC:H
3:00	Pennsylvania Club	CC:E,F

## 3rd Week

11:00	Arbor Tennis Club	CC:E,F
1:00	General Francis	
	Stamp Club	BO
6:40	Bunco Club	CC:G
7:00	Square Dance	CC:E,F

## 4th Week

1:00	Italian American Club	CC:E,F
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	HRCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	Fun Time Cloggers (Sept.-June)	HR
	RC Flyers	Field
	Pickleball	HRCT
8:30	Raquetball	RCT
9:00	Woodcarvers	Art
	Art Group	Art
	Wood Working	WW
	Tai Chi	ACF
	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Circle Square Dancers	CC:E,F
	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
10:00	Reflexology	ICC
10:30	Walleyball	HRCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
11:30	Lap Swimming	AC
12:00	Lap Swimming	AC
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Aerobics	ICC

12:30	Sewing Bees	Art
	Bridge	CR
1:00	Badminton	RCT
	Ballet Club	ACF
	Table Tennis	CC:D
1:30	Shuffleboard	HRCT
2:00	Swingin Sisters	HR
2:30	Pretenders	ICC
5:30	Card Game	CC:B
6:00	Men's Poker	MR3
	Poker Night	CCC
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

6:30	Ballroom Dance CL	HR
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## 3rd Week

1:00	SPCA	AC
	Rubber Stamp Club	CC:G
5:30	Friends Game	CC:E,F

## 4th Week

9:30	American Jewish Club	CC:G
6:15	Game Night	ICC
6:30	Ballroom Dance Club	HR
7:00	Original Karaoke Group	CCC

## Friday

6:00	Lap Swimming	AC
8:00	Ladies Tennis	HRCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	RC Flyers	Field
	Pickleball	HRCT
9:00	Woodworking	WW
	Dominoes	MR3
	Tai Chi Practice	ACF
9:30	Shuffleboard	HRCT
10:00	Raquetball	RCT
	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
	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
	Nickel/Nickel	MR3
6:45	Friday Night Euchre	MR2

## 1st Week

10:00	Emb. Chicks	CC:B,C
12:30	Women of the World	CC:HR

## 2nd Week

8:30	RC Ladybirds	CC:B,C
7:00	Republican Club	CC:E,F,G

## 4th Week

10:00	Emb. Chicks	CC:B,C
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## Saturday

8:00	Mixed Tennis	HRCT
	RC Flyers	Field
	Pickleball	HRCT
8:30	Men's Softball	SBF
9:00	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Wood Working	WW
10:00	Mixed Tennis	HRCT
	Swingin Sisters	CC:E,F
	Tip Top Tappers	HR
	Yoga	ICC
1:00	Table Tennis	CC:D
5:30	Saturday Pinocle	CR

## 2nd Week

6:00	Northern Lights	CC:B,C
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## Sunday

9:00	Raquetball	RCT
	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	HRCT
7:00	Mixed Poker	CC:H
6:00	Movie of the Month	HR

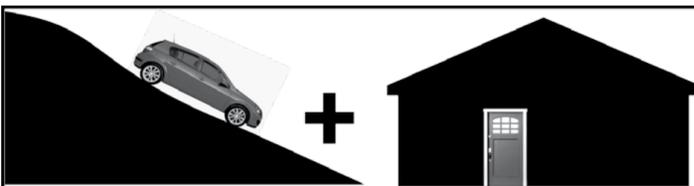
## 3rd Week

2:00	American/Jewish	CC:E,F,G
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## 4th Week

2:00	Line Dancing	HR
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### Red Hat Society

#### The Glitzy Gals

We attended the "Precious Peaches" event at Black Diamond Country Club for supporting cancer research enjoyed the day and contributed to a worthy cause.

QM Mary Curry, Vice Queen Dottie Hinde and Mary Bicknell attended the Suncoast Queen Bees Fall Spooktacular in Holiday, Fla. QM Mary Curry, Vice Queen Dottie Hinde and Carol Cecala attended the Royal Fall Luncheon of the West Coast

#### Singles Club

By Lorraine Serwan

Happy New Year! Welcome to 2012. I hope everyone had a happy holiday. The Singles Club ended the year with a tasty luncheon and gift exchange at Little Joey's.

Now we are ready to start the New Year with our meeting on Thursday, Jan. 12, with a visit from Crime Stoppers who will give us some good advice on protecting identity theft and our-

Queen's Council in Treasure Island. Dottie Hinde and Rochelle Berliner hosted a recent luncheon at The Green Shutter in Williston. The food was good and Sara Riehm was the prizewinner.

All who attended enjoyed delicious food, a great performance and socializing with other Red Hatters at the annual Christmas show at the Hudson Show Palace.

Our Christmas project was helping eight mothers and children. Some of us decorated a golf cart for the Golf Cart Parade in our community.

We wish everyone a happy, prosperous and healthy New Year.

"Ladies, it is high time to resurrect and explore old dreams. What were the things you were going to do as soon as you had time? Now is the time!" QM Mary Curry by Janet Wahl

selves.

On Jan. 19, we will be car-pooling down to Inverness to the Culinary School for a luncheon. It will be a sit down meal with a chicken entree, vegetables, rolls, salad, beverage and dessert. Cost is \$10. All reservations must be paid for no later than the Jan. 12 meeting. Call Lorraine for information and to make reservations, at 854-1365.

Again, our first meeting of the New Year will be on Thursday, Jan. 12, at 2 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites G and H. Come join us and bring a friend. Refreshments will be served.



### Southern Club

By Joanie Bolling

"It's the most wonderful time of the year!" The doormen, Leo Sehler and Eddie Schnurr with their red hats trimmed in fur, were out front to open the doors and as you entered through the swinging doors, Santa and Mrs. Claus greeted the Southern Club members. They handed out peppermint candy canes and, of course, asked the important question, "Have you been good this past year?"

The Christmas dinner was held at the Health & Recreation Ballroom on Thursday, Dec. 1. It was just the perfect way to start the holidays. The On Top of the World Christmas tree was decorated with soft colors of blues, purples, magentas and golds with an unusual tree-topper. Gift bags and wrapped packages were carefully placed under the tree. The stage had a huge lighted wreath with swags on each side and placed throughout the room.

We had one first-time visitor, Katherine Crider, a native Floridian, who was certainly familiar with our warm weather month of December.

Our Christmas dinner was provided by Kirk's Catering Service featuring the traditional holiday meal with all the trimmings.

A special "thanks" to Charlotte Erickson, Jean Hazer and Carolyn Hancock for the Southern Club wreath. It must have taken hours to create this lovely arrangement.

Our entertainment for the evening was the Cherrywood Songbirds under the direction of Linda Sisto. During the musical program they sang, "How Lovely is Christmas," which had a special meaning to many.

#### GOING OUT OF TOWN?

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### Single Women Active Network

By Diane Knox

The month of December was a busy month for SWAN. In addition to the Christmas potluck dinner that was held on Dec. 7, we had meetings of the small groups that we had formed at our semi-annual meeting last September. The hostesses of these groups held dinner parties and cocktail/appetizer parties in their homes. At one of the dinner parties, Santa Claus made an appearance with little gifts for all who attended. He asked if all had been good and delighted in having the ladies sit on his lap to pose for a picture.

The response of new members who have joined SWAN has been so overwhelming that we have been forced to suspend new

membership for our small groups until our March semi-annual meeting. However, interested single women are still welcome to join us for our monthly breakfast at The Pub on the first Saturday of the month and also our monthly dinner on the second Thursday of the month. This is when we meet as a whole and we look forward to welcoming you.

All of SWAN and any ladies who are interested in joining our club will be invited to our semi-annual meeting in March at the Arbor Club. This is when we will sign up for the small groups. We will ask if there is interest in other activities such as day trips, a book club, a board game night, a movie night, etc. If there is enough interest in these categories, we will form groups of six to eight women and that group will appoint a chairperson for the activity. More information about the March meeting will follow.



### Women of the World

By Maureen Corr

The New Year is right around the corner and Women of the World are ready to have fun and continue our charitable donations for another year.

Our December meeting was entertaining with a member of the Ocala Storytelling Guild regaling the membership with stories and tales! Our charity for the month was Interfaith Emergency Services and the lobby of the Health & Recreation Ballroom was covered with bags of food items donated by our generous members.

At our meeting, Nancy Grabowski reminded members that she has organized a group who will transport members in golf carts up from the parking lot. However, she needs to know if this service will be

needed, so please call her and she'll be glad to meet you.

Our annual luncheon/fashion show to benefit Hospice of Marion County will take place in March and tickets for the lunch and raffle tickets for our popular "nest egg" will be on sale at the January meeting. Tickets for the lunch are \$22 per person. There will also be sign-up sheets for people to help with setting up, cleaning up, and modeling for the fashion show.

The charity for January is Covenant Children's House and they request donations of cleaning supplies, pantry supplies including spices, personal hygiene items (shampoo, toothpaste, etc.), and paper products. Other items needed are listed on our program. Dean Blinkhorn, the editor of Ocala Good Life Magazine, will be our guest speaker and has a wealth of information about our area.

The January meeting will be on Friday, Jan. 6, at 1 p.m. As always, everyone is welcome to come at 12:30 p.m. to socialize and enjoy refreshments. We hope to see you there.



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# Exploring Historic Boston

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

(Part Two of Two)

Moving along, the motor coach headed towards the fishing seaport of Gloucester, which was and still remains today, the largest fishing port in the United States. The group stopped at the Fishermen's Memorial Statue that was erected in 1925 overlooking the city's harbor. The inscription on the statue's base says, "They that go down to the sea in ships" with the years inscribed 1623-1923. The inscription is taken from Psalm 107, verse 23, line 24.

Around the perimeter of the statue are over 10,000 names of local fisherman that have lost their lives while fishing. The memorial is that of a fisherman at the helm of a ship.

After a brief stop and photo at the Fishermen's Memorial, the group headed to the famous little fishing village of Rockport, home of the most famous photographed and painted structure in the United States, the Motif Number One. Motif Number One is located on Bradley Wharf in the Bearskin Neck section of the harbor of Rockport and was constructed in the 1840s as a fishing shack. This shack is known and recognized throughout the world.

The town has recognized the value of the Motif and takes pains to preserve both the structure and its appearance. The shack was destroyed during the blizzard of 1978 but an exact replica was constructed that same year.

The Ocala explorers had some free time in Rockport to explore all the businesses located in the Neck and also take plenty of pictures of the beautiful harbor and in particular, the Motif. The explorers covered just about every square inch of this fishing community, even some venturing out on the jetty protecting the harbor from the North Atlantic.

After dinner in Gloucester, the group headed back to their hotel but only after stopping at a famous New England ice cream parlor: Kimball's Farm. The ice cream stand is in an old barn with 12 windows with two employees each serving their customers. All of the ice cream is homemade by Kimball's Farm. Boy is it ever good and creamy. A normal scoop is over one pint; try that on a sugar cone!

After breakfast the next day, the explorers' vehicle headed to downtown Boston. Getting to our rendezvous site was another story. There were demonstrations in the

city, a motion picture production crew had many other streets blocked and never giving a thought to what day it was, Boston was having their Columbus Day parade blocking more streets in the city's north end.

After getting a bird's eye view of Boston and part of its waterfront, we met up with our guide for the day at a different location. Because of the downtown congestion, our guide gave us a city tour of places not blocked before heading to Charlestown.

We crossed the Charles River and there off to our right in plain view was the USS Constitution, a wooden-hulled, three-masted heavy frigate of the United States Navy. President George Washington named the ship. The ship is the world's oldest floating commissioned naval vessel having been launched in 1797. The ship is located in what was once the Charlestown Navy Yard, now a national park.

Constitution was one of six original ships built for America's young Navy. "Old Ironsides" had a brilliant career, which is all part of history.

The motor coach let the explorers off outside the gate as no vehicles were allowed inside the area since Sept. 11, 2001. Getting onboard the Constitution was another story. Security was about the same as it is in our airports with taking off belts and all jewelry, basically, anything that is metal. We even went through their metal detector. The security was well worth it. We were able to board the ship and tour the ship's main deck. There were active duty sailors on deck dressed in vintage uniforms to answer any and all questions.

The Constitution is still an active duty ship of the U.S. Navy and has a crew station onboard. Everyone enjoyed their visit wishing it were longer so they could tour below decks and the rest of the shipyard that is open for tourism.

Our next stop was Faneuil Hall and Quincy Marketplace, which is located right in downtown Boston. The Hall was the old state house and is a historic government building built in 1713 and is the oldest public building in Boston. Speeches from Samuel Adams and other patriots were spoken here from the steps and the small balcony.

In front of this building was the site of the Boston Massacre in 1770 where five colonists met their demise by British soldiers. In front of this structure is Quincy



Photo by Bob Woods

## The fishing seaport of Gloucester.

Marketplace, which was the original marketplace in Boston. Today, many restaurants and gift shops selling souvenirs take up most of the spaces.

Reboarding the coach, our guide directed us to an area where most of the explorers got off the coach to do a little hiking. We were heading for the Old North Church. Halfway to the church, we stopped at a small park as our guide gave us a short commentary on Paul Revere's house, which was sitting directly across the street from the park. This house was built around 1680 and is the oldest building in downtown Boston. It served as the home of silversmith Paul Revere and family from 1770 to 1800.

Upon arriving at the church, there was a huge statue of Paul Revere on his horse with the church in the background. Old North Church's steeple was a landmark for those entering Boston Harbor. The church known as "Christ Church in the City of Boston" is an Episcopal church built in 1723 and is the oldest building in Boston. The steeple is the tallest at 191 feet making it the tallest steeple in Boston. In the steeple of this church was Robert Newman who signaled with lanterns the approach of the British, "One if by land, and two, if by sea."

Since it was Sunday when visiting the North Church and it was later in the afternoon, the group from On Top of the World had the opportunity to enter the church and see the inside first hand. There are no pews like we know them in churches today. Back in those days, as in many churches, families paid for their seating places within the church and they were of the high box type pews offering the family a little privacy while worshipping. The pews, brass chandeliers as well as the church's first clock are all original.

Our guide gave us additional touring around Boston and the group headed for Cambridge to visit Harvard Square. We all traversed into Harvard Yard as our guide talked about Harvard. We all gathered on the front steps of Harvard's library. The library system at Harvard comprises 90 libraries with reportedly more than 16 mil-

lion volumes. It is the oldest library system in the United States, also, the largest academic and the largest private library system in the world. Based on volumes, Harvard is third largest in the U.S., only the Library of Congress and the Boston Public Library are larger. Harvard is the oldest institution of higher learning in the United States being established in 1636. The university will celebrate its 375th anniversary this year.

The group of explorers had one more stop to make and that was on the road heading for Florida. We stopped at Historic Mystic Seaport. This venue was established in 1929 as the Marine Historical Association. The seaport was one of the first living history museums in the United States with a collection of 19-century buildings dating back to the sailing era along with some sailing ships. Two large sailing ships were accessible for boarding and one was a Grand Banks fishing schooner and the other, the Joseph Conrad, a full rigged steel-hulled sailing vessel built in 1882.

The Conrad was originally designed as a training ship. The 111-foot vessel was built in Copenhagen and was one of the smallest full-rigged ships built in modern times. It became a permanent part of Mystic Seaport in 1947.

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After Mystic Seaport, the tour headed for the sunshine state bringing to close an adventurous, fantastic, historic trip to Boston. There was supposed to be one additional stop on the way to Florida but the first of inclement weather prevented us from stopping at the Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens on the outskirts of Richmond, Va. What a trip!

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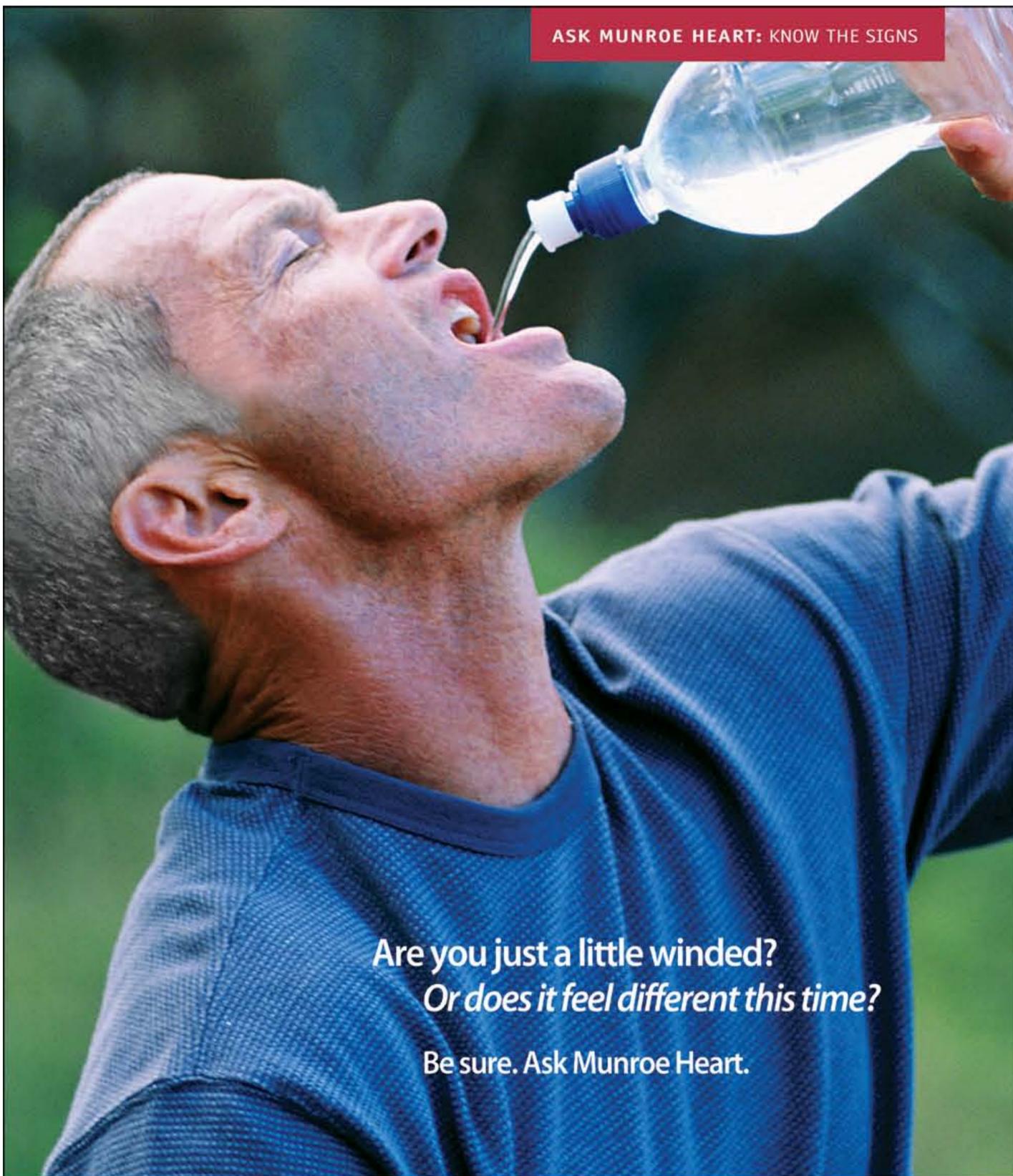
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