



COMMUNITY NEWS & UPDATE

By Kenneth D. Colen, Publisher

Fiscal 2013 Operating Budget

Not surprisingly, I have received a few letters in advance of the Wednesday, Feb. 13, budget meeting. Most letters share the common theme of maintaining affordability and quality appearance of the community.

As noted in my cover letter for the proposed budget, several components of the budget have realized an increase of expense. The board continues to be challenged by mandatory minimum wage, worker's compensation and health care increases. Building and grounds costs are affected as road maintenance has doubled in an effort to provide necessary resurfacing. Generally, water and wastewater reflects a pass through of increased operational costs. This higher cost is partially offset by the reduced usage in Americana and Friendship Village areas due to conservation efforts by residents and the management company. The Master Association operational expenses are related to the projected increase in new homes.

General and administrative expenses comprise the operational overhead of operating an association. This group of expenses has increased due to legal expenses relating to collections and foreclosures with respect to delinquent assessments. Operational overhead is that portion of any business operation necessary to keep the doors open (so to speak). Compared to other homeowner associations of comparable size operating in Florida, this level of expense is remarkably low.

Insurance remains one of the costly categories in the budget and, unfortunately, the most unpredictable. All-risk coverage on the structures and liability insurance are included in the community service fee. Because of the large value of the insured assets, we are limited to the number of insurance companies solid enough to insure this community. Remember, each owner still must obtain an HO6 policy from a carrier of their choosing. This type policy "closes the gap" between what the homeowner must insure and the Association's coverage on the structure.

Master the Possibilities

Once again, our winter Master the Possibilities season is proving to be a very popular time for learning. This month, there are well over 100 programs that begin. Most are new offerings and still have openings. There's the theme week that focuses on Florida. With a couple of dozen presentations that feature history, culture, literature and ecology of the Sunshine State, you will learn much about the richness of your home.

Over the years, I have had many questions about the very active cattle operation at Circle Square Ranch. By popular request, E.L. Strickland has been most gracious in accepting our invitation to speak about the ranch, its history, the operation in general, and the history of the cattle industry in Florida. E.L. is imminently qualified to speak as 2011 Florida Cattleman of the year; E.L. has tirelessly given his time and work in promoting responsible stewardship as well as mentoring FHA/FFA students. In 2012, Mr. Strickland was awarded the southeast regional Environmental Stewardship award by the National Cattleman's Association.

In order to always remain current with happenings at Master the Possibilities, the staff and faculty encourage you to sign up for their e-mail updates. Simply go to the website (masterthepossibilities.com) and click on the "sign up for updates." By doing this, you will receive weekly alerts that provide the latest information on available programs and new presentations that are not in the catalog. This is really a valuable aid to your lifelong learning experience at Master the Possibilities.

Circle Square Cultural Center

February is a busy month for a number of reasons. The Ocala Coin Club is hosting an Ocala Coin Show with over 56 dealers on Feb. 1, 2 and 3. On Saturday, Feb. 16, the Home Improvement Expo will fill up your day at one of the year's most popular events for remodeling, updating and upgrading your home. The 7-Bridges perform a tribute to the Eagles on Saturday, Feb. 23. Tickets are going fast for this show! On Tuesday, Feb. 26, "The World Has Talent" auditions will once again welcome great talent from throughout the region. Check out www.CSCulturalCenter.com for details on all events in the Circle Square Cultural Center.

The Town Square

We want to hear from you! We'd like to hear your suggestions (constructive, please) as to what you'd like to enjoy at The Town Square on Friday and Saturday nights. What do you want more of? Less of? Or something totally new that isn't offered at this time. While we can't guarantee that

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A Toast to the New Year

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

With only a few seconds remaining, the crowds and the musical groups were ready to perform "Auld Lang Syne!" These merry party revelers were ready to celebrate by kissing and shouting "Happy New Year" as the clock struck midnight signifying the end of 2012 and the beginning of 2013.

This once a year joyous occasion was celebrated at the Health & Recreation Ballroom, Arbor Club Ballroom and in many homes within our community. Fireworks could be seen and heard at the stroke of midnight as everyone celebrated the incoming New Year.

"Auld Lang Syne" was played live at New York's Roosevelt Hotel at the stroke of midnight back in 1929 by Guy Lombardo's orchestra over the radio and has been a New Year's Eve tradition ever since. The title translates to "times gone by" in Scottish where poet Robert Burns wrote the lyrics in the 1700s remembering friends from the past and not letting them be forgotten.

Dancin' On the Top dance committee sponsored the event at the Health & Recreation Ballroom and the On Top of the World sponsored the event at the Arbor Club, both events were sold out.

Here's to 2013 ... happy New Year!



Photo by Bob Woods

Residents toast in the New Year.



By Robert Colen

The fifth annual Home Improvement Expo will take place on Saturday, Feb. 16 at the Circle Square Cultural Center from

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For the past five years, On Top of the World has organized one of the largest Home Improvement Expos in north central Florida. Craftsmen from every imaginable home improvement business will be

on hand to demonstrate their work, show their new offerings, and offer door prizes. We have invited many new contractors and professionals to participate.

So if you are looking to update your kitchen with new cabinets, replace your countertops with granite, repaint your living room, build an addition to your lanai, or anything else, this will be a terrific event to meet the contractors and discuss your ideas. This event promises to be a fun filled day where you can win prizes, meet new people, and learn about new products.

World Home Improvements, On Top of the World's remodeling division, will be this year's official sponsor. Our remodeling division has completed nearly 100 remodels over the past four years. Our efforts to provide the best prices, the best service, and the most accountability have made us the most trusted remodeling company in southwest Marion County. Our remodeling experts will be available at the Home Improvement Expo to answer any of your questions. We also plan to open our design center for anyone interested in getting a more detailed look at what we can offer you.

We encourage you to attend the Home Improvement Expo.

'The World Has Talent' Auditions

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

On Top of the World's Circle Square Cultural Center will host the fourth annual "The World Has Talent," talent show on Saturday, May 11.

However, auditions must first take place prior to the show. Auditions will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 26, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Circle Square Cultural Center.

Do you have a certain talent that you would like to perform on stage? Start practicing so that you are ready to audition in front of a panel of distinguished, qualified judges.

It's easy to audition, just show up, register and be ready to do your performance on stage. The auditions are open to the public; so come and show your support!

As in previous years, contestants must be 55 years of age or older and may be residents or from neighboring communities.

Contestants can be singers, dancers, comedians, musicians, or performing any other type of entertainment. Acts are for single or double participants only; no groups such as a band may participate.

Those selected, will be asked to perform their routine on Saturday, May 11. Winners of the talent show will receive cash prizes:

- First place: \$500;
- Second place: \$250;
- Third place: \$150.

So, limber up those vocal cords, dust off and polish those old instruments, do a little practicing in front of your mirror or in the shower and show up for the auditions.

Auditions are open to the public to watch for free.

Additional information may be obtained at www.csculturalcenter.com or by calling the ticket office 854-3670.

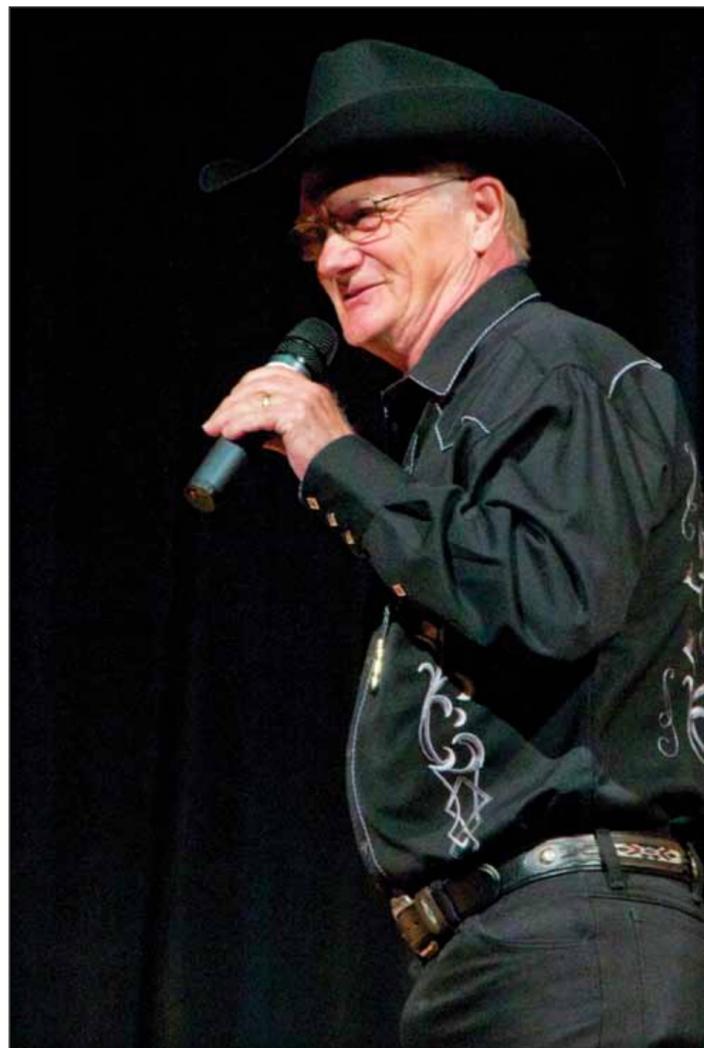


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Clay Kirk the winner of "The World Has Talent" show in 2012.



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GOLDEN OLDIES HUMOR

BY STAN GOLDSTEIN



The thing to try when all else fails is again.



Is It Legal?

By Gerald Colen

Here is my upcoming lecture schedule at Master the Possibilities. I do hope you can be there for each lecture on Tuesdays from 3 to 4 p.m. Registration is required; please contact 854-3699.

- Tuesday, Feb. 12: "Potpourri of Florida Law for Florida Residents and Newcomers;"
- Tuesday, March 12: "Lawyer in the Hot Seat" (bring me your questions and I answer them);
- Tuesday, April 23: "American Civil War Part 1;"
- Tuesday, April 30: "American Civil War Part 2;"
- Tuesday, May 7: "American Civil War Part 3;"

- Tuesday, May 14: "American Civil War Part 4;"

I'll have additional legal series lectures coming in the summer and as soon as I have them set, I'll let you know.

Q. At a seminar I attended in (a city in Florida), one of the speakers from the annuity company explained the difference between a "regular" durable power of attorney and a "springing" durable power of attorney. If I understood him correctly, there is a difference between them. In a durable power of attorney, the authority granted to the attorney in fact, is valid after signing the document. However, in a springing durable power of attorney, the authority doesn't take place until the person making the power of attorney becomes incapacitated. In other words, it "springs up" when someone becomes incapacitated and not beforehand. So that seems to me to be a substantial difference and one to be considered.

A. Yeah. Well, see, here is the problem with whomever spoke about a "springing" durable power of attorney. First of all, un-

der Florida's new power of attorney statute that became effective on Oct. 1, 2011, springing powers are no longer permitted. Second, even if there were a springing power, it would not become effective until someone—usually a physician or other health care provider—certified that the maker of the springing power was incapacitated. Now, I ask you: Do you think a health care provider will certify that someone is incapacitated and thus run the risk of being sued if he/she is wrong about that incapacity? And even if a health care provider is prepared to make that certification, do you really think some bank or brokerage firm would accept that certification? And further, do you have any idea of how long might it take before that certification is made? Oh, and did I mention that they are not permitted in Florida any longer? It would have been neat, I suppose, if what would "spring up," would be correct information passed on by the speaker.

Q. I have a living trust that my attorney prepared for me when I was living in (a Northern state). Recently, I was discussing my trust with that attorney and he said that I needed to have it "funded." What does that mean and shouldn't my attorney have already done that?

A. Funding a trust simply means that you have titled or re-titled some assets into the name of the trustee of the trust. An example would be where you have a bank account in your name and you change the title (re-title it) into your name as trustee of your trust dated such and such a date. It is necessary when you have a trust, to have your assets reflect that they have been properly titled into the name of the trustee of the trust. If you fail to do that then the assets not held in the name of the trustee of the trust will not be in trust. I don't really know of many attorneys who do the actual funding for a client. Since you now live in Florida I suggest that you have the trust reviewed by a Florida attorney who is

practicing law in this state.

Q. Is it not true that with a living trust there is privacy for a deceased's assets but not so in a will?

A. Not necessarily. In Florida, when the grantor of a trust dies, it is necessary to file a notice of trust in the public records. So that opens things up to "prying eyes." Also, under Florida law, all of the beneficiaries of a trust are entitled to receive a copy of the trust and a copy of the trust's inventory, which must be furnished by the trustee after the death of the grantor.

Q. I have three children from a prior marriage and my fiancé has four from his prior marriage. After we get married, how can we make sure that our children can't bother us?

A. There's a great joke in there somewhere but I'll leave it alone. The best thing to do is sit down with your attorney—yours for you and his for him—and have a good pre-nuptial agreement drawn up and signed. That's step one.

Step two would be to make sure your assets are held in such a way that neither of your children can lay claim to them. Your attorneys should be able to advise you on how to do that. Of course, you could always tell your kids that you're both moving to Alaska (but instead stay here in warm, sunny Florida) and that you won't be able to give them an address where they can locate you.

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All Around Our World

By Lynette Vermillion

It appears that we are going to have another mild winter, and while it is wonderful to avoid the extreme cold weather, it does lead to increases in landscape pests and other challenges in the spring.

February is a very busy month. We celebrate Valentine's Day, Groundhog Day, Presidents' Day and Black History Month. And for you football and NASCAR fans, Super Bowl XLVII will occur on Sunday, Feb. 3, in New Orleans, and 43 of the best

stock car drivers in the world will compete in the 55th running of the Daytona 500 on Sunday, Feb. 24. There are also several exciting events and concerts this month right here in On Top of the World and at Circle Square Commons; so be sure to check out what's coming up, so you don't miss out.

Customer Service

Please note that the Customer Service office is closed the third Wednesday of every month from noon to 1 p.m., which falls on Feb. 20 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.

Food and Beverage

I would like to take a moment to introduce Sandy Curtis, our new food and bev-

erage manager. Sandy's previous experience encompasses both dining in and large catering events. In the past, she has owned and operated restaurants specializing in casual dining and ethnic foods, as well as the ever-popular pizzeria. Sandy will be overseeing Candler Hills Restaurant, The Pub, and Friendship Catering. So, please take a moment to welcome Sandy to On Top of the World!

On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association Budget Meeting

Just a reminder that the Board of Directors meeting for On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 13, at 9 a.m. at Circle Square Cultural Center. A notice was sent dated Jan. 14, 2013, advising of this meeting.

Ocala Open

The Candler Hills Golf Course will host the seventh annual Ocala Open this year. The event is sure to be one of the largest charity golf events in Marion County in 2013 and will be held on March 13, 14 and 15 with a Pro Am on Tuesday, March 12.

The event will showcase the Candler Hills Golf Course and will highlight some of the world's best men's professional golfers while benefiting local charities, Hospice of Marion County, Inc., and Interfaith Emergency Services. You will not want to miss this - come out and be a spectator and enjoy watching exciting golf. And, you still have time to sign up to participate in the Pro Am, which will help benefit both charities.

Speeding and Stop Signs

Please obey the speed limit signs posted throughout the community and traffic rules as you are out driving, whether it is in your car, your golf cart or your bicycle. When you come up to a stop sign, please come to a full stop, which is defined as your wheels stop moving. Use your turn signals, check your blind spots when you move out

to pass someone and drive defensively.

Please make sure whether in your car, golf cart or bicycle that you are observing rules of the road of the Florida Handbook. We want everyone in our community to be safe. Please watch for more information regarding the Golf Cart Safety, Maintenance and Insurance Class coming in March.

Do-It-Yourself Maintenance

As I stated in my column last month, there are several home maintenance items that should be done routinely. This month, in Robert Colen's Home Maintenance Tips column on page 6, he addresses side door maintenance. So, be sure to check out the helpful tips listed each month. And, don't forget to check the www.otowinfo.com Homeowner Maintenance tab for the do-it-yourself maintenance projects for your home.

Modifications

The Rules and Regulations of each of the Homeowners Associations require that all building and landscape changes made to the exterior of your home shall be approved by the Architectural Review Board (ARB) prior to commencement. We ask that you complete a modification application and submit it to the ARB and receive approval before you begin any work.

Applications can be made at the On Top of the World Communities, Inc., Customer Service office located in Suite 200 at Friendship Commons outside of the main gates. Please come prepared when applying for a modification... Customer Service will need to know exactly what type of work is going to be performed, what is being installed and by whom. The more detail you can provide, the better. Your contractor will need to provide proof of insurance. We appreciate your cooperation in following the rules. It takes all of us working together to keep the community looking great.

Occasionally, I receive notes from residents of items they would like for me to write about, and I just wanted to say thanks to all of you who have sent in suggestions. Happy Valentine's Day to all!

Hoofin' It for Hospice

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

The 13th annual Hoofin' It for Hospice will take place on Saturday, Feb. 9, at 8 a.m., at the lower level of the Health & Recreation Building. Show up a little early to register and get ready for the two-mile walk through some of the neighborhoods in On Top of the World.

Each participant is asked to pay a small registration (donation) fee and to collect pledges from sponsors such as neighbors, friends, clubs or organizations within our

community. All funds collected will be donated to Hospice of Marion County's Legacy House.

Hoofin' It for Hospice is not a race to see who comes in first but a way for our community to support Hospice of Marion County. Each participant can run, jog or walk the course at his/her own speed.

Registration forms can be obtained at the lower level of the Health & Recreation Building to be filled out before the event. Please make all checks payable to Hospice of Marion County, Inc.

Join us to support this worthy cause! The easy two-mile walk will take place whether rain or shine.

For further information, registration forms or donations, please contact Karen Benson at 304-8658 or Bob Woods at 854-0702. Donations can be dropped off at the Health & Recreation Building prior to the Saturday event.

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Keeping It Green

By Phillip B. Hisey

February is a good month to trim your Crape Myrtles. Crape Myrtles are easy to grow and produce a large cluster of flowers in many different colors during the summer months. Some Crape Myrtles are trained into trees while others are grown as shrubs.

Pruning your Crape Myrtle provides the new growth required for summer blooms. The plant is also dormant during this time thus making it easier to shape. There are many studies suggesting the proper prun-

ing method for Crape Myrtles but the studies do not show conclusive evidence that one way is better than the other. The method I prefer and propose for residents to follow is the "pencil pruning" method. Basically, you remove all branches smaller than a pencil.

Why do we trim Crape Myrtles? Crape Myrtle blooms appear only on new wood. So by pruning branches, you spur growth along the branch nodes, which in turn produce flowers.

What if I don't trim my Crape Myrtles? You will still get blooms and plenty of them. While trimming Crape Myrtles will help with new growth and blooms, it is also an aesthetic function of the plant. The pruned plants look better and often times have a better resistance to insects and disease due to increase airflow through the canopy.

Can my Crape Myrtle bloom all season

long? Yes, trimming the blooms after they fade will encourage a second bloom to occur. We have had Crape Myrtles blooming from summer into the fall months here at On Top of the World.

Another note for this time of year is to be cautious of the threat of a freeze. We still have the possibility of a freeze in February; so don't forget to cover up your irrigation backflow preventers when freezing temperatures are in the forecast. Using a heavy blanket should be sufficient but also keep in mind that On Top of the World has a backflow preventer cover for sale at Customer Service. This cover runs about \$60 and would be a great investment for your irrigation system.

If you do not know where your backflow is located, please visit www.otowinfo.com, select the community you live in and click on the Home Maintenance tab on the left

side toward the bottom of the list. Here, you will find a video that describes where your backflow preventer is located and how to freeze protect your backflow in the event of a hard freeze warning.

As you may or may not be aware, Sustainable Landscape Management offers full service landscape maintenance to residents of Candler Hills, Indigo East and Stone Creek.

Sustainable Landscape Management offers a full line of landscape maintenance needs from typical mowing services, fertilization/pest control and irrigation system maintenance. Our service is guaranteed. If you are interested in learning more about Sustainable Landscape Management, you may contact us at 388-1756 or slmservice-fl@gmail.com.

Best wishes for a wonderful February!

Toilet Rebate Program Begins

By Robert Colen

The toilet rebate program is all set to go. Residents in Americana Village, Friendship Park, Friendship Village or Friendship Colony whose houses were built prior to 1995 potentially qualify to receive a rebate for the replacement of each 3.5-gallon per flush toilet. The new toilet must be a 1.28-gallon-per-flush toilet to qualify for the rebate.

Bay Laurel (BLCCDD), your local water supplier, in a cooperation agreement with the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SFWMD), is offering this rebate of up to 50 percent, at a maximum of \$150 per toilet replaced.

To qualify for the rebate, the homeowner must comply with a few rules. So please, do not run out and buy a new toilet right

after reading this article.

First of all, On Top of the World Communities will be managing this project, so you will need to contact customer service if you are interested in participating. Many residents have already done so and we will be contacting them in the next few weeks.

Once you contact us, we will need to verify that your toilet(s) is currently 3.5 gallons per flush or higher. These are the toilets that need to be replaced. After verification, we will provide you a certificate of qualification and provide you a detailed list of the requirements.

After you have installed the new toilet(s), On Top of the World staff will come back to your house to verify it was properly installed. During the post-instal-

lation inspection, the homeowner will need to provide us with the documentation including the invoice and affidavit of disposal of the old toilet. The inspection serves to make sure that the toilet does not leak and that you are educated about proper toilet maintenance.

BLCCDD, On Top of the World Communities, and SWFMD have one goal in mind - to conserve water. By completing this project and replacing 400 toilets in the community with high efficiency toilets, we estimate saving 8,400 gallons per day of potable water. That comes to over three million gallons per year saved.

If you have not already done so, please visit customer service in Friendship Commons to set up an appointment.



100 Grandparents

By Barbara Greenwood

What a glorious day we had at Romeo Elementary School in Dunnellon, Fla. With the holidays behind us, we grandparents were raring to go. Once the gate was unlocked to admit us, we filed into the media center. Mrs. Victoria Thomas, dean of Romeo, was there to greet us. She called for the escorts from each class to come and claim us.

Our goal as grandparents is to help these children understand the importance of reading. A book chosen by the teacher is there for us to share and interact with the children. It's the interaction that is the best part of our adventure.

On this particular visit, we had several of our regular readers unable to attend due to various situations. We had a wonderful response from members of our community who volunteered to fill in where needed:

Kathy Becker, Sharon Carey, Nancy Dostie, Cheryl Fotia, Carol Emrick, Chris Hebert, Joanne Leigh, Anne Merrick, Bob O'Neal, Karen Raynor, Pat Russell, and Joan Zweiback. Thank you all.

Being a "regular" reader (one who goes to the same classroom each month) or a "substitute" reader (one who fills in when the regular reader cannot attend) is such a rewarding experience. So much joy comes about when you spend time with children.

Romeo goes from kindergarten through grade five. The classroom size varies from no more than 19 in the lower grades to 23 in the higher grades. The teacher stays in the room while we are there, and it is a very relaxed atmosphere.

Another goal of ours is to see that the children of Romeo have food for the weekend. We are involved in the backpack program and truly appreciate all of the donations we receive from residents of On Top of the World. These donations may be delivered to and placed in a tote found on the porch of Elliott and Marlyn Barbour, 8680-H SW 94th Street.

We also clip labels from various food items that say "Box Tops for Education" or "Labels for Education." This provides an-

other way for needed school supplies to be earned by the school. These labels may be brought to the Health & Recreation Building and deposited in the appropriate labeled drawer in the lobby.

Thank you everyone for helping us in our endeavor to help Romeo children profit from what we can provide.

If you feel that you may be interested in joining our group, please call Barbara at 861-3529. We go the second Thursday of each school month. Our transportation, a school bus, leaves the Winn-Dixie shopping center at 8:30 a.m. and returns approximately by noon. Our next visit is Thursday, Feb. 14.

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Home Maintenance Tips

By Robert Colen

Side Door Maintenance

A homeowner maintenance item that does not get a lot of attention, but certainly deserves it, is the side garage door. These are the service doors that exit from a garage and usually do not have more than 16 inches of overhang protection from the soffit above.

Consequently, these doors are exposed to rain, sun, wind, and other elements. As a result of the year-round pounding that the door gets from the environment, it is only natural that it experiences some wear and tear. If the door is not maintained properly, there is a good chance that the frame around the door will begin to rot. The door itself might get damaged as well.

When a door begins to deteriorate, it can be susceptible to termites. Also, once the door starts to deteriorate, the frame can

start disintegrating, allowing water, pests, and vermin to enter the garage.

So what can be done to protect the side garage door? The following are recommended:

1. Every six months, do a quick visual inspection of the caulking and paint along the doorframe at the threshold and along the brick mold. The brick mold is the casing around the doorframe. You want to make sure that water is not seeping inside and being soaked up by the wood.
2. At the same time you are checking the caulking, also check the door, frame, and molding for any discoloration along the bottom. If water is getting into the wood, you will see it start to brown or gray.
3. During this visual inspection, you will want to check the threshold to make sure that there is no debris built up between the threshold and the weather strip.
4. Every two years, replace the caulking at the bottom of the doorframe. Obviously, if it is cracking or deteriorating prior to that, then go ahead and replace at that time.

That is it. Maintaining the side door can be very simple and fast. Yet, it is another important facet of maintaining your house.

If you have topics you would like addressed in this home maintenance column, please e-mail them to warranty@otowfl.com.



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By Kenneth D. Colen, Publisher

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we will be able to execute all suggestions, we're looking forward to giving new opportunities a try. Send your ideas to webmaster@otowfl.com. Next month, we'll talk about the suggestions that are made. Stay tuned!

Winter Weather & Shrubbery

Both December and January were unseasonably warm. I keep holding out hope for a very chilly February for only one reason: the cold knocks back pest populations that get into the landscape, limits the food supply for rodents (depressing the population), and gives a pleasant reminder of why most people moved to Florida in the first place.

So if I get what I've asked for (unlikely as that is), what to do with shocked and droopy plants in your landscape beds? The original plantings installed in your neighborhood at the time of construction were selected for their cold and drought hardiness. Sudden and severe cold weather may cause some plants to brown and leaves to curl.

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

light frost between March 15 and Easter; so be forewarned.

Safety Tip

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

Proper service on your heating and air conditioning systems (HVAC) is a must do. Improperly operating heat strips (on reverse cycle units/heat pumps) can malfunction and may become a fire hazard. These need to be checked by a licensed and insured air conditioning and heating professional, ideally prior to the cooler weather, but after a chill is a strong reminder as well.

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

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



Food For Thought

By Sandy Curtis

I would like to take a moment to tell you how happy I am to be part of the On Top of the World hospitality team as the Food

and Beverage Manager and just a little about myself. I have seven years of experience in restaurant management, ownership and catering. I am a native to Florida and have a wonderful husband and two teenage boys. In my spare time, I enjoy reading and spending time with my family. Some of my best vacations have been spent in Gatlinburg, Tenn.

During this transition time, I look forward to great things for the Candler Hills Restaurant, The Pub, and Friendship Catering. It is my job to make sure each of you have a wonderful experience while dining with us or using Friendship Catering. I am working hard to learn all about the community, our residents and customers.

There are a few things I would like to make mention of which are coming up. Our Sunday breakfast buffet at Candler Hills Restaurant, from 9 to 11:30 a.m., is continuing through February. The price is just \$9.99 plus tax and gratuity. There is a chef attended omelet and egg station, fresh homemade sticky buns, bacon, sausage, home fries, yogurt, fruit and granola, made from scratch buttermilk biscuits and old fashioned sausage gravy.

Also, every Sunday, we will have our Sunday dinner, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The price is just \$10.99 plus tax and gratuity. The entrees available are Southern fried chicken, meatloaf or grilled ham steak and all include choice of soup or salad, starch, vegetable and chef's choice dessert.

For the month of February, we will offer Happy Hour drink pricing every Wednesday, all day. Yes, you read it correctly; you have all day to be "happy." Whether you visit The Pub or Candler Hills Restaurant, make it a great day!

Menus at both restaurants will be revised soon. We are looking forward to bringing some new dishes to our table. Please stop in and introduce yourself, I truly look forward to meeting each and every one of you.

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Lions Club 'Trashy' Fashion Show

By Eloise Hollyfield

As previously reported, the Lions Club has a unique fundraising event planned: The Recycled "Trashy" Fashion Show presented by the On Top of the World Lions Club. This exciting event will be held on Friday, April 12, at the Hilton Ocala.

The cash bar will open at 5 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres, unique creations specifically for this event, by Chef Randall White, will be served at 6 p.m., along with the silent auction. The fashion show will begin at 6:30 p.m.

James Vincent Wynn is the director of this event and will provide entertainment

and also conduct the silent auction. Ticket costs are as follows: \$30 per individual, \$55 for a party of two, and \$275.00 for a party of 10. To purchase tickets, contact Lion Wendy Phillips via e-mail at wendyp1946ad@aol.com. Checks should be made out to the On Top of the World Lions Club and sent to P.O. Box 772733, Ocala, Florida 34477.

For the fashion show, clubs (both within and outside of our community), organizations, and businesses are invited to enter one model per organization. Those sponsoring this event may also enter a model for the contest. The outfit created must be

made of 75% recyclable materials, at a cost not to exceed \$40. The first 25 entries will be accepted, so if your club, organization, or business is interested in entering a contestant, it is imperative that you submit the entry form as soon as possible. No entry forms will be accepted after Thursday, Jan. 31. There is no entry fee.

Cash prizes are as follows: first-\$1,000; second-\$500; and third-\$300. The prize money will be given to the charity designated by the winning club, organization, or business. For further information, contact PDG Lion Estelle Clark at 861-7358 or maggiemagoo@yahoo.com. A website and e-mail address delineating guidelines, additional deadlines, etc. for sponsors and for model entrees of this event will be available soon.

Organizations, businesses, and clubs that wish to sponsor this event should contact PDG Lion Estelle Clark at 861-

7358 or maggiemagoo@yahoo.com. Sponsors are classified as follows, based on the amount of money given: diamond-\$5,000; sapphire-\$2,500; platinum-\$1,000; gold-\$500; and silver-\$250.

Rewards to the sponsors would be free tickets, the number determined by the level of sponsorship: diamond-table of 10 (and 10 free tickets); sapphire-six tickets; platinum-four tickets; gold and silver-two tickets. These sponsors are invited to set up displays, as well. Each of these sponsors will have their ads placed in the event program. Individuals or groups who make a donation of a minimum of \$35 will be listed in the program guide as "Friends of the On Top of the World Lions Club."

The Recycled "Trashy" Fashion Show presented by On Top of the World Lions Club is bound to sell out early, and you don't want to miss it, so get your tickets early!

New England Club

By Donnamarie Castellano

Not from New England? That's okay; a love of New England is all you need.

Everyone who attended the New England Club social in the Arbor Club Ballroom on Thursday, Dec. 20, 2012 had a fun time. It was an afternoon of Christmas music; games; and a fabulous Christmas dinner cooked and served by the board members. Following dinner was a scrumptious display of desserts supplied by many generous members. Needless to say at the end of the day, we all "rolled" out of there with full bellies.

We all participated in a Christmas sing-a-long with Dick Gray of Ocala playing piano while his wife Martha led everyone in song. The Grays were a very lively and fun addition to our day!

Lots of laughs were had during our re-gifting swap and our very own Santa Claus handed each person their gift. I can't believe how many people like to sit on Santa's lap! Thank you Santa!

Our meeting schedule is the third Thursday of each month (October through May), at 1 p.m., in the Arbor Club Ballroom (unless otherwise noted): Feb. 21, Health & Recreation Ballroom; March 21, April 18; and May 16. Coffee is provided. Please bring your own cold soda or water. Membership fees are \$10 per person, per club year. Please join us!



Southern Club

By Carol Hobbs

The Southern Club celebrated the beginning of the New Year in fine style. The meeting was held on Thursday, Jan. 3 in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. Members were greeted with tables set with top hats, whistles, glitter and noisemakers, all reminding them of the New Year.

After a social hour when everyone discussed what their holidays entailed, they settled down to a lovely potluck supper. The supper is always enjoyed because of the variety of dishes and their real "down-home"

Caribbean Club

By Luz Leon

The Caribbean Club celebrated New Year's Eve at the Indigo East Community Center with DJ White Chocolate, who kept us jumping and dancing around the floor. We danced through the night until the clock neared the time to start those resolutions all over again.

It was a joyous occasion as the clock struck midnight and the popping of the champagne began. The noisemakers blasted and everyone was wished a happy New Year and good health. Happy New Year to all.

flavor, and this one was no exception.

During the business meeting, which followed, guests were introduced and birthdays and anniversaries acknowledged. A card was passed for all to sign sending best wishes to President Charlotte Hancock, who was not able to attend. The frequency of professional entertainment was discussed.

After adjourning the meeting, all of the members were treated to a ballroom dancing demonstration by one of our own mem-

bers, Lynda Byrd, and her friends. They demonstrated a number of dances, from the waltz and fox trot to the cha cha and bolero, and even had some of the members try out a few steps on their own. It was very much enjoyed by everyone there.

The next meeting will be the first Thursday in February, and we would love to have lots of visitors in addition to our own members, who are the greatest group of folks around!

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Pennsylvania Club

By Pat Utiss

The New Year has begun and everyone seems surprised that it is already February. The Pennsylvania Club started the New Year with a game to learn more about our fellow members according to the zodiac. For some reason, it seemed new members knew us better than the old members. I cannot figure out what that means. It must mean something.

To celebrate St. Patrick's Day, Micki Malsh will be cooking another dinner at our March meeting. The menu will consist of corned beef, cabbage, parsley potatoes, Irish soda bread, rye bread and bread pudding. The cost will be \$7 and tickets will be sold at the February meeting. The deadline for tickets will be Wednesday, Feb. 27. Any money raised above the cost of the food will be donated to the Ocala Ritz Veterans Village.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, Feb. 13, at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite E, at 3 p.m. The entertainment at this meeting will be a musical program by Jeff Rountree. We hope to see everyone, new members and old, at this meeting. Though the meeting starts at 3 p.m., come earlier for refreshments and fellowship.

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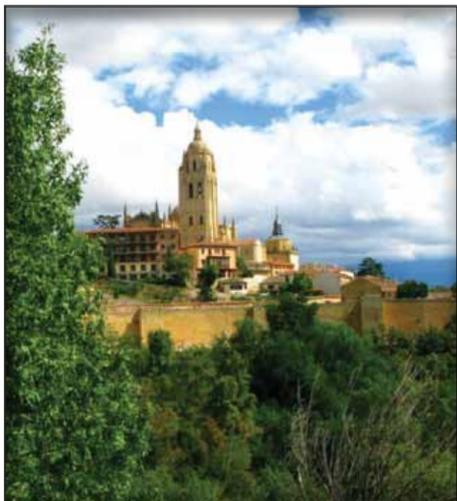


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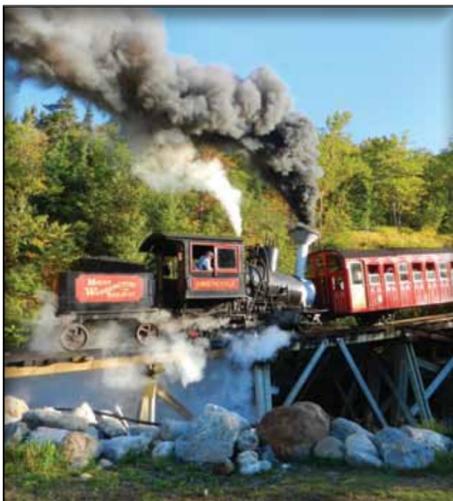


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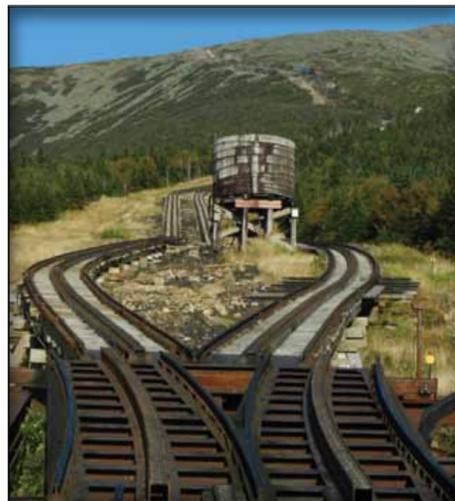


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Advanced category third place: Railroad tracks.



ShutterBugs Photography

By Marilynn Cronin

so much on their main subject that a stray splash of contrasting color slips by unnoticed. But that contrasting color can draw the viewer's eye away from your subject to the edge of the picture or to the background. So when composing your image, if a bright red or yellow object grabs attention - and it's not your primary subject - then the best advice is to recompose and leave it out of the picture.

Membership must be renewed by Friday, Feb. 1 to continue receiving e-mails from President Sue Goldberg.

BEWARE OF STRAY COLORS: Everyone loves color, but sometimes a bright color is simply in the wrong place. In fact, this topic comes up a lot. So often, students and other budding photographers concentrate

January's show and tell consisted of photos taken at our December social gathering or holiday photos taken during December.

Larry Goldberg reported that Best Buy would be coming often to show us new hardware and software, and answering questions the members have about upgrading to new equipment.

Our field trip in January was to the Lak- eridge Winery. Love these field trips; not only are they learning experiences but also socializing and eating lunch together is a "trip" in itself.

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

third Tuesday is usually a field trip but John Bauer reports that this may change during the year, as there are many exciting events with photo opportunities on weekends.

Our yearly membership fee is only \$12. For more information, contact Sue Goldberg at photo4fun2012@aol.com.

History on Display

By Robert Colen

Imagine being able to touch and feel history as a means of learning about the past. On Tuesday Feb. 12, The Spungen Family Foundation will offer the opportunity to connect emotionally and directly with history. Danny Spungen, the curator of the Spungen Family Foundation along with Mr. Sandy Lichterman, of The Villages, will present "The Nazi Scourge: Postal and Monetary Evidence of the Holocaust - A Breakdown in Humanity" at the Circle Square Cultural Center.

Hundreds of pieces of World War II era mail and documents will be on display for all to see, read and touch. Mr. Spungen travels the world with this powerful holocaust memorial exhibit as a means of honoring

the lives of those who lived through this period. The letters and documents are testaments of the indomitable human spirit.

Guests visiting this program will have the opportunity to meet with a holocaust survivor and examine envelopes, postcards, stamps, and money used exclusively by concentration camp inmates, Jewish ghetto residents and prisoners of war.

The exhibit will also include examples of counterfeit Bank of England paper money printed by slave laborers during "Operation Bernhard," the Nazis' failed plot to take down the Bank of England.

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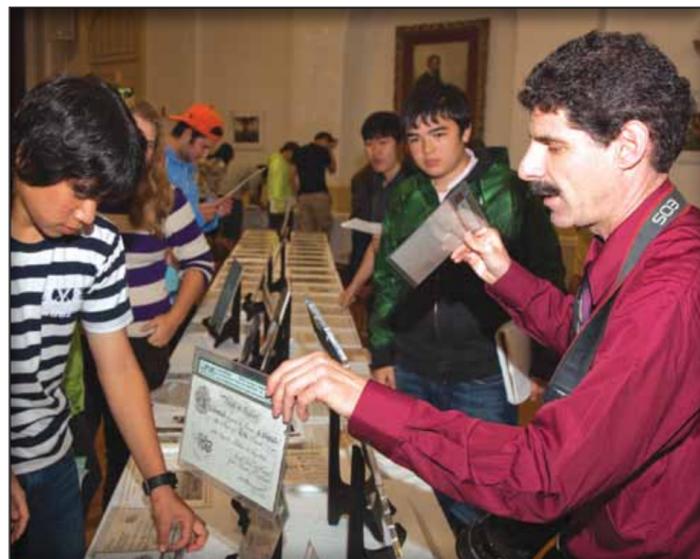


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Danny Spungen (right), the curator, travels the world with this powerful holocaust memorial exhibit.

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Windsor of Windsor

By Clementine Fox

I want to welcome all of our neighbors and friends of On Top of the World to Windsor. This is my second column for the newspaper since I moved here with my husband, Alex, about three and a half years ago.

One of the first things we did, after we moved in was to start joining in classes at the Health & Recreation Building. There are many classes that I enjoy taking, such as balance body, chair Yoga, Zumba, Tai Chi, kickboxing and drum core. My husband loves to go the gym and work out on their machines.

We also look forward to the first Friday of the month in Windsor. This is where most of us get together for about an hour and a half to reacquaint friendships, and make new ones. And with the size of Windsor, this has become rather important.



Avalon Social Group

By Lorraine Rourke

We had a light turnout for our January potluck, however we still had some delicious dishes. It seems pasta was the theme at this one.

We still seem to get too much dessert at our potlucks. Going forward, I will assign dessert to fewer folks.

Our next potluck is Monday, Feb. 4. Please wear red for Valentine's Day. Since tables are now set up for us, we have less work to do in preparation. Set up will be moved to 5:15 p.m. with start at 5:30 p.m.



Original Karaoke Group

By George Quaranta

Welcome to 2013! With a New Year, comes new days to sing. Karaoke will take place on the second and fourth Monday of every month, at 7 p.m. at the Candler Hills Community Center.

If you would like to try singing karaoke, you are more than welcome to join us.

For more information, call George Quaranta at 873-9667. Keep on singing!

At Christmas time, all the ladies of Windsor got together to enjoy a meal, exchange a small gift and look back on the past year.

We just completed participating in the Health & Wellness Expo. I helped demonstrate chair yoga and helped demonstrate the training that our instructor Han Dong taught us. I think that it is very important for all us to participate in and help teach each other. Then, I closed out the day doing Zumba.

I also enjoy the choices in the Master the Possibilities catalog. My first choice in the latest issue is taking a trip to the Ocala Equine Rescue Farm Tour. This farm will have an emphasis on rescued horses, here in Marion County. My second choice is Brain Buster with our own, Cammy Dennis. With all that physical exercise we are getting, how about some brain exercise? It keeps the brain going, while having fun doing so.

Finally, we went to see Re-creation presented by the Entertainment Group on Jan. 26.

All in all, lots to do, nice people to do it with and the enjoyment of living in Windsor at On Top of the World.

and the food line at 5:45 p.m.

To help meet residents, we provide name tags as you come in. If you are new, this is a great way to meet folks and find out what's going on.

Bring a dish to share of salad, fruit, pasta, meat, casserole, potato, rice, chili, appetizer, soup, a serving utensil, and your own non-alcoholic beverage. If you are dieting, how about bringing a salad or low calorie/fat dish? No desserts, please.

Also keep in mind that we will be selling tickets at the February potluck for the corned beef meal we will have at the March potluck. Tickets will be available for a short timeframe, so your best bet is to come to the next potluck and buy them then.

If you have any questions, please contact Lorraine at 390-2120.



Candler Connection

By Janet Wiles

Congratulations to the Candler Hills residents who participated in the Ocala Half Marathon on Jan. 20. This was quite an achievement for both first-time and repeat participants. This is just one more example of how active our residents are.

The next meeting of the Candler Connection board will be on Tuesday, Feb. 5, at 3:30 p.m. in the Candler Hills Community Center. All residents are welcome to attend.

There will be a New Neighbor Welcome Session on Tuesday, Feb. 19. The meeting will be held in the Candler Hills Community Center, at 3 p.m., and will last about an hour.

We encourage all new Candler Hills residents who have moved here within the last six months to attend. This is a very informal session, which will give you many insights into social activities within Candler Hills, On Top of the World, Ocala, and Marion County. It will also give you an opportunity to ask questions about your new surroundings. We hope to see many of our new neighbors there.

The next potluck will be Tuesday, Feb. 26 in the Candler Hills Community Center. This is a wonderful occasion to meet your neighbors. Those residents with last names beginning with A-C and T-Z should bring salad or vegetables; D-K, appetizer or dessert; and L-S, 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.

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Building on the success of the fall Candler Hills party, the Social Committee has reserved the Stone Creek Grille for the spring party on Sunday, April 28. The theme for the food will be "A Taste of the Mediterranean." There will be food stations, music, and friendship. The cost of the ticket will once again include a drink. More information will follow next month after plans have been finalized. There will be only 100 tickets available for the dinner. Mark the date on your calendar now so that you do not miss out on a great evening.

Any Candler Hills resident who has special announcements for inclusion in this column each month should submit this information to the Communications Committee Chairperson Marilyn Lube, at marilynube@yahoo.com by noon of the 10th of each month. For example, anything for the March column would need to be submitted by Feb. 10.



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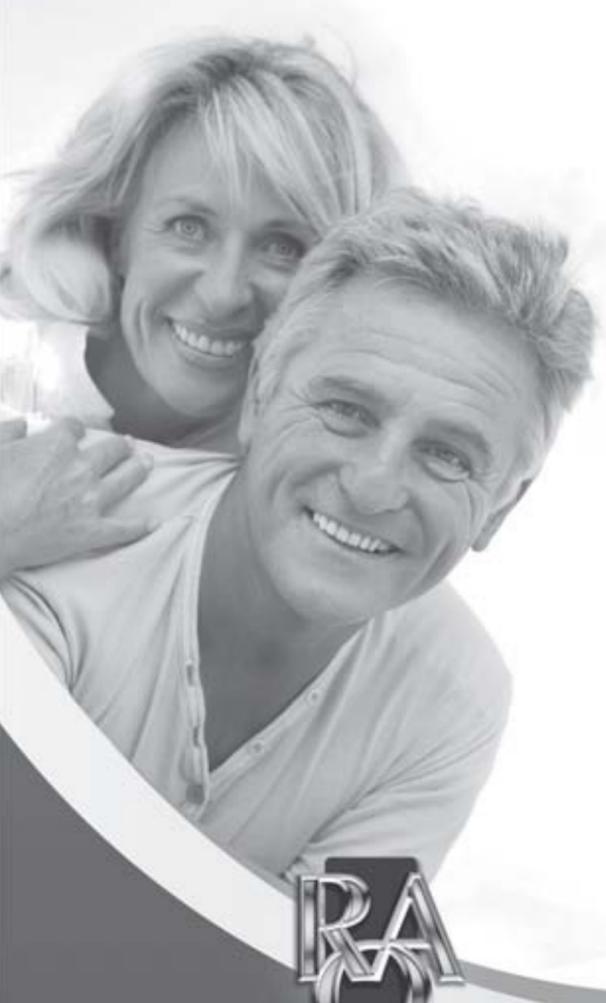
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Native Plant Group

By Ron Broman

Do you ever drive on SW 94th Street past the circle at SW 89th Court Road? The garden was planted and is maintained by the Native Plant Group.

The plants in this circle are native to this part of Florida and we try to let them grow like they want to, not forced into a

landscape. The best part of this type of garden is that once planted, they will keep re-seeding themselves and you won't have to plant again. In fact, you will probably have to thin them out, as we do.

This time of year is not the best for most of these warm-weather plants but there will still be a few blooming until the first hard frost. I took the accompanying photo on Monday, Dec. 3, 2012, and you can still see some of the flowers. If you look, you can see five different plants in addition to the tree. Let me tell you about them in case you decide you would like some in your yard.

The tree is a Yaupon Holly. It is a small tree that can be pruned as a shrub; or trim

the lower branches to shape it as a tree, like we did. The bright red berries in the fall and winter, a nice contrast to the light green leaves, are only on the female plant, so be sure to tell the nursery owner if that's what you want. It's drought tolerant and grows in sandy soil – perfect for us since this community sits on a large sandhill.

The yellow flowers in front are called Beach Sunflowers since they grow in sand also. They need lots of sun and do very well with minimum care. We cut off the flowers once they finish blooming (called deadheading) so the plants will continue to bloom for months. They re-seed themselves so they can take over an area but are easy to pull up so you can contain them to the area you want.

The scarlet flowers with yellow tips that are growing interspersed with the Beach Sunflower are called Blanket Flower. They have the same growing needs and care as the sunflowers and they bloom first. Both of these plants are classified as hardy, drought tolerant ground cover. They will add color and will attract butterflies and birds to your yard.

The bright green plant in front is called a Coontie. It looks like a small palm. It's small, hardy, slow growing, and compact and is one of the oldest plant species in Florida. It could take as long as five years to grow from seed; so I recommend you buy

a plant.

The small bush on the left is a Walter's Viburnum. They come in sizes from dwarf to tall; so choose the one that fits your yard. The dwarf variety can be used as a hedge along the walkway. The white flowers attract butterflies and the berries are food for birds. They grow best in full sun but the one in my yard does well with partial shade.

The name of the tall red plants in the back and center of the circle is Firebush. This is a fast-growing shrub with bright red tubular flowers that attract hummingbirds and butterflies. In our climate, they die back at frost but regenerate from the roots each spring and reach about five feet in height. The leaves turn bright red in fall. It's truly a beautiful plant.

So, I hope I've inspired you to "grow native," and if you see us tending the circle on the fourth Wednesday, wave and say "hi," or come join us and learn more about Florida native plants.

Instead of the Feb. 13 meeting, members will join the Unique Birders for their field trip on Thursday, Feb. 28. We will meet at 8:15 a.m. in the Health & Recreation parking lot under the big tree, decide on carpools and head to Rainbow Springs State Park. Its azaleas should be in full bloom as well as other native plants.

Submitted by Melanie Vittitow

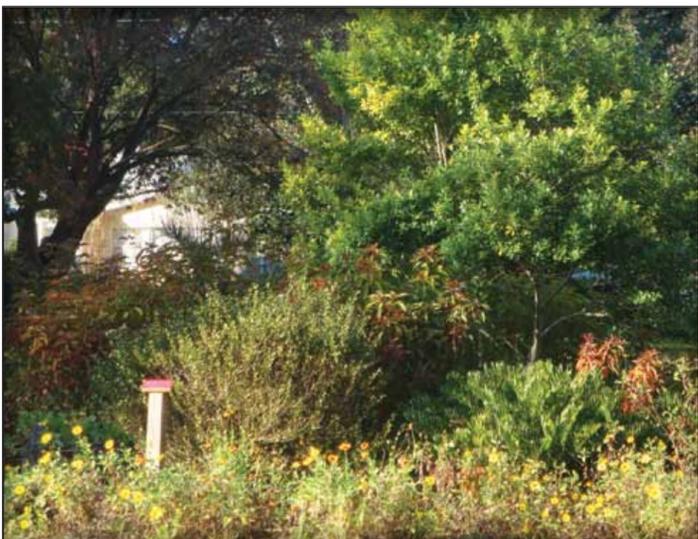


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LadyBirds

By Liz Cruce

The LadyBirds met on Friday, Jan. 11 for their regular monthly meeting. To celebrate all birthdays in the club, LadyBird Gloria Scicluna invited all to a party in the Arbor Club Ballroom on Sunday, Jan. 20.

We are all excited about our trip to Golden Flake Snack Foods to see how potato chips are made. After our tour, the LadyBirds will meet at La Cuisine for lunch and friendship.

We are looking forward to our Valentine's Day dinner party at the Arbor Club Ballroom on Saturday, Feb. 16 where we will have a beautiful catered dinner and entertainment for dancing with our own RC

Flyers.

Speaker for the month was Jessica Pinkowski, a certified posture specialist and personal trainer at The Ranch Spa & Fitness and on Top of the World Fitness Center. Jessica spoke on perfecting our posture by sitting up tall, lifting our chest, retracting our shoulder blades and contracting our abdomen to breathe and get our body in better posture. It is never too late to start and so very important as we age.

We had several volunteers stand in front of her posture chart and let the audience see where their posture could be improved and the importance. This was one of the most helpful demonstrations for this LadyBird, I'm walking taller, breathing better and looking forward to Jessica's balance class.

All you LadyBirds who haven't signed up for this year, you are going to miss out on a fabulous 10th anniversary celebration, which will take place all year long. We have many activities planned.

Visually Impaired

By Lee Wagner

Our holiday rest and relaxation is over. Let's get back to work! Our next meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 1:30 p.m., at the Arbor Conference Center, Suite H.

Our speaker will be Pat Gabriel who

comes to us from the SR200 Coalition. She will be here to tell us all about what is going on along the SR200 Corridor. This should be most interesting and enlightening, so be sure and bring your questions.

Please note that our meetings are always open to residents of On Top of the World. Bring a friend!

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Birders' Beat

By Anne Merrick

The green heron is relatively small; adult body length is about 44 cm (17 inches). The neck is often pulled in tight against the body.

Adults have a glossy, greenish-black cap, a greenish back and wings that are grey-black grading into green or blue, a chestnut neck with a white line down the front, grey under parts and short yellow legs. The bill is dark with a long, sharp point.

Female adults tend to be smaller than males, and have duller and lighter plumage, particularly in the breeding season. Juveniles are duller, with the head sides, neck and under parts streaked brown and white, tan-spotted back and wing coverts and greenish-yellow legs and bill. Hatchlings are covered in down feathers, light grey above and white on the belly.

The green heron's call is a loud and sudden "kyow;" it also makes a series of more subdued "kuk" calls. During courtship, the male gives a "raah-rah" call with wide-

open bill, makes noisy wing beats and "whoom-whoom-whoom" calls in flight, and sometimes calls "roo-roo" to the female before landing again. While sitting, an "aaroo-aaroo" courtship call is also given.

Green herons are seasonally monogamous, pairing after an intense courtship by the males who select the nesting sites and fly in front of the female noisily with puffed-up head and neck plumage. They nest in forest and swamp patches. Nests are a platform of sticks, often in shrubs or trees, sometimes on the ground. Locations in trees are preferred, with some nests built up to 20 meters off the ground although heights of several meters are more common. Two to six pale green eggs are laid over six days with both parents incubating and feeding the young for approximately 19 to 21 days. Breeding occurs twice a year.

Green herons are one of the few species of animals known to use tools. In particular, they commonly use bread crusts, insects, or other items as bait. The bait is dropped onto the surface of a body of water in order to lure a tasty morsel to the surface.

The photo with this column was taken on the Rainbow River during the Audubon Christmas Bird Count, which took place on Thursday, Jan. 3. Unlike other years, the weather was delightful. The count for On Top of the World, Stone Creek and envi-

rons was 52 species of birds.

The next outing is being combined with the Native Plant Group and will be to Rainbow Springs State Park on Thursday, Feb. 28. The azaleas should be in full bloom. Conrad and Ann Massa will lead this trip. We will meet, as usual, under the big tree in the Health & Recreation parking lot at 8:15 a.m. to carpool. Lunch will be determined at a later date. You do not need to be a member of either group to join in this fun trip. The cost to get in to the park is \$2.



Photo by Jason Green

Green heron on the Rainbow River.



Republican Club

By Fred Pulis

The January meeting featured guest speaker newly elected chair of the Marion County Commission, Kathy Bryant. She provided an update on Marion County issues as well as answering questions from the membership. She outlined a prospective outlook for 2013 with several innovative ideas to make Marion County one of the best in Florida.

This month's guest speaker is Randy Osborne. He is the current chairman of the Marion County Republican Executive Committee (REC). He will provide information about Republican policies and issues. He will also make himself available for answering questions and concerns of the club membership.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Friday, Feb. 8. All regular meetings are scheduled for the second Friday of each month at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E, F, and G. The meetings start at 7 p.m. and usually last about an hour.



Women of the World

By Sharon Tarolli

At our January meeting, President Carol Emrick was thrilled once again to look out and see more than 200 smiling, friendly faces of beautiful women. Members led by Judy Singer outdid themselves providing yummy and abundant food, and many healthy items provided encouragement for those who do their annual New Year's diet resolutions.

Marie Roppel introduced our speaker, Karen Hill, the director of Marion County Literacy Council, a United Way agency. She brought copies of the January/February magazine, WUO (What's Up Ocala), featuring an article on the Literacy Council. Karen is the organization's first paid director and last year they served 400 students. They help adult students with their goals of learning to read, preparing for their GEDs, basic computer classes, filling out job applications, and citizenship classes.

Karen had applied for and was awarded a City of Ocala community development block grant of \$800,000, to purchase their own building. The grand opening of the new facility will be on Thursday, Feb. 28, from 5 to 8 p.m., at 120 SW 5th Street, Ocala. For more information, visit www.MarionLiteracy.org or call them at 690-7323.

Our charity for January was the Humane Society of Marion County, and once again our wonderfully generous members brought animal supplies in abundance. Additional vehicles even had to be called to help transport donations for the animals.

Prior to the meeting, the room was bustling with activity: Bernice Lewis was coordinating the 50/50 tickets; Marsha Vieu was selling nest egg tickets, to be drawn at this year's fashion show (last year's winner received \$425!); and tickets were sold for the fashion show.

Please call Barbara Enos at 304-8477 if you would like to purchase a ticket (\$22) or a table. By the end of the meeting there were only 80 tickets remaining. There are usually well over 300 attendees!

On Saturday, March 9, our annual Fashion Show and Luncheon, which benefits Hospice of Marion County, will take place. This is our largest fundraiser of the year. Gourmet Catering of Ocala will cater our hot buffet luncheon, and local residents will be modeling clothes from Belk at the Paddock Mall in Ocala.

April Pollard (237-5782) coordinates the theme and decorations, and Joan Connelly coordinates the baskets. Please call if you can help or want more information. The room will be beautiful and exciting, and gets more so every year.

Members donate gift baskets for raffle. Baskets can be small or large, with different themes. Attendees buy strips of tickets and decide which ones they want to depos-

it their tickets in for a chance to win later. Last year, more than 75 baskets were donated and won throughout the afternoon.

If you can help with setup, April's group starts at noon on Friday, March 8, to set up for the next day. Baskets should be dropped off by 10 a.m. on Saturday morning, so they can be logged in.

Fifteen members won \$15 apiece from the 50/50 raffle.

The next meeting will be on Friday, Feb. 1, in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. Larry Robinson, from the fitness depart-

ment, will be speaking to us. Chris Weiss, the manager at Chasin's Dream Farm, who had been scheduled for February, will be coming to the April meeting.

The February charity will be Arnette House. Items requested are: body wash, soap, shampoo, conditioner, towels, washcloths, toiletries, school supplies (including backpacks), and twin bed-size linens. The meeting begins at 1 p.m., and the pre-meeting social time is 12:30 p.m.

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Larry's Fit Tips

By Larry Robinson

Satisfied, Full or Stuffed

How much do you eat? Have you ever eaten so much that you felt stuffed and uncomfortable? Most of us have found ourselves in that situation from time to time. It is not uncommon to lose touch with what it feels like to eat until you are satisfied.

For many of us, we continue to eat past the point of satisfied and eat until we are full or stuffed. There are several factors that might contribute to overeating: allowing yourself to get extremely hungry, eating

too fast, socializing, and/or indulging in alcohol. All these factors cloud your body's ability to sense when you are satisfied. You have to stop and allow the message to get from your stomach to your brain in order to avoid that uncomfortable feeling of eating too much. It takes approximately 10 to 15 minutes for your stomach to convey that message to your brain.

Overeating might mean that you are not feeling satisfied. When a meal is inadequate for you, your body will enlighten you to the situation. Here are some of the things that you might experience

- You have a sense that the meal was incomplete.
- You feel physically full but are still craving something.
- You keep eating the same food hoping it will fill you up, but it is not satisfying you.
- You are craving something sweet,

salty or fatty right after or shortly after the meal.

- You feel the need to snack within one to three hours after eating.
- Your energy isn't restored after eating.

Here are three questions you should ask yourself half way through your meal:

1. Is this meal satisfying me right now?
2. Am I getting enough of all five flavors: sweet, sour, salty, bitter and savory?
3. Will this meal carry me until the next meal?

It's important to know which foods will stay in your stomach longer, allowing you to feel full and for longer periods of time. Protein, a macro nutrient found in lean meat, chicken, fish, pork, and soy products, will keep you full longer because it takes time to be broken down in the stomach before it goes down to the intestine.

Fats, which are in olive oil, flax seeds, avocados, and walnuts, will also keep you full longer because it takes the stomach longer to digest them and to be absorbed.

Fats are very calorie dense so be sure to watch your portion size.

Fiber, an important part of your diet is found in vegetables, fruits, beans and whole wheat. Fiber will give you a feeling of fullness also helping to keep your stomach satisfied longer.

By eating slower and taking time to enjoy your food, you allow your stomach to send the message to your brain that you're satisfied. The problem with eating too quickly is that the message is obscured, leading you to overeat in the course of 10 minutes. Slow down and savor your food.

FIT TIP #1: Begin your meal with a healthy appetizer such as salad, soup or steamed vegetables. You'll fill your body with healthier options and hopefully kick-start the process to a healthy meal.

FIT TIP #2: When dining out, ask the server for a "to go" box before you even start your meal. Put half your meal in the box and you will have lunch for tomorrow.

FIT TIP #3: Drink water with your meal. By sipping between bites you will slow down the eating process and it will help to build volume in your stomach.

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Genealogical Society

By Peter Parisi

If you want to begin a family tree or have already started one, but would like more information on how to proceed, come to one of our meetings and we can help you find out how rewarding it can be to trace your family history and connect with your ancestors and their rich heritage.

Researching why your ancestors left their native homeland and immigrated to the U.S. is a study of history, geography and human endurance. The conditions they faced when they arrived in the U.S. were

also difficult, most of them having limited job skills, limited or no education and many not knowing the English language.

How did they overcome these obstacles in their quest to give themselves and their families a better life? Come to one of our meetings and see what we can do to help you do your research and find the answers to these questions. Our annual dues are only \$10 per person or \$15 per couple.

If you are a member of the Genealogical Society, you may browse through our extensive collection of books and CDs on genealogy by visiting our library in Meeting Room 3 of the Craft Building at our meeting on the second Monday of the month.

I recently did and was amazed to find out how diverse the resources we have are. For example, we have books on Colonial Dames of the 17th Century, Jamestown People to 1800, Early Lutheran Baptisms, Researching Your Colonial New England, Guide to Naturalization, Reading Early American Handwriting, Guide to Cemetery Research, Guide to Finding Your Ellis Island Ancestors, Finding Your Canadian Ancestors, Finding Your German Ancestors, Tracing Your Irish Ancestors, Finding Your Italian Roots, More Brickwall Solutions In Doing Your Research and Digital Imaging Essentials (how to scan in photographs and newspaper articles into your Family Tree Maker program) just to mention a few of the more than 200 books and CDs that are available.

There are also many books on census records and military records. These books and CDs may be signed out by members and brought home to do their research.

The Genealogical Society holds a business meeting at 10 a.m. the second Monday of every month in Meeting Room 3 of the Craft Building next to the Health & Recreation Building. At the business meeting, we discuss upcoming genealogy presentations and also programs that we co-host at Master the Possibilities, new books to be purchased and added to our extensive genealogical library and methods of researching your family's roots and more.

We also have an educational presentation at 10 a.m. the third Monday of the month, from September to May, in Suites B and C in the Arbor Conference Center.

We hope to see you at one of our meetings. Remember, our annual dues are only \$10 per person, \$15 per couple, so come to one of our meetings and see what we are all about.

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Fitness Happenings

By Cammy Dennis

Floor Freedom

As we age, we sometimes put activities into the "I don't do that anymore" category. Getting up and down off the floor is one of those activities.

Unfortunately, this can limit things like playing with a child, gardening, cleaning out a cabinet or attending an exercise class. Limitations such as these add up and over time prevent us from engaging in things we enjoy. The ability to get down and up from the floor was something that we took for granted in our younger days. However, it's not too late to regain the strength required and learn the technique required to conquer this task.

There are a combination of factors that would lead people to put getting down and up from the floor into the "I don't do that anymore" category. Things like physical decline, a history of injury or surgery, a decreased range of movement and balance issues can all have a negative influence on our ability to feel confident in getting down and up from the floor, not to mention possibly feeling embarrassed over a less than graceful execution of doing so.

Someone's actual ability may be clouded by his or her reluctance to even try. Unfortunately, this is a cyclical problem as the avoidance of the getting down and up from the floor leads to further reduction in the ability to do so.

As we age, there is an inevitable degenerative process, that when left unchecked, can have a very negative effect on how we look, feel and function. Daily activities and everyday movements can become increasingly challenging and eventually there may be avoidance in doing them.

Getting up and down off the floor is a good example. Avoiding the floor not only limits choices; there is also the concern of finding yourself on the floor due to a fall and unable to get up. This is especially troubling due to something called "found-down syndrome."

Found-down syndrome highlights the correlation between the amount of time someone remains on the ground after a fall and the severity of the ensuing injuries as a result of the fall. The unfortunate reality is that the longer someone remains on the ground after a fall, the worse the injuries will be.

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Floor Freedom will be offered on Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 11:30 a.m. and Thursday, March 7, at 11:30 a.m. in the group fitness room in the Health & Recreation Building. This class is free and no reservation is required. Join us so that you can maintain or regain the ability to get down and up from the floor.

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10:00-10:45	Balanced Body	'KB KB' Kick boxing	Balanced Body	'KB KB' Kick boxing	Balanced Body
Aerobics Room	Marie	Han	Jessica	Han	Marie
10:45-11:30	ZUMBA	S.O.S. Serious on Strength	ZUMBA	Strictly Strength	S.O.S. Serious on Strength
Aerobics Room	Kitt	Larry	Kitt	Larry	Larry
10:45-11:30	Light Aerobics		Light Aerobics		ZUMBA
H&R Ballroom	Becky		Jessica		Dara (From Jan. 18)
11:45-12:30	Get Fit While You Sit		Get Fit While You Sit		Get Fit While You Sit
Aerobics Room	Kitt		Kitt		Marie
12:00-1:00		Fitness Center Orientation		Balance Assessments	

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Arbor Club (Effective Feb. 1)					
Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-9:45	Deep Water Aerobics*	Shallow Water Aerobics*	Deep Water Aerobics*	Shallow Water Aerobics*	Deep Water Aerobics*
Arbor Club Indoor Pool	Larry	Barb	Larry	Barb	Jessica
9:30-10:30	Healing Yoga*		Basic Hatha Yoga*		
Arbor Club Ballroom	Stuart		Mary Pat		

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Back at The Ranch

By David Gibas

Interval training is not as complicated as you might think. Interval training is simply alternating bursts of higher intensity exercise with lighter intensity exercise (active recovery).

Interval training provides a host of great benefits including increased calorie burning (burn more calories in a shorter amount of time than steady state training) and improved aerobic capacity. It's no wonder that athletes have implemented this type of training for a long time.

Interval training uses the two energy systems of the body: aerobic and anaerobic. The aerobic system is the body's default system for all activity; it uses oxygen to convert carbohydrates from various sources in the body into sugar (glucose) for fuel. The anaerobic system, on the other hand, uses fuel from carbohydrates (in the form of glycogen) that is stored in the muscles. This system supports short bursts of high-energy movements such as sprinting, jumping or lifting heavy objects. This system will only provide enough fuel for very short bouts of activity.

Interval training can be implemented in various ways. It can incorporate very specific intervals of time, for example if you are out walking, you could speed walk for two minutes and then jog for 30 seconds; repeating those intervals using the two minutes of walking as the "active recovery."

As your cardiovascular system improves, you can lengthen the jogging interval and/or shorten the walking interval. You can also use your own "perceived exertion" to determine the length and intensity of the exercise bouts. For example, walk for a while then jog for as long as you can and then walk for as long as it takes for you to recover, repeating that process.

THE RANCH FITNESS SCHEDULE

The Ranch (Effective Feb.1)						
Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8:00-8:55 a.m.	Power Cycling Jessica	Tabata Training Jessica	Yoga Sculpt Mary Pat	Healing Yoga Stuart	Total Body Cycling Carolyn	(8:30 a.m.) Power Cycling Instructor Rot.
9:00-9:55 a.m.	20-20-20 Jessica H2O Fit Dara	ZUMBA Nichole	Power Cycling Carolyn	ZUMBA Kitti	20-20-20 Carolyn H2O Fit Dara	(9:30 am) Power Pump Instructor Rot.
10:00-10:55 a.m.	ZUMBA Jessica	Power Pump Kitti	R.I.P.P.E.D. Carolyn	Power Pump Kitti	Cardio Dance Jessica	(10:30-12 p.m.) Yoga Flow
10:30-11:25 a.m.		H2O Fit Barb		H2O Fit Barb		H2O Fit Instructor Rot.
11:00-11:55 a.m.	Water Works Jessica	Restorative Yoga Jennifer	Pilates Carolyn ZUMBA Dara from 1/16	Restorative Yoga Jennifer	Gentle Waters Jessica	
6:00-6:55 p.m.	Power Cycling Rene H2O Fit Linda	ZUMBA Zumba-Sentao Kitti	Power Pump Becky H2O Fit Linda	ZUMBA Heaven	H2O Fit Linda	
7:00-7:55 p.m.	ZUMBA Heaven		ZUMBA Nichole			

Schedule subject to change. View class descriptions online at www.TheRanchFitnessSpa.com.
Monday-Thursday, 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday, 5:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Two of our newest classes on the group fitness schedule incorporate interval training; be sure to try Tabata Training on Tuesdays, at 8 a.m. with Jessica or Total Body Cycle on Fridays, at 8 a.m. with Carolyn. Both incorporate a very specific formula for timing the intervals.

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Citizens Emergency Response Team

By Patricia A. Woodbury

At our January meeting, Rob Caruana, retired psychoanalyst and CERT member, did a presentation on psychology of first aid.

In a disaster, the victims will have more psychological needs than physical ones. Anyone who experiences "a critical incident" (that challenges their ability to cope)

will have problems and will need psychological first aid.

In the initial reaction to the disaster, there are three steps that need to be taken to help the victims.

1. Make contact and engage the survivor and establish a rapport with them.
2. Ensure their safety and comfort both physically and emotionally.
3. Stabilization of the survivor.

Rob suggests the way to carry out these steps is to introduce yourself and ask permission to talk with and assist them. Comfort of the survivor is best given by a close friend or relative. Ask if someone is around. Never promise anything that you cannot obtain for them. Consider utilizing another survivor to aid you if they are coping well. Finally, reassure the survivor that their reactions are normal in this abnormal situation. Get them to talk about their feelings and acknowledge their anger, if expressed.

If the survivor shows signs of distress, do not use such expressions as "calm down" or "don't worry." A powerful tool is your voice, which should be calm and clear. Get them to express their feelings or focus on something outside of the situation. The bottom line is relaxation. One way to help relax the survivor is through abdominal or deep breathing. Touch can be comforting but use with caution as some might be offended by this approach.

Unfortunately, there will not be a CERT training class for new members in February, as previously thought. The next training class will be in the fall of 2013. More information about the class will be provided before that time.

The next meeting of CERT is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 12.

CERT meets every second Tuesday of the month at 9 a.m. in Suite 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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Sail Away Cruise Club

By Fred O'Blenis

Welcome aboard. It's time to forget about the cold weather. Start thinking about a cruise and warm dry weather on the Oasis of the Seas. We know November is a long way off, but you need to book this one now. The good cabins are going fast, and November will be here before you know it.

The Oasis of the Seas is a magnificent ship and you can be on it for a seven-night western Caribbean cruise. Come with us to the ports of Falmouth, Jamaica; Cozumel, Mexico; and Labadee, Haiti. Your cabin is ready for you with a deposit of \$250 per person at sign up, and is totally refundable until final payment on Aug. 20.

All prices are subject to availability and include port charges, taxes, and government fees. Call me now for your best price on a balcony, ocean view, or inside cabin.

You will also receive a \$50 onboard credit per cabin to spend as you like.

Private bus transportation will be available at additional cost. Cancellation/medical insurance is additional, and is strongly recommended. The sea is calling you, so call Fred at 237-6367 for more information on this fall cruise.

There is so much to do on this ship, day and night, in or out of port. The entertainment will "wow" you, dining will entice you and the experience will excite you. How about the FlowRider, a surf simulator, or a rock-climbing wall, or maybe the carousel to take you back to when you were a kid? You could try the rising tide bar that will take you for a slow ride up three decks as you have a drink or two.

Let's go to Central Park for lunch at the cafe; we can sit under a real tree with real birds and have lunch. Or we could go to the Windjammer on deck 16 and sit by the window for lunch, or maybe on deck six at Johnny Rockets for a hot dog. It's all up to you; just have fun.

I will have more in my next column on things to do. Dream big and give me a call at 237-6367 for more information about this cruise.



On The Road Again

By Bob Woods

There are a few cabins remaining on two cruises. Each cruise will receive a \$50 shipboard credit to each stateroom to spend any way you wish. Remember, prices do not include gratuities but if you wish to pay them in advance, you can. The price includes the cruise, taxes, port charges and motor coach, plus the driver's gratuities and porters at the pier handling your luggage.

The first cruise is departing May 20, 2013 on the Enchantment of the Seas from Port Canaveral, Fla. for a four-night/five-day jaunt to Royal Caribbean's private island of CocoCay and then to Nassau, Bahamas. The Enchantment is replacing the aging Monarch of the Seas for this cruise route. Prices for this cruise start at \$385 for inside (Cat. N) and \$645 for balcony (Cat. D1). Prices are per person, double occupancy. Insurance is not included and passports are required.

The second cruise finds us departing On Top of the World on Dec. 7, 2013 heading for Orlando International Airport for a flight to San Juan, Puerto Rico where we will board the Jewel of the Seas for an eight-day/seven-night fantastic voyage to the eastern Caribbean and some of the Lesser Antilles Islands. Ports of call will be St. Thomas, St. Croix, Antigua, Martinique, St. Lucia, and then back to San Juan for the trip home.

Oceanview cabins for this trip start at \$680 (Cat. H) and \$870 for balcony (Cat. E2). Price includes the ship, taxes and port charges. Price for the transportation package is not available at this time due to the airline not publishing their prices and schedule.

The air and other transportation prices will be grouped together, which includes coach to and from Ocala, transfers to and from the San Juan airport and the airline.

Basically, you are booking the cruise with no transportation. When the travel agent gets the airline price approximately six months before the sailing, each person booked will be notified. At that point, if the transportation package is too high, then you have the option of canceling the cruise receiving full refund up to final payment. By booking the cruise, you are ensuring your cabin, being with the group before the ship is sold out and receiving your shipboard credit. Passports are required and insurance is not included but recommended.

Names are being collected for the stand-by lists for the Washington, D.C. trip in September and the Charleston trip in October. If you wish to place your name on these lists, please call me. There is no deposit required or obligation for being a stand-by.

Flyers for the above cruises and motor coach trips can be downloaded from my web site, www.bobwoodontheroadagain.com or call me at 854-0702 and I will give you the desired information or deliver a flyer.

See you on the road again.

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Travel Toppers

By Jo Swing

It's not spring training season yet, but Travel Toppers has an exciting double-header coming up this month. On Tuesday, Feb. 26, we will be visiting the Dali Museum in St. Petersburg, Fla. We will have a docent-led tour of the museum featuring the new exhibition "The Royal Inheritance" featuring Dali paintings from the national collections of Spain. In the afternoon, we will tour "Titanic, The Artifacts Exhibition" across the way at the Mahaffey Theater. This is a special touring exhibit that will be leaving St. Petersburg in early March. Lunch will be on your own at Café Gala in the Dali Museum. The cost of this trip is \$55, which covers bus, admission to both venues, and tip for driver. Call Jo Swing at 237-4564 for reservations.

Travel Toppers is currently taking reservations for the Saturday, March 2 trip to Tampa Bay Downs. This is always a fun-filled trip. Enjoy a delicious buffet lunch before the races. Then cheer on your favorites in the air-conditioned comfort of the clubhouse. It only costs \$46 for transportation, admission with program, lunch, and tips for meal and driver. Call Pat Hood at 237-8533 for reservations.

As of publication date, there is space available for the Saturday, March 23 production of "Joseph and his Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat" at the Show Palace Dinner Theater. This is a delightful retelling of the Old Testament story of Joseph, his coat of many colors and his adventures in Egypt. Cost is \$73, which includes bus, show, buffet and tips for driver and meal. Check with Audrey Mangan at 854-7070 for availability.

Registration begins Monday, Feb. 25 for our popular Mother's Day trip on Sunday, May 12. This year, we will be seeing "Doo Wop Dreams" at the Show Palace. This golden oldies musical is sure to please.

The cost of \$73 covers transportation, show, buffet meal, and tips for meal and driver. The coordinator will be Linda Hein (861-9880).

It might seem too soon to start planning a cruise for 2014, but if you want the best deals, you have to plan ahead. Travel Toppers has a seven-day cruise that can't be beat. It is an eastern Caribbean cruise on the new ship, the Royal Princess, from Sunday, Jan. 26, 2014 to Saturday, Feb. 2, 2014. Sailing from Ft. Lauderdale, we visit Princess Cays, Bahamas, St. Thomas, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and St. Maarten. Prices start at \$914 (inside). Rates are per person, double occupancy and include all port charges and government fees. The Royal Princess features a larger atrium with more entertainment and restaurant venues, and the sea walk and the sea view bar, both of which are cantilevered out over the ocean with fantastic views. There is also a large top deck pool for adults only featuring private cabanas. Call Inge Gaitch at 237-7428 for booking or more information.

The next meeting for Travel Toppers will be Wednesday, Feb. 2, at 9:30 a.m., in Suite A of the Arbor Conference Center. The meeting is open to all residents. Until then, happy travels to all.

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Democratic Club

By Dan Lack

Our next meeting will occur on Thursday, Feb. 28. On Top of the World Democratic Club Director Margot Thomas will discuss health care in other countries. Two of those nations (Taiwan and Switzerland) abandoned their unregulated health market systems less than 20 years ago and instituted universal healthcare similar to the plan that the United States is in the process of adopting. What can we learn from their experiences? Do their citizens prefer their new health care systems? How are health care costs controlled? A video will be presented.

We meet on the fourth Thursday of every month, at 6 p.m., in Suites E and F of the Arbor Conference Center. For more information, call Dan Lack at 509-4942 or send an email to otowdemclub@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page (On Top of the World Democratic Club). All registered Democrats are invited to please join us. You are not alone!



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Photo by Bill Shampine

A shopper at the Christmas Market located in the Marienplatz square in Munich, Germany.



World Traveler

By Bill Shampine

I just returned from a river cruise called "Christmas Markets on the Danube," and I thought it might make an interesting column for this month. We boarded the ship in Nuremberg, Germany and took eight days to travel to Vienna, Austria. It was a very nice trip; traveling through some beautiful countryside and picturesque towns.

A Christmas market (Weihnachtsmarkt), also known in southern Germany as Christkindlmarkt (Christ child market), is a street market associated with the celebration of Christmas during the four weeks of Advent. The event dates back to the 14th century when they were called "Nicholas markets." St. Nicholas was the precursor for the jolly fat guy we call Santa Claus.

The Nicholas market was renamed "Christmas market" in 1806. Usually held in the town square, the markets are a series of open-air stalls selling food, drink, and seasonal items. The stalls are covered in pine or fir boughs, are well lighted, and offer a homey atmosphere with their displays of traditional Christmas gifts.

A unique feature of these markets is that most of the goods for sale are handcrafted. Some of the handmade goods include Nutcrackers, incense smokers, music boxes, beeswax candles, hand-blown glass ornaments, ornaments made of paper, straw or wood, figures made from wood or ceramics, and jewelry made from various materials. Many stalls also were selling clothes such as hats, shawls, jackets, and other items.

For the non-shoppers among us, shopping can be a hungry business. The Christmas market vendors do their best to make sure everyone's needs are met. As you approach the market, you can smell the delicious foods being prepared just for you. For example, you can buy a variety of sausages, hot off the grill. These days, one of the most popular sausages is the "half-meter bratwurst" (about 19-inches long) for those of you who are truly hungry!

You also can buy traditional Christmas cookies such as Lebkuchen, a soft gingerbread cookie made with a variety of flavorings; Stollen, a sort of egg bread with candied fruit; chocolate covered fruits of various kinds; roasted chestnuts hot off the grill; paper cones filled with nuts of all kinds; and many other delicious items that tempt the palette.

If you are thirsty, you always can get a beer, but you really should try the Gluehwein, hot mulled red wine. It was obvious to me that the market was a popular place for friends to meet after work to enjoy some good conversation, a brat, and a glass or two of Gluehwein.

One of the largest Christmas markets in Germany is in Nuremberg, where my cruise started. They typically have about two million visitors during the four-week event (if you do the math, that is an average of about 66,000 people per day)! I don't know about those numbers, but it was pretty crowded when I was there. It also was about 20-degrees Fahrenheit and rained on us for a while. Nevertheless, it was an exciting atmosphere, and fun to experience. Other Christmas markets we visited were not as large as the one at Nuremberg, but they all had a tangible charm.

While I was there the temperature ranged from about five- to 30-degrees Fahrenheit, but I had appropriate clothing; so I was never cold. It was interesting to learn how Christmas is celebrated in different countries. It was a very nice trip, and I am glad I went. Maybe next year you can go?

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Community Patrol

By Patricia A. Woodbury



At the December luncheon, Gary Rodoff, president of the Community Patrol, reported that the members in the year 2012 had volunteered 3,180 hours of service to our community and the Marion County Sheriff's Office.

He recognized several patrol members who have accumulated a significant number of hours volunteering: Bob Ferguson (1,552 hours); Maybelle Barber and Pat Woodbury (over 600 hours each); and Elizabeth Chadwell (351 hours).

Gary thanked those members who have taken on special duties: Elmer Green (Golf Cart Parade); Bob Moltimore (car maintenance); Erwin Fluss (phone squad); Dodie Phillips (sunshine person); and Lenny Price (tracking hours and creating monthly log report).

He also thanked the Community Patrol board members for their contribution: Secretary Pat Woodbury; Treasurer Lennie Rodoff; Trainer Richard Enos, Elmer Greene, and Mary Kay Fitzgerald.

The next meeting of the Community Patrol is Monday, Feb. 25.

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

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Recreation News

By Theresa Fields

The weather has been absolutely beautiful with record-breaking temperatures. I say that we have the good life and what better place to enjoy it than right here in our own paradise at On Top of the World Communities? We have plenty of fitness and recreation activities and other social entertainment that you can enjoy in your own backyard.

If you think there's nothing to do, stop by the Health & Recreation office and we will provide you with plenty of information to keep your lifestyle active.

On Monday, Dec. 31, 2012, we brought back the New Year's Eve event at the Arbor Club. Danny & Johnny provided the entertainment throughout the evening along with buffet style dinner and a champagne toast at midnight. Everyone had a great time and we would like to thank all our residents for their support in making this event a success. We look forward to our next big New Year's Eve bash!

Seminole Hard Rock Casino

Have fun on a day trip to the Seminole Hard Rock Casino on Thursday, Feb. 7, in Tampa, Fla. The casino now has a non-smoking room, 5,000-plus slot machines, simulated craps and roulette, \$5 black jack tables in the Hard Rock Café from noon to 7 p.m.

Rise Kitchen & Bakery and the Hard Rock Café are now offering "magic bus menus," from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. for \$9.99 per entrée.

The cost of the trip is \$20 per person. Please note that the casino will no longer provide a \$5 lunch voucher. You will, however, now receive \$25 in free play money and round trip transportation. Seats fill up fast; so don't delay! Contact the Health & Recreation office to reserve your spot.

Hoofin' It for Hospice

The 13th annual Hoofin' It for Hospice is on Saturday, Feb. 9, at 8 a.m., starting at the Health & Recreation Building. Be a part of this worthy cause and have fun while you help raise funds to support Hospice of Marion County's Legacy House. This is an easy two-mile walk, rain or shine. You may also sponsor a walker, or make a donation to Hospice of Marion County. For information or to register, contact Karen Benson at 304-8658.

Florida State Fair

Come join us Wednesday, Feb. 13 for a day at the Florida State Fair in Tampa, Fla.! You'll enjoy rides, games, food and the Country Gold Tour featuring Leroy Van Dyke and the auctioneers, Jim Ed Brown, Helen Cornelius, T. Graham Brown, Steve and Rudy Gatlin (The Gatlin Brothers). The Country Gold Tour will start at noon with general seating.

The cost of the trip is \$36 per person, which includes transportation, entry into the fair and general seating tickets to the Country Gold Tour. This trip is filling up fast; so don't be left behind, register at the Health & Recreation office.

Home Improvement Expo

We are excited to announce that our fifth annual Home Improvement Expo will take place on Saturday, Feb. 16. If you are looking to update your kitchen with new cabinets, replace your countertops with granite, repaint your living room or build an addition to your lanai, this will be a terrific event to meet the contractors and discuss your ideas. This event promises to be a fun filled day where you can win prizes, meet new people, and learn about new products. Join us at the Circle Square Cultural Center, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A representative from On Top of the World's Customer Service department will be on hand to help you with all your questions regarding modification for any exterior changes. For more information, please call the Health & Recreation office.

Victory Casino Cruise

Join us for a day at sea as we board the Victory Casino Cruise in Port Canaveral, Fla. on Tuesday, Feb. 19. The Victory Casino has 100s of slot machines, card tables such as craps, roulette and black jack. This cruise even has a non-smoking slot and seating section available. The cost of this trip is \$36 per person and includes transportation, boarding fees, lunch buffet and a casino card with \$20 credits added. Register at the Health & Recreation office.

If this date does not fit into your schedule, stop by the Health & Recreation office to pick up a schedule for future cruises.

Social Hour

Join us in a relaxing atmosphere during an evening of light jazz with entertainer, Paul De Ritter. You'll enjoy time spent with friends as you share conversations over cocktails on Thursday, Feb. 21, at the Arbor Club Ballroom, from 4 to 6 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar will be provided! For more information contact the Health & Recreation office. This event is free for

residents.

Bok in Bloom

Take a trip to Bok Tower Gardens in Lake Wales, Fla. to see "Bok in Bloom" on Tuesday, Feb. 26. You will be guided on a one-hour docent-led walking tour of the gardens as they share information about the flora and fauna as well as the history of the gardens. Each season features a variety of blooms from azaleas and camellias to sunflowers and Florida natives.

You will enjoy lunch from a pre-selected menu of a tropical salad, a turkey and Swiss sandwich, or a vegetarian wrap. All selections include a fresh baked cookie, coffee, iced tea, or soft drink with free refills.

You will have the opportunity to enjoy carillon concerts as well as hearing the bells ring throughout the gardens on the hour and half hour for five minutes.

The cost is \$44 per person, which includes transportation, admission, one-hour guided walking tour and lunch. Register at the Health & Recreation office.

Florida Strawberry Festival

Join us for a day at the Florida Strawberry Festival in Plant City, Fla. on Thursday, Feb. 28 or Thursday, March 7. You'll find agricultural shows, contests, rides, parades and country music. You won't be able to resist all the tasty treats and delicious delights prepared with mouthwatering fresh strawberries. The Jimmy Sturr Orchestra will be present on Feb. 28 and Steve Hall and the Shotgun Red Show on March 7.

The trip costs \$25 per person for each date and includes transportation and entry fee along with free concerts. Register at the Health & Recreation office.

Happy Hour

The New Year was kicked off with our "Team Spirit" Happy Hour on Friday, Jan. 11. Many residents came dressed in colors supporting their favorite teams. Our next themed Happy Hour will be a "Sock Hop" on Friday, Feb. 1, so come dressed in your poodle skirts, greaser jackets and be ready to dance to 50s and 60s music.

On Friday, Feb. 15, we will celebrate Valentine's Day at Happy Hour with a "Sweetheart Dance."

The third Friday of every month, Happy Hour is held in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. The Pub will be open for business that evening with a limited menu. Please note that snacks will not be allowed. Birthday celebrations need pre-approval when being held in the Health & Recreation Ballroom by contacting the Health & Recreation office.

- Feb. 1: Fred Campbell (Sock Hop)
- Feb. 8: The Dukes
- Feb. 15: Tomaura (Sweetheart Dance)
- Feb. 22: Sal & Cuz

Happy Hour is free for all residents and Gateway Pass holders! Resident IDs are required for entry.

Facility Request Forms

Don't forget to turn in your room request for 2014. If you have a club meeting or a special date requiring a room, please get your facility request forms into the Health & Recreation office.

All facilities are reserved on a first come basis and clubs are required to submit paperwork by the current president. Table set ups and club guest notifications forms need to be submitted to the Health & Recreation office two weeks prior to meetings or events. The guest notification forms are required for all guests, speakers and/or entertainers who will be attending.

The name of guests, speakers and/or entertainers will need to be typed and listed in alphabetical order and attached to this form.

Fitness & Recreation Catalog

The Fitness & Recreation catalog is now available to all residents. In this catalog, you will find upcoming fitness classes, programs and all recreation trips happening in the next six months. For more information, please contact the Health & Recreation office.

Telephone Directory

On Top of the World telephone directories will be available in March. Please continue to watch the community TV channels for dates.

Wi-Fi

We are happy to announce that we now have Wi-Fi in the library at the Health & Recreation Building and at the Arbor Club.

Enjoy this beautiful weather and keep active!

EVENTS/ACTIVITIES*

* Schedule and performers subject to change. For the latest information, please visit www.ontopoftheworldinfo.com or see channels 17 / 21 / 703 / 730 or 732 (Brighthouse).

Friday, Feb. 1

"Sock Hop" Happy Hour with Fred Campbell
Arbor Club
4 to 8 p.m.

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

Saturday, Feb. 2

Silver Creek
The Town Square
5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 7

Farmer's Market
The Town Square
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
"Cooking Demo" from 10 to 10:30 a.m.

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

Friday, Feb. 8

Happy Hour with The Dukes
Arbor Club
4 to 8 p.m.

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

Saturday, Feb. 9

The LaCroix
The Town Square
5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 10

Opera Noir
Circle Square Cultural Center
2 p.m.
\$15 per person
For tickets, call 854-3670.

Wednesday, Feb. 13

Florida State Fair
Tampa, Fla.
\$36 per person
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.

Thursday, Feb. 14

Farmer's Market
The Town Square
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 15

"Sweetheart" Happy Hour with Tomaura
Health & Recreation Ballroom
4 to 8 p.m.

Fred Campbell
The Town Square
5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 16

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

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

Tuesday, Feb. 19

Victory Casino Cruise
Port Canaveral, Fla.
\$36 per person
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.

Thursday, Feb. 21

Farmer's Market
The Town Square
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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

Friday, Feb. 22

Happy Hour with Sal & Cuz
Arbor Club
4 to 8 p.m.

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

A Salute to the Stars of The Temptations, The Platters, The Coasters and The Drifters
Circle Square Cultural Center
7 p.m.
\$20-30 per person
For tickets, call 854-3670.

Saturday, Feb. 23

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

7 Bridges: The Ultimate EAGLES Experience
Circle Square Cultural Center
7 p.m.
\$14-16 per resident
\$15-17 per non-resident
For tickets, call 854-3670

Tuesday, Feb. 26

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

Bok Tower Gardens: "Bok in Bloom"
Lake Wales, Fla.
\$44 per person
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.

Thursday, Feb. 28

Home Delivery of the World News / March Issue

Farmer's Market
The Town Square
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Florida Strawberry Festival
Plant City, Fla.
\$25 per person
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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

Circle Square Cultural Ctr.	At Bus Stop Sign	Call Health & Rec. one day in advance for pick-up
Indigo Community Center	Parking Lot	

OCALA RUN: MON., TUE., WED. & THUR.	ARRIVE	PICK-UP
1st RUN	Jasmine Square, Dittards & Kolls (1st & 3rd Thurs) ... 1st Run Only	9:50 am - 12:10 pm
	Low's ... 1st Run Only	10:05 am - 11:35 am
	Paddock Mall	10:10 am - 11:40 am
	Wal-Mart	10:15 am - 11:45 am
	Target ... 1st Run Only	10:20 am - 11:50 am
	Gateway Plaza	10:25 am - 12:00 pm
2nd RUN	Wal-Mart	12:05 pm - 1:45 pm
	Best Buy	12:10 pm - 1:50 pm
	Gateway Plaza	12:15 pm - 1:55 pm
	Paddock Mall	12:20 pm - 2:00 pm

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Sam's Club... 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the Month... 2:10 pm... 3:30 pm
Beal's & Wal-Mart... 1st & 3rd Thursday of the Month... 1st run Ocala... 2nd run Hwy 200 W.
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For information call Health & Rec. @ 352-854-8707 ext. 7530 or 7533



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FEBRUARY 10

Ocala Symphony Orchestra & UF Opera Theatre present "Opera Noir"
 Showtime: 2 p.m.
 Tickets: \$15
 (General admission)



FEBRUARY 16

Home Improvement Expo
 Sponsored by World Home Improvements
 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
FREE EVENT



FEBRUARY 22

Myles Savage Star Lead Singer from The Platters and the Original Stars from The Temptations, The Platters, The Coasters and The Drifters Salute
 Tickets: \$20-30



FEBRUARY 23

7 Bridges: The Ultimate EAGLES Experience
 Residents: \$14-16
 Non-residents: \$15-17



FEBRUARY 26

Auditions for the 4th Annual "The World Has Talent" Show
 10 am - 3 pm



MARCH 2

Myles Savage Star Lead Singer From The Platters presents: The Marvelous Marvelettes also The Sam Cooke Salute
 Tickets: \$20-30



MARCH 9

Stayin' Alive: The #1 Tribute to the Bee Gees
 Residents: \$14-18
 Non-residents: \$17-19



MARCH 29

Cirque-Tacular's WORLD Cirque Show
 Residents: \$25
 Non-residents: \$30
 (General admission)



APRIL 6

"Fill the Blue Suede Shoes™"- Elvis® Tribute Artist Contest™
 Residents: \$16-20
 Non-residents: \$18-22



APRIL 13

Hands Across the Highway Art Expo
 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
FREE EVENT



APRIL 27

Terry Johnson's Flamingos
 Residents: \$11-15
 Non-residents: \$13-17



MAY 11

4th Annual "The World Has Talent" Show
 Residents: \$10
 Non-residents: \$12
Auditions Feb. 26



MAY 18

Hollywood Nights: A Tribute to Bob Seger
 Residents: \$16-18
 Non-residents: \$17-19



JUNE 8

Abbomania: A Tribute to ABBA
 Residents: \$16-18
 Non-residents: \$17-19

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Another Day Another Hole-in-One

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

Kelli Brunner now has two holes-in-ones on the Candler Hills Golf Course. Playing Whites, she's "holed" both #8 and #17, the latest on Jan. 12. She's also eagled #4.

Here's how it all started. One day while still living in St. Louis, Kelli thought she and husband, Paul, should take up a fun activity that they could enjoy together. For ideas, she turned to their community college adult education catalog. After a bit of searching under "active adults," she turned to Paul and asked, "What do you think, honey – golf or ballroom dancing?" The next section Kelli turned to was golf lessons for beginners.

After taking the beginners course twice (that's another story) and playing the local nine-hole course regularly, Kelli and Paul signed up for more professional lessons at the ranked Annbriar Golf Club. And the rest is history.

Kelli Brunner grew up in Brewster, N.Y. and, in her own words, was quite the tomboy. She played football and softball, shot baskets with the guys, and played just about any other game in which she was invited to join – as long as it wasn't jump rope or hopscotch. Maybe this gave Kelli confidence in her athletic abilities, or maybe it just got her ready to marry another athlete. It probably did both.

Twenty years ago, Kelli Burns changed her name to Kelli Brunner and, after she and Paul decided to make golf their juxtaposing activity, took up the sport with a passion. About five years ago, Kelli and Paul left St. Louis behind and moved to Candler Hills overlooking the 10th fairway. When Kelli's not working at Ocala Eye, you'll find her either on the practice range or playing a round with friends on the beautiful Candler Hills Golf Course. The next hole-in-one?



Photo by Ray Cech

Kelli Brunner is ready to play another round.



Photo by Ray Cech

Master the Possibilities' instructor, Sami Odeh, demonstrated stained glass artwork at the Appleton Museum of Art.

Master the Possibilities Meets the Appleton

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

When the the Ocala Art Group met with Sami Odeh to discuss the possibility of him presenting his stained glass workshop at the Appleton Museum of Art, Sami demurred a bit, thinking, "That's too good to be true." But just a few weeks later, there was Sami Odeh at the Appleton.

The Ocala Art Group president, Sue Primeau, had seen some of the stained glass works at Master the Possibilities and thought it would be a good idea to introduce Sami's artwork to the group. The club, made up mostly of watercolor artists, had been looking to do something different. It was only a short time later that Master the Possibilities and Sami Odeh were invited to the Appleton.

Wednesday, Jan. 9, was demo day for Sami. He was invited for lunch at the Appleton Museum of Art with 60 other artists

from the Ocala Art Group. After lunch, he took the stage, and for the next two hours demonstrated the art of making stained glass.

Sami said, "Even though I was fully prepared with all my tools, colored glass and, of course, with my design, I was fitfully nervous. There I was in front of all these accomplished artists, praying I wouldn't drop a soldering gun or place blue glass where a green one should be. But it all turned out just fine." Sami Odeh's finished piece, "The Sunburst," won over the crowd, and he was invited to give two full-day classes at the Appleton on Feb. 10 and 11.

Producing and exhibiting artworks at the Appleton Museum of Art is a compliment of the highest order for any artist. Our On Top of the World Communities and Master the Possibilities are very proud of artist Sami Odeh.

Calling All Elvis® Tribute Artist Performers!

Do you have what it takes to participate in "The 2013 Ultimate Elvis® Tribute Artist Contest" – Fill the Blue Suede Shoes™ at the Circle Square Cultural Center on Saturday, April 6?

If you think you're good enough, then submit a demo (see details on registration form) of your best Elvis® tribute performance for review by our panel. If you're selected, you will compete against other Elvis tribute artists (ETA) in Ocala on April 6. The top ETA finalists from the preliminary round on April 6 will compete in the final round that evening for a total of over \$3,500 in prize money and for the opportunity to go on to the semi-finals in Memphis, Tenn. during Elvis Week in August.

Contest Rules & Information

1. There will be a preliminary round and a final round of competition. Twenty contestants will be chosen from the entry forms to compete in the preliminary round. The top ten contestants from the preliminary round will compete in the final round. Contestants will perform two songs each during the preliminary round using recorded back up tracks. Contestants will perform two songs each during the final round using back up tracks. Contestant must provide a CD with track music for at least five Elvis songs. The venue reserves the right to choose the performer's songs for the final round.
2. Contestant must be at least 18 years of age.
3. Contestants who have finished in first place and/or who have won another 2013 Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist regional contest, may not

participate in the 2013 Ocala, Fla. regional contest.

4. All expenses associated with this regional contest shall be borne by the participant.
5. Prizes awarded for the top three ETAs on April 6: first place-\$2,000; second place-\$1,000; and third place-\$500.
6. Judging criteria: vocals-40%; appearance-20%; stage presence-20%; and overall performance-20%
7. Early bird registration fee is \$50 (personal check, money order or cashier's check) made payable to S.C.A. (or Sidney Colen & Associates, LTD) and is due with the registration form (may be downloaded at www.CSCulturalCenter.com) by Friday, Feb. 15. After Feb. 15, the registration fee is \$75. Payment may be made online at www.CSCulturalCenter.com under the listing for this event.
8. Registration form (may be downloaded at www.CSCulturalCenter.com) and payment must be received no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, March 8. Registration form may be e-mailed, faxed or sent via other certified/dated response form to: Antonio Crews, The 2013 Ultimate Elvis® Tribute Artist Contest, c/o Circle Square Cultural Center, 8395 SW 80th Street, Ocala, FL 34481. Fax (352) 854-3694 or e-mail Antonio_Crews@otowfl.com.
9. Those selected to participate in the 2013 Ocala, Fla. preliminary contest will be notified no later than Friday, March 15.
10. Contest schedule on Saturday, April 6 will be as follows:

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- 9:00 a.m. Contestant check-in; sound check
- 10:30 a.m. Mandatory pre-contest meeting for contestants
- 10:30 a.m. Doors open for audience seating
- 11:00 a.m. Preliminary round
- 6:30 p.m. Doors open for audience seating
- 7:00 p.m. Final round
- 11. The preliminary round is open to the public for \$10 general admis-

sion. Admission prices for the final round are \$18-22 depending on seat location.

12. The contest venue, Circle Square Cultural Center, is located at 8395 SW 80th Street, Ocala, FL 34481. For directions, tickets and other information, visit www.CSCulturalCenter.com. For performance questions, contact Antonio Crews at (352) 854-3670.



Golf

By Matt Hibbs

Now that the stress of the holiday season is behind us, we can move forward and get back to some normalcy. The start of 2013 should be an exciting and eventful time.

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

We start off Saturday, Feb. 2 with our seventh annual Extreme Demo Day at Candler Hills Golf Club. Please stop by and demo all the latest and greatest technology from vendors like TaylorMade, Adams, Ping, Titleist, Cleveland, Callaway, Cobra, Nike and many more. This is a perfect shopping opportunity to spend your credits. Hours of operation are from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please call the Candler Hills Golf Shop at 861-9712 for more information.

We will also be hosting our annual World Golf Championship. This event is only open to Candler Hills and On Top of the World golf members. There will be both men's and women's divisions. The event will be played on all three community courses Feb. 18, 22 and 23. The awards dinner will be held Saturday evening following the fi-

nal round. Please call either Golf Shop for further details.

With March right around the corner, we are proud to announce the return of the Ocala Open. The 2013 Ocala Open will be held March 13 to 15 at Candler Hills Golf Club with a Pro Am scheduled for Tuesday, March 12. The benefitting charities will again be Hospice of Marion County and Interfaith Emergency Services. For more information on the 2013 Ocala Open visit www.ocalaopen.com.

Upcoming Events

- Extreme Demo Day: Saturday, Feb. 2 at the Candler Hills Golf Club, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- World Sadie Hawkins: Monday, Feb. 11 at the Candler Hills Golf Club, 9 a.m. shotgun. Check the Golf Shop for details.
- World Golf Championship: Feb. 18, 22 and 23 (golf members only). Check the Golf Shops for details.
- Ocala Open Pro Am: Tuesday, March 12 at the Candler Hills Golf Club.
- Ocala Open: March 13 to 15 at the Candler Hills Golf Club.

World Accolades

CANDLER HILLS: Mia Kolar, hole-in-one on #13. Rick Lilly, hole-in-one on #13. Vivian Schofield broke 100. Marianne Ingwersen broke 100 for the first time. Chris Piotrowski had two eagles in one round on #12 and #15.

LINKS: Lorie Anderson, hole-in-one on #6. Jim Borro, Eagle on #9. Jon Hill, Eagle on #3. Rudy Normandin, shot his age of 72.

TORTOISE & HARE: Howard Sale, shot 81, 11 strokes under his age. Beale Kinsey, shot his age 73.

Congratulations to all!

Golf Tip of the Month

If you watched any of last month's PGA Tour events in Hawaii, you understand how wind can affect your game. The knock-down shot can become your best friend. This shot allows you to lower the shot trajectory without sacrificing distance. This shot is primarily used when hitting into a

head wind.

In order to perform this shot, you must start with the ball position towards the back of your stance. Place a little more weight on your front foot. Use a forward press at address so your hands are in front of the ball. Shorten your back swing but still accelerate through impact. Your follow through should also be abbreviated to help control the trajectory.

Now take this shot to the driving range to improve on your technique. By adding this shot to your arsenal you will better your scores in those windy conditions.



Arbor Club Tennis

By Jorge Privat

January's come and gone; it's unbelievable how fast time moves along. Fortunately, we've been having some great tennis weather and have enjoyed many good hours on the courts.

In my January column, I touched upon the most important rules of etiquette to keep in mind throughout the year. However, some of the most important ingredients to bring to the courts are a happy and healthy attitude.

Sometimes we tend to forget that "tennis is only a game." I know we all have some competitiveness built into us and would like to win all the time, but this is not possible.

Also, keep in mind that of all matches played today, half the players lost. Give some credit to your opponents when they hit a good ball or win a game. Enjoy the journey!

The Drop Shot

Finishing points effectively may require the use of a specialty shot, like the drop shot and the lob, or drop volley. These "touch" shots require a lot of practice to master, but they can mean all the difference between winning and losing important points throughout a match.

The deep slice and the chip and slice approach are good examples of shots that combine well with the drop shot. It is not enough to work your opponent from side to side to create open-court opportunities. Learning to work with deep and short combinations can add another dimension to your game.

An effective drop shot should cross the net with some margin for error, between two and three feet above the net. Power players are good at moving their opponents

left to right, keeping them positioned in the back of the court.

Touch players use deep slices and chip shots to create opportunities to manipulate their opponents. Having touch and power allows you to keep your opponents guessing. Many players use the drop shot at the wrong time. The key is to set up a combination.

How do you disguise a drop shot? The whole concept of disguise rests in making your opponents believe that they are seeing one thing, while you are delivering something else. For instance, after you hit a couple of deep slice shots, your opponent begins to lean back expecting a third one, but by the time the ball crosses the net, your opponent realizes that you have hit a drop shot. By that time, it is too late for him to react.

Set up the shot by showing your opponent that you can hit a deep slice and a drop shot from the same preparation. By using the deep slice regularly, you establish disguise for the drop shot.

Most players can anticipate the kind of shot you are going to deliver by looking at the position of your racquet. If they see your back swing going low, they will anticipate a deep ball with topspin. If they see your racquet staying high on the back swing, they can see a slice ball coming, long or short.

So, it is important to learn to take your back swing exactly the same way for the drop shot as you do for the deep slice, only at the last second, a slight adjustment in the angle of the racquet and the speed of the swing will deliver what first appeared to be a deep slice, now effectively is a drop shot.

It is also very important to maintain the same kind of footwork for both shots, to add to the disguise. The height of the ball over the net should also be the same, for deep shots as well as for the drop shot. Practice this totally underrated shot, to add to your arsenal. You will be amazed at how many easy points you can win in the course of a match. You can tell it was a good drop shot if the ball bounces twice in the area inside the service court.

For the latest tennis schedule, please visit www.otowinfo.com and click on "Clubs & Activities" in the left hand column. See you on the courts!

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Shuffleboard

By Grace Rohde

The 2012 International Senior Games and State C Shuffleboard Championships took place Dec. 1-9 in Lakeland, Fla. with 22 sports and events represented. John Mataya, one of our players, competed in shuffleboard on Dec. 8 - 9.

Mataya won a third place bronze medal in the singles, ages 85-89. In the doubles, teamed up with Ron Carr from Lady Lake, he also won a bronze medal.

Lakeland has 32 shuffleboard courts with half of them under a total roof and the other half under a partial roof. John found the courts to be very fast due to the number of coats of polyurethane, with one of the coats sealed with sprinkled beads.

In addition, John pointed out they used air-made discs, coated with wax, which also made the courts very fast. Nevertheless, he felt that they were "very good to play on and a lot of fun."

Because John Mataya was a third place winner at Lakeland, this qualifies him for the 2013 Summer National Senior Games, which will be held in Cleveland, Ohio from July 23 to Aug. 1. More than 13,000 participants are expected to compete in various sport events.

The Summer National Senior Games will be held at the brand new convention center in Cleveland's downtown area. The first group, ages 50-69, will compete Wednesday, July 24 through Saturday, July 27, and the second group, ages 70-100+, will compete Monday, July 29 through Thursday Aug. 1.

John Mataya is no newcomer to competing and winning in tournaments. He has won a number of medals in various Florida locations for state competition. At the national level, in 2009 at Palo Alto, Calif.,

he came in fourth in singles, and together with Vern Uzzell in doubles; he won a gold medal, taking first place. In 2011, at Houston, Texas in singles, John won the second place silver medal.

Peter Van Arsdale, our tournament director, along with Dick Davis from Oak Run, is already planning another shuffleboard match and rematch. Looks like the matches we had in November proved to be fun and a challenge, so we are ready to meet again in February for some more competition. This time we will have the match at Oak Run and the rematch at On Top of the World. Since the dates and final details have not yet been decided upon, keep in touch with your captain for further information.

Our general meeting and luncheon will be held on Thursday, March 7, at 11 a.m., in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. You will be receiving more information on this from your captains, but mark your calendar for this event to enjoy food, fun, and fellowship with the shuffleboard players from all of our teams.

The winners in league play for December were as follows:

Men

- Monday a.m.: Al Bice.
- Tuesday p.m.: Tie between Jack Myers and Lou Fisher.
- Wednesday p.m.: John Mataya.
- Thursday a.m.: Bill Walker.
- Friday a.m.: Al Kawalek.

Women

- Monday a.m.: Vickie Lentz.
- Tuesday p.m.: Tie between Maxine Malone and Margot Thomas.
- Wednesday p.m.: Paula Magen.
- Thursday a.m.: Tie between Jane Lipps and Helen Monsees.
- Friday a.m.: Gina Bulloch.



Photo by Jeanette Lundy

John Mataya, state shuffleboard winner of a bronze medal at Lakeland, Fla.



Photo by Mike Roppel

D'Clowns entertained the children by painting their faces or applying tattoos at the Ocala Autism Support Network.



D'Clowns

By Mike Roppel

D'Clowns spent a few hours at the Ocala Autism Support Network (OASN) Christmas party on Saturday, Dec. 14. The party was held at the College Road Baptist Church. D'Clowns, under the direction of

Paula Magen (Sunflower), painted small designs on the faces of many young children as their parents looked on with big smiles.

Lunch was also available and, of course, Santa came to give presents to the children. Kim Sandstorm-Hawksey from the Damselly Family Theater Company put on a two-person production to entertain before Santa arrived.

We meet the first and third Mondays of the month at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C, at 1:30 p.m.



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Candler Hills Ladies 9-Hole

By Judith Parisi

We're happy to share with you information on a new website: www.chlga9.shutterfly.com. This is a site for our nine-hole league and is currently available for viewing on the web. We have up to date information on league happenings for the benefit of our members and those who may be interested in joining.

Contained on the site is our home page that provides the listing of upcoming games and events plus the results of play for the most recent week. We have sections of the site that contain the by-laws and rules of our league, as well as a Pro's Corner that provides tips and hints from Head Golf Professional Denise Mullen.

Further, we have a section on handicaps that explains the what and why of handicaps and the value they offer to us as golfers. And of course we have photos from

various league events. Take a moment to visit the site. We hope you will visit it regularly to keep abreast of what's new. If you have ideas on what else might be incorporated, please let me know.

Coming in February is a special Valentine's Day tournament and dinner for members and their guests. More information will follow directly from Donna, and will also be available on our bulletin board outside the Golf Shop and on the website.

Flying back to Florida after the holidays, I read in Southwest's Spirit Magazine about where the term "bogey" derives. I took a look on the Scottish Golf History site to learn more.

At a tournament in 1890, a Major Wellman of the Great Yarmouth Golf Club was playing against a Dr. Thomas Browne using the scratch value of the hole. Wellman was having a difficult time making the scratch value of each hole and claimed he was playing against the "bogey-man," a character in a popular song of that time - an elusive figure who hid in the shadows. It was claimed Major Wellman said: "This player of yours (... the hole ...) is a regular bogey man!" At Yarmouth and elsewhere, the ground or scratch score became known as the bogey score.

The USGA website stated, "golfers in Scotland and England equated the quest

for the elusive bogey man with the quest for the elusive perfect score ... It was only in the late 1900s/early 1910s that the concept of "par" began to emerge," and the term bogey gradually became applied to its current meaning of one over par.

Shamble Dec. 13, 2012

72-Susy Trembulak, Judy Parisi, Kathy Hall, Sue Layne. 75-Quinn Clayton, Dianne Masterson, Carol Hobbins, Marcie Hock.

Scramble Dec. 27, 2012

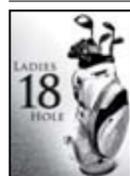
30-Lorie Anderson, Marianne Ingwersen, Donna Liphardt, Ina Menzies. 31-Susy Trembulak, Kathy Hall, Deb Massari, Sue Layne.

Low Gross/Low Net Jan. 3

Flight 1 Low Gross: 40-Susy Trembulak. Flight 1 Low Net: Tie at 34-Fran Greenfield, Marianne Ingwersen. Flight 2 Low Gross: 51-Kathy Hall. Flight 2 Low Net: 33-Julie Crudele. Flight 3 Low Gross: 58-Donna Liphardt. Flight 3 Low Net: 38-Mary Giannukos.

Red, White and Blue Jan. 10

13-Fran Greenfield, Marianne Ingwersen, Donna Liphardt, Nancy Dreimiller. 15-Maryann Holmquist, Marvel Kannapel, Carol Hobbins, Tina Hauer. 16-Judy Parisi, Renee Aden, Pat Gill, Ina Menzies.



Candler Hills Ladies 18-Hole

By Pam Monk

Despite very chilly weather, league play has been brisk and competitive. Here we are in sunny Florida and it's so funny to see everyone bundled up with gloves, earmuffs and multi-layers of clothing attempting to hit that elusive little dimpled ball. What a contrast to the summer months when everyone is in short sleeves, wrapping cold towels around their necks, misting themselves with sprayers and cursing the oppressive heat.

Again, we are reminded to repair our ball marks on the greens and just for brownie points, repair one that isn't yours. Pace of play is very important and a couple ways to speed it up are to carry your clubs with you from green to next tee and then clean and put them away. Same with score keeping - enter scores at the next tee box.

Demo Day, which showcases many golf vendors, will take place on Saturday, Feb. 2 at Candler Hills Golf Shop.

On Thursday, Jan. 10, after league golf, Candler Hills Ladies 18 held a general membership meeting, the first of the New Year. We were all encouraged to bring our lunch and drink to the meeting at the

Candler Hills Community Center. We are sponsoring The First Tee as our charity this year and the first fundraising raffle, run by Sandy Noe and Marge Cowie, was held. Ilyong Dicus was the winner of the 50/50 drawing. Our goal is to raise \$200 this year and this first rally brought in \$133 so we are well on our way.

One topic of discussion involved changing the by-laws as they affect the serving terms of the board officers. After some engaging and passionate discussion, the decision was not to change the two-year officer term limit at this time.

We have many events to look forward to as the year unfolds. On Thursday, March 28, a special tournament, Jumping into Spring, will be held for members with either their spouses and/or friends. This is also a fundraiser for The First Tee so raffles will be sold.

Our Club Championship will be held April 18, 22 and 24. This is a flighted tournament and all members are encouraged to participate. The only requirement is that you must have played in at least 10 league events from June 1, 2012.

Please remember to mark your calendars for Thursday, May 2. This is the date for the end of year meeting where lunch will be provided. This is also the meeting where we elect the new board for the 2013-2014 year. More information on all events will follow.

The last official league play for year 2012 was held on Thursday, Dec. 20 and the first league play in 2013 was on Thursday, Jan. 3. Thirty-two ladies ventured out in less than ideal weather to play that opening session. The game played was Criers and believe me when I report that many of us did just that.

Ts and Fs Dec. 20, 2012

Flight 1: 33-Deb Martin; Tie at 36-Judie Anderson and Peggy Borro. Flight 2: Tie at 33-Kathy Smyth and Piper Thomas; 35-Sandy Noe. Flight 3: 35-Joan Gustafson; 39-Irmgard Anger; Tie at 40-Vicky Salyers, Marianne Ford and Pam Monk.

Criers Jan. 3

Flight 1: 63-Iro Lisinski; 64-Deb Martin; 66-Paula Lilly. Flight 2: Tie at 62-Lise Jordaan and Toni Stevenson; 65-Donna Smith. Flight 3: 60-Mary Pat Giffin; 61-Andrea Fratarangelo; 62-Kathy Smyth. Flight 4: 63-Carol Venslavsky; 66-D. Ann Jung; Tie at 67-Joan Gustafson, Vicky Salyers and Gail Schultz.

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Candler Hills Men's Golf

By Joe Alfano

Seeing as how we are all constantly searching for ways to improve our golf game, may I be so bold as to suggest some good instructional reading material. My three favorites continue to be "How to Relax When Hitting Three Off the Tee," "How to Properly Line Up Your Fourth Putt," and my all-time favorite, "Why Your Spouse Doesn't Care You Birdied the 5th." I've always believed in lend-lease so e-mail me if interested.

Our website CHMGA.com has been updated with all pertinent information for the 2013 season. Please feel free to download

the year's weekly playing schedule and the brief explanation of all the games we play on a weekly basis. All members should spend some time perusing what we think is an invaluable source of information about your association.

This month brings about the 2013 edition of our Match Play Championship. The qualifying round will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 5 during our regularly scheduled league day. Subsequent individual matches will commence following publication of the seeding brackets and continue until a new Match Play Champion is crowned. Best of luck "whackin yer featherie" to all those members who will be participating in this tournament.

The association welcomes back to the flock past member Dave Schultz. Lest you think that things have changed, all I can say is "au contraire" my friend. We still remain a vast collection of personalities who continue to be fixated on fun, witticism, endless banter and the occasional frosted

mug of grog. Should anyone decide, as has Dave, that you want to play this hallowed game in such an environment, contact me at tjalf8371@yahoo.com for more information.

A reminder to all members that February is "kissy face/huggy bear" month, so don't forget those flowers, the card and that box of chocolates for your spouse, significant other, family member, BFF and so forth and so on! Hey, I'm only trying to keep us out of the doghouse and on the golf course.

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

Four-Man Two Best Balls Dec. 18, 2012

118-Tom Garrison, Ken Zweiback, John Redden & Roger McKay and Ron Fulton, Glenn Sauer, Jim McGrath & Leo McCormick. 122-Dan Gill, John Podkomorski, Bob Cowie & Tom Marta and

Joe Alfano, Bill Keathley, Joe Mandala & Randy Ford and Craig Riber, Gil Brooks, Rich Freeman & Dave Green and Phil Bucchi, Tony Misterly, Ray Deluca & Steve Rice.

Christmas Day CHMGA Theatre Dec. 25, 2012

"It's a Wonderful Life" with Jimmy Stewart, Donna Reed and Ward Bond.

New Year's Day CHMGA Theatre Jan. 1

"Holiday Inn" with Bing Crosby, Fred Astaire and Marjory Reynolds.

Four-Man Shamble Jan. 8

175-Dave Martin, Nick Nimerala, JC VanBloom & Don Huston and Larry Smallwood, Tony Misterly, Randy Ford and Billy Conn. 176-Mike Deahl, Rich Freeman, Mike Romm & Joe Alfano. 180- Dan Gill, John McCoy, Gil Green & Carmen Basillio.



Billiards

By Richard Impresa

It can't be 2013, can it? I don't know where 2012 went. We ended the year with a membership of 150 players.

On Top of the World was represented in the Marion County Senior Men's League by three teams, one of which won the championship trophy. Our ladies traveling team

finished on top of their league.

As of this writing, the men's league has finished half of the 2012-2013 season and has just concluded a league-wide double elimination eight ball tournament organized by Bill Daly with the following results:

1: Bob Albright, Oak Run; 2: Bart Rich, Spruce Creek North; 3: Bob Wiggins, Ocala Palms.

The annual Christmas party was a success. We had 43 members and spouses/guests enjoy good food and company at Buffet City in Ocala. All who attended had a good time.

Kudos to Bill Daly and Penny Wilson for organizing the party, and to Leslie Con-

lon for designing/printing the tickets and posters.

Penny also did a great job designing and making the Billiards Club Christmas wreath that was on display in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. A special thanks to John Cahill, Real Desmaris, Bob Fanion, Niles Nordin and Joe Zwick for their camaraderie and contributions to the friendly atmosphere enjoyed by all in the pool room last year.

The club's first meeting of 2013 was held on Monday, Jan. 7 in the Ceramic Room of the Craft Building. Joe Amigliore, our newly elected vice president, ably conducted the meeting.

Looking forward, I hope this year will be fulfilling and that next year at this time we will be healthy, wealthy, and wise(r). Happy New Year, remember to keep stroking, and keep your tip dry.



Everyone Wins Club

By Sandi Kemp

A good time was had by all this month! We played everyone wins bingo and, since I am always thinking of fun games to play, I surprised everyone with a game of charades! The team that won was

able to pick some great prizes!

The light dinner was delicious, as always, and the fellowship and meeting of new friends was such fun! Thanks Phil for your humor and keeping us all laughing!

The next club date is Friday, Feb. 8, at 6 p.m. in Suite B of the Arbor Conference Center. Please join us, couples and singles, but please call me at 237-9073, as I set up for the number of people who are attending. Hope to see you there!

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Men's Golf Association

By Paul East

Here we are into the second month of 2013, time waits for no one. This month contains Valentine's Day, so you have been warned. Don't forget a card, candy, flowers or dinner for your favorite Valentine. Now we can turn attention to news concerning the Men's Golf Association and related events.

We have new members and members who have returned to the MGA after having taken a break who I would like to recognize in print and as new members join us I will do my best to recognize them as well. To recap, those who have joined us from October to the end of December 2012 are

Vinnie Jones, Joe Furfaro, Colin Adamson, Art Frescura, David Hannasch, Paul Kan-napel, Joseph McGough, Fred Rodriguez, Donald Sorensen, Volken Stoldt and Richard Bee. Welcome to all.

Remember to pass the word around about the MGA and encourage anyone who is interested in golf to join us. Dues remain at \$10 for the year, not a bad price for a Wednesday morning full of good and sometimes not so good golf, but fun nonetheless.

I will continue to remind everyone that your Golf Shop credits must be used up by the end of February. One of the places you may use up those credits is at the Extreme Demo Day, which will take place on Saturday, Feb. 2. If you have not attended a prior Demo Day, you are missing a good time. There is always the latest golf equipment available to test and experts there from the golfing equipment world to answer any and all questions. All you need to do is mark your calendar and show up.

Russ and Matt have been doing a great

job in putting on special events one week-end a month. When possible, I would encourage you to sign up for them. They are fun and there is always something a bit different planned for each event.

One last thing, our newly relocated driving range has been up and running for a month now. It is now a much shorter drive from the Golf Shop to the range. A thank you goes out to Andy and his crew for getting this done.

Always remember, one of the truisms of golf, "Never keep more than 300 separate thoughts in your mind during your swing."

Straight Scramble Dec. 5 / Links

61-William Young, Jim Tait, Jack Hegarty, Bernie James. 62-Al Wassmer, Bill Carlson, Tony Magri, Bud Borders. Tie at 63-Jon Hill, Leonard Ruble, Arlo Janssen, William McGarry, and Joseph Bologna, Steve Gregeley, Armando Pena, Sam Harris. Tied at 64-John Langville, Rocky Grooms, Jimmy Johnson, Tom Cummings; Joe

Quaranta, Mike Driver, Paul Stone, James Delfraisse; Paul Wade, Art Dushary, Phillip Fay, Mike Flynn; and Jim Weaver, Clifford Jones, Tom Pasch, Kas Kaske.

Individual Quota Points Dec. 19 / Links

Gold Flight 1: 9-Dan Carty. Tie at 8-Clifford Jones and Rocky Grooms. 7-Francis Caprez. 6-Ron Cleveringa.
Gold Flight 2: 10-Mike Krzeminski. 8-Ray Messer. 7-Leonard Ruble. 6-James Merrick. Tie at 5-Hira Roy and Jack Martin.
Gold Flight 3: 12-Bernie James. 8-Kas Kaske. Tie at 7-James Moran, and Ross MacDonald. Tie at 6-David Miller and William McGarry.
White Flight 1: 10-Rudy Normandin. 6-Jon Hill. 3-Tom McHaffie. Tie at (-2)-John Hudacik and William Young.
White Flight 2: 6-Jim Borro. 5-Paul East. 4-Tom Treppa. 3-Edward Conaway. Tie at 2-Jerry Chase and Tom Cummings.



Ladies 9-Hole Golf

By Lorraine Rourke

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and a happy New Year. To golf on Tuesday, be sure you sign up at the bulletin board by 5 p.m. on the Sunday prior. You can also leave a message at the Golf Shop that night, if you forgot. If you are cancelling, you need to cross off your entire name, print "out" to the right and initial it. Please make sure it is your name.

Get the word out about our group! We are a group that has fun, enjoys our golf and likes a challenge; new members are always welcome. Trust me, even if you are learning, there is a flight in our league for you.

Recent new members are Renne Arden, Carlyn Abramovick, Janis Hannasch, and Carol Moravec. Be sure to welcome the new folks and above all patience with our beginner players.

Also, we play ready golf, so head to your ball and get ready to hit! Keep moving.

Upcoming tournaments:

- Citrus Hills on March 10; Feb. 10 is the deadline for sign up.
- LGA-18 Scramble on Feb. 12.
- Candler Hills LGA-9 on March 12.
- 9-Hole Invitational on March 26.

Three Blind Mice Dec. 11, 2012

Flight 1: 10-Serine Rossi. 21-Myra Noel. 22-Agnes Tetti.
Flight 2: 16-Marlene Floeckher. 17-Joan Rappa. 21-Caroline East.
Flight 3: 20-Joyce Jones. 21-Mary Hart. 23-Constance Deignan, Dorothy Muller, Kathy Hall.
Flight 4: 18-Betty Tully. 19-Linda Heenan. 21-

Jean Flynn.

Member Member Dec. 18, 2012

Flight 1: 27-Agnes Tetti, Grace Brock. 31-Eileen Gustavus, Adele Stelljes. 32-Lorraine Rourke, Linda Heenan, Serine Rossi, Myra Noel.
Flight 2: 28-Violet Sica, Betty Tully. 30-Kathy Hall, Joyce Jones, Michaela Beyer, Mary Hart, Caroline East, Ethel Miller.

Modified Scramble



Ladies 18-Hole Golf

By Marilyn Rose

Welcome 2013 and we hope that it will be a wonderful one for all of us who play this game. I understand we have a few new members and I say "welcome to our league." I hope you will continue playing this great game with us each week. I will be checking in with our new member person and will list all of you next month.

We had a luncheon to start off the New Year and all enjoyed it. Thank you Bev Ovrebø, Jan Juhlin, and Nancy Zielinski for a job well done.

One very important happening occurred during the holiday season: Lori Anderson had a hole-in-one on #6 on the

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Jan. 8

37-Myra Noel, Eileen Gustavus, Dorothy Muller, Betty Tully. 38-Janis Hannasch, Marlene Floeckher, Violet Sica, Carolyn Abramovich, Linda Dumeer, Pauline Beloin, Mary Hart, Esther Lang, Lorraine Rourke, Caroline East, Darlene Bole, Darlene Clark, Carol Moravec, Patricia Lauletta, Michaela Beyer.
CHIP-INS: Dec. 11-Marlene Floeckher. Dec. 18-Constance Deignan, Pat Lauletta.
BIRDIES: Marlene Floeckher.

Tortoise & Hare. Congratulations!

Shamble Dec. 18, 2012 / Links

102-Bev Ovrebø, Betty Schwartz, Maggie Hudacik, Jo Apperson. 113-Susan Watters, Peggy Borro, Jeanne Rice, Dea Johnson. 114-Joan D'Addio, Flo Emanuel, Fumie Veatch, Marilyn Rose. 116-Rosemarie O'Neil, Pat Cole, Susan Rhodes.

Scramble Jan. 8 / Links

Tie at 69-Mia Kolar, Flo Emanuel, Lori Anderson, Dea Johnson, Deb Martin, Linda Bervinkle, Jo Apperson. 70-Bev Ovrebø, Ruth Caraway, Nancy Darichuk, Marilyn Rose. Tie at 71-Iro Lisinski, Pat Cole, Susan Mailet, Fran Griswold; Nancy Zielinski, Chris McIntire, Mary Lyon; Gretchen Normandin, Nancy Nicholas, Pat MacMurray, Velma Rose; Harriet Hawkins, Peggy Borro, Judy Pasch, Jeanne Rice; Valerie Smith, Sharon Bartholomew, Joan Cecchini, Susan Rhodes. 73-Linda Blewitt, Rosmarie O'Neil, Angelita Pena, Glenna Swank.

The scramble was a great day for all! We hope that we will continue to have good weather so that our golf games will continue. See you on the course.

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Stamp Club

By David Groves

Our On Top of the World General Francis Marion Stamp Club began 2013 with its newly elected officers: Dennis Niemira, president; Bob Schlege, vice president; Joe Rosinski, treasurer; and Jeff Howard, secretary.

As our first speaker for the year, Elliot Natale gave an interesting talk, which could have been titled, "Wonders of the USS Republic's 1926 Mediterranean Cruise."

To start with, the USS Republic was built in Ireland, and was launched and christened in 1903 as the SS Servia. It had several changes in its name and ownership

before it was sold as scrap metal in 1952.

But in 1926, the USS Republic was a proud trans-Atlantic cruise ship owned by the United States Lines. On Jan. 29, 1926, it departed from New York City with at least 525 passengers for a Mediterranean cruise organized by the James Boring's Travel Service.

Among the passengers were a preacher, Dr. Charles N. Sheldon; Graham Patterson, publisher of Christian Herald; and Miss Florence Richards, president of the Kansas Women's Christian Temperance Union.

At this point, neither stamps nor postal history had been introduced, however once the ship was on its way across the Atlantic, James Boring began writing a detailed newsletter related to the attractions of each port-of-call.

On this Mediterranean cruise, Boring's "letters" to his client base were stamped, postmarked and mailed from Madeira, Gibraltar, Algiers, Alexandria, Palestine, Jeru-

salem, Constantinople, Athens, Rome and "the Riviera."

Boring's newsletters described in detail many obvious tourist attractions such as the pyramids, the Sphinx, the Egyptian Museum, the Acropolis in Athens and the Coliseum in Rome.

But they also described a wide variety of sites and activities related to the Jewish, Christian and Muslim religions.

In his cruise newsletters, Boring described a Christian boys school in Algiers, the Mount of Olives, Nazareth and many places related to the life of Jesus, Shechem, the Blue Mosque, the work of the Near East Relief society and many historical, religious and artistic aspects of the Vatican City.

Boring's last letter was dated Feb 25, 1926 and mailed from Nice, France. All of the presentation's 10 "newsletters" were mailed to a Mr. Claude M. Pinson, RFD #3, Greenbriar, Tenn. (Only one of Boring's covers was stamped "three-cents postage

due." How about that?)

If you are interested in our hobby, our club meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. and at noon on the third Wednesday in the second floor conference room of the Bank of the Ozarks on SW State Road 200 and the SW 90th Street entrance to On Top of the World. Visitors are always welcome!

A monthly evening meeting is also held on the second Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Queen of Peace Church Library.

For more information about our club, our stamp club brochure and/or a free "Guide to Stamp Collecting" kit, please contact club treasurer, Joe Rosinski at 237-7366 or jrchr8850@embarqmail.com.

Our annual membership dues are only \$6.00.

For a calendar of meetings, information on selling stamp collections and much more, please visit <http://ocalagfstampclub.com>.



Model Railroaders

By Jim Lynam

The morning of Sunday, Dec. 30, 2012 arrived crisp, cool and clear. The passenger train that originated two hours earlier on the East Coast was sitting at the station waiting for the crew of the Pacific K4 number 3875, the work-horse of the Pennsylvania Railroad's passenger service, to couple for the remaining journey. The consist was heading for Pittsburgh and Chicago as the final destination as fast as the fireman could shovel the coal. The pre-dawn darkness was punctuated with the lights from the town's houses, businesses, streetlights, and passenger terminal.

And the residents were there to witness

it. Engineer Lynam waited at the block signal as an east-bound freight headed up by engine 5986 rolled on by with Engineer Loux giving the customary "high-ball" coupled with two blasts of the air horn. The passengers were in awe as the train crossed the Juniata River and continued the steady, steep and significant climb leading to Pennsylvania's famous Horse-Shoe Curve. And the residents were there to witness it.

An Erie special freight waited on a siding and Engineer Mowry waved to the passengers and spectators as the train sped through. Meanwhile, a local passenger train led by a Pennsy 0-4-0 with Engineer Johnston made its way out of the yard with the bell ringing and the whistle blowing.

And the residents were there to witness it.

At the yard in Enola, Dispatcher Devine scheduled a crew change with Engineer Walker replacing Johnston's tired crew. Then the spectators heard the bone-chill-

ing throaty whistle as Engineer Loux fired up the huge Norfolk and Western 4-8-8-4 stopping at the coaling station and water tower in the yard. His next stop was the engine house for lubrication.

And the residents were there to witness it.

Later in the day, Construction Foreman Paul had his crews continue the painting of the passenger terminal, installed the bus-stop shelter, and erected the new "Burma-Shave" roadside signs. By 3 p.m. all the trains had arrived at their destinations and once again the Pennsylvania Railroad delivered all their passengers and freight safely and on-time!

And the residents were there to witness it.

Yardmaster Mowry noticed that some

track needed immediate attention, so Superintendent Hoth was called upon to come in on his day off to evaluate and schedule the maintenance for the next work day.

The members of the Model Railroaders Club would like to thank all of the visitors who attended the open house and hope that everyone had an enjoyable day witnessing the model railroad.

The Model Railroaders Club is always looking for new members, and you are welcome to join us. The layout is located in a room with entry from the Health & Recreation fitness center. Club members work on the layout on Tuesdays from 1 to 4 p.m.

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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Entertainment Group Presents a Tribute to Dolly & Kenny

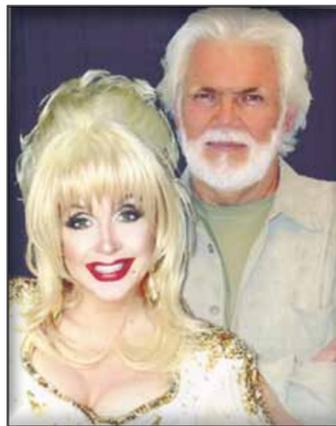
On Saturday, Feb. 23, the Entertainment Group in conjunction with Wise Way Auto Sales, brings the most expensive show to date, "Dolly and Kenny Together Again." The show begins at 7 p.m. and takes place in the Health & Recreation Ballroom.

This is a tribute show to Dolly Parton and Kenny Rogers along with their band. What is so uncanny is how much Dolly and Kenny look like the icons of show business

but how much their voices are similar. This is sure to be a blockbuster event!

Ticket prices are \$8 general and \$10 reserved. As always, the shows are for residents of On Top of the World Communities with a maximum of four tickets per purchase.

Tickets are on sale every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 8:30 to 10 a.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom.



POETRY

BY ON TOP OF THE
WORLD RESIDENTS

The Young at Heart

By Annette Sharpe

Becoming a senior may seem old,
But, then, why make a fuss.
The way we spend our time these days
Is really up to us.

We're not as old as the hills,
Or some giant redwood trees,
Though we might be older than some
wines,
Or even aged blue cheese.

We may be classified "antique"
For we are 50 plus,
And, we're older than TV, digital cameras,
Drones, computers, answering machines,
Rockets and the Air Bus.

After all the things we've been through,
We could write a book.
Though we'll never be cool again
Or have that new age look,
We can still be happy,
And do our thing each day,
Believing in our hearts
Age is just a number anyway.

When we can't look 25,
And the fire of youthful passion is denied,
And we can't walk much without regret,
But, our tired feet walk a little yet,
Elder arms still can hug,
Though ears may hardly hear,
And vision isn't absolutely clear,
We still can smile,
Make others happy,
And play our special part,
When we laugh, love and live
Still young at heart.

events and news.

The club meets at 9 a.m. every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, in Suites B and C in the Arbor Conference Center.



Computer Club

By Jeannie Maire

"The old year has gone. The New Year has taken possession of the clock of time. All hail the duties and possibilities of the coming twelve months." - Edward Payson Powell

We started this New Year by welcoming our new president, Bill Torzsa, who is beginning a two-year term and will need all the support and assistance our members can give him.

We ended the old year with two big winners of a raffle in December. Linda Ward's

ticket was drawn and she is now learning to use her new Nexus 7 tablet. Linda has been a member for many years and serves on the board of directors. A surprise giveaway drawing gave Pat Humphrey ownership of a new 10-inch Acer laptop. Pat can now join the many members who bring their laptops to meetings.

It's not too late to renew your membership, so if you have not yet paid your dues (only \$10) for 2013, see Flo Manning or Jeannie Maire at any meeting. If you aren't a current member, you can't be a lucky winner in our raffles, drawings, and giveaways, and you'll miss a lot of great information in our Q&A sessions and guest speaker presentations.

Club membership is open to all residents. Club activities, however, are available only to members unless otherwise announced in advance.

Sherry Surdam gave up her secretarial duties after many years. Barbara Kennedy has taken the reins and will be the keeper of minutes of meetings and provide other secretarial duties as needed. However, Sherry has volunteered to continue sending out e-mails announcing special events to the membership. You will be hearing from Sherry soon to receive a new password to some of our website listings.

Q: When I shut down my computer, why do I frequently get a message asking whether I want to force the system to close a program, but I know I've already closed all of my programs?

A: According to Smart Computing magazine, "You have closed all of the running applications that you know about. But in addition to your typical applications, there are behind-the-scenes Windows processes running, background applications such as malware scanners, and sometimes even programs spawned by some other program. The message means that one or more of those programs are closing too slowly. Windows is ready to shut down but those background operations have not caught up with it. Normally, if you wait a minute, they will close and your Windows shutdown will proceed normally. If you'd rather not wait, there's usually no harm in forcing a close of such processes. But be careful not to force a close of a program in which you've been working and which might contain unsaved data."

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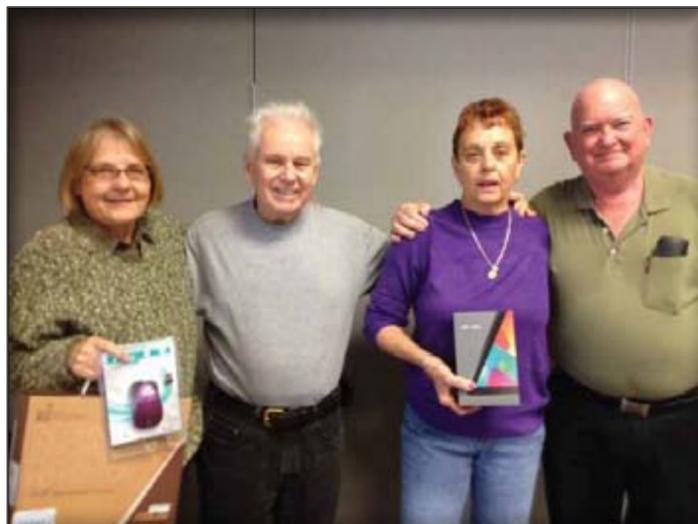


Photo by Joan Castellucci

Pat Humphrey (left) and Linda Ward were the big winners of the Computer Club's December raffle and giveaway. They are shown with Joe Castellucci, club president, and Bob Gale, club treasurer (right).

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Favorite Recipes Dinner Club

By Luke Mullen

Our last dinner was held on Saturday, Dec. 15, 2012. Twenty club members attended three dinners while sharing great meals and enjoying fun entertainment.

Our first dinner hosts were Kathy and Luke Mullen. Jeanne and John Battocletti brought the appetizers of shrimp pate and filled filo shells with the same and stuffed celery sticks with a cheese paste and some with crunchy peanut butter.

After the appetizers, Barbara and Art Bartlewski served a tossed salad with fresh orange slices, dried cranberries and toasted

almonds. Kathy and Luke then served the main meal of chicken marsala. It included chicken medallions sautéed in extra virgin olive oil with scallions and mushrooms. Marsala wine, chicken stock and butter were then added followed by slices of Prosciutto ham and provolone cheese, which were placed on each medallion. Potatoes au gratin and a baked carrot dish accompanied this meal.

Gayle Argano and Walter Hickenlooper served dessert, which was a chocolate cream pie. It used a readymade piecrust, browned sugar free chocolate pudding and Splenda. This was topped with sugar free whipped topping, and shavings of sugar free chocolate.

The hosts for our second dinner were Suzette and Leo Paquin. Preparing the hors d'oeuvres were Phyllis and Al Richards. The first was red and green loaded nachos, which consisted of red and green

nacho chips covered with chili with beans followed by a generous cover of shredded cheddar and jack cheeses and served warm. Finely shredded lettuce and diced tomatoes were placed over the dish and served with salsa and sour cream. The second was a red and green spinach dip, which was a combination of sour cream, mayonnaise, vegetable soup mix, spinach, water chestnuts, and minced roasted red peppers, mixed and chilled. It was served in a hollowed out crusty loaf of bread. Bread cubes were used for dipping.

Ann and Conrad Massa served a salad composed of baby spinach, Romaine lettuce and radicchio with a balsamic dressing. Suzette and Leo then served the main meal of Cornish hens with sage and garlic with seasoned green beans. They then served the dessert, which was a cranberry cake with ice cream.

Chris and Mike Riopel hosted our third

dinner. Gitte and Paul Agarwal provided appetizers. One was spinach-cheese swirls, which were puff pastry stuffed with cheeses, onions and spinach, rolled up like a jellyroll, cut into slices and baked. The second was Brie cheese served with crackers and grapes.

Chris and Mike then served the main meal of Coq au Vin along with a tossed salad and rolls. In one pot, the ingredients were marinated in wine and chicken broth. Contents include chicken boneless breasts, bacon, pearl onions, and mushrooms. Potatoes were added and cooked in a hot oven.

Rhea and Jim Russell served dessert, which was an old-fashioned bread pudding with Crown Royal soaked raisins and served with a warm Crown Royal sauce.

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



Softball

By Bill Leon

Here we are into another month and not too many surprises, but the league is tightening up. Just last month, the lowly Cebert Wealth team couldn't muster a win, and were at the bottom of the heap.

Here we are a month later, and they have managed to put together a good win streak to get them into a three-way tie for first place. Wonders never cease, but there is still a long way to go before it's over.

The Dr. Dunn and Overholser teams continue to keep their pace and have maintained their standings. The Tee Pee Tire team, however, has lost its luster and seems to be headed down to the bottom of the pack unless they can start putting some wins together.

Although the Great Clips team is still in the cellar, they have shown signs of life in their last few games and may just be starting to mesh together. The Wise Way team can't seem to get over the hump and continues to fall one game under the .500-mark.

It's still a close race as there is only a four game spread between the last place team and the first place team. If everyone stays healthy, there may be some changes by this time next month.

Team	Won	Lost
Dr. Dunn (Kenny)	10	7
Overholser (Roger)	10	7
Cebert Wealth (Bill)	10	7
Wise Way (Jimmy)	8	9
Tee Pee Tire (Tom)	7	10
Great Clips (Paul)	6	11



OneBlood Bloodmobile

By Sara Sommer

Wow! It is the beginning of February already! How are you coming on your New Year's resolutions? If one of them was to give more blood, you are in luck.

The Big Red Bus will be here Monday, Feb. 4. The bus will be parked in the Health & Recreation parking lot from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. All donors will receive a free movie ticket from Fandango, maybe a t-shirt, and maybe more. Come give and find out.

All the blood donated stays in Marion County to supply our local hospitals. See you on the bus!



View From The Library

By B.J. Leckbee

Born into a show business family, Alphonso D'Abruzzo was backstage mingling with burlesque dancers as a toddler and performing on stage when he was three years old. His parents took their only child with them as they travelled the circuit, and at times left him with relatives. At age six, he realized his mother was mentally ill. At eight, he knew he wanted to become a writer. At nine, he decided he would become an actor. By then, his father had been discovered by Hollywood and had changed the family name to Alda. Alphonso's name was shortened to Alan, and this is how the public knows him.

Alan Alda's nomadic childhood didn't allow him to form lasting friendships and

when he contracted polio, his parents arranged for tutors to homeschool him. His mother's instability meant that Alan and his father, Robert Alda, spent much mental energy keeping her illness hidden from everyone outside their tight circle of friends from the world of burlesque.

All of these childhood challenges served to strengthen his character as he grew into adulthood. He would marry only one time, and raise three children with his wife, Arlene.

He experienced his first success as a writer and actor when he and two friends wrote and staged a play between his junior and senior years in high school, during a period when the family remained in one place for several years. The play raised money for the school and Alan had found his career. Acting brought him fame, but he continued to write while he starred in M*A*S*H, his first taste of celebrity and financial security.

The producers of the TV show, "Scientific American" heard of Alda's interest in science and asked him to narrate their pro-

grams. He gladly accepted and did this for 11 years. Money was no longer a concern, and he selected his movie roles carefully, sometimes being the good guy, and sometimes the bad guy, but always losing himself in the role.

Alan Alda's autobiography is available in the library. The title is "Never Have Your Dog Stuffed." Don't let the title dissuade you from reading the book. It's well written and as entertaining as Alan always is.

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Art Group

By Anne Merrick

What is art? This question is as controversial as ever with the statement, "art is in the eye of the beholder" being the only way to go.

From early man painting in caves, decorating their clothes, and making jewelry through all the ages and cultures to modern day, people have wanted to express their feelings through artistic creativity.

The great masters in painting have always been considered the legends to which we aspire. Michelangelo, Rembrandt, Van Dyke, Botticelli, Goya, Van Gogh are a few of these and there are so many more.

The scene is always changing and it

seems each style is given a new name. We have realism, impressionism, abstract, cubism, graffiti, doodle art, and some styles that are hard to put a name to. The last century had Picasso, Dali, Miro, and more.

Art, of course, is not only about creating a picture on paper or canvas. It affects every aspect of our lives. We have incredibly talented people all around us: photographers, architects, engineers, graphic designers, filmmakers, actors, writers, poets, singers, sculptors, gardeners, musicians, sewers, embroiderers, and knitters. The list is endless.

Open your hearts and minds to the experiences of everyday life. Inspiration is gathered from all around us. Nature, voice, odors, music, and sight can give you that jolt that makes you want to create. It is the very nature of our planet and the universe we inhabit.

Bring your inspiration to our group on Thursdays and Saturdays at the Art Studio on the hill. Call Anne for more information at 732-0706.



Photo by Anne Merrick

Inspiration from a sunrise.

Movie and a Potluck

By Mary Ehle

The movie on Sunday, Feb. 3 will be "A Song From the Heart." This stars the six-time Grammy award winner Amy Grant

and Keith Carradine. It is a wonderful story about a blind music teacher at the Milford Conservatory. The movie will be shown in the Health & Recreation Ballroom.

There will be potluck and the club will be providing meatballs and sausage. Please bring a dish to share, your own place setting and drink. We will eat promptly at 5:15 p.m. so please arrive by 5 p.m.

If you only want to view the movie then come before 6 p.m. The yearly dues are \$6. This is a real good price for a movie every month and three meals a year. This club meets once a month. If you have questions, you can always call me at 873-7507.



Ocala Clown Express

By Carol & Guy White

In November, we geared up to paint faces at Ocali Days. Each day for one week, we painted from 900 to 1,200 children's faces. The children are transported to Ocali Days by Marion County School District Transportation Services.

Early December had us at the Sheriff's Office helping with their annual Christmas party for needy children. Our duties included face painting, tattoos and balloons. Much more was offered to the children with magic, presents and Christmas food. Our clowns have done this event for many years.

We ended our 2012 clown year with a clown Christmas party held at Logan's Restaurant. The party continued on at the home of clown Miss U-Lee. All had a

"grand" time.

We held a gift exchange for all of our clowns and then Santa arrived early with Christmas presents for our president and her husband. Notes were on the gifts that said, "Not to be opened until Christmas Eve." Carol and Guy almost needed a "wheelbarrow" to get the presents out to their car and home. All the clowns feel blessed to have such a devoted couple as the head of Ocala Clown Express.

2012 ended being very busy with gigs being held at the Veterans of Foreign War Home in Ft. McCoy, Fla. It was an outdoor event and was very successful.

We concluded the year 2012 at Munroe Regional Medical Center and our hospital clowning program. This program continues through May.

We have two new clowns in training and they are both eager to become clowns and learn from our training program. We offer training all year long, and if interested in joining our clown training program, please call President Carol White at 873-9223 or Secretary Marge Cordasco at 291-0077.

Submitted by Marge Cordasco

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Sweetheart Dance

By Arlo Janssen

The On Top of the World dance committee, Dancin' On the Top, will hold a "Sweetheart Dance" at the Health & Recreation Ballroom on Saturday, Feb. 16, to celebrate Valentine's Day. There will be a cash bar, and the dress is your best outfit.

Entertainment will be provided by the popular duo Automatic. There will be a

sweets table at intermission. Tickets are \$10 per person, and seating is limited. Tickets are now on sale every Monday and Wednesday at 9 a.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom until sold out.

The final Dancin' On the Top dance of the season is scheduled for Saturday, April 6, with Karen Hall.

If you have questions on the dance, please contact Gene Melnick at 304-8293 or Paul McIntyre at 873-2873.

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- Chicken Florentine pesto pasta
- Meatloaf with mushroom gravy
- Tilapia Vera Cruz
- Shrimp and cheese ravioli with tomato cream sauce
- Blackened pork loin over salad greens with bleu cheese crumbles and dressing

Dessert

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Sewing Bees

By Linda Lohr

It's already February! Time sure flies while we are having fun sewing. We are finishing up the soft flannel quilts, as we know the cooler weather will eventually be here. They are so soft and cuddly; we know the children who receive them will love them.

Our sewers are always creating more quilt kits for the children. Our comfort kits contain a beautiful quilt, a pillow with matching pillowcase for older children, or

a stuffed animal for a younger child. All the items are put into a handmade tote bag, as the children often have nothing of their own.

Our mission is to provide comfort for the abused, abandoned, and neglected children of Marion County. Your donations all year long help us to do just that. Stop by our hive on any Thursday in the Art Room, from 12:30 to 3 p.m. We would be happy to show you our creations made with love for the children.

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, 854-1181, for more information. As always, the children and we thank you for all your support.

Photo (right) by Linda Lohr

Quilt for a young teen sewn by the Sewing Bees.



Artistic Crafts & Gifts

By Loretta Troutman

A visit to the Health & Recreation Ballroom on Tuesday morning will be an enjoyable, helpful time for you. It is here that you will find beautiful handcrafted items suitable for the brisk weather ahead of us.

Jackie Nolte has knitted hats and scarves for ladies in gorgeous colors. Some are done in very attractive sparkling yarn. She also knits lovely blankets with matching caps for babies. One of her new items is a tooth fairy bag that will delight your little ones. She makes several other items that you will see are not only attractive but done to serve a useful purpose.

If you have been thinking that it would be a good idea to have an afghan to keep you cozy and warm while watching TV, you'll enjoy seeing the great afghans Audrey Melillo has knitted in warm colors and yarn in a comfortable weight.

There are so many more items to see such as jewelry, pens, handbags, doilies, hand towels, golf cart steering wheel covers, greeting cards, and photographic designs. Not only is it surprising to see the great variety but the fine workmanship our group displays.

Do come and see us. We are in the Health & Recreation Ballroom every Tuesday morning from 9 a.m. to noon.

If you are a crafter and would like to join us, please call Rene Beck for details.



Rubber Stamp Greeting Cards

By Linda Lohr

We got the New Year off to a great start with presenters Edie Reed and Shirley Kilpatrick.

The sailboat card was designed using the Bargello technique. It's always great to learn new card-making ideas. The second card was an easel-type card, which is also a crafty idea. We thank Edie and Shirley for sharing with us their ideas.

Our group is open to all crafters, beginners or those more experienced. One or two people do a presentation each month. The group usually meets the first and third Thursday of the month. There are basic supplies that are needed, such as a trimmer, glue, scissors, and card stock. Everyone in the group shares their supplies and everyone brings new ideas to the table. You are only limited by your imagination!

If you feel this might be a class you would enjoy, please call Kathy at 237-6439. We look forward to introducing new people to our fun craft. Until then, keep on stampin'!



Photo by Shirley Kilpatrick

Easel-type card created by rubber stamping.



Mah Jongg

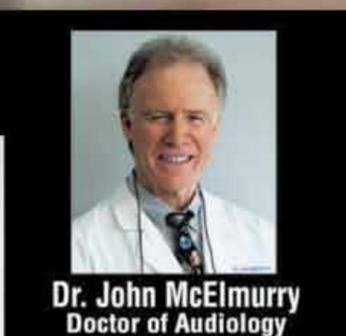
By Mary Ehle

Now is the time to reserve your spot for the spring tournament on Saturday, March 2. The deadline is Saturday, Feb. 16 and the cost is \$22 cash. I would like to have at least 60 players this time. This will be your last notice, so reserve today. If you have questions, you can always call me at 873-7507. Jokers to you.

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CLUB CARDS & GAMES

BRIDGE

Monday Afternoon

By Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson

Dec. 10, 2012

1: Gloria Richardson & Joyce Walchak; 2: Kay Boland & Carol Johnson; 3: Lisinski & Fran Griswold.

Dec. 17, 2012

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

Jan. 7

1: Carol Johnson & Shirley Stolly; 2: Florence & Norbert Heckler; 3: Hazel Merchant & Mary Carol Geck.

Monday Night

By Kathie & Art Dushary

Most of our players are seasoned beginners to intermediate level players. You do not need to sign up ahead of time or have a partner. Just come to the Card Room by 6:20 p.m. as we start at 6:30 p.m. We usually have six to eight tables.

Dec. 3, 2012

1: Fran Griswold (4360); 2: Mary Culbertson; 3: Kathie Dushary; 4: Linda Sprague.

Dec. 10, 2012

1: Bob Durst (4290); 2: Fran Griswold; 3: Shirley Stolly; 4: Bernie Kelly.

Dec. 17, 2012

1: Art Dushary (5500); 2: Jan Moon; 3: Shirley Stolly; 4: Peggy Borro; 5: Bob Durst.

Tuesday Afternoon

By Agnes LaSala

Dec. 4, 2012

1: Agnes LaSala & Carl Woodbury; 2: Shirley Stolly & Betty Morris; 3: Mazie Millward & Millie Farrell.

Dec. 11, 2012

1: Shirley Stolly & Betty Morris; 2: Mazie Millward & Millie Farrell; 3: Bernie Kelly & Phyllis Zwick.

Dec. 18, 2012

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

Tuesday Night Dup

By Doris Keathley

Dec. 4, 2012

1: Ida Rosendahl & Caryl Rosenberger; 2: Katie White & Kathie Dushary; 3/4 (tie): Rose O'Rourke & Rita Smyth and Ernie & Joan Lord; 5: Mary Carol Geck & Doris Keathley.

Dec. 11, 2012

1: Bill & Ida Carlson; 2: Mary Carol Geck & Doris Keathley; 3: Ernie & Joan Lord.

Dec. 18, 2012

1: Ida Rosendahl & Marjorie Benton; 2: Mary Carol Geck & Doris Keathley; 3/4/5 (tie): Ernie & Joan Lord and Katie White & Kathy Dushary and Rita Smyth & Rose O'Rourke.

Wednesday Afternoon

By Pat Golgart

Dec. 19, 2012

1: Bernie Kelly; 2: Dot Baker; 3: Mary Culbertson; Cons: Serine Rossi.

Dec. 26, 2012

1: Mary Culbertson (3840); 2: Kay Boland; cons: Bernie Kelly

Jan. 2

1: Phyllis Bressler (5540); 2: Shirley Stolly; 3: Kay Boland; 4: Fran Griswold; Cons: Serine Rossi.

Jan. 9

1: Helen O'Brien (4130); 2: Fran Griswold; 3: Mary Culbertson; Cons: Delores Melburg.

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Thursday Afternoon

By Marge Starrett

Dec. 6, 2012

1: Tina St. Clair; 2: Florence Heckler; 3: Gloria Richards.

Dec. 13, 2012

1: Joyce Walchak; 2: Marge Starrett; 3: Gloria Richards.

Dec. 20, 2012

1: Pat Golgart; 2: Mazie Millward; 3: Kay Boland.

Dec. 27, 2012

1: Marge Starrett; 2: Kay Boland; 3: Gloria Richards.

Thursday Night

By Ida Rosendahl

Dec. 6, 2012

1: John Mataya; 2: Joan Sigafos; 3: Shirley Stolly; 4: Ida Rosendahl.

Dec. 13, 2012

1: Keith Briggs; 2: Ida Rosendahl; 3: Jan Moon; 4: Howard Soles; 5: Mildred Lane.

Dec. 20, 2012

1: Jan Moon; 2: Fran Griswold; 3: Ida Rosendahl; 4: Marian McNeilly; 5: Hazel Merchant.

CRIBBAGE

Friday Night

By Rose Marie Postin

Dec. 7, 2012

1: Anne Jagielski; 2: Frank Chamberlain; 3: Jerry Schrum; Cons: Sheila Howell.

Dec. 14, 2012

1: Craig Ehle; 2: Anne Jagielski; 3: Alberta Sarris; Cons: Gene Hubbard.

EUCHRE

Friday Night

By Joe Askenase

Dec. 14, 2012

1: Annette Taylor; 2 (tie): Bridget Hughes & Lou Fisher; 3: Maria France; 4: Virgil Taylor.

Dec. 21, 2012

1: Lou Fisher; 2 (tie): Marcy Askenase & Maria France; 3: Bridget Hughes; 4: Virgil Taylor; 5: Viola Horton.

Dec. 28, 2012

Four Handed Game

1: Virgil Taylor; 2: Bridget Hughes; 3: Viola Horton.

Six Handed Game

1: Marcy Askenase; 2 (tie): Shirley Coe & Lou Fisher; 3: Lynn Hoelzer; 4: Maria France; 5: Jeff Hoelzer.

Jan. 4

Five Handed Game

1 (tie): Marcy Askenase & Lou Fisher & Maria France; 2: Virgil Taylor; 3: Viola Horton; 4: Bridget Hughes; 5: Annette Taylor.

PINOCHLE

Tuesday Night

By Alberta Sarris

Arrive at 5:45 p.m. to start play at 6 p.m.

Dec. 4

Single Deck Winners

1: Lois Ryder; 2: Audrey Bartolotta; 3: Albert Novotny.

Double/Triple Deck Winners

Tables 1: Darrell Dryden, Verna Harsh & Alberta Sarris; 2: Ann Pelham & Judy Packard; 3: Jim Hein & Jerry Schrum.

Dec. 11

Single Deck Winners

1: Whitney Frye; 2: Edith Kolb; 3: Cherie Cunningham.

Double/Triple Deck Winners

Tables 1: Verna Harsh & Jim Keller; 2: Darrell Dryden & Jimmy Mazzotta; 3: Jim Hein & Joe Scervo.

Dec. 17

Single Deck Winners

1: Rickey Buchman; 2: Gitte Agarwal; 3: George Dertinger.

Double/Triple Deck Winners

Tables 1: Verna Harsh & Alberta Sarris; 2: Ann Pelham & Lee Topf; 3: Jim Keller & Jerry Schrum.

Thursday Night

By Mildred Ferrell

Please join us every Thursday at 6 p.m. in the Art Room of the Craft Building. It is a great way to make new friends who enjoy a friendly competitive game of pinochle. Hope to see you there.

Dec. 13, 2012

1: Gene Hubbard; 2: Edith Kolb; 3: Ricky Buchanan.

Dec. 20, 2012

1: Al Novotny; 2: Whitney Frye; 3: Larry Hartman.

Dec. 27, 2012

1: Larry Hartman; 2: Al Novotny; 3: Whitney Frye.

Jan. 4

1: Chris Lyndrop; 2: Gene Hubbard; 3: Edna Frye.

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Opera

By Bernie Kelly

In January, the Opera Appreciation Class enjoyed a performance of Rossini's "L'italiana in Algeri," which was performed by a company from Southern France at Aix-en-Provence. Like most of Rossini's works, it was an opera buffa. We'll definitely have a change of pace in February with a Verdi opera.

Giuseppe Verdi, the foremost Italian opera composer, lived Oct. 10, 1813, to Jan. 27, 1901. He and possibly Wagner are the two composers who the man on the street

would immediately know even if he were not familiar with opera.

Verdi was born in the little town of Le Roncole, which was at the moment part of the First French Empire ruled by Napoleon Bonaparte. Historians have tried to interpret Verdi's early operas as part of the struggle for the unification of Italy, which was achieved in 1861.

At the age of 20, he felt that he had enough schooling and therefore left Milan and returned to his home in Busseto to earn his living as the town music master. He also gave lessons to add to his income. One of his pupils was Margharita Barezzi, who married Verdi and bore him two children.

Since his second opera was a flop, he decided to stop composing but the impresario of La Scala convinced him to give it another try and the result was "Nabucco,"

which was so successful that he became the most famous composer in Italy overnight.

In the 10 years after "Nabucco," he wrote 14 operas including "Macbeth" in 1847, which the Opera Appreciation Class is going to study on Thursday, Feb. 7. Many opera critics consider "Macbeth" the most important and original of these early works because for the first time he attempted an opera without a love story.

Verdi called Shakespeare one of his favorite poets and he often read him in translation. After "Macbeth," he used Shakespeare's plays as the basis for "Othello" and "Falstaff." He worked on King Lear on and off; but nothing ever came of it.

The libretto for "Macbeth" was being written by Piave when he received a letter from Verdi calling this "tragedy one of the greatest creations of man ... if we can't make something great out of it, let us at

least try to do something out of the ordinary." The opera was first staged in 1847 and was revised in 1865.

The performance we will see is from 2001 at the Zurich Opera House with the American baritone Thomas Hampson singing the role of Macbeth. Paoletta Marrocu sings the role of Lady Macbeth, a much-coveted role by many sopranos. Luis Lima, an Argentine, sings Macduff. The orchestra of the Zurich Opera House is conducted by Franz Welser-Most.

It's a very dramatic opera like "Othello," which we studied last year, but this time good triumphs over evil in the end. Our class will meet on Thursday, Feb. 7, at 1 p.m., in Meeting Room 3 of the Craft Building. I hope all our members can make it and we are always ready to welcome new members.



Concert Chorus

By Bill Shampine

Have you ever thought about being a songwriter? You don't think you can do that? Well, anything is possible in America. An American composer named John Cage actually composed a song in 1952 called 4'33" (four minutes, thirty-three seconds).

It was composed for any instrument, or combination of instruments, and was simple to play because it had no notes. The instrumentalist(s) simply would sit quietly and play nothing for exactly four minutes and 33 seconds. Total silence! Then the musician(s) would get up and bow to the audience, hopefully in response to thundering applause.

If you are wondering about the sanity of the composer, the piece purports to consist of the sounds of the environment that the listeners hear while it is "performed." The Concert Chorus has considered singing this composition for you, but we suspect that the On Top of the World audience may not be ready for music as advanced as this.

Our delayed Christmas concert is over. We appreciate your patience in waiting for it. We were gratified to see the large number of supporters who attended, and we hope you all enjoyed it. You are a great community and we truly have fun singing for you.

We now turn our focus to the spring concert to be performed on Sunday, April 21. We started rehearsing for that on Tuesday, Jan. 8. I think you will like what we will be singing for you, so make a note on your calendar now so you don't forget.



Photo by Bill Shampine

Dixie Hogarth.

As usual, if you think you might be interested in joining the chorus, we always are looking for new talent. Rehearsals are at the Arbor Club every Tuesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Our featured singer today is Dixie Hogarth. Dixie was born in Ohio, but moved around several times growing up. She graduated from the University of Georgia with a degree in business. She worked for Burger King Corporation for many years before retiring. After 15 years of retirement, she went back to work as a cashier at Walmart for five years, but finally retired for good.

Dixie moved to Florida in 1954 and came to On Top of the World in 1990 from Miami. She plays the piano and sang in chorus in school and a few church choirs. Dixie also sings with the Swinging Singing Seniors, another On Top of the World singing group.

Singles Club

By Lorraine Serwan

Welcome to February. There are some special days this month: Lincoln's birthday, Washington's birthday, and the Singles Club meeting on Thursday, Feb. 14, which is also Valentine's Day.

At the meeting, we'll be entertained by the Sunshine Singers who will put us in the mood for hearts and flowers.

We plan to visit the Veteran's Memorial Park and the Marion County Museum of History on Thursday, Feb. 21. Lunch between the tours will be on your own. Call Lorraine at 854-1365 for more information.

Refreshments are always a welcome treat at our meetings, but unless we have someone volunteer to work this committee, we will have to stop this enjoyable activity.

Please join us in Suites B and C at the Arbor Conference Center on Thursday, Feb. 14, at 2 p.m. We always welcome new members. Bring a friend and make some new ones.



Karaoke Friends

By Vivian Brown

We would like to welcome back Rita and Rosa, as well as our tried and true friends who joined us for an evening of singing and fun. We are always at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F on the first and third Mondays of the month, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

A special thank you to Charlie for the wonderful music that makes us all sound so well and his funny antics that make us all laugh.

Are you looking for some entertainment this year in your club or organization? If so, call me at 291-0246. Just tell us what you like and we will be happy to oblige! Until next time, God bless and keep on singing.

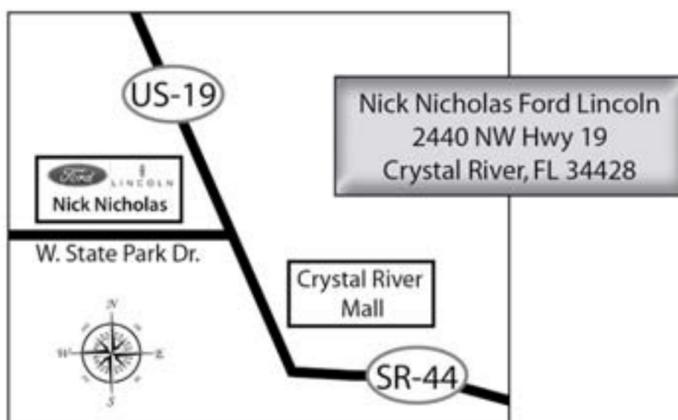
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CLUB MEETINGS

Weekly Monday

6:00	Lap Swimming	ACIP
8:00	Mixed Tennis Doubles	HRCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	Men's Softball	SBF
	RC Flyers Club	FF
	R.O.M.E.O. Club	WD
9:00	Woodworking	VVV
	Ceramics (until 2 p.m.)	Art
	Ladies Billiards	PLR
9:30	Shuffleboard	
	(Sept.-April)	HRCT
10:00	Tennis Doubles	HRCT
	Tai Chi	ACF
	Ladies Billiards	PLR
	Water Walk	ACIP
10:30	Golf Group	PAV
11:30	Lap Swimming	ACIP
Noon	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:30	Bridge	CR
	Aqua Belles	ACIP
12:45	Line Dance (Sept.-Dec.)	HRB
1:00	Dominoes	CC:H
1:30	Line Dance	ICC
2:00	Happy Hookers	Art
	Rummicube	CC:E,F
2:45	OTOW League Bowling	AMS
3:00	Improver+ Line Dance	HRB
4:15	Beginners Line Dance	HRB
5:00	Mah Jongg	CC:A
5:30	Newcomers Line Dance	HRB
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
	Pinochle	MR2

First Monday

7:30	One Blood	
	(Even # Months Only)	PL
9:00	LifeSouth Blood	
	(Odd # Months Only)	PL
	RC Flyers Club	CC:B,C
1:30	D'Clowns	CC:B,C
3:30	Handicap Committee	CC:H
4:00	Billiards	Art
5:30	Avalon Social Club	AC
6:30	Karaoke Friends	CC:E,F
	Sunshine Singers	HRB

Second Monday

10:00	Genealogical Society	
	Business Meeting	MR3
2:00	Bowling League	AMFW
5:00	Positive Thinkers Club	CC:B
7:00	Theatre Group	CC:E,F
	Original Karaoke Group	CCC

Third Monday

10:00	Genealogical Society	
	Workshop	CC: B&C
1:30	D'Clowns	CC:B,C
5:00	Cards	CC:C
	Raw Food Club	CC:B,C
6:30	Sunshine Singers	HRB

Fourth Monday

3:00	Community Patrol	CC:B,C
4:00	Candler Hills Potluck	CCC
5:00	Metaphysical Club	CC:B,C

Weekly Tuesday

6:00	Lap Swimming	ACIP
8:00	Men's Tennis	HRCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	Arts & Crafts	HRB
	RC Flyers Club	FF
	Pickleball	HRCT
	R.O.M.E.O. Club	WD
	Ladies Golf Assoc.	
	9-Hole (May-Oct.)	GC
8:30	Ladies Golf Assoc. 18-Hole	GC
	Racquetball	RCT
	Ladies Golf Assoc.	
	9-Hole (Nov.-April)	GC
9:00	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
	Tai Chi	ACF
	Woodworking	VVV
	Horseshoe League	HRCT
	Arts & Crafts	HRB
	Knit Wits	MR2

Meeting Location Codes

AC	Arbor Club	HRB	Health & Recreation
ACF	Arbor Club Fitness		Ballroom
ACCT	Arbor Tennis Courts	HRCT	Health & Recreation
ACIP	Arbor Indoor Pool		Tennis Courts
ACOP	Arbor Outdoor Pool	HRF	Health & Recreation
Art	Art Studio		Fitness Center
AMFW	AMF Galaxy West Lanes	HRP	Health & Recreation Pool
BCT	Bocce Courts	ICC	Indigo East
BO	Bank of the Ozarks		Community Center
CC	Arbor Conference Center	MGC	Miniature Golf Course
CCC	Candler Hills	MR2	Meeting Room 2
	Community Center	MR3	Meeting Room 3
CCR	Candler Hills Card Room	PAV	Pavilion
CLC	Computer Learning Center	PL	Health & Recreation
CSCC	Circle Square		Parking Lot
	Cultural Center	PLR	Poolroom
CR	Card Room	RCT	Racquetball Courts
FF	Flying Field	SBF	Softball Field
GC	Golf Course	WD	Winn-Dixie
HR	Health & Recreation Building	VVV	Wood Shop

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9:30	CSI Bible Study	CC:A	12:30	Scandinavian Club	CC:E,F
	Concert Chorus	AC	3:30	Alpha Investment	Art
10:00	Yoga	ICC	5:00	Providence II Club	CC:E,F
10:30	Horseshoe League	HRCT	6:30	Ladies Poker	ICC
	Walleyball	HRCT	7:00	Original Karaoke Group	CCC
	Water Walk	ACIP		Lions Club	CCC
11:30	Lap Swimming	ACIP			
Noon	Lap Swimming	ACIP			
	Men's Poker	MR3			
	Cyber Orientation	HRF			
	Mah Jongg	CC:A			
12:30	Bridge	CR			
	Tall Travelers RV Group	CC:G			
1:00	Badminton	RCT			
	Ballet Club	ACF			
	Shuffleboard				
	(Sept.-April)	HRCT			
	Crochet Club	ICC			
3:00	ShutterBugs	CC:B,C			
	Chess Club	MR2			
	Intermediate Ballroom				
	Dance	HRB			
5:00	Mah Jongg	CC:B			
	Table Tennis	CC:D			
	Poker	CC:G			
5:45	Mah Jongg	CC:B			
	Sidekicks Western Dance	HRB			
6:00	Pinochle	MR3			
	Poker	CCR			
6:30	Duplicate Bridge	CR			
	Mah Jongg	MR2			
	Circle Squares	AC			
7:00	Mixed Poker	CC:H			

First Tuesday

8:00	Men's Golf Assoc.	CC:A
10:30	Shuffleboard (Sept.-April)	CC:H
11:30	Ladies Golf Assoc.	
	9-Hole (Oct.-March)	HRB
1:00	Sunshine Quilters	Art
2:30	Italian American Club	CC:E,F
6:30	JB Poker Club	CC:E,F
	Indigo East Girls Bunco	ICC
7:00	Girls Night Out	CC:G

Second Tuesday

8:00	Citizens Emergency	
	Response Team	CC:E,F,G
	Sunshine Quilters	Art
10:00	Ladies Golf Assoc.	
	18-Hole (Oct.-April)	HRB
1:30	Visually Impaired	
	Support Group	CC:H
3:00	Knights of Columbus Golf	ICC
3:30	Alpha Investment	Art
6:15	Game Night	ICC
7:00	Lions Club	CCC

Third Tuesday

10:00	Sunshine Quilters	Art
2:00	Candler Connection	CCC
5:00	Caribbean Club	ICC

Fourth Tuesday

8:00	Citizens Emergency	
	Response Team	ICC
10:00	Sunshine Quilters	Art
11:30	Ladies Golf Assoc.	
	9-Hole (Oct.-March)	HRB

Weekly Wednesday

6:00	Lap Swimming	ACIP
8:00	Ladies Tennis	HRCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	Pickleball	HRCT
	R.O.M.E.O. Club	WD
8:30	Men's Golf 18-Hole	GC
	Men's Softball	SBF
	RC Flyers Club	FF
9:00	Woodworking	VVV
	Crafty Ladies	CR
	Tip Top Tappers	HRB
9:30	Fun with Ceramics	Art
10:00	Tai Chi	ACF
11:00	Golf Group	PAV
11:30	Lap Swimming	ACIP
Noon	Ladies Poker	MR3
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:15	Bridge	CR
12:30	Japanese Bunka	CC:B
	Lucky 13 Mah Jongg	CC:G
	Aqua Belles	ACIP
1:00	Mah Jongg	ICC
1:30	Shuffleboard	
	(Sept.-April)	HRCT
2:30	Scrabble Club	CC:H
5:30	Bingo	HRB
6:00	Men's Poker	MR3
	Duplicate Bridge	CR
6:30	Circle Squares	CC:E,F

First Wednesday

8:30	Ladies Golf Assoc. 18-Hole	CC:B
9:00	Model Railroaders	MR3
9:30	Travel Toppers	CC:A
1:00	General Francis Stamp Club	BO
6:30	Tall Travelers RV Group	CC:B,C

Second Wednesday

1:00	Native Plant Group	
	(Oct-April)	CC:H
3:00	Pennsylvania Club	CC:E,F

Third Wednesday

11:00	Arbor Tennis Club	CC:E,F
12:30	Bunco	CCC
1:00	General Francis Stamp Club	BO
6:40	Bunco Club	CC:G
7:00	Circle Squares	CC:E,F

Fourth Wednesday

1:00	Italian American Club	CC:E,F
6:30	Tall Travelers RV Group (No mtgs Dec, June-Sept)	CC:B,C
7:00	Mystery Book Club	CCR

Weekly Thursday

6:00	Lap Swimming	ACIP
8:00	Men's Tennis	HRCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	Fun Time Cloggers	
	(Sept.-June)	HRB
	RC Flyers Club	FF
	Pickleball	HRCT
	R.O.M.E.O. Club	WD
8:30	Racquetball	RCT
9:00	Art Group	Art
	Woodworking	VVV
	Tai Chi	ACF
	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Circle Squares	CC:E,F
	Candler Hills Ladies	
	Golf Assoc. 9-Hole	GC
	Candler Hills Ladies	
	Golf Assoc. 18-Hole	GC
9:30	Shuffleboard	
	(Sept.-April)	HRCT
10:00	Reflexology	ICC
10:30	Walleyball	HRCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	Lap Swimming	ACIP
11:30	Lap Swimming	ACIP
Noon	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Aerobics	ICC
12:30	Sewing Bees	Art
	Bridge	CR
1:00	Badminton	RCT

	Ballet Club	ACF
	Table Tennis	CC:D
	Swingin' Sisters	HRB
3:00	Western Stars Bowling	AMF
5:30	Card Game	CC:B
6:00	Men's Poker	MR3
	Pinochle	Art
	Poker Night	CCC
6:15	Mah Jongg	CCR
6:30	Bridge	CR
7:00	Cards	ICC
	Mixed Poker	CC:H
	Circle Squares	CC:E,F
	Card/Game Club	CC:G

First Thursday

1:00	Rubber Stamp Greeting	
	Cards	CC:G
	Opera Appreciation	MR3
5:00	Southern Club	HRB

Third Thursday

1:00	Rubber Stamp Greeting	
	Cards	CC:G
	New England Club	
	(Oct-May)	AC
5:30	Friends Game	CC:E,F

Fourth Thursday

9:30	American Jewish Club	CC:G
6:00	Democratic Club	CC:E,F
6:15	Game Night	ICC
7:00	Original Karaoke Group	CCC

Weekly Friday

6:00	Lap Swimming	ACIP
8:00	Ladies Tennis	HRCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	RC Flyers Club	FF
	Pickleball	HRCT
	R.O.M.E.O. Club	WD
9:00	Woodworking	VVV
9:30	Shuffleboard	
	(Sept.-April)	HRCT
10:00	Racquetball	RCT
	Women's Bible Study	
	(Oct-May)	CC:A
	Tai Chi	ACF
	Tai Chi	ICC
10:30	Water Walk	ACIP
11:00	Golf Group	PAV
11:30	Lap Swimming	ACIP
Noon	Ladies Poker	MR3
	Circle Squares	HRB
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Leo's Golf Group	CR
12:30	Aqua Belles	ACIP
1:00	Table Tennis	CC:D
	Mah Jongg	CCC
	Mexican Train	CC:H
5:00	Cribbage	Art
6:00	Nickel/Nickel	MR3
	Euchre 4 Fun	CC:A
6:45	Euchre	MR2

First Friday

10:00	Embroidery Chicks	CC:B,C
1:00	Women of the World	HRB

Second Friday

8:30	RC Ladybirds	CC:B,C
7:00	Republican Club	CC:E,F,G

Fourth Friday

10:00	Embroidery Chicks	CC:B,C
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Weekly Saturday

8:00	Mixed Tennis	HRCT
	RC Flyers Club	FF
	Pickleball	HRCT
8:30	Men's Softball	SBF
9:00	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Woodworking	VVV
	Art Group	Art
10:00	Mixed Tennis	HRCT
	Swingin' Sisters	CC:E,F
	Tip Top Tappers	HRB
	Yoga	ICC
1:00	Table Tennis	CC:D

Second Saturday

6:00	Northern Lights	CC:B,C
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Weekly Sunday

9:00	Racquetball	RCT
	Woodworking	VVV
9:30	RC Flyers Club	FF
Noon	Mah Jongg	CC:A
1:00	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
	Table Tennis	CC:D
5:00	Sidekicks Western Dance	AC
6:00	Pickleball	HRCT
7:00	Mixed Poker	CC:H

Second Sunday

6:00	Movie of the Month	HRB
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Third Sunday

2:00	American Jewish Club	CC:E,F,G
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Fourth Sunday

2:00	Line Dance	HRB
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Ballroom Dance Club

By Richard P. Vullo

A recent newspaper article confirmed that ballroom dancing is good for your body and mind. It strengthens your muscles and bones. In addition, by learning new steps and patterns, memory can be improved.

All of us at On Top of the World can

benefit from ballroom dancing (and other dancing). With those thoughts in mind, starting Monday, Feb. 4, we will be learning new steps in swing with Trish Sands at the Ocala Health, Senior Health & Wellness Center, next to the Customer Service office. Beginner lessons are on Mondays at 2 p.m. and intermediate lessons are at 3 p.m. The cost is only \$25 per person for H2U members for four weekly lessons. For more information, please call Trish Sands at 351-2423 or Dick Vullo at 854-6772.

On Friday, Feb. 15, Happy Hour will be held at the Health & Recreation Ballroom instead of the Arbor Club Ballroom. The facility has a larger dance floor, which af-

fords everyone the opportunity to dance to a variety of music styles. It's also a great venue to socialize with friends, with a better sound system for listening and dancing. Let's continue supporting these dances at the Health & Recreation Ballroom.

As always, there are several other excellent dance instructors and places to enjoy dancing each month here in Ocala. USA Dance holds its dances on the first Tuesday of each month. USA Dance, Citrus County, continues with its dances every other Saturday night at the Kellner Center in Beverly Hills. For complete information on dance instructors and venues, check out the website: www.usadanceocala.com.

As most of our readers know, Dancin' On the Top will hold a special "Sweetheart Dance" on Saturday, Feb. 16, in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. The music will be provided by the popular duo, Automatic. Of course, we'll have our traditional sweets tables at intermission. Tickets are now on sale and are \$10 per person. Tickets are limited. For more information, please call Gene Melnick at 304-8293 or Paul McIntyre at 873-2873.

Our final dance for this season to celebrate spring is on Saturday, April 6, with Karen Hall.



Line Dancing

By George Conklin

A cool night or two and we are all trying to dance inside at Happy Hour at the Health & Recreation Ballroom and Arbor Club. Can all line, ballroom, and pattern dancers fit on the dance floor at once? The answer is ... yes!

There are two groups of dancers, those who stay in one spot on the dance floor and those who progress around the floor. Ballroom dancers do both. Two Step, Fox Trot, Viennese Waltz and others move continually along a line of dance, while dances like the Rumba, Cha Cha, or Maringa, stay in one spot. The Lindy and the Twist may take a little more room but they stay in one area.

Line dancers repeat a set pattern designed to always return to the same spot, while the pattern dancers repeat a set pattern moving forward and back along a line of dance but always progressing forward. A little dance floor management and we all fit.

Think of the dance floor as a horse race track, a track around the outer edge and an open field in the center. The line and ballroom dancers, who dance in one spot, dance in the center of the open field leaving room for the progressive ballroom and pattern dancers to move along the outer track.

Line dancers doing the same dance should group together and not become a private group at one end and another at the other. Be respectful of others; if the floor is very full, do not try your "Dancing With the Stars" routine. As always, look out for your fellow dancers.

See you on the dance floor. Just stay in line and step when the drum goes thump.

For class information, contact the Health & Recreation office or our instructors: Janice Meade at 861-9345; Bob Ferguson at 873-4478; or Marilyn McNeal at 807-1546.



Square Dancing

By Walter Lamp

On Tuesday, Jan. 8, we had our annual Sock Hop Dance. This was our chance to return to the 50s and 60s. Decorations included some of the more popular songs during that period. And, a number of members got into the spirit by dressing up. Remember the saddle shoes, poodle skirts and for the guys, leather jackets?

A number of our dances were to some of the most popular tunes of that era. One member even drove his antique Chevy Corvette to the dance and parked it outside. Yes, we now square dance to those wonderful memories.

On Jan. 19, at the Health & Wellness Expo, we were invited to do a demo dance for all of our neighbors. Yes, square dancing is truly good for your physical and mental health. If you happened to catch

us on that day, you might get an idea what square dancing is all about and join us one night as an observer, then maybe one day as a participant.

Our only upcoming banner visit is Friday, Feb. 8 where we will visit the Friendly Squares dance club. We will be taking their banner and saving it for when they visit us at a future date, to retrieve it back.

On Saturday, Feb. 2, at the Health & Recreation Ballroom, will be our annual Beginner's Ball. As the name implies, the current members of our beginner's class will be joining the regular club members, for a night of joint dancing for the first time. Only calls that the beginners have learned so far will be used. Also, we are expecting some other beginner classes from other clubs to join us.

On Tuesday, Feb. 12, we will have our monthly theme dance at the Arbor Club Ballroom. The theme is the celebration of Mardi Gras. Festive attire will make us feel like we are there on Bourbon Street. If you are free that night, why don't you come over, enjoy the party and have some snacks, while the dancing goes on? The dance begins at 6:30 p.m.

Feb. 1 and 2 will be the annual Winter Fest in Lakeland, Fla. It's different than most dances around Central Florida in that it's held over a two and a half day period. And, instead of one caller and cuer, there are five callers from out of the area and two to three cuers. My wife and I attend this dance every year. I'll have more details next month.

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Sidekicks Western Dance Club

By Carla & Tony Magri

"Happy New Year" rang out as the Sidekicks ushered in 2013. Forty-four Sidekicks were in attendance at our second annual New Year's Eve dance party and two of our square dance friends stopped in to help us welcome the New Year. Our club coordinators and decorating committee did a great job and everyone had a wonderful time.

As we move into the New Year, we're looking forward to learning new dances and reviewing old ones. Our beginners are doing a fabulous job and have learned eight dances since our dance year began in October, and both our newcomers and experienced dancers are turning our attention to our next party for Valentine's Day. That's what our club is all about - fun, fun, fun along with some dancing.

Check us out on our website: <http://patdancers.wix.com/side-kicks>. Happy trails.

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It's Showtime!

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

There are some great events taking place in the Circle Square Cultural Center for the month of February. Enjoy an evening (or afternoon) out with your spouse or friend! Unless noted otherwise, all shows begin at 7 p.m. and doors open at 6 p.m.

Opera Noir Sunday, Feb. 10

Ocala Symphony Orchestra and University of Florida Opera Theatre present this production, which transforms two oper-

atic standards into staged versions of film classics: Mozart's "The Impresario" and "Didot!" This show is general admission and will begin at 2 p.m.

Home Improvement Expo Saturday, Feb. 16

The fifth annual Home Improvement Expo is a free event and open to the public. Representatives from nearly every field of the home improvement industry will be on hand to answer questions. The Expo will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A Salute to the Stars of The Temptations, The Platters, The Coasters and The Drifters Friday, Feb. 22

Myles Savage was the lead singer from

The Platters. This show is a salute to The Temptations, The Platters, The Coasters and The Drifters that were famous back in the 50s and 60s. This group will be singing hits like "The Great Pretender," "Charlie Brown," "My Girl" and many others. Savage stated, "I promise an electrifying and unforgettable night of first class entertainment." Don't miss this show!

7 Bridges: The Ultimate EAGLES Experience Saturday, Feb. 23

This show is a stunningly accurate tribute to the music of the Eagles. The Eagles are an American rock band that started in the early 1970s. The Eagles collected seven number-one singles, six Grammys, five American Music Awards and six number one albums. They were reported as one of the most successful musical acts of the

1970s. 7 Bridges use no backing tracks or harmonizers for recreating the magic of the Eagles.

"The World Has Talent" Auditions

Tuesday, Feb. 26

All active adults 55 and older are invited to demonstrate their talent and vie to be one of the top ten acts who will compete for cash prizes at "The World Has Talent" show on Saturday, May 11. Auditions will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and are open to the public to watch for free.

Call 854-3670 for more information. Stop by the ticket office at 8395 SW 80th Street or go online to www.csculturalcenter.com to purchase your tickets.

Let's watch the lights dim as the curtain rises. It's showtime.



SPCA

By Maria Devine

We'd like to remind everyone that the SPCA has a new mailing address. To get in touch with us by mail, please send all correspondence to: SPCA of Marion County, 11100 SW 93rd Court Road, Suite 10-115, Ocala, FL 34481. Our phone number remains the same at 362-0985.

This month's column is dedicated to cats and cat lovers. Every time a cat or kitten is placed in a loving home, another needy one

comes into foster care and the cycle starts all over again.

Recently, Arlene placed two lucky kittens with new families, and their new owners couldn't be happier. Arlene is such a wonderful foster mom. She makes sure all the cats/kittens are properly loved and socialized, fed nutritious food, up-to-date on shots and medical care, and spayed or neutered before placing them up for adoption.

Now a striking black kitten named Ebony has joined the group. Arlene would love for her to find her forever home quickly so that she won't have to live in a barn with the coldness of winter approaching. Approximately four months old, she is loving and has taken quickly to foster care.

Two older kittens, black tuxedos, Panda and Coco, have become inseparable in foster care and would need to find a new



Ebony

home together. Since they play together a lot, they would amuse you to no end and it would be easier to integrate them into your household routine. If you have room in your heart and home for two, Panda and Coco will love you for it.

Please call Arlene at 875-9761 to meet the kittens. There are also some older cats that need homes as well, so if you are looking for a cat instead of a kitten, you should be able to find one that you take to.

Please let your friends and acquaintances outside the community know that these animals are available. It always helps



Panda and Coco

to spread the word about animal adoptions – you never know where that special someone who is looking for a new companion will be. That is the easiest way you can help out the SPCA this year.

Did you know that February is spay/neuter awareness month? Many animal welfare organizations are trying to get the word out to help cut down on pet overpopulation.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, Feb. 21, at 1 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room at the Bank of the Ozarks. We always welcome guests as well as new members.

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Theatre Group



By Anne Merrick

"Murder on the Rerun" has been cast for the April show. We held auditions on Jan. 9 and are all geared up for rehearsals. We have six women and one man. Kitty, the celestial detective, will be played by Marilyn Bettinger; Jane, the murdered playwright, by Sue Veres; Hugh, the director and unfaithful husband of Jane, by Bob Cowie; Betsy, the star and second wife of Hugh, by Annette Ware; Valerie, an actress, by Em-

ery Bjorkmann; Edwina, a journalist, by Glo Hutchings; and Justina, another director, by Marcy Miller

I am looking forward to directing this amusing murder mystery with assistance from Dottie Berkowitz as stage manager and the production crew. We hope you mark the dates, April 12, 13 and 14 on your calendars now so you will know to buy your tickets in time. We look forward to making you laugh.

We can always use helpers since we are a small group and each person performs many functions.

Our next general meeting will be on Monday, Feb. 11, at 7 p.m., in Suites E and F at the Arbor Conference Center. Come and see what we are all about. For more information, call Anne at 732-0706.



Photo by Jim Merrick

Auditions for the spring play.

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Transportation: Doctor appointments, shopping, errands. Call Anna (resident) at 873-4761, leave message.

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