

**COMMUNITY
NEWS & UPDATE**

By Kenneth D. Colen, Publisher

Spring is in the air around On Top of the World and as I'm writing this column, the Ocala Open is in progress. This event raised \$50,000, which will be distributed equally to Interfaith Emergency Services and Hospice of Marion County. We have a playing field of 156 top golfers. The planning that has gone into this event was nothing short of phenomenal. Most of the effort comes down to the 60 days preceding the event. Matt Hibbs together with the other pros and golf course staff have worked very hard at getting the word out to potential players and the Florida Professional Golf Tour coordinators.

Golf superintendent, Andy Jorgenson, and his staff have done a great job at getting Candler Hills Golf Course in really terrific condition and able to withstand the rigors of three days of hard play. So far as the technical aspects of course condition and tournament organization go, we were in great shape. That said, nothing would work as well as it did without the coordination of resident volunteers. Many thanks to the entire Ocala Open employee committee for the hard work that goes into this tournament; and special thanks to Lisa Lazaro who was in charge of volunteer coordination. We can't say enough about the support we get from our volunteers. They make our tournament a great success!

The amount of work required by our marketing department is extensive and was led by Karen Brothers and Kayla Hall-Abdool. The hospitality division headed by Sandy Curtis and the Candler Hills staff did a great job on the food and beverage service for the Pro-Am roundup, as well as all three days of tournament play. We look forward to 2015 and repeating this success. Hopefully, we can expand the field of players and raise even more money for local charities.

A Changing Community

Driving the boulevard this last week was a real eye opener. First thing to see is the installation of an additional 7,200 linear feet of reuse line along Renaissance Boulevard (SW 99th Street Road). This expansion will service all the new landscaping being installed from the SW 99th Street gatehouse up to SW 90th Street. The addition of decorative fencing along that same trail is progressing. Upon completion of the reuse irrigation, additional landscaping will be added along the boulevard.

The installation of solar panels at the Recreation Center is being completed. The meter tie in and testing was done on Tuesday, March 11; so by the time you read this, we should be enjoying the benefits of solar-generated electric feeding into the grid and helping offset the power bill for that building. This is a benefit to all residents.

The expansion at The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa is scheduled to be winding down by late May 2014 - just in time for the ramp-up of renovation work at the Recreation Center. If you haven't been by The Ranch lately, it is worth a visit. All the cardio equipment (treadmills, recumbent bikes, stationary bikes, elliptical trainers, and a few other pieces) has been replaced with entirely new equipment.

The plans for renovation of the Recreation Center continue in development. We hope to be putting the plans out to bid in mid-April. We do anticipate that the building will be closed during construction, so stay tuned for more information as we work out the placement and relocation of the fitness classes.

Master the Possibilities

As Master the Possibilities finishes the first quarter of this year with over 10,000 enrollments, it is set to continue with 100-plus classes and presentations in April. If you haven't looked through that catalog in a while, now is a great time to become reacquainted. There is a wonderful variety of topics this month: computer training, art, an international film series, health/wellness, and much, much more. Since most offerings are new, you'll never tire of frequenting this center for lifelong learning. The staff and faculty are finalizing the summer schedule (June, July and August); so if you have suggestions ... stop by the office. One of my favorite things is seeing all the cars at MTP. What a great way to spend part of your day.

The Town Square

With the time change to standard time,

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**Ocala
Open**

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

Patrick Sheehan, 44, from Oviedo, Fla., took home the title of being the champion of the Ocala Open tournament and a cash prize of \$12,000. Sheehan shot five straight birdie putts on the front nine contributing to his 64 strokes for the final day. His total score for the three-day event was 202 for the par 213 course; just two strokes in front of the second place winner, Wesley Graham, from Port Orange, Fla. who took home \$7,600.

Greg O'Mahony from Tequesta, Fla. tied at the end of the second round with Andy Winings who came in third.

This year's annual Ocala Open had the biggest field of players yet in the eight-year history of the event at Candler Hills Golf Course. A total of 156 professional golfers registered for prize money totaling \$87,200.

The field of contenders consisted of 14 from international locations such as Switzerland, Sweden, Australia, Germany, Ireland, and England and many from Canada.

Those from the United States ranged from Oregon to Maine to Florida and just about every state in between. There were five from Ocala and many from Florida. Candler Hill's assistant pro, Logan Stringer, was amongst those from Ocala competing for the title and cash prizes.

The first day, Wednesday, March 12, of the three day Ocala Open tournament saw round one taking place under unfavorable weather conditions. Most players who teed off in the morning finished below par on the 71-par course. Immu Korvenmaa from Championsgate, Fla. finished the first round in first place with a 68, a minus three below par followed by six players tying for second with a score of 69, two under par.

Defending champion and two-time winner (2008 and 2013) of the Ocala Open, Travis Hampshire, finished one under with a score of 70. Countless players were just a few strokes behind the leader at day's end and had a chance to move ahead on day two.

Day two the temperature was cooler under cloudless, sunny skies and as the day progressed the sun's rays warmed the course. The cut for the two day tournament was at 144 moving 55 golfers to the last day's final round, 12 within three



Photo by Greg Wise

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strokes of the lead. Greg O'Mahony from Tequesta, Fla. shot a 69 in the first round and shot a 68 on the second day placing him on the leader board five under with a score of 137. O'Mahony shared the leader spot with Andy Winings from Brownsburg, Ind.

Roger Rowland was the only Ocalan to make the cut placing even at 142 strokes for the two days. The first day's leader, Immu Korvenmaa was two under while past two-time winner of the event, Travis Hampshire, was three under par. Yohann Benson from Montreal, Canada, won the tournament in 2012, was six strokes behind the leaders, shooting a 143.

The start of the final day commenced

under sunny skies but cooler temperatures. Players were wearing warmer clothing. It didn't take long before the sun's rays warmed the golf course to the low 70s.

There were 28 pairings on the final day; starting every nine minutes beginning at 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Grandstands had been erected at the 18th green this year. A large group of spectators were on hand at the 18th green witnessing the finale of this year's tournament.

Both past tournament winners, Travis Hampshire and Yohann Benson finished one under par with the total event score of 212 placing both tied for 27th place, 10 strokes behind this year's winner, Patrick Sheehan.

**Model Grand Opening
Celebration and
Preview Event**

The official grand opening of On Top of the World Communities' new digitally interactive sales center and model homes over the weekend of Saturday, March 22 and Sunday, March 23 confirmed what many who attended the residents-only sneak preview on Monday, March 17 already knew - it's a great time to be an On Top of the World Community homeowner. The grand opening was very well attended and the excitement was palpable.

"The models are looking good and we're happy to be a part of it all. We've

been residents of Candler Hills for at least six years and we love it here. Our neighbors are friendly and welcoming," commented Marian and Ray Brown. "We're extremely happy to see all the changes that are being made; it will make the property value go up! We love all the changes and the models are absolutely gorgeous."

With new entry monuments, new and refreshed landscaping throughout, exciting new signage and updated amenities, we are enjoying a renaissance. Vice President of Sales and Marketing Dean

Luce was on hand for the festivities at the hugely successful model grand opening celebration. "Now is the time to let friends and family from everywhere know about our wonderful community and the exciting new opportunities to live our relaxed Ocala lifestyle in an energized, active adult community," said Luce. "The market has been rebounding and we're ready for that excitement here at On Top of the World Communities."

The elegantly decorated models impressed residents and future residents alike with quality construction, meeting ENERGY STAR® criteria while offering comfort, convenience, and a wide variety of design elements. Design Center professionals help buyers choose fixtures and finishes to customize their new home. There are 13 floor plans available in three series - Premier, Estate, and Masterpiece. New neighbors can enjoy the maintenance free lifestyle in the Windsor neighborhood, the villa lifestyle in Renaissance Park, or the golf course lifestyle of Candler Hills. There is a price range to suit every budget, with homes starting in the \$150s. A variety of move in ready homes are also available.

Dr. Nancy Mcglen of Providence II enjoyed the preview event and commented, "On Top of the World is the perfect place to live!" "The models are beautiful; I made the right choice in moving here in November."

In addition to exciting, visible changes in the neighborhoods, there is renewed enthusiasm throughout our amenity rich, master planned community. If you missed the grand opening celebration, stop by the new sales center at 447 SW 99th Street Road and tour the furnished models to see what's new.

It's always a great day at On Top of the World Communities. You get to enjoy this lifestyle every day, now it is time your friends and family get to enjoy your world too. Let everyone know they can call (352) 854-3600 to get more information, or visit the new website at www.on-top-of-the-world-communities.com.



Photo by Greg Wise

Residents attend the preview event on Monday, March 17.

On Top of the World NEWS

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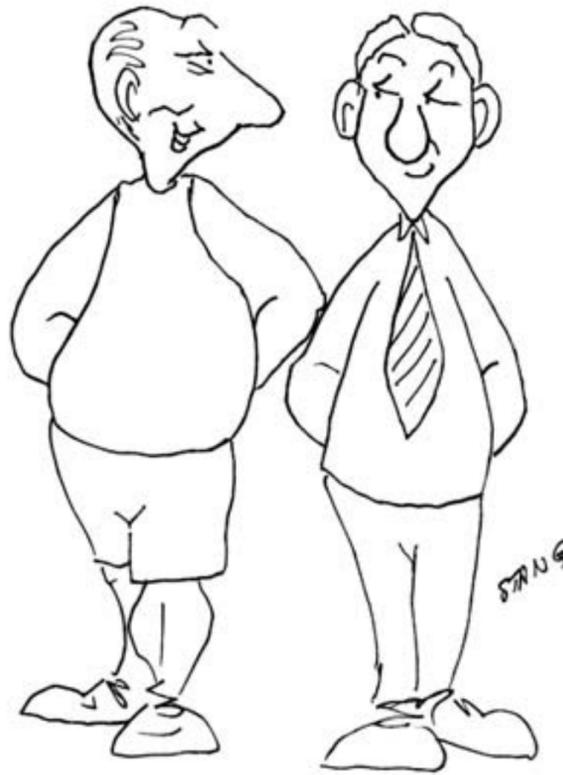
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GOLDEN OLDIES HUMOR

By Stan Goldstein



Distant relatives are the best kind.



Is It Legal?

By Gerald Colen

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Q. I am the personal representative of my sister's estate. She has four children; one lives in (an eastern state) and is on some kind of welfare. This child has requested that the disbursement from the estate be held up in order to protect the welfare assistance. Can I do this?

A. You are obligated to comply with the provisions of your sister's last will and testament and that means you should do what the will says you should do with the disbursement to that particular child. Since

I am not familiar with the laws of the state you mentioned, (and anyway, I do not practice law there) I am not able to advise you as to what steps, if any at all, you can take to protect the child's welfare assistance. Perhaps, you should inform the child that you must comply with the will and if he/she has an attorney who can suggest something different that attorney must contact you to explain what might be considered. I would strongly suggest that anything the attorney might propose should be in writing and then your attorney should review it. This is a very complicated area of the law and if you are going to do anything other than what your sister's will dictates, you should act with extreme caution.

Q. I was involved in an automobile accident that was not my fault. The other driver was cited for reckless driving. My injuries are severe and I know I can sue the other driver but can I do it in such a way that if it is not settled before an actual trial, I can just forget about it? I don't want to

go to court.

A. I do not handle personal injury matters, but my associate, attorney Rachel Wagoner does. She told me to say that it is always a mistake to engage in litigation with the intention of stopping it if it doesn't get settled. Attorneys for insurance companies are smart enough to understand that elderly folks do not relish the thought of actually going to trial. As a result, they play "hardball" as long as they can. Thus it is best to keep that in mind because if you are going to file a lawsuit, you should be willing to take the matter to trial. Rachel added that, of course, most lawsuits do settle prior to trial. It's just that the filing of a lawsuit is a serious step and if you file one, you should do so under the assumption that the case certainly may wind up in the courtroom.

Q. I see that you are posting comments on twitter.com. I've looked into it but have always been afraid of hackers. What do you think?

A. Thanks for looking at my postings on Twitter. I'm having fun doing them and I try to keep them related to estate planning tips. Of course, everyone should be worried about being hacked. I certainly am and as a result, I don't put any personal information on Twitter and never will do that. I try to protect myself but I also want to enjoy the things I do.

Q. If I am married, must I leave my husband or his children from his previous marriage anything or can I just leave ev-

erything I have to my children from my second marriage? I don't have children from my first marriage.

A. Unless you have a pre-nuptial or a post-nuptial agreement, Florida law will not let you disinherit a spouse. With a pre-nuptial or a post-nuptial agreement, yes, you can cut him out completely, so long as the pre- or post-nuptial says that you can do that. You must discuss this with your attorney. However, you do not have to leave his children anything at all.

Q. Are there questions that are sent to you that you won't print?

A. Absolutely! I won't print anything that does not belong in a family-oriented newspaper and I won't print anything that is bigoted or derogatory towards anything else. I've been writing this column for many years, so by now, I have become used to questions that are not appropriate for the paper. Of course, if I don't have the answer to a particular question because it is totally outside of my and Rachel Wagoner's expertise, I won't print that type of question either.

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All Around Our World

By Lynette Vermillion

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Spring is in the air and I am looking forward to this season. The landscape starts to bloom and the community is absolutely beautiful. When the new landscape on SW 99th Street Road is completed, it will be a welcome sight, when you return home via that gate.

Dogs in Vehicles

I was recently at a nearby shopping center on one of the warmer days we've been experiencing, and as I was walking into the store, I heard a barking dog coming from one of the vehicles. I found the vehicle and saw that the windows were barely cracked and the animal appeared distressed. After trying to locate the owners by going to some of the customers, I had the store make an announcement over their loudspeaker describing the vehicle and northern license plate. I ended up leaving the store feeling very frustrated and returned to check on the dog. Finally, after some time, the owners came out with bags in hand. The dog was rescued, and this time seemed to be okay.

After this experience, I wanted to take a moment to remind all dog owners never to leave their animal(s) in closed up vehicles even with the windows cracked. Even though it may not feel very warm to you, temperatures rise very quickly in closed up vehicles and it only takes a matter of minutes for your animal to get distressed and even perish. I know we think we will

run in and out of the store in five minutes, but that can turn into ten. It may be too late when you return to your car. I can't say it enough, please do not leave your animals in vehicles unattended.

Ocala Open

The Candler Hills Golf Course hosted the eighth annual Ocala Open, March 12 through March 14, and it was a huge success. Many thanks to the resident volunteers, sponsors and employees who helped make this year's Ocala Open yet another success. This type of event couldn't be done without this great support from all and we look forward to doing it all again next year! We had 156 players in the field the first two days of the Open and 55 when the field was narrowed down on the third and final day of play. We are very thankful that the weather for all three days of tournament play was great (after we made it through the rain on the first morning). The wind kicked up the first afternoon of play adding a little extra challenge to the game.

We were happy to see Travis Hampshire, our 2008 and 2013 champion, as well as Yohann Benson, our 2012 champion, in the field. Congratulations to Patrick Sheehan who won the first place prize of \$12,000.

We were able to raise \$50,000 for charity - Hospice of Marion County, Inc., and Interfaith Emergency Services. We were very excited that we raised more money for our charities this year over last year. Each charity received \$25,000 and both entities provide a benefit and support such a huge need in our community. To date, we have raised \$290,000 for our charities.

Duke Energy Program Available

Residents in the Americana, Friendship and Crescent Ridge neighborhoods have the opportunity to participate in

an energy saving program through your electricity provider. Duke Energy will pay up to \$100 as an incentive for you to add insulation to the attic in your house. By adding insulation, you will increase energy-efficiency and keep your home more comfortable year-round. You will also receive energy saving tips from a Duke representative. Duke continues to offer the free air conditioning duct sealing program as well. Please contact Claudia Fredette with Duke directly at 727-409-6376 and she will set up the appointment.

Water Restrictions Change

Now that we are observing Daylight Saving Time, watering may return to twice per week. It is recommended that you check your irrigation system for proper coverage, leaks and head adjustment if you are not already doing so monthly. Your irrigation system should be set to water half to three-quarters of an inch each watering application. If you have not checked your rain sensor lately, please take time to make sure it is functioning properly. Not maintaining the irrigation system may have a negative impact on the lawn, and stressed grass attracts weeds, disease, and insects. Please refer to www.otowinfo.com for your specific scheduled days and times.

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 April 16 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.

Telephone Directory and Recycling

The new community telephone directory is now available at the Arbor Club and you may be wondering what to do with the old one. Please dispose of it in one of the single stream recycling units located at the waste disposal areas throughout the community.

I want to thank Waste Management for coming to our rescue when our current recycler pulled their boxes without notice. Within a week, we had additional single stream recycling boxes. Thank you Waste Management.

Sharing Paths

We've addressed this matter several times in the past, but we continue to receive calls from residents who are concerned and ask that residents be reminded that there are areas where the sidewalk and paths are shared. If you are in a golf cart and come up on a walker or bicyclist, please slow down and make sure that they

are aware that you are about to pass them.

Community Clean-up Day/Earth Day

Our second community clean-up day is scheduled for Tuesday, April 22, which is also Earth Day. During this time, residents will be asked to participate by making sure their property is in good order and in compliance with the rules. The community Rules and Standards may be viewed online at www.otowinfo.com. Once you choose your community, click on Rules and Community Standards.

Our goal is to have residents, who have installed items or made changes to the exterior of their homes without modification, to take this time to voluntarily bring their homes into compliance with the current Rules and Regulations. This means that, if you have installed a satellite dish, an excess amount of lawn ornaments, a flag pole, or landscaping, etc. and haven't received prior approval from the Architectural Review Board (ARB), that you will either need to remove the items or apply for a modification to have them approved.

Staff will be available to help residents who are physically unable to trim owner landscape or with removal of items not in compliance. Residents requiring assistance are asked to contact 236-OTOW (6869). Lawn furnishings may be disposed of in any compactor, or any open top dumpster suitable for such items, located within the community. We will also have an area set up that day to dispose of household furniture, not including appliances.

We are also bringing in other vendors such as Enviro-Shred and Relectrocycle, the electronic recycling company. Please watch the community TV channel or visit www.otowinfo.com for more information as the day draws near. There are also activities planned on The Town Square to celebrate Earth Day.

We thank everyone for their willingness to participate, as the clean-up day is about all of us taking pride in our community and creating a sense of community mindedness for residents and employees alike. Our goal is to work together to enhance the community and help our neighbors.

Lamppost Bulb Replacement

We are still receiving requests from residents to remind those of you whose lamppost bulb needs replacing to please do so. We thank you in advance for doing so. If you are unable to change the bulb, please contact Customer Service for help on community clean-up day.

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Dick Vullo from Dancin' On the Top presents a \$500 donation check to Dolly Rodriguez, health director of Ocala's Ritz Veterans Village, with Sonja Coyco, Maria Caban, and Robert Thomas, property manager.

Dance Club Donations

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

The Dancin' On the Top dance committee recently made three donations to various local organizations between their New Year's Eve and Valentine's Day dances. Donations in the amount of \$500 each were presented to Ocala's Ritz Veterans Village by the dance club's president, Dick Vullo; Kathy Younce, club treasurer, presented a check to Marion County's Homeless Children and Youth Programs; and Vice President Paul McIntyre presented a donation check to Hospice of Marion County's Legacy House.

The dance club holds five dances a year in the Health & Recreation Ballroom utilizing live dance music and providing snacks and hors d'oeuvres at each dance. For additional information, check out the monthly Ballroom Dance Club column in the World News.

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2013 Quality Water Report

Bay Laurel Center Community Development District
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The Bay Laurel Center Community Development District is very pleased to provide you with this year's annual Water Quality Report. We want to keep you informed about the excellent water and services we have delivered to you over the past year. Our goal is, and always has been, to provide to you a safe and dependable supply of drinking water.

Bay Laurel Center Community Development District routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to federal and state laws, rules, and regulations. Except where indicated otherwise, this report is based on the results of our monitoring for the period of Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2013. Data obtained before Jan. 1, 2013, and presented in this report are from the most recent testing done in accordance with the laws, rules, and regulations.

Our seven groundwater wells draw their water from the pristine Floridan Aquifer. We add chlorine to the water for disinfection purposes. We are pleased to report that our drinking water meets all federal and state requirements.

In 2013, the Department of Environmental Protection performed a Source Water Assessment on our system and a search of the data sources indicated no potential sources of contamination near our wells. The assessment showed no contamination at this time in the source of the seven wells. The assessment results are available on the FDEP Source Water Assessment and Protection Program website at www.dep.state.fl.us/swapp.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Bryan Schmalz at (352) 414-5454, ext. 4105. We encourage our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please contact our business offices during the hours of 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

In the table to the right, you will find terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms, we've provided the following definitions:

ACTION LEVEL (AL): The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

CDC: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

EPA: Environmental Protection Agency

MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL (MCL): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL GOAL (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

N/A: Not applicable.

ND: Not detected and indicates that the substance was not found by laboratory analysis.

PARTS PER BILLION (PPB) OR MICROGRAMS PER LITER (µg/l): One part by weight of analyte to one billion parts by weight of the water sample.

PARTS PER MILLION (PPM) OR MILLIGRAMS PER LITER (MG/l): One part by weight of analyte to one million parts by weight of the water sample.

PICOCURIE PER LITER (PCI/L): Measure of the radioactivity in water.

INITIAL DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM EVALUATION (IDSE): An important part of the Stage 2 Disinfection Byproducts Rule (DBPR). The IDSE is a one-time study conducted by water systems to identify distribution system locations with high concentrations of trihalomethanes (THMs) and haloacetic acids (HAAs).

Water systems will use results from the IDSE, in conjunction with their Stage 1 DBPR compliance monitoring data, to select compliance monitoring locations for the Stage 2 DBPR.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Bay Laurel Center Community Development District is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to two minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, testing methods and steps you can take to minimize exposure are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safe-water/lead>.

NON-SECONDARY CONTAMINANTS TABLE							
** Results in the Level Detected column for radiological contaminants, inorganic contaminants, synthetic organic contaminants including pesticides and herbicides, and volatile organic contaminants are the highest average at any of the sampling points or the highest detected level at any sampling point, depending on the sampling frequency.							
Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Dates of Sampling (mo./yr.)	MCL Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range of Results	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Radioactive Contaminants							
Radium 226 or combined radium (pCi/l)	7/08	N	0.9	0.40 - 0.90	0	5	Erosion of natural deposits
Inorganic Contaminants							
Arsenic (ppb)	1/11	N	0.50	0.5 - 0.5	N/A	10	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards, runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
Nitrate (as nitrogen) (ppm)	1/13	N	2.20	1.91 - 2.20	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Sodium (ppm)	1/11	N	6.9	6.4 - 6.9	N/A	160	Salt water intrusion, leaching from soil
Barium (ppm)	1/11	N	.005	.005 - .0005	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Lead (point of entry) (ppb)	1/11	N	1.5	1.5 - .50	N/A	15	Residue from man-made pollution such as auto emissions and paint; lead pipe, casing, and solder
STAGE 1 DISINFECTANT AND DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS							
For bromate, chloramines, or chlorine, the level detected is the highest running annual average (RAA), computed quarterly, of monthly averages of all samples collected. For haloacetic acids or TTHM, the level detected is the highest RAA, computed quarterly, of quarterly averages of all samples collected if the system is monitoring quarterly or is the average of all samples taken during the year if the system monitors less frequently than quarterly. Range of Results is the range of individual sample results (lowest to highest) for all monitoring locations, including Initial Distribution System Evaluation (IDSE) results as well as Stage 1 compliance results.							
Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Dates of Sampling (mo./yr.)	MCL Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range of Results	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
HAA5 Total haloacetic acids (ppb)	08/13	N	1.41	1.35 - 1.41	N/A	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
TTHM Total trihalomethanes (ppb)	08/13	N	7.79	6.10 - 7.79	N/A	80	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Chlorine (ppm)	1-12/2013	N	1.60	1.19 - 1.77	4	4.0	Water additive used to control microbes
LEAD AND COPPER							
Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Dates of Sampling (mo./yr.)	AL Violation Y/N	90th Percentile Result	No. of Sampling Sites Exceeding the AL	MCLG	AL (Action Level)	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper (ppm)	7 - 8/2011	N	1.0	1	1.3	1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits, leaching from wood preservatives
Lead (ppb)	7 - 8/2011	N	7.5	0	0	15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

MCLs are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink two liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly persons, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their

health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791.

We at Bay Laurel Center Community Development District would like you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to insuring the quality of your water. If you have any questions or concerns about the information provided, please feel free to call any of the numbers listed.

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4. Check in regularly with the trusted neighbor or friend while you are gone.
5. Turn off the electric to the hot water heater.
6. Make sure the air conditioner is properly serviced by a professional before departing. This includes a drain line flush. Drain line flushing should be done at least twice a year to prevent condensate flooding your home. Air filters require monthly attention and can be changed by the owner.
7. Leave the thermostat set at between 78°F to 80°F, this helps regulate humidity in the home and prevent the occurrence of mold or mildew.
8. If you plan on being gone for several months, you may wish to consult an air conditioning professional about adding a humidistat to ensure optimal humidity levels in the home.
9. Make sure your homeowner's insurance policy is current and covers both damage from wind, water, and mold. In most cases this is now an added rider on the policy.



Lions Club

By Dianne Lovely

The second annual Recycled Trashy Fashion Show is just around the corner!

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COMMUNITY NEWS & UPDATE

By Kenneth D. Colen, Publisher

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new hours on the Town Square begin. Enjoy the warmer weather and entertainment, dancing and hanging out with your friends from 7 to 10 p.m. In addition, there are a few events that should pique your interest ... a Folk Festival on Saturday, April 12, from 4 to 9 p.m., where you'll enjoy professional folk dancers, live demonstrations of spinning wool, wood carving, antiques and more. Good food is also an ever-present staple of a festival on The Town Square.

Tuesday, April 22, an Earth Day Celebration from 9 a.m. to noon will include vendors with eco-friendly offerings, educational demonstrations about the land, water, and air. The band, Smith Brothers, will entertain throughout the event.

Saturday, April 26, is World Tai Chi Day. Come out and watch a group participation gathering of Tai Chi. Even if you don't currently practice Tai Chi, see what it's all about. You are welcome to take advantage of the many opportunities to feel your best with this great exercise technique. Everyone's favorite band, Second Slice, will rock The Town Square that evening from 7 to 10 p.m.

Circle Square Cultural Center

We are sorry to report the cancellation of the America concert scheduled for Friday, April 4. The agent contacted us to let us know that the lead singer required a medical procedure and would not be able to perform. In the world of entertainment, occasionally this happens. We're as disappointed as many of you are, as this promised to be a real entertainment highlight. If you have purchased tickets, your money will be refunded. Feel free to contact the ticket office at 854-3670 or drop by the ticket office Monday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Everyone's favorite art show, Hands Across the Highway, takes place on Saturday, April 5, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fantastic local art will be on display. Who knows, you might even want to own a masterpiece for a great price! This is a free event!

The World As It Is

The regional and state real estate markets are looking brighter as selling prices climb. It is an axiom that a home must sell for a home to be bought. Villas in the older sections of the community have been rising in resale values lately, as in other neighborhoods and communities.

Marion County saw a positive change in home prices in the fourth quarter of 2013 with a rise of 7.8% (Source: National Realtors Assoc.). CNN Money predicts a change in home prices in the Ocala Metropolitan Statistical Area measured from the third quarter, 2013 - third quarter, 2014 of +12.2%. Compared to an 8.5% increase during the same period for 2012-2013, is evidence of a continuing trend (Source: Your Local Forecast: CNN Money). Generally, more Americans expect home prices to increase in the coming months, according to Fannie Mae's February 2014 National Housing Survey. The good news is that available inventory is down as well. So the trend is solid.

Finally, sales of foreclosed properties continue at a significantly lower percentage of home sales in Marion County over last year. In other words, the backlog of foreclosed properties is decreasing and overall supply is narrowing (finally). So the takeaway for residents is that if you currently have your home listed for sale, you may want to hold tight on the price and not be so inclined to negotiate away your value.



One Blood Bloodmobile

By Sara Sommer

The Big Red Bus will be at On Top of the World again on Monday, April 7. The bus will be in the Recreation Center parking lot from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Hopefully,

we will have a nice spring day for our blood drive.

Please bring a photo ID with you. Each donor will receive a mini physical and a blue OneBlood t-shirt. You will also get your name printed in my next month's column. The good news is your donation will save up to three lives. The snowbirds will be leaving soon. This may be your last chance to give before the fall. You won't want to miss out. See you on the bus.

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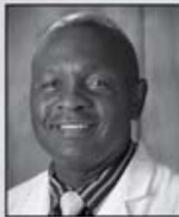
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Food For Thought

By Sandy Curtis

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Spring is a wonderful time of year and, as we move forward in hospitality, we bring you some great upcoming events this month.

The Dinner for Two, on Monday nights, menu has changed, as we bring to you some of your favorites from the past. Come to Candler Hills Restaurant and let us take care of you for the evening. This meal includes two entrees and two non-alcoholic beverages for only \$20 plus tax and gratuity.

It's a pajama party on our next Girls Night Out. Let's see who has the craziest

bedroom slippers. Remember, it's always the third Tuesday of the month from 7 to 9 p.m. The cost is only \$15 and it includes your appetizers, two alcoholic drinks plus your tax and gratuity. It's always a fun night for all.

One of my favorite days of the year is right around the corner. On Sunday, April 20, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., come and celebrate Easter with us at Candler Hills Restaurant. We will offer a limited menu on this day. Reservations are recommended, so give us a call at 861-9720 and let us make this day special for you.

Lights, camera, action! Come and spend a night with the stars. Dress up as your favorite actor, actress or celebrity couple and walk the red carpet to an unforgettable dinner. Wine and dine yourself on Tuesday, April 29, from 5 to 7 p.m. Photographers will be all around. The spotlight will be on you. More details to come through an e-mail blast and flyers throughout the community. Reservations are recommended.



Model Railroaders

By Jim Lynam

Here are the ingredients: eight grown men, super glue, white glue, hot glue guns, copper wire, soldering irons, sticks, and ground foam of various colors.

This recipe represents a potential disaster in the making with all that glue and hot, skin-burning tools. However, these are the materials necessary to create exquisite trees and foliage for the model railroad layout. Jack Johnston served as the facilitator for the building session and explained that there is a learning curve when manufacturing trees. And sure enough Jack was correct. It was downright comedy to view some of the first attempts. Some of the trees looked like they grew upside down, while others only had "leaves" on one side! Gradually the members began to "get it right" and the creations actually appeared to resemble the real life objects.

When the group was finished for the day, there were a dozen new trees and bushes ready to be placed on the layout. By the way, does anyone know how to separate fingers that have been super glued together and remove the glue from arms and clothes? But the main accomplishment of the afternoon was a great deal of discussion, teasing and laughs among the modelers.

As a result of the overwhelming interest from the open House and the Club Fair, the Model Railroaders Club will waive the initiation fee for anyone who joins the club before June 30. This is a great incentive for anyone with an interest in model railroading to join the club. The layout is located in a room with entry from the Recreation Center fitness center.

The club members work in the layout room on the first and third Tuesday from 1 to 4 p.m. and in Suite G of the Arbor Conference Center on the second and fourth 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 Hobby Building. Everyone is welcome!



Italian American Club

By Carole Dymond

This month's meeting was held at Sammy's Pizza & Restaurant and as usual, the food was great as well as the fellowship.

Vince Minniti suggested it would be fun to take a trip during the summer and asked the club to put on their thinking caps and bring ideas to the next meeting. One possibility was to spend several days in Biloxi, Miss. either enjoying the beach or trying to beat the machines at the casinos.

Helen DeLuca announced that several members have attended the Italian film series sponsored by Master the Possibilities. As of this writing, the series ended this month; however, look for the new listing of movies in the next catalog.

Tuesday, April 1 will be the last meeting before we take summer break. We will try our luck at horseracing followed by snacks. Coffee will be provided.

Hope to see you there.

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Keeping It Green

By Phillip B. Hisey

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Spring has sprung, and it is one of the nicest I've seen in a long time.

On Sunday, March 9, we went back to Daylight Saving Time which means your irrigation controllers may now be set to water twice per week on your allotted days and corresponding start times. For more information on watering schedules, please go to www.otowinfo.com.

If your landscape irrigation is equipped with the Solar Sync Rain Sensor, you will begin to see the run times and percentage of seasonal adjustment going up to allot for the increased amount of evapotranspiration (ET). ET is the amount of water evaporated into the atmosphere and what the plant is transpiring. Solar Sync measures sunlight and temperature, and uses ET to determine the correct seasonal ad-

justment percentage value to send to the controller. If your landscape irrigation does not include the Solar Sync technology, monitor your lawn and landscape to determine the necessary level of water to apply.

Whether you have an ET sensor or not, your grass may be your best indicator on how much water to apply. Dry, stressed grass will have a bluish-grey color and will lie down if you walk on it, it will also fold up along the middle of the blade. As for how much water you apply to your lawn, think of your lawn as a cup - you can only pour so much water into a cup before it overflows - the same is true for your lawn and this is known as field capacity. Understanding your field capacity is important for managing the health of your lawn and also for monitoring your water use.

Lawn pests such as grubs and chinch bugs are active this time of year. Make sure you are getting adequate coverage and product out when treating these pests. If using a liquid, your application needs to be applied according to the labeled rate; but enough needs to be applied to penetrate through the grass and soil to achieve maximum efficiency. Make sure your pest control companies are rotating their chemical classes to avoid pesticide resistance.

Enjoy the spring weather.

There will be an ice cream social at the April meeting to celebrate the elections. We will also have sign up sheets for our annual box lunch in May to finish our club's season. All details will be available at the April meeting. See you there.



American Jewish Club

By Carol Aronoff

When you read this we will have had our Purim party, Hamantashin and all including the little play your board presented. I hope you enjoyed it. We also have the nominees for officers and board members for next year. Elections will be held at this month's meeting and the elected will be inducted in May.

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Advanced first place: Peeking.



Photo by ShutterBug Robert Durst
Advanced second place: Bryant Park, New York City.

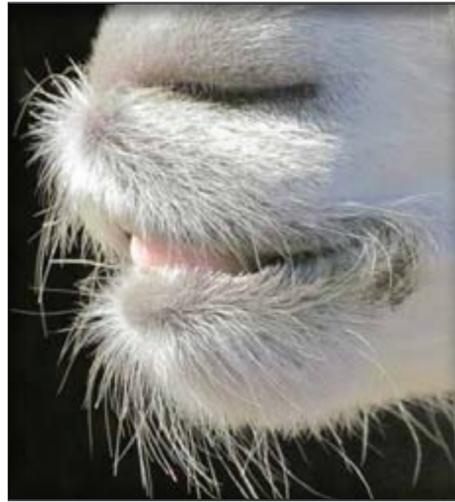


Photo by ShutterBug Margaret Edmiston
Advanced third place: Whiskers.



ShutterBugs Photography

By Marilyn Cronin

For beginners in photography, composition can be an obstacle. Even when you have all the technical skills, it can be difficult to compose a photo that is pleasing to the eye. Composition can be personal.

Many photographers, beginners in particular, are not happy with the way their photos look, but often they can't quite put their finger on why.

The best-known composition rule is the rule of thirds. This rule suggests your composition be divided into a nine-part grid, by running two lines horizontally (a third from the top and a third from the bottom) and two lines vertically (a third from the left and a third from the right). According to the rule, large objects (trees, buildings, etc.) should be placed on these

lines, and small objects are most effective if positioned where the lines intersect.

This gives photos a balanced look. Objects seem to appear exactly where your eye expects to find them. When you build a composition around the rule of thirds, your photo satisfies the viewer's natural sense of proportion.

Some people have a flair for creative composition that doesn't need to be guided by rules. However, if you were to examine their photos, you would be sure to find that most of their photos fit the rule perfectly.

The rule of thirds is an excellent place to start if you are struggling with composition. I recommend that every photographer learn it, practice it – get so familiar with it that you start to apply it without even thinking. Then, once you are truly comfortable with the rule of thirds, ignore it sometimes.

The real world is not nearly so neatly organized as the rule of thirds. Being creative means finding your own way to express the character of a subject, which may not always require a traditional approach.

Sometimes composition is influenced

by circumstances, i.e., a sunset photo. The sky can be truly spectacular. Drop the horizon very low so the colors of the sky fill the frame. Setting the horizon a third of the way up would mean about one third of the picture could be black. This would be wasted space that added nothing to the photo; it would diminish the impact of the sky.

Ignoring the rule of thirds is not the same thing as not being aware of it. In each case, when taking a photo, consider the rule of thirds and judge whether its application will make your photo better or worse. If you choose to ignore it, it should be a deliberate method of adding impact to the composition.

This was adapted from Living With (and Without) the Rule of Thirds, an article by Andrew Goodall.

The ShutterBugs meet every Tuesday at 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. We also have a field trip at least once a month, but some months our field trips take place on the weekend or even overnight. Annual fee is \$12. For more information, contact Gary Uhley at guhley@cfl.rr.com.

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Birders' Beat

By Anne Merrick

On Friday, Feb. 28, the Unique Birders

went to Emerald Marsh Conservation Area. We hadn't been there for a couple of years and usually go for the water birds. St. Johns Water Management District has let all the open water areas become overgrown so the area is not as attractive for the birds anymore. However, it was a really great day for a ride and walk.

Wood Duck Wildlife Drive is a long rambling drive with many stops for walking and is a very pretty place, not only for birds but for native plants as well. Fifty-seven species of birds were identified either visually or by call. Thanks to Melanie Vittitow for setting this up and arranging lunch at Pasta Faire in Belleview, which was excellent.

Our next outing and last for the year will be to Tusawilla Park right here in Downtown Ocala. We also visited this park a couple of years ago and had a fun time, taking a brown bag lunch with us. Conrad and Ann Massa will lead this trip on Friday, April 11. We will leave from the staging area under the large tree in the Recreation Center parking lot around 8 a.m.; don't forget your lunch. As usual, you may contact Anne at 732-0706 for more information.



Photo by Al Lippman

Savannah sparrow.

Visually Impaired

By Lee Wagner

For our next meeting on Tuesday, April 8, at 1:30 p.m., at the Arbor Conference Center Suite H, our speaker will be Joe Pine of the Miami-Dade Metro Crime Unit. He will tell us all about the latest scams. There is so much to learn about this subject and we are really lucky to have someone with Mr. Pine's experience in this field to come and talk to us about it.

We welcome residents who are interested in this subject to come and listen to what he has to say. We especially welcome the visually impaired and their caregivers to attend. Anyone with questions, please call Lee Wagner at 237-4843 for information.

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Square Dancing

By Walter Lamp

On Saturday, March 1, the music and atmosphere of Mardi Gras made its visit to the Recreation Ballroom. With festive decorations, masks and beads for one and all, we had a highflying time. The caller was Nick Hartley from Texas, via Indiana. His fast-paced calling and singing set the pace for the evening. Nick is always one of our favorite guest callers. And the grand finale was none other than "When the Saints Go Marching In." With hands raised, we ended the evening on a real fast-paced, happy note.

On Tuesday, March 11, we had our annual celebration of St. Patrick's Day. With many outfits, including green hats for the gents, the holiday was complete. We had green decorations, along with some corned beef and cabbage, for those who wanted some. And, of course, Don and Loretta Hanhurst played many Irish favorites.

March was a busy month for banner visits. First, Recreational Plantation came here to retrieve their banner. We had just

taken theirs a few weeks ago. Then, on Wednesday, March 12, we travelled to Belleview and visited Friendly Squares to take away their banner.

On Monday, March 24, we travelled down to Royal Squares in Leesberg to get our banner back. On Tuesday, March 25, Friendly Squares and Cloverleaf Leprechauns, from Brooksville, came here to both retrieve their banners. It was a fun filled and packed the Arbor Club Ballroom. There were lots of nice folks we hadn't seen for a while.

On Friday and Saturday, March 21 and 22, many of the club members, along with other dancers from around central Florida, came to enjoy the calling and dancing of the Shamrock Swings in The Villages. There were two out-of-state callers and one cuer. Of course, the color of the night was green.

On Tuesday, April 1, we will be having our first Circle Squares club picnic. It will be a potluck type of dinner, with hopefully a great night outside.

On Thursday, April 10, we will be holding our annual meeting for elections for the upcoming year and any other club business that may be brought up.

On Tuesday, April 15, our monthly theme dance is "Empty Pockets." This being tax day, some of the dancers come in run down outfits depicting their situation after paying taxes just for fun.

it is to learn. First, be with friends; peer pressure keeps us trying to be better. Second, be able to see and hear the instructor. Lastly, we are visual animals; when we hear step right, we respond slowly but if we hear and see someone step right, we respond more quickly. It helps to see others doing what we want to do.

Most of our dances turn around the room. You start a dance facing one direction and each repeat of the pattern you are facing a new direction. If you stand in the back row or on the end of the line, at some point you will be in the front row looking at a blank wall with no one to watch and follow. Move to the center and surround yourself with good dancers who are always willing to help.

Stepping in a set pattern to the beat of the music in a line with your friends is fun. Come dance with us.

For detailed information, please contact Marilyn McNeal (newcomer, beginner and improver plus) at 804-1546; Nancy Carmack (intermediate) at 533-8870; Janice Meade (level two) at 861-9345; or Bob Ferguson (level two) at 873-4478.

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Ballet Club

By Eugenie Martin

Spring is here at last, and with it, lighter, more form-fitting clothes. Are you in shape for this?

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flexible and generally better looking and feeling.

Our free classes are held at the Arbor Club Exercise Studio next to the indoor pool. Class times are Mondays from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 2:15 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 to 10:15 a.m.

Newcomers are always welcome. To start, all you need are exercise clothes, socks and a bottle of water. It is a good idea to call first, so we will be expecting you. For any information on the Ballet Club or our classes, please call me at 854-8589. Happy spring and happy dancing!



Ballroom Dance Club

By Richard P. Vullo

On Saturday, April 19, the "Dancin' On the Top" Committee will hold its annual Spring Fling dance at the Recreation Ballroom for its members and guests. The very popular couple, Automatic, will provide musical entertainment.

Our new season of five dances will start on Saturday, Sept. 20. It will be a beach party theme with the musical group RetroExpress.

For more information about becoming a member of the Ballroom Dance Club

or attending our dances, please call Gene Melnick at 304-8293.

We're going into our eighth month of ballroom dance lessons with Trish Sands at the Ocala Health Senior Health & Wellness Center, next to the Customer Service Office outside the main gate. For more information, please call Dick Vullo at 854-6772 or Trish Sands at 216-1657.

There are many local venues that provide dancing opportunities throughout the year. For more information about dance lessons and dance venues, please check the website for USA Dance: www.usadanceocala.com. For dancers seeking to join a local private dance club providing a monthly opportunity to ballroom dance, consider the Ocala Dance Club. Information is available through Google at Ocala Dance Club.



Line Dancing

By George Conklin

In March, we sprang forward with Daylight Saving Time and some warm weather! We continue to dance at The Town Square on Fridays and Saturdays at 7 p.m., at Happy Hour on Fridays at the Arbor Club Ballroom and our second Wednesday of the month line dance in the Arbor Club Ballroom.

We had great attendance at both the Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day dances in February and March. These second Wednesday of the month dances are the most fun because it gives all levels a chance to dance together sometimes with a split floor, two dances at the same time and sometimes altogether. We want the newcomers to learn as many dances as they can so they can dance with us.

When we are learning a new dance in class, where we stand on the dance floor can make a big difference on how easy

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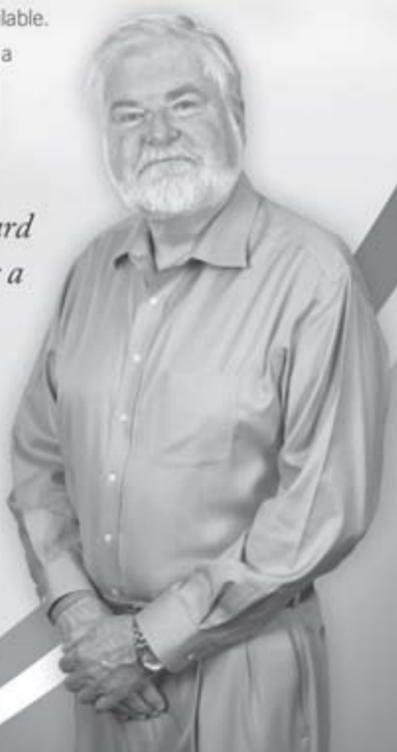


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Sidekicks Western Dance Club

By Tony & Carla Magri

There was a sea of red in the Recreation Ballroom on Tuesday, Feb. 18 when the Sidekicks held their Valentine's Day Dance. Club members were joined by our guests, our counterparts from Stone Creek, for dinner and dancing. We were all greeted by beautiful decorations upon our arrival, thanks to Jean Hester and her helpers. Member photos were interspersed among the decorations and everyone enjoyed seeing themselves in various stages of dance.

After our group picture (yes, more photos) we got down to dancing with both beginners and intermediates taking the floor and joining together for a mixer. Then it was a break for our pizza meal and a return

to the dance floor to finish the evening. It was a great party and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Our beginners have learned a lot so far this dance year. For those who have never danced before, they have discovered many different dance rhythms such as waltz, polka, rumba, cha cha, etc. They have also found out about basic dance floor etiquette and where on the dance floor each type of dance rhythm should be performed. They have mastered 12 different dances and are well on their way to many more in the future.

Our intermediate dancers continue to learn new dances and re-learn old ones that haven't been done for awhile and their interest and enthusiasm continues to grow. All club members are always willing to help each other and we continue to have great times when we get together.

Please visit us online at <http://patterndancers.wix.com/sidekicks> or on www.youtube.com/ro67ger. Happy trails ...



Photo by Roger Schwartz

Members of the Sidekicks Western Dance Club before their Valentine's Day Dance on Tuesday, Feb. 18.



Citizens Emergency Response Team

By Patricia A. Woodbury

At the end of last year, the Bureau of Emergency Management published new Standard Operating Guidelines and Concept of Operations for Marion County Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). During our March meeting, the members reviewed this document.

It was nice to learn that these guide-

lines were not too different from what the On Top of the World CERT had already established in its mission statement and by-laws. A couple of points are important for residents to know. For example, the primary intent of the trained CERT members is to assist their communities when a disaster occurs. This is when there is a large-scale emergency involving multiple dwellings.

CERT can only respond to a mass emergency under the instructions of the Bureau of Emergency Management. In the case of a hurricane, there is usually a 24 to 48 hour notice, so plans can be made. However, in the event of a tornado, where there is little warning, the CERT

members would have to notify the Bureau of Emergency Management, indicating the damage, and await instructions from the CERT Coordinator.

The focus on team training and practice cannot be over emphasized. A team that frequently drills, trains, and rehearses on a regular basis is more effective and efficient in a real disaster.

The On Top of the World CERT will have an opportunity on Saturday, April 26 to participate in a countywide CERT drill at the Bureau of Emergency Management. This drill is designed to exercise all CERT Teams on the functions they will face during a disaster. Teams will participate in functions like triage, treatment, damage

assessment, wide area search operations, search and rescue and more. CERT members will be building skills and networking with the other teams from around the county.

CERT also has the opportunity to attend the annual Marion County Sheriff's Office Foundation Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, Thursday, April 24 at the Ocala Livestock Pavilion.

The next meeting of CERT is scheduled for Tuesday, April 8.

CERT meets the second Tuesday of the month at 9 a.m. in Suites E and F of the Arbor Conference Center. Persons interested in learning more about CERT are welcome to attend these meetings or contact Pat at 854-8718.



Native Plant Group

By Ron Broman

This is one of those, "I'm not exactly sure; but I think so," columns. You'll see

what I mean.

Prunus alabamensis, Alabama Cherry, is found growing as a native in southeastern United States, including the western panhandle of Florida. In all of my resources, including Trees of Florida by Gil Nelson, it states, "Uncommon in sandy, pine-oak woodlands; panhandle from at least the east side of the Apalachicola River westward."

The genus name, Prunus, derives from a work by Linnaeus in 1737, equating "plum" and "prune" from the Latin, "prunum" (not native Latin, though, but a language "on loan" from the Greek "pronoun" or "prounnon").

Essentially the cherries, and their cousins the plums, kumquats, peaches, etc. are all "stone fruit."

Wikipedia states, "The earliest known fossil Prunus specimens are wood, drupe [fleshy fruit] and seed, and a leaf from the middle Eocene period" about 40 million years ago, well before most of our primate ancestors existed.

So what about the specimen in the Garden of Weedin? How did it get there?

About 10 years ago, I bought a plant at the native plant sale at Morningside Park in Gainesville, Fla. It was about a foot tall and labeled Prunus alabamensis. I planted it in the garden and forgot about it.

Then I got to wonder if it had died. Several years have passed and I look at this tree, now about 50-feet tall, more carefully. The flowers are blooming, and there are shiny new green leaves. Am I or am I not almost sure that Prunus alabamensis

has survived?

The flowers look like their cousin Prunus serotina, Black Cherry, as the book says they should resemble: white, less than .5 cm wide, borne on single leaf axils in racemes, (groups of flowers). The Black Cherry leaves are darker and the flowers are in more dense clusters; but it's clear they are related.

The problem is that earlier in this column I wrote, "uncommon ..."

Oh, and one more thing, my sources all indicate Alabama Cherry is, often small and misshaped. (Small can mean up to 12-13 meters, almost 40 feet.) I told you already how tall it is, and it's straight as the proverbial arrow. One of the resources reports a record height, so far, in Alabama, of over 50 feet.

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Pro-Am

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

Amateur golfers got a few pointers of the sport from the professional players at the annual Charity Pro-Am, which was held on Tuesday, March 11. There were 21 teams comprising this year's tournament with one professional golfer playing with each team giving amateurs a chance to learn a few tricks of the game. Pro-Am stands for professional-amateur.

There were four teams from the Candler Hills Golf Club. The remaining teams were comprised of golfers from the many sponsors.

The big winners at this year's Pro-Am were Hospice of Marion County and Interfaith Emergency Services. Each charitable organization received a check for \$25,000 each presented by Ken Colen, president of On Top of the World Communities. Receiving the check for Hospice was Mary Ellen Poe, chief executive officer; and Karla Grinsley, chief executive director of Interfaith Emergency Services.

The event concluded with lunch and awards.



Photo by Bob Woods

The big winners at this year's Pro-Am were Hospice of Marion County and Interfaith Emergency Services.

Thank You to the Volunteers

By Lisa Lazaro

It was a full course of professional golfers for the 2014 Ocala Open – the largest group we've ever had! We all had our work cut out for us as the volunteers' days started at 6:15 a.m. and for some, didn't end until 7:45 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12 and Thursday, March 13. Today, March 14, was a little easier, winding up at 5 p.m.!

Once again, we made this a smooth running event, with just 18 volunteers on the course, Caroline and Paul East in hospitality and our six wonderful Parkway parking attendants – Bob Haskell; Paul Ovesen; Norma Quintero; Flor Lopez; Aracely Hernandez and Sarah Rekully.

Bob Haskell was everywhere and we couldn't have covered it all without you! Checking on everyone, making sure they had breaks, got lunch and came home safe and sound. Bob – I hope you know how much we appreciate and thank you for all your help!

I would need a book to say how wonderful it is to work with these dedicated people, but I'll try to sum it up with – there

is no way we could ever do this without the time, enthusiasm and warmth you all bring with you. Our golf course volunteer team of Linda and Bill Blewitt; Bob Cowie; Don Huston; Jack Curtin; Jim Skerke; Kathy Hall; Marge Fisher; Rollin Schwab; Ron Clevering; Scott Fraser, Sue Layne and Sue Johnson welcomed first timers Erika Winkler; Pam and Mark Monk; and Cheris and Bob Garrison.

It didn't take but a minute for everyone to talk and become new "old" friends over Sherrill's fantastic coffee. I cannot thank all of you enough for your continued support of this event. Without you wonderful volunteers, our players would not have such a positive experience and look forward to our hospitality year after year.

A special thank you goes out to Robert Colen for picking up a shuttle route, and to Dennis Hisey who gave up pretty much his entire Thursday to help out with shuttling players.

If it were not for Phillip Hisey and Boe Stepp, Sherrill and I could not do what we



Photo by Lisa Lazaro

Ocala Open volunteers ready to help!

do. Phillip, each morning you were right behind Sherrill and I through the door – ice, carts, water and whatever we needed throughout the days, including adjusting the schedule on Friday to make it better! Boe, checking on volunteers, running lunches and staying way late until the last player was done – there are no words that I can think of, besides thank you both so very much. I hope you both know important you are to me and to this event.

And my friend, my cohort in crime,

Sherrill Slade, you are unstoppable. Your dedication to this event and the volunteers goes above and beyond what anyone could imagine. I am ever grateful to do this each year with you.

Thank you all again, so much, for the wonderful people you are, the friends you've become and the dedicated volunteers our players look forward to each year. I hope to see you all – and maybe some of your friends! – next year for the 2015 Ocala Open. Until then...

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- Please exit pool during thunderstorms for your safety.
- Water wings and noodles are allowed, but please no tubes, rafts or inflatables.
- 911 emergency phone located on the veranda.
- Please exit pool during thunderstorms for your safety.
- Diving is prohibited.
- Bathing load capacity is 100.
- Be safe, responsible, and considerate while using the pool.



Arbor Club Pools

Indoor Pool Hours: Mon. - Fri. 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.,

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Outdoor Pool Hours: Mon. - Sat. 7 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., Sun. 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

- No alcoholic beverages allowed on pool deck.
- Pool use is for residents and adult guests only.
- Guest(s) must purchase a pass – \$2.25/day or \$10.75/week per guest.
- Children under the age of 15 are not permitted in pools or on pool deck areas.
- Please refer to Arbor Club indoor pool schedule for complete listing of hourly activities.
- Remove any oils or lotions by showering before entering the pool or spa.
- No running, jumping or horseplay in or around the pool.
- No throwing of objects or littering.
- Water bottles are allowed as long as they are plastic – no coolers allowed.
- No smoking in and around pool area including pool deck.
- 911 emergency phone located outside the ladies bathroom wall.
- Please exit pool during thunderstorms for your safety.
- Be safe, responsible, and considerate while using the pool.
- Noodles are allowed, but please no tubes, rafts or inflatables..
- Food, drinks, glass containers and pets are prohibited in pool and on pool deck.
- Diving is prohibited.
- Indoor pool bathing load is 75 and the outdoor pool bathing load is 37.
- The indoor pool will be closed for cleaning every Wednesday, from 10:30 to 11:30 am.
- The outdoor pool and spa will be closed for cleaning the first Wednesday of the month.

Candler Hills Pool • Hours: 9 a.m. to dusk

- No alcoholic beverages allowed on pool deck.
- Please exit pools during thunderstorms for your safety.
- Water wings and noodles are allowed, but no tubes, rafts or inflatables.
- Pool is open to all residents and their guests.
- Guests under the age of 15 are permitted in the pool from noon to dusk only when accompanied by a resident or parent.
- During weekends and holidays, there are no time restrictions for guests under 15.
- Children in diapers must wear swim diapers or Little Swimmers®.
- Remove any oils or lotions by showering before entering the pool.
- Food, drinks, smoking, glass containers and pets are prohibited in pool and on pool deck.
- Plastic water bottles are allowed – no coolers allowed.
- Diving is prohibited.
- Bathing load is 55 persons.
- The pool will be closed for cleaning the second Wednesday of the month.
- No running, jumping or horseplay in or around the pool.
- No throwing objects or littering.

Candler Hills Spa • Hours: 9 a.m. to dusk

- Shower before entering.
- Food, drinks, smoking, glass containers and pets are prohibited in spa and on deck.
- Bathing load is 10 persons.
- Children under the age of 12 must have adult supervision.
- The spa will be closed for cleaning the second Wednesday of the month.

Indigo East Pool • Hours: 9 a.m. to dusk

- No alcoholic beverages allowed on pool deck.
- Please exit pools during thunderstorms for your safety.
- Water wings and noodles are allowed, but no tubes, rafts or inflatables.
- Pool is open to all residents and their guests.
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- During weekends and holidays, there are no time restrictions for guests under 15.
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- Food, drinks, smoking, glass containers and pets are prohibited in pool and on pool deck.
- Plastic water bottles are allowed – no coolers allowed.
- Diving is prohibited.
- Bathing load is 55 persons.
- The pool will be closed for cleaning the second Wednesday of the month.
- No running, jumping or horseplay in or around the pool.
- No throwing objects or littering.

Indigo East Spa • Hours: 9 a.m. to dusk

- Shower before entering.
- Food, drinks, smoking, glass containers and pets are prohibited in spa and on deck.
- Bathing load is 10 persons.
- Children under the age of 12 must have adult supervision.
- The spa will be closed for cleaning the third Wednesday of the month.

Swim at your own risk; no lifeguard on duty.



Original Karaoke Group

By George Quaranta

Here's another little fun fact. The saying "March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb" dates back to the 17th Century. It's not necessarily a reliable forecasting guide. March is the transition between winter and summer, often starting with stormy weather then becoming milder.

March ended with some spring in its step. As Robin Williams once said, "Spring is nature's way of saying, let's party."

What better way to welcome the warm spring days than the music that goes along with it? Here are some songs that remind me of the sun and fun associated with the warming of the days:

1. "Here Comes the Sun" by The Beatles
2. "Sunny Skies" by James Taylor
3. "California Dreamin'" by The Mamas and the Papas
4. "Walkin' on Sunshine" by Katrina and the Waves
5. "Daydream" by Lovin' Spoonful
6. "Sunrise" by Nora Jones
7. "Seasons in the Sun" by Terry Jacks
8. "Pocket of Sunshine" by Natasha Betingfield
9. "Morning has Broken" by Cat Stevens
10. "Draggin' the Line" by Tommy James

So get off the couch, soak up some sunshine, learn some new songs, and come join us for some karaoke fun. If you're not sure how the songs go, you can always go on YouTube to listen to them. That's how some of us learn new songs. Sometimes you only know one or two lines of a song, so go on YouTube; you'll be surprised. We meet on the second and fourth Monday at 7 p.m. at Candler Hills Community Center. For more information, call George at 873-9667. Hope to see you there.



Karaoke Friends

By Vivian Brown

More and more new members keep coming to join us as we sing the night away.

This time, the theme was to bring a prop that went with the song we would be singing. What imaginations some of us have! We laughed at the props and the antics that our singers performed. Many of the songs were themed for St. Patrick's Day.

We meet on the first and third Monday of the month at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Stars of the month were Charlie, Kathy, Vince, Vivian, Terry, Tom, Shirley, Catherine, Art, Bree, Larry, Donnie, Sindy, Rich, Karen, Norma, Bob, Jerry.

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SPCA

By Maria Devine

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, April 17, at 1 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room at the Bank of the Ozarks. This is an important meeting since we will be finalizing the details for our upcoming fundraiser "The SPCA of Marion County's Gone Bunco." If you need to get in touch with us, please call our hotline number at (352) 362-0985.

If you want to have some fun with your friends while supporting a good cause, we'd love to see you at our gala fundraiser called "The SPCA of Marion County's Gone Bunco." This event will be held on Friday, May 2 at 6:30 p.m. in the Klein Conference Center at the College of Central Florida on SW College Road.

It will be a fun evening of games, prizes, and raffles of valuable items. Hearty hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served. Tickets are \$30 per person. A group can reserve a table of eight, or you can come with a friend and make new ones. We know there are lots of bunco-happy guys and gals out there, and this event is made to order for you. But you don't have to be a bunco veteran to play. If you can roll dice and count, you can learn to play in a heart-beat. During the evening, you will learn more about our organization and the animals we've helped over the years. You will also learn more about the Patriot Service Dog program.

To order tickets, please call (352) 362-8513 instead of our regular hotline number. We have set up this special number just for this event. Please call early to ensure the table you want. We thank all our friends and neighbors who support us on this special evening, just as you do all year long.

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Please call Arlene at 875-9761 if you're interested in adopting a well-socialized cat. She still has Coco, Ebony and Smokey so you can take your pick of which one suits you the best.



Poetry

By Annette Sharpe

Rejoice with Spring

A warm breeze whispered to the trees
Start budding, spring is here.
Awaken from your dormant sleep,
The seasonal change is clear.

Bathe yourselves in April rain,
And bask in the sun's warm glow.
Enjoy the crocus at your feet,
That bloom through melting snow.

Hear the welcome sounds of spring,
Sudden showers and birds that sing,
And the playful splash of thawing streams,
As warmth denies cold winter's schemes.

Feel spring in your heart and soul.
Be glad that winter's over.
Soon the fields will be, lush and green,
Sprinkled with purple clover.

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The New Pretenders

By Bill Shampine

After six months of effort, The New Pretenders' season finally is over. We completed our three shows at On Top of the World, plus four additional shows held outside our community. This season we entertained a total of about 1,600 people, and earned a fair amount of money for charity. We are very pleased and appreciative of the many positive comments we have received about the show this year.

Although the 2013/2014 season is over, we are already working on the show for next year. For some of us, The New Pretenders is a year-around job, or should I say labor of love? Next year, our community shows will be held on Feb. 6, 7, and 8, 2015 – make a note of it! Remember, the show each year is completely different. I promise that we will try our best to surprise you as well as to entertain you!

Speaking of the 2015 season, we would love to hear from you on your ideas for songs or routines for us to include in our performances. If you are interested in giving us feedback, you can send me your thoughts by e-mail at tnpjody@yahoo.com.



Photo by Lennie Rodoff

George Brush, Hal Stanley, Bob Wroblewski, and Larry Gering singing "Heart of My Heart" in the 2014 performance by The New Pretenders.



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By Larry Robinson

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Big Winners!

What comes to mind when you hear "The Biggest Loser?" Perhaps you think of the television show highlighting extremely overweight people who get berated by aggressive trainers. Well, that is nothing like The Biggest Loser program we offer here at the Recreation Center.

Two times each year Cammy and I offer The Biggest Loser program, which gives the residents an opportunity to lose weight and possibly win a cash prize. We collect \$10 from every participant at the beginning of the six-week program and then use that money for the cash prize at the end. The participant who loses the greatest percentage of body weight is the winner.

The program is designed to help participants with their weight loss goals by providing tools and information to bolster success. We use food logs to develop "mindful" behaviors, exercise logs to track progress and share information on topics like reading food labels, portion control, self-efficacy and my favorite ... exercise. Cammy and I continue to be inspired by the success stories that come out of this program.

The first week of the program, everyone meets at Recreation Center. We collect \$10 from each participant and weigh everyone in. At each weekly meeting, we continue our weigh-ins and keep track of

the percentage of the body weight lost. The final week is the exciting one, that's when we hand the winner the cash prize.

Our recent winner, Jay Borden, took home \$180 after he lost 22 pounds, which was 11.8% of his body weight. Way to go Jay! But Jay wasn't the only winner, although he was the only one to carry home the cash, several of the Biggest Loser participants lost weight and were delighted with their success.

Our second place finisher, Lorraine Rourke, lost 15 pounds (10.6% body weight) and notes, "One thing I did to help with my weight loss was cut back on my

carbs like cookies and chips and switched to healthier foods. And with my exercise, I realized I could do more workouts than I thought, and varying my workouts helped a lot."

John Lollo finished in third place with a 26 pound weight loss, which was 9.4% of his body weight. John says, "The Biggest Loser was informative and motivational. It was fun! We all had a good time and we all won."

I had a chance to ask our winner Jay Borden a couple of questions about the program.

Larry: What were the reasons you joined The Biggest Loser program?

Jay: My waistline was getting out of hand and my blood pressure was too high. I have reduced my waistline considerably and I'm getting my blood pressure under control.

Larry: What were your biggest obstacles to overcome going into this challenge?

Jay: I love eating chips, crackers and breads. I knew I would have to cut those

empty calories out and eat healthier foods.

Larry: How did you change your eating habits?

Jay: By eating more salads and lean meats and reducing caloric intake. I also came to the fitness center most days of the week, working out on different machines and walking on the treadmill, which helped me stay focused and on track with my weight loss.

Larry: Do you think you'll be successful in keeping the weight off?

Jay: Yes! I can't afford not to, I want to maintain my weight and keep my blood pressure down.

Weight loss is centered on changing behaviors. The first behavior I encourage you to adopt is "mindful eating." The following Fit Tips are all based on mindful eating and give you an idea of what we discuss in The Biggest Loser program. Look for the next Biggest Loser to begin in October!

FIT TIP #1: Do not eat in front of the television, a computer screen or while you are driving. Sit yourself at a table where there are no other distractions.

FIT TIP #2: Look at your plate as a pie graph; half of your plate should be color (veggies and fruit) the other half should be divided into quarters; quarter of lean protein and quarter of healthy grains.

FIT TIP #3: Use a food log to record your meals and snacks! This tried and true weight loss tool will give you pause to determine what and why you are eating.

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Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6:00 - 7:00 AM	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	Lap Swimming	
7:00 - 8:00 AM	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
8:00 - 9:00 AM	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Water Walk	Open
9:00 - 10:00 AM	Deep Water Fitness Class*	Shallow Water Fitness Class*	Deep Water Fitness Class*	Shallow Water Fitness Class*	Deep Water Fitness Class*	Open
10:00 - 10:30 AM	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
10:30 - 11:30 AM	Open	Open	Closed for Cleaning	Open	Open	Open
11:30 - 12:30 PM	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
12:30 - 1:30 PM	Aqua Belles	Open	Aqua Belles	Open	Aqua Belles	Open

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Fitness Happenings

By Cammy Dennis

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World Tai Chi Day

Tai Chi classes have become a very popular and important part of our wellness programming. Tai Chi is widely known for enhancing physical and emotional well being. Regular practice brings balance to both the body and the mind. World Tai Chi Day is celebrated every year calling people across the globe to gather and unite under the theme of "one world, one breath."

Join our very own Art Stalbow as he leads this inspired event on Saturday, April 26 at 9 a.m. at The Town Square. Art Stalbow gained instant popularity with our residents after joining our wellness team nearly a year ago.

Art has extensive training and experience in martial arts, Qi Gong, and Tai Chi. He holds a black belt in Aikido and Tae Kwon Do, and is a master at blending the strength and discipline of these arts with the calm, centered focus of Tai Chi. Art currently teaches Tai Chi and Chair Chi at the Recreation Center and "Tai Chi for Joint Health" and adult karate at the Arbor Club.

In anticipation of World Tai Chi Day and to gain more insight on Tai Chi. I went directly to the expert.

Cammy: What is it about Tai Chi that makes it so different from other fitness classes?

Art: The main difference is in "doing" and "learning." A Tai Chi class is similar to other fitness classes in that there is a lot of "doing" going on. However, where it varies from many traditional fitness classes is that there is a great deal of "learning" going on. Hopefully, the students in a Tai Chi class will learn their Tai Chi movements so well that they will be able to do Tai Chi on their own whenever they feel the urge to do so.

Cammy: Art, what advice would you give someone who is interested in trying Tai Chi but has never taken a class before?

Art: If you think that you can have a positive effect on your own health, come try Tai Chi. Anyone can start a Tai Chi class at any time. The main thing one must bring to class is an open mind. Tai Chi comes to us from a culture thousands of miles away and from hundreds, if not thousands, of years ago. It is a different way of getting and staying healthy than we are used to here in the west. Tai Chi is very gentle, yet subtly very effective.

Cammy: Along with the physical benefits, why is Tai Chi good for your mind?

Art: In many gyms, you can see someone working out on a treadmill while watching TV. You can sit on an exercise bike and read your book. Not so in a Tai Chi class. Not only is your body working, but also your mind is very focused on what you are doing. You learn to concentrate and focus. Add the all-important deep breathing, and you have a true mind-body class, or as I like to say, the three Bs: body, brain, and breathing.

Cammy: There is so much press about

Fitness Schedules

RECREATION CENTER GROUP WELLNESS EFFECTIVE: April 1, 2014

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7:00 a.m.	Oxycise (Video)				
8:00-8:50 a.m.	Cardio Mix	Strength & Stretch	Wednesday Warrior	Strength & Stretch	Dance Party
Aerobics Room	Dara	Barb Anne	Jessica	Barb Anne	Jessica
9:00-9:50 a.m.	Tai Chi	Chair Yoga	Stretch for the Stars	Chair Yoga	Chair Chi
Aerobics Room	Art	Barb Anne	Jessica	Barb Anne	Art
10:00-10:45 a.m.	Balance Body	"KBKB" Kickboxing	Balance Body	"KBKB" Kickboxing	Balance Body
Aerobics Room	Marie	Han	Jessica	Han	Marie
10:45-11:30 a.m.	S.O.S.	Balance Body	S.O.S.	Balance Body	S.O.S.
Aerobics Room	Larry	Jessica	Larry	Elizabeth	Larry
10:45-11:30 a.m.	Zumba®		Zumba®		Zumba®
Recreation Ballroom	Kitti		Kitti		Dara
11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Get Fit While You Sit		Get Fit While You Sit	Fit to Function	Get Fit While You Sit
Aerobics Room	Kitti		Kitti	Cammy & Elizabeth	Marie
1:00-2:00 p.m.		Fitness Orientation**		Balance Assessments**	

Recreation Center Hours: Monday-Friday, 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ARBOR CLUB GROUP WELLNESS EFFECTIVE: April 1, 2014

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:00-9:45 a.m.	Deep Water Aerobics*	Shallow Water Aerobics*	Deep Water Aerobics*	Shallow Water Aerobics*	Deep Water Aerobics*
Indoor Pool	Larry	Barb	Larry	Barb	Dara
9:30-10:30 a.m.	Yoga*		Hatha Yoga*		Meditative Yoga*
Ballroom	Barb Anne		Barb Anne		Stuart
11:00-11:45 a.m.	Light Cardio Mix		Light Cardio Mix		
Ballroom	Becky		Jessica		
11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Adult Karate*			Tai Chi for Joint Health*	
Fitness Room	Art			Art	

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*Denotes fee-based class

**Fitness center orientations and balance assessments are free. Reservation required.

how Tai Chi is good for balance and fall prevention. Why is that?

Art: I'm glad you asked that. As Tai Chi has become more mainstream, there is a great deal of cutting-edge research going on proving its effectiveness. Tai Chi can improve balance because it focuses on the main aspects need to simply stay in an upright position: flexibility, leg strength, core mobility, and body awareness. Also, the more you learn and challenge yourself the better it is for your incredible brain. In addition to improved physical balance, there is a nice emotional component to Tai Chi also.

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Back at The Ranch

By David Gibas

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Star Trac quickly gained attention in the fitness world over 20 years ago with their first treadmill. There is a blinking "trac" on each of the treadmills, a signature feature and the one that provided the company name. The new treadmills are designed to reduce the impact you experience when walking or running, also minimizing the biomechanical stress on the body.

Elliptical trainers have grown in popularity for good reason. They allow the user to ramp up intensity without the impact. Star Trac ellipticals offer the perfect blend of motion with user centric safety features: the pedal placement is designed to maximize safety, comfort and effective-

The Ranch Fitness Schedule						
The Ranch (Effective April 1)						
Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7:00-7:55am			Power Cycling Cammy			(8:30 a.m.) Power Cycling Instructor Rotation
8:00-8:55 a.m.	Power Cycling Jessica	Tabata Training Jessica	Yoga Sculpt Barb Anne	Tabata Training Carolyn	Power Cycling Carolyn	Power Cycling Instructor Rotation
9:00-9:55 a.m.	20-20-20 Jessica	ZUMBA Nichole Water Works Jessica	Power Cycling Carolyn	Combat & Core Kitt HQ Fit Pat	20-20-20 Carolyn	(9:30 a.m.) Power Pump Instructor Rotation
10:00-10:55 a.m.	ZUMBA Dara	Chisel Muscle Mix Kitt	Power Pump Carolyn	Chisel Muscle Mix Kitt	Cardio Dance Jessica	(10:30 a.m.-noon) Yoga Flow
10:30-11:25 a.m.	Water Works Jessica	HQO Fit Barb	A.B.C. Aqua Balance Cardio Kelly	HQO Fit Barb	HQO Fit Kelly	HQO Fit Instructor Rotation
11:00-11:55 a.m.	Power Cycling Mary	Restorative Yoga Jennifer	Power Cycling Mary	Restorative Yoga Jennifer		Special Event! World Tai Chi Day April 26, 9 a.m. The Town Square Free - Open to All
6:00-6:55 p.m.	Power Cycling Rene HQO Fit Linda	Tabata Training Carolyn	Power Pump Rene HQO Fit Linda	ZUMBA Heaven	ZUMBA Nichole HQO Fit Linda	
7:00-7:55 p.m.	ZUMBA Heaven	Yoga Fit Grace	ZUMBA Nichole	Tai Chi Art		

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.

ness. These ellipticals provide a rear approach, open-step design that provides the safest possible entry and exit on and off the machine.

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user-friendly console offers lots of workout program options.

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Dancing Singles

By Stephanie Rohde

Dancing Singles is the newest club to meet on selected Thursdays at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F (never on the fourth Thursday), at 6 p.m. Membership and dance lessons (the very basic footwork only, without a partner) are free to all residents who are single (even if your married to, or living with a non-dancing spouse or partner). This is not about dancing with a partner, hence the name -

Dancing Singles.

And yes, you can dance (move your body) sitting in a stationary, or moveable chair. This is about learning the steps (exercising the brain and feet) to popular dances and dancing with "you" in a room with others who are doing the same - moving their body in some way while listening to wonderful music helping to create and maintain health. This is totally about getting out of the house, meeting new people, dancing, learning to dance and socializing.

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Candler Connection

By Janet Wiles

The next Candler Connection board meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 8, at 1:30 p.m. in the Candler Hills Community Center. All residents are welcome to come and discuss any issue pertaining to the board.

There will be a trip to the Marion County Inmate Farm on Thursday, April 10. This is a free event. There is room for 30 residents on the trams used to tour the farm. Reservations will be on a first come, first serve basis. Assemble by 9:15 a.m. in the Candler Hills Community Center parking lot to carpool about 45 minutes to the destination. Please contact Bob Scherff at (352) 291-1505 or bob.scherff@otowhomes.com to confirm your reservation.

The next potluck will be Tuesday, April 29 in the Candler Hills Community Cen-

ter. Those residents with last names beginning with A-C and T-Z should bring main entrees; D-K, vegetables, salads, or side dishes; L-S, appetizers or desserts. Label your dish with its name and ingredients, especially nuts, high sugar or salt contents. Start arriving at 5:30 p.m. to enjoy appetizers. Remember to get a number for the table where you will sit. The cost of \$1 covers eating utensils, plates, napkins, and decaffeinated coffee.

Volunteers are always needed to help with set up and clean up. To attend, contact Bev McCarthy at (352) 854-9416 or bjtr6@yahoo.com to let her know how many will be attending, what dish you will be bringing, and if you can help with set up. Please note that this will be the last potluck event until October.

The communications committee will present a New Resident Welcome Session on Tuesday, May 6 at 3 p.m. in the Candler Hills Community Center. This will be a great opportunity for all of our new residents to get to meet each other and learn some great information about On Top of the World, Ocala, and Marion County. Have you ever wondered why streets are numbered the way they are? Come to the



Photo by Bob Scherff

Candler Hills residents enjoying their monthly potluck dinner in the Candler Hills Community Center.

session to learn why.

Candler Connection will hold an ice cream sundae party on the afternoon of Sunday, June 8 at the Candler Hills Community Center and pool. Please mark your calendar for this event. Look for more details in the May column of the World News for the time of this event as well as dates and times for ticket sales.

The fall picnic of 2013 was quite a success. Mark your calendar for the second annual fall picnic for the afternoon of Sun-

day, Oct. 26, at the pavilion. More details will be provided in future Candler Connection columns.

The Candler Connection web site, www.candlerconnection.org, contains a neighborhood directory. If you wish to be added to this, receive e-mail notices, or to make corrections to the current listing, contact Marilyn Lube at (352) 895-3954 or marilynube@yahoo.com. If leaving a message, please include your name, address, phone number, and email address.

Indigo East

By Jean DiPiero

Indigo East held a "Taste of Tuscany" dinner on Sunday, March 2. The Indigo East Community Center was filled with the wonderful aroma of pasta, sauce and sausage. Along with the meal, guests had salad with dressing of their choice as well as garlic bread.

After consuming this delicious meal there were many desserts to choose from. There were a variety of pies, carrot, chocolate and éclair cakes, cookies along with soda and coffee to drink. Buon appetito!

The tables were decorated with red and white checkerboard tablecloths and the centerpieces were foiled red stars and

green flowers.

The winner of the 50/50 raffle was Barbara Kratz.

A big thank you goes out to Joe and Marla Ziino who cooked the homemade meat sauce and pasta. Also, helping out to make this a success were the following people: Anne Ahlborn, Paula Lord, Sue Siegel, Barbara Kratz, Sue Mast, Mary Lou Masone, Beth Coburn, Kathy and Harol Brouillard, Betty Chadwell, Eleanor Brown, Lee Potoma, Joan Lanzetti, Helga Schulze, Joyce Winspear and Frank DiPiero.

All residents are invited to play bunco at the Indigo East Community Center, at 7 p.m., the first Tuesday of every month. The next game will be Tuesday, April 8. Please bring a drink of your choice, if you

wish, along with a snack to share. It can be cookies, chips, candy, etc. There is a fee of \$3 per person.

At the end of game there will be prize money for the most wins, losses, buncos, etc. Even if you don't know how to play there will be someone there who can show you. Come join in the fun and meet new people.

Shirley Hamilton is the coordinator for bunco. If you have any questions, please contact her at kableshirley@yahoo.com.



Photo by Jean DiPiero

Chairpersons Marla and Joe Ziino at the "Taste of Tuscany" dinner.



Avalon Social Group

By Lorraine Rourke

The March potluck had a lot of green and an excellent turnout of neighbors old and new. Be sure you welcome the new residents; it always takes a little while to meet people when you move into an established neighborhood. We want to make sure these folks feel welcome. We had some delicious food on top of the corned beef and some lovely decorations. Many hands made light work for the setup and cleanup - thank you ever so much.

Our next potluck is Monday, April 7 in the Arbor Club Ballroom. Set-up is at 5:15 p.m. and start time is 5:30 p.m. with the food line at 5:45 p.m. Bring a dish to share of salad, fruit, pasta, meat (we'll need meat dishes as we are not providing them this time), casserole, potato, rice, appetizer, vegetable (no desserts as I assign those), your own non-alcoholic beverage, and a serving utensil.

Let's see if we can get as big a group as we had in March. The food has been fantastic and innovative; it is fun chatting with neighbors and meeting folks. If you are dieting, there are always salads to take advantage of.

How about if we collect food for the Food 4 Kids backpack program? This would be food that children can eat over the weekend as the family has very little. Please bring individual portions of peanut butter, pudding, cookie packets, healthful granola bars, pasta, etc. We'll donate it to the Horizon Academy. I'll bring a box to receive the items; spring tends to be a time when food supplies get low.

I will be out of town for the Monday, May 5 and Monday, Sept. 8 potlucks. Is there someone who will take the paper goods and run these potlucks? If not, I'll

cancel them; so let me know between now and the April potluck.

For questions, contact Lorraine at 390-2120.

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Windsor of Windsor

By Walt Lamp

About three years ago, one of the Windsor residents, Mary Lamp, came up with an idea for a get-together for the residents of Windsor. Once a month, on the first Friday of the month, in one of the Arbor Conference Center suites from 4:30 to 6 p.m. we would get together.

The evening was designed to get everyone together. So, the idea of first Friday was to catch up with each other, have a snack or two and each would bring their own beverage. And, this is the way it started. But, now after three years, things have certainly blossomed. The snacks are no longer just snacks, but home cooked appetizers and delicious home baked deserts to finish off the meal. Speaking not just for myself, but for one and all, no one goes home hungry or feels the need to make supper that night.

In those three years, the loop has grown. The number of residents has



Photo by Peter Wood

The Windsor first Friday get-together.

grown, and so has the number attending these once-a-month get-togethers. Naturally, not all residents attend every month due to whatever personal reason, but the fun, the catching up and food certainly have increased.

This first Friday idea, is just one of some other ideas that residents have come

up with to keep us close as a community, as we can be. First, Ted Welty and Pete Wood suggested the luminaries in December. Karen and Ted Welty host an annual St. Patrick's Day house party every March. Our Fourth of July picnic takes place at the pavilion. Judy Wagnitz organized this. And finally, at least for now, someone

holds some kind of New Year's Eve Party at their house.

As the attached picture shows, we had our monthly first Friday on Friday, March 7. And for those who weren't there, they are still a part of our community, here in Windsor.



Mah Jongg

By Mary Ehle

The jackpot has been won. Yeah! Margaret Orlando won the elusive grand prize by making the 2013 hand very near the end of the day. We were all thrilled for her. Margaret has always been a big sup-

porter of our games and it was exciting to be a part of the joy of her accomplishment.

Now for the other winners: Marlene Zink was the noon time high winner as well as coming in tied for third place. First place went to Nancy Grabowski while Barbara Winter came in second. Third was a tie with Marlene and Donna Fey. Fifth place went to Janis Strum and sixth place went to Roxy Brady.

The tournament was a delight and all had a good time.

These events don't just happen. There is work. I need to thank my helpers. Pat

Griffith did an excellent job shopping and preparing all the food for everyone so they could have a carefree day. Jo was a big help in the setting and cleaning up. Ray Utiss again acted as our butler and Bill Shampine was our computer scorekeeper. Thank you both. My own hubby is beyond words when I think of all the help and encouragement he gives me.

Our next tournament will be Satur-

day, Oct. 4. In the process of streamlining things, to eliminate all the extra work that just a few have to do, we will be trying something new. The cost of the tournament will be \$25. You will not have to bring anything else. Lunch will be provided with the choices to be announced at a later time. Breakfast will be coffee and a small snack. More on all this at another time. Until then, jokers to you all.



LadyBirds

By Caren Kowalsky

Thank you Opal Stroud for hosting our March 12th LadyBird luncheon at Mojo Grill, and arranging for our March speaker, Sanji Blair. Ruth Kuntar provided wonderful refreshments. Thanks Ruth!

As previously stated, Saturday, March 22 was the annual R/C Fly-In. Food service was provided by the R/C LadyBirds; who always do a fantastic job of "service

with a smile."

As always, we welcome all spouses/significant others of any R/C Flyer to join us at our monthly meetings, which take place the second Friday of each month, at 9 a.m., at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. You supply your beverage, and we supply the refreshments and the fun. We are always eager to welcome new members to our friendly group. We all remember how daunting it was moving to new surroundings, and not knowing anyone at first. We can fix that problem at your first meeting with us. Come join us, and make some new friends.

Looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting.



Red Hat Society

THE GLITZY GALS: Our March outing was to Carrabba's Italian Grill with Dot Hinde and Bea Maxwell as hostesses. St. Patrick's Day was the theme with the decorations and treats. The food was good and we always enjoy socializing and sharing experiences with our Red Hat sisters. Hedy Schmal was the prizewinner.

The rain didn't spoil the day for those who attended the Strawberry Festival in Plant City, Fla.

Women of the World Luncheon and Fashion Show was an enjoyable afternoon for our girls. Lunch was good and the outfits modeled were colorful with a variety of styles. Several of the group had a winning ticket for a beautiful basket.

Friday, April 25 is International Red Hat Society Day and many of us will be attending the 16th Red Hat Society birthday celebration in Tampa, Fla.

QM Mary Curry thanked everyone for the baby wipes, body wash, bleach, lotion and hand soap, items we collected for Project Hope. These were delivered and greatly appreciated.

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Recreation News

By Theresa Fields

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We are approaching the summer months when our temperatures will start to climb. Please remember, if soaking up the rays poolside or enjoying a game of golf, drink plenty of water to prevent heat exhaustion during this time of year.

For more information on any of the activities or to register for any of the trips listed in this column, please visit the Recreation Center office Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Telephone Directory

The 2014 telephone directories have arrived. Please pick up your copy at the Arbor Club office. If you have changes for the directory, you will need to make them at that time.

Hands Across the Highway

Come join us at the annual Hands Across the Highway Art Expo on Saturday, April 5, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This free event will showcase local artists. We will have over 30 artists displaying some of the finest artwork around this area while listening to light jazz by the popular Paul De Ritter Duo. This year's event will also include the Farmer's Market at The Town Square with vendors, crafters and live entertainment.

Ocala's Horse Farms

Take a tour of Ocala Horse Country with Karen Grimes, local insider and horsewoman, on Friday, April 4. The trip will include a tour of the Florida Thoroughbred Breeders' and Owners' Association museum, stud farm, German sport horse farm (magnificent imported dressage horses) and, best of all, there are newborn foals on the ground. We will dine at Horse & Hounds after the tour (lunch will be on your own). This trip requires a lot of walking. Cost of the trip is \$30 per person and includes tours and transportation.

Holy Land Experience

Join us for an amazing trip to the Holy Land Experience on Thursday, April 10. The Holy Land Experience brings together the sights and sounds of the world of the Bible in a unique and interactive way unlike anywhere else. You will see four major dramas with a combination of indoor and outdoor presentations. You will have the opportunity to meet and greet the cast throughout the park. Dress appropriately; there are cafés and restaurants on site for lunch on your own. Cost of the trip is \$53 per person and includes transportation, entry into the Holy Land Experience and all four shows.

Enviro Shred

Enviro Shred will return on Friday, April 11, in the Recreation Center parking lot, from 10 a.m. to noon. This company will be on-site to shred all your important documents. The cost is \$4 per one-cubic foot (normal storage size box or computer paper box).

Happy Hour

Last month's themed Happy Hour was filled with leather, chains and motorcycles as we celebrated "Bike Night." This month's themed Happy Hour is "So You Think You Can Dance." Come out and show us your dance moves. You could be the winner in our next dance contest!

This event is free to all residents with a minimal fee for all guests. Resident ID is required for entry into Happy Hour and all guests must be accompanied by a resident. This month's entertainers are as scheduled:

- April 4: Solid Gold
- April 11: Automatic (So You Think You Can Dance theme)
- April 18: No Happy Hour
- April 24: Danny & Johnny

Happy Hour takes place at the Arbor Club except on the third Friday of each month where it takes place at the Recreation Ballroom (cancelled this month due to the holiday). The Pub is open for business until 6:30 p.m. Snacks will not be permitted during the Happy Hour in the Recreation Ballroom. For this venue only, if you wish to include a cake for a celebra-

tion, please obtain approval through the Recreation Center office one week in advance. Note there will be no reserving of seats or tables at any Happy Hour.

Blueberry Festival

Join us on Sunday, April 13, for the third annual Florida Blueberry Festival in Brooksville, Fla. You will enjoy live entertainment, gourmet food, festival fare, fine arts and crafts, street entertainers and, of course, all the fresh Florida blueberries you can eat. You can even have a taste of the fresh Florida Blueberry Wine by Island Grove Wine Company. The cost is \$30 per person and includes transportation and gate fee.

Baseball Game

There is an exciting game planned on Thursday, April 17, at Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg, Fla., as the Rays take on the New York Yankees. Game time is 7:10 p.m. Baseline seating on the Yankees side section 137 is \$53 per person, and press level seating on the Rays side section 218 is \$63 per person. The cost includes transportation and seating at the game.

Seminole Casino Trip

The next casino trip is scheduled for Thursday, April 24. At the casino, you will receive a play pass booklet that includes an entry ticket for the \$1,000 free play drawing, per day, for bus guests only. You need not be present to win; free play will be put on the guest's Player's Club card and is good for the month. You will find coupons for the Rise Kitchen & Bakery or The Green Room; 15% off any regular priced Hard Rock logo merchandise at the gift shops and more. The cost of the trip is \$20 per person and covers transportation.

Rags to Riches

It's that time of year again when we clean out our attics, garages and join our friends for the bi-annual Rags to Riches sale on Friday, April 25, at the Recreation Ballroom, from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost of the table is \$8 and there will be a two-table maximum. The SPCA will have coffee and doughnuts for sale with all proceeds going to help sheltered animals.

Free Tennis Clinic

During the month of April, our tennis pro, Jorge, will be offering a "Tennis Clinic" for those who would like to learn the game of tennis. This free clinic will be offered on Thursdays, from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Arbor Tennis Courts. For more information, contact Jorge at 484-4815.

Pool Monitoring

Pool monitoring has begun. Please note that the pool rules are posted around the pools and on page 12 in this issue. Please have Resident I.D.s available when visiting the pool areas. Rules and procedures are strictly enforced. A resident must accompany guests or have the guest present the I.D. of the resident they are visiting. Please note that children under the age of 15 may not be permitted in the family pools until after noon during the weekdays!

Super Bingo

Super bingo will be held on Wednesday, April 9, in the Recreation Ballroom, from 6 to 9 p.m. Cards will be sold at 5 p.m. (no cards sold after 5:50 p.m.). There will be 17 \$50 games and three \$250 games. The cost is \$5 for three cards (minimum of three cards per person). No guests are permitted. Resident I.D. is required to participate.

Recreation Ballroom Closure

Please note the Recreation Ballroom will be closed for renovations May 1 through Aug. 30.

Upcoming May Events

- Friday, May 2: "Toga Party" Happy Hour
- Sunday, May 4: The Tempest (Hippodrome Theatre)
- Monday, May 4: No line dancing with Marilyn McNeal
- Thursday, May 8: Name That Tune
- Friday, May 9: Horse Farm Tour
- Tuesday, May 13: Bok Towers (Quilting Event)
- Friday, May 16: Singing River Cruise
- Tuesday, May 20: Seminole Casino Trip
- Thursday, May 22: Social Hour
- Monday, May 26: Memorial Day Ceremony

Have a great month and stay safe!

Events*

* Schedule and performers subject to change. For the latest information, please visit www.ontopoftheworldinfo.com or see channels 22, 98 or 732.

Thursday, April 3

- Farmer's Market**
The Town Square
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Tennis Clinic** (every Thursday)
Arbor Club
10:30 a.m. to noon
Free

Friday, April 4

- Horse Farm Tour**
\$30 per person
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.
- Happy Hour with Solid Gold**
Arbor Club
7 to 10 p.m.

- Recorded Favorites**
The Town Square
7 to 10 p.m.

Saturday, April 5

- Farmer's Market**
The Town Square
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Cooking demonstration at 10 a.m.
- Hands Across the Highway Art Expo**
Circle Square Cultural Center
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Free

- Power Play Band**
The Town Square
7 to 10 p.m.

Thursday, April 10

- Holy Land Experience**
Orlando, Fla.
\$53 per person
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.

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

Friday, April 11

- EnviroShred**
Recreation Center Parking Lot
10 a.m. to noon
\$4 per one-cubic foot

- "So You Think You Can Dance"**
Happy Hour with Automatic
Arbor Club
4 to 8 p.m.

- Recorded Favorites**
The Town Square
7 to 10 p.m.

- New Wave Swing: Temptations, Platters, Coasters & Drifters Salute**
Circle Square Cultural Center
7 p.m.
\$20-30 per person
For tickets, call 854-3670.

Saturday, April 12

- Folk Festival**
The Town Square
5 to 9 p.m.

Sunday, April 13

- Blueberry Festival**
Brooksville, Fla.
\$30 per person
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.

Thursday, April 17

- Farmer's Market**
The Town Square
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Tampa Bay Rays vs. New York Yankees Baseball Game**
Tropicana Field
St. Petersburg, Fla.
\$53 per person
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.

Friday, April 18

- Recorded Favorites**
The Town Square
7 to 10 p.m.
- JJ Melodies**
The Town Square
7 to 10 p.m.

Tuesday, April 22

- Earth Day Celebration**
The Town Square
9 a.m. to noon

Thursday, April 24

- Farmer's Market**
The Town Square
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Seminole Hard Rock Casino**
Tampa, Fla.
\$20 per person
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.

Friday, April 25

- Rags to Riches**
Recreation Ballroom
9 a.m. to noon
- Happy Hour with Danny & Johnny**
Arbor Club
4 to 8 p.m.
- Recorded Favorites**
The Town Square
7 to 10 p.m.

Saturday, April 26

- World Tai Chi Day**
The Town Square
9 a.m. to noon
- Second Slice**
The Town Square
7 to 10 p.m.

Thursday, May 1

- World News Home Delivery / May Issue**
- Farmer's Market**
The Town Square
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Cooking demonstration at 10 a.m.

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BUS SCHEDULE

Monday - Thursday

MORNING ROUTE	PICK-UP LOCATIONS	TIME
Williamsburg	91st Cir.E. - 91st Cir.W - Post Office	8:42 a.m.
Providence	90th St. - 96th Ter. - 92nd Pl. Rd. - 96th Ct. Rd.	8:45 a.m.
Avalon Post Office	Parking Lot	8:49 a.m.
Grescent Ridge 1 & 2	97th Lane - Post Office - 99th Ave. - 96th St.	8:53 a.m.
Health & Rec Center	At Bus Stop Sign	8:58 a.m.
Americana Village	88th Ct. Rd. - Post Office - 85th Ter. Rd.	9:02 a.m.
Friendship Village	Post Office - 84th Ter. - 93rd St.	9:06 a.m.
Friendship Colony	83rd Ter. - 90th Pl. - 87th Ave. - 97th St.	9:10 a.m.
Friendship Park	97th St. - 94th Lane	9:14 a.m.
Friendship Village	89th Ct. Rd. - 92nd St.	9:16 a.m.
Friendship Colony	90th St. - Post Office	9:20 a.m.
Candler Hills Community Center	At Bus Stop Sign	9:25 a.m.
Exit Community		9:30 a.m.

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MORNING DESTINATIONS	ARRIVE	PICK-UP
Jasmine Square	9:45 a.m.	12:35 p.m.
Dillard's/Tallulah's/Kohl's	9:55 a.m.	12:25 p.m.
Sam's	10:05 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Lowe's	10:10 a.m.	11:40 a.m.
Paddock Mall	10:15 a.m.	12:15 p.m.
Wal-Mart/Stein Mart	10:20 a.m.	11:50 a.m.
Target	10:30 a.m.	12:00 p.m.
Hobby Lobby/Shady Oaks	10:40 a.m.	12:05 p.m.
Gaitway Plaza	10:45 a.m.	12:10 p.m.

Return to On Top of the World to begin drop-off/pick-up for the afternoon run.

AFTERNOON ROUTE	PICK-UP LOCATIONS AND TIMES
Candler Hills Community Center	1:00 p.m. Crescent Ridge Post Office
Friendship Colony Post Office	1:05 p.m. Health & Rec Building
Williamsburg Post Office	1:08 p.m. Americana Post Office
Avalon Post Office	1:13 p.m. Friendship Post Office

AFTERNOON DESTINATIONS	ARRIVE	PICK-UP
Publix Grocery	1:32 p.m.	3:05 p.m.
Big Lots	1:37 p.m.	2:57 p.m.
Beall's & Dollar Tree	1:47 p.m.	2:47 p.m.
Wal-mart	1:49 p.m.	2:42 p.m.

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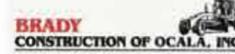
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Photo by Mike Roppel

All the models came together after the show for one last look at their fashions from Belk.

Women of the World Fashion Show and Luncheon

By Nancy Grabowski

Just as the heart is the mainstay of our bodies, the heart of our members is the mainstay of Women of the World. Our membership is characterized by a willingness to give and give with a depth of feeling unmatched by anything else.

Each month we ask our women to help support a specific charity. In February, these amazing gals donated 780 pounds of food to the food bank at Interfaith Emergency Services.

For the last 10 years, Women of the World, has supported Operation Shoebox with donations and service. Many of our ladies travel to Bellevue during the week to sort, pack and process packages headed

to our troops while others work in the thrift store on a volunteer basis.

In addition, our group supports Marion County Senior Services on a monthly basis. Jemith Smith, one of the directors for Senior Services, spoke to our group. She stated that our monthly donations of food enabled them to serve their clients seven days a week rather than the five they had been able to do previously. We thank Andrea Flannery, a very empathetic member, who started the ball rolling with this idea by bringing the need to our attention.

Our 35th annual fashion show was held on Saturday, March 8 to help raise money for Hospice of Marion County. The first

check presented by President Carol Emrick to Hospice of Marion County representatives was written for \$2,000. This represented a percentage of ticket sales to the luncheon.

More than 100 baskets were created and donated by members for the raffle. The sales from the raffle enabled us to present another check for \$5,353! Once again, our generous women came through with an all-time record for this cause. (It should also be noted that a group of "angels," contributors who wish to remain anonymous, added an additional \$1,000, which is not included in our total since these checks were not part of our sales!)

Our thanks to the many hands who helped make the fashion show such a success are too numerous to mention. (It also avoids the possibility of unintentionally leaving a name off the list.) We must, however, mention the West Port High School Key Club who serve each year as workers throughout the day. They are the best example of the future we have to offer. The husbands who work before, during, and

after the show are also to be recognized for the numerous hours they provide to our success.

The April meeting of Women of the World is slated for Friday, April 4, in the Recreation Ballroom. Please do not arrive before noon; this allows the class to finish and the maintenance crew to set up our tables in a safe environment.

Our speaker will be Darrell Riley, a local historian and educator, who will speak on the history of Ocala. Our charity is Ocala Wild Life Sanctuary (OWLS); it is in need of garbage bags, paper towels, bleach, Dawn dish soap among other things. Consult your program for a complete list.

The agenda also includes voting for the slate of new officers, the annual survey, and a second-chance raffle. Each attending member will receive a raffle ticket during the meeting allowing them to participate.

Women of the World is open to any resident woman. If you've never attended a meeting, why not come and check us out? You'll love the people you meet!

Custom Windows Systems Tour

By Robert Colen

In February, Master the Possibilities hosted another fantastic session of our Economic Development Institute. Forty students had the unique opportunity to visit and tour Custom Window Systems, a large local manufacturer of windows and doors. The class got to see first-hand how high performance, energy efficient windows are made.

When we arrived at Custom Window Systems, Sales Representative Valerie Nugent warmly welcomed our group with coffee, doughnuts and fresh fruit. This was a real treat and unexpected. Sales Manager Rod Miller provided an overview of how low-e windows reduce heat from entering the house during the warmer months. This was great because the new houses built by On Top of the World all use low-e technology.

According to Mr. Miller, the Ocala facility recently hit the one million windows sold benchmark. This is a remarkable ac-

complishment.

After the introduction, we were escorted to the mezzanine level where we were able to walk around and watch the assembly process of the different types of windows and doors built at the facility. We also learned that the glass for these windows is also manufactured right here in Ocala at Cardinal Glass. Interestingly enough, even though they are different companies, the facilities are so close that they literally share a parking lot.

Class participants like Ellie Cyr and Paula Verenski expressed their appreciation of getting to see another aspect of Marion County's economic capacity that most people never get to see. Candler Hills resident and class participant, "Cowboy" George Puleo said, "Being new residents in Ocala, we are very impressed with the facility and how windows are made."

This was our fourth tour of a business facility in Marion County. Our goal is to



Photo by Robert Colen

"Cowboy" George Puleo and his wife Linda at the Custom Window Systems tour.

expose participants of the Master the Possibilities classes to the heart of economic activity and allow each of them to have a better understanding of the community.

We have many more classes scheduled for the rest of the year. So keep your eyes on the Master the Possibilities catalog.

It's For the Birds

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

The second most popular hobby after gardening is not golf, R/C flying, or playing Monopoly – it's birding. And, to give credence to that statement, more than 50 interested residents crowded Live Oak Hall on Tuesday, Feb. 18 to listen to experienced birder Norm Lantz present an introduction to the birds of Florida.

"Florida birds are quite different from those we would normally find up north," he explained. "And perhaps the biggest difference is how much more difficult they are to attract." Florida birds live in an environment of plenty – plenty of food, plenty of water and, generally, plenty of bird lovers who want to put out feed and provide homes that'll protect the next generation.

To attract them, Norm suggested a large tray placed pretty much out in the open so that birds flying over will spot the food and stick around for a while. It's much more difficult for them to spot that "hardware store" type of feeder. He also

told his audience that the best seed is sunflower, and that too much goes to waste with those blended brands because birds will pick and choose what they like and simply cover the ground with the rejects.

Norm also shared his experiences with squirrels and their nasty habit of gobbling down a week's worth of birdseed at one sitting. A quick, common sense guide would be to make sure your feeder is eight- to 15-foot from any tree or elevated point (such as your roof) from which they can leap. They're very efficient jumpers. Using baffles is also a good way to deter those pesky marauders. (For more ideas, Google "squirrels and bird feeders.")

Last, but not least, Norm suggested that joining a birding club could be great fun and very rewarding. But be sure to check out their activities, as one club will go on leisurely strolls while another's outing will seem more like a forced march. Remember, the idea is to enjoy your hobby. He

pointed out that an illustrated bird guide, as well as binoculars that are labeled seven by 35 or eight by 40 are pretty essential if

you're interested in spotting and identifying birds in your backyard or while on a nature walk.



Photo by Ray Cech

Norm Lantz at Master the Possibilities in a birding lecture.



Golf

By Matt Hibbs

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April has finally arrived, which means it's time for The Masters. Who will win the year's first major championship? I would like to provide everyone with the On Top of the World golf professional's picks: Matt Hibbs – Jason Day; Denise Mullen – Luke Donald; Russ Smith – Jason Day; and Logan Stringer – Rory McIlroy. Stop by the Golf Shop and let us know who you think will win this year's Masters.

The 2014 Ocala Open was our best event to date benefitting over \$25,000 each to Hospice of Marion County and Interfaith Emergency Services. Special thanks go out to all of our wonderful sponsors, volunteers and staff for making this a spectacular event.

April will bring the 2014 Solheim Cup. The Candler Hills Ladies Golf Association

will host the On Top of the World Ladies Golf Association in this annual clash. The event will be held Monday, April 7 and Tuesday, April 8 on the Links course and Thursday, April 10 on the Candler Hills course. Tee times begin at 8 a.m. each day. Good luck ladies.

This month, the On Top of the World Men's Golf Association will host the annual Men's Ryder Cup. The event will be held Tuesday, April 15 and Wednesday, April 16 on Candler Hills and Friday, April 18 on the Links. Tee times begin at 8 a.m. each day. Good luck to both teams.

Perhaps you have noticed all the new billboards, signage, model homes and logo On Top of the World has fashioned. This is an exciting time for On Top of the World residents and employees. If you're interested in purchasing some apparel that includes the new logo, please swing by the On Top of the World Golf Shop to see what's new and exciting.

Upcoming Events

- Ladies Solheim Cup: April 7, April 8 and April 10
- Men's Ryder Cup: April 15, April 16 and April 18
- Monthly Event: April 26, Links
- Ronstar Application – April 30, Candler Hills closed at 1 p.m. May 1, Tortoise & Hare closed at 1 p.m.
- Aerification: May 12-15, Links closed. May 19-25, Tortoise & Hare closed.

World Accolades

CANDLER HILLS: Dan Cohen, eagle #7. Randy Ford, hole-in-one #13. John Larson, hole-in-one (5 iron stinger) #13.

Jack Gustafson, eagle #7. Dave Thomas, eagle #7. Jorrie Jordaan, eagle #10.

LINKS: Jay Bouton, eagle #15. John Gayso shot his age of 74. Doug Coleman shot five strokes under his age.

TORTOISE & HARE: Ed Klodzen shot 79 five strokes under his age. Don Noel, hole-in-one #11.

Golf Tip of the Month

Do you ever step up to a shot thinking about all the negative outcomes that can unfold? Then you hit the shot only to

dump it in the greenside bunker. This is a big mental problem for a lot of golfers, even the tour players.

The most important thing you can do mentally is give yourself the best chance at success. Instead of thinking about all the negative outcomes, focus your attention on what you want to happen. Think about the positive outcomes of the shot and be confident in your approach.

As quoted by the great Bobby Jones, "Golf is a game that is played on a five-inch course, the distance between your ears."



Arbor Club Tennis

By Jorge Privat

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Those who had the opportunity to attend the University of Florida Gator tennis, I am sure had a good time. This is a great way to watch live high-level tennis for free ... and it was close by! Keep in mind that there is a schedule for the men, and one for the women, and both are just as interesting to watch. You can look it up in the web under "Gator world," or simply "Gator tennis."

I would also like to remind everyone that I am continuing with the free tennis clinics every Thursday in April from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

Lately, I have been observing that many players have a little aversion to the serve. Not without reason. The serve is the most difficult stroke in the game. However, learning the basics correctly will greatly help your game as a whole.

The Serve

Attending the Dennis Van Der Meer Tennis Academy, some years ago, they emphasized the following guidelines, which I found very helpful.

BEGINNER: Some players try to hit aces right from the start. The important thing at this level is to understand the fundamentals of the serve, such as developing a good throwing motion, and a consistent ball toss.

If you don't have experience in a sport that requires throwing, you should learn

this. Also, remember that your serve can only be as good as your toss. If your toss is poor, you will have to bend and swing your racquet awkwardly to hit the ball. A poor toss also makes it virtually impossible to develop a steady and effective service rhythm.

Stand on the baseline, your non-dominant shoulder pointing at the net, one leg forward and one leg back. Using your dominant hand, throw the ball into the service box. Rotate your shoulders and allow your back leg to follow through. After 20 repetitions, use the same motion as you serve with the racquet, only this time, instead of throwing the ball, you will be (like) throwing the racquet to the ball.

Hold the ball with the tip of your fingers and lift and release the ball, just to the right of your body and approximately an arm's length ahead of you. The toss should be a little higher than the top of your reach when your arm is fully extended. The higher the contact point, the more leverage you will have, and, as you develop a consistent toss, this will enable you to have a more natural and smooth service motion. You also need to develop strength in your arm and shoulder. It will be helpful as well to practice throwing a ball just like a baseball pitcher does, adding a little snap as you release the ball.

INTERMEDIATE: At this level, you should be able to put the serve into play more consistently, develop a reliable second serve and move the first serve around the service box.

The best way to improve and obtain a dependable second serve is by adding spin on the ball. This will allow you a larger margin for error, help you avoid double faults, and make it more difficult for your opponents to be aggressive on the return. In order to achieve this, you should practice tossing the ball above your head, or slightly behind you, and brush up the back of the ball upwards to create topspin.

Start hitting first serves with topspin to enhance your doubles play, and in serve and volley situations. One way to improve your second serve motion is to go behind the back fence and spin balls over the fence and into the court. Moving the first serve around in the box prevents you from becoming predictable to your opponents. Pick specific targets within the box and from the service line hit 10 serves across and then 10 serves down the line, and 10 in the center. Step back three steps and repeat the serves until you get to serve from the baseline, making accuracy and consistency your goals.

ADVANCED: At this level, you don't want to rely only on your consistency and accuracy. In addition, you need to have power in order to make your serve a weapon. Most players at this level are good returners, so you need to count on adding velocity to your serves under pressure situations. Winning big points, especially in big matches depends on hitting your best serves under pressure. Hitting your targets in practice doesn't mean much if you cannot hit them during a match.

Develop a ritual as tour players do. Bounce the ball a certain number of times, take deep breaths, focus on your objective, and try to deliver each serve exactly the same way. This will build your confidence. Also, adding power, spin and placement will turn your serve into a difficult shot to handle.

The key to hitting power serves is in maintaining your body very relaxed, and bending your knees to explode upwards, reaching high and in front of your body. The higher the contact point, the more effective the serve.

Combine your practice-hitting flat, twisting kick serves and hard slice serves. See you on the courts.

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Candler Hills Ladies 9-Hole

By Judith Parisi

The weather continues to thwart our Thursday league play but we have nevertheless enjoyed social activities. Ginny Redden and her committee - Vicki Olson, Angie Ward, Therese Woodard, Marlene McGlynn, Quinn Clayton and Eve Harvey did a wonderful job planning a golf and dinner event themed "All Fore Love" on Thursday, Feb. 13.

Golf regrettably was cancelled due to weather, but the spirit of the group was enlivened by a wonderful dinner, which was held in the evening. Sonny's BBQ provided the food, which included ribs, pulled pork, coleslaw, green beans, baked beans, and rolls. A beautiful and delicious cake topped off the meal. Ginny organized a golf related trivia contest, and there was a 50/50 drawing. Kudos to Ginny and her committee for a fun evening.

On Thursday, Feb. 27, the Candler Hills 18 Hole Ladies league invited us to join them for a round of golf followed by lunch. However, golf again needed to be cancelled due to weather. But at 12:30 p.m., we gathered at the Candler Hills Community Center for a marvelous luncheon. The tables were festively arrayed with tablecloths of varied colors and plates of chips and salsa. The lunch was a chili cook-off that was superb. There were many crock-pots of chili, hors d'oeuvres, and a sumptuous array of desserts of which to partake. Our thanks to the CHLGA-18 for not only a wonderful meal but great hospitality.

Looking ahead, the CHLGA-9 Club Championship is being held Thursday, March 27 and Thursday, April 3. To participate, league members must commit to play both days, and have played during the 2013-2014 season a minimum of 10 times.

We will also have the opportunity to participate in the On Top of the World Fairways in Bloom Invitational on Tuesday, April 1. This is always a fun event.

On Thursday, April 24, the league will

have its annual membership meeting at the Candler Hills Community Center. At this event, we pay our dues (\$20) for the upcoming league year, vote on the new incoming board members, receive awards for birdies, eagles and chip-ins from league play for 2013-2014, announce the most improved player, announce the winner of the league championship and much more. The annual meeting will follow golf and members will have the opportunity to preselect a boxed lunch to enjoy between golf and the meeting. This is an important meeting and we urge all members to attend.

We also welcome prospective members to join us for our annual meeting. It will be a good opportunity to learn more about the league and meet our members. For more details as the date approaches, please see our website: www.chlga9.shutterfly.com.

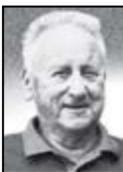
Step Aside Scramble-Most 4s Feb. 20

6-Therese Woodard, Marlene McGlynn, Rhonda Brooks, Janice Sturm. 3-Cheryl Engeman, Vicki Olson, Renee Aden, Lois Laine. 3-Eleonora Buba, Deborah Malo, Gail Ambrose, Marcie Hock. 2 (by draw)-Linda Mandala, Nancy Cofield, Julie Crudele, Pat DeLuca.



Photo by Judy Parisi

Therese Woodard, Ginny Redden, Marlene McGlynn and Vicki Olson who planned the All Fore Love Invitational tournament and dinner held Feb. 13.



Men's Golf Association

By Bill McGarry

Straight Scramble Feb. 5

60-Robert Meyer, Jim Tait, Fred Rodriguez, Tom Pasch; 63-Jon Hill, Dale Budd, Wally Schilf, John Ricciardone; Tie at 64-Ed Swinn, Joe Furaro, Jerry Segovis, Freddie Moody; Gary Hasset, James Merrit, Norman Schultz, James Delfraisse.

Stableford Feb. 12

Flight 1: 44-Jon Hill. Tie at 43-Thomas Weiss, John Hudack. Tie at 42-Gary Hasset, Joe Hawkins.

Flight 2: 45-Ed Klodzen. 43-Ed Schwinn. Tie at 42-John Bauer, Steve Becker. 41-Thomas Marinetto.

Flight 3: Tie at 43-David Miller, Steve Molnar. Tie at 42-Jerry Ashe, Dale Budd, Francis Caprez, James Merrit.

Flight 4: 47-Tary Bole. 45-Roy Hira. 43-Kas Kaske. 42-Tony Magri. Tie at 41-Ron Abramovich, Art Buecher.

Flight 5: 50-Joe Polizzotti. 49-Alan Mudie. Tie at 45-Larry Chase, Joe Rapapa. 43-John Ricciardone.

Team Quota Points Feb. 19

30-Jim Tait, Ralph Solvold, Art Frescura, Wolf Stoldt; 29-Jay Bouton, James Merrit, David Miller, Tony Capillo; 27-Charlie Dove, William Miller, Tary Bole, Richard Enos; Tie at 26-Tom McHaffie, Ralph Solvold, Art Frescura, Wolf Stoldt; Rudy Normandin, Charles Casale, Francis Caprez, Bernie James.

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Candler Hills Ladies 18-Hole

By Mary Pat Giffin

"Though April showers may come your way, They bring the flowers that bloom in May,

So if it's raining, have no regrets, Because it isn't raining rain, you know it's raining violets" -

Performed by Al Jolson/published in 1921

Our league does not want to hear these song lyrics this month because it's been our theme song since the first of the year.

And, yes the weather cancelled golf on the day of our big chili cook-off. But it didn't stop the women from rallying and enjoying a nice bowl of chili or two. Chef Bud, Assistant Chef Billy and Matt Hibbs judged the various bean concoctions. Marge Cowie's chili took first place; Iro Lisinsky came in second; Jan Fulton and Heddy Racinowski tied for third place.

We raised \$132 benefitting The First Tee of Greater Ocala in 50/50 raffle at this event. Year-to-date we have collected \$520.

By now, you should have your partner for Solheim Cup. The Candler Hills team took advantage of the Ocala Open to practice at the Links. Look for results on the website.

How refreshing it is to see young pros out there on the course competing in the

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Dogs must be on a leash at all times.

Ocala Open. As a caddy for one of the pros, I had the privilege to follow along. While I tried to watch the ball flight, they hit it too far for my eyes to follow. On number four, it was 669 yards to the green and the wind was gusting in our faces at over 30 miles per hour. Still, these guys managed to hit the green in regulation.

A warm welcome to Sue List, a new member from Wisconsin, who joins us by way of Arkansas.

"We retired in Arkansas and were looking for warm weather and after searching several communities, it brought us to On Top of the World," said Sue.

"We love the Candler Hills Golf Course and were impressed by how well it is maintained."

Sue also commented on how nice the people are here. "They've gone out of their way to make us feel welcome."

A golfer for 25 years, Sue admits her putting "has gone down the toilet." "I can't figure out the greens."

Our club championship gets under way later this month on April 24, 26 and May 1. Good luck to all!

One last note, please consider signing up to be a board member. We are losing several of the gals. Now, it's your turn.

Low Gross/Low Net Feb. 20

Flight 1 Low Gross: 81-Connie Norris. Flight 1 Low Net: 65-Pam Carpenter; Tied at 67-Su Freeman and Tona Scheibal.

Flight 2 Low Gross: 86-Donna Smith. Flight 2 Low Net: Tied at 69-Nancy Shoner and Sue Watters; 71-Toni Stevenson.

Flight 3 Low Gross: 86-Vicky Salyers. Flight 3 Low Net: 65-Gail Banavige; 71-Patty Ware; 72-Irmgard Anger.

Flight 4 Low Gross: 90-Kathy Smyth. Flight 4 Low Net: 66-Vivian Scofield; Tied at 72-Linda Buschar, Joan Gustafson and Gail Schultz.



Candler Hills Men's Golf

By Joe Alfano

According to the mystical "Baggar Vance," the game of golf cannot be won - it can only be played. And played it was these past few weeks by our newly crowned 2014 Match Play Champion Charlie Dove. Having defeated five worthy opponents along the way, including a scrappy Bruce Venslavsky in the finals, Charlie exhibited all those qualities we look for in a champion. Famed sportswriter Grantland Rice once wrote, "Eighteen holes of match play will teach you more about your foe than 18 years of dealing with him across a desk." In Charlie Dove, we all found a no better true and gracious champion. Congratulations and well-played laddie!

We continue to welcome new members to the assemblage. If you are interested in playing in an environment of competition, sportsmanship and camaraderie with a dash of harmless chicanery thrown in, contact me at tjalf8371@yahoo.com for more information.

We all look forward to this month's Ryder Cup with our fellow brethren up on the hill. Kudos should go out to both tournament committees for keeping this competition on our playing calendars. Members here are doubly excited seeing as our association is not responsible for the bar tab this year.

The month of April also brings us our annual "April Fools Day Celebration" and the wacky format Four-Man Worst Drive Scramble. Tournament Director Dennis Norris has added another twist to the competition but, were I to spill the beans, I lose out on the post-round hot dog and grog courtesy of the association. Nothing

swears me to secrecy more than food and beer!

Someone was once heard to say, "Golf is like marriage. If you take yourself too seriously it won't work, and both are expensive." Not taking anything too seriously this past month was Pat Clayton (71), Ron Fulton (72), Tom Garrison (75), Lon Scheibal (76), Mike Deahl (77), John Smith and Craig Riber (78) and Jon Hill, Bill Anger and Walt Pacuk (79). Well done and a tip of the straw boater gentlemen!

As is my custom, may I wish everyone a life of "nothing but fairways and greens folks, just those good old fairways and greens."

Two-Man Team Stableford Feb. 18

Gilbert Flight: +5-Rich Freeman and Joe Alfano. Tie at +3-Charlie Dove and Jim McGrath; John Smith and George Strob. +1- Bryant Giffin and Tony Bruno.

Sullivan Flight: +11-Roger Whittle and Leo McCormick. Tie at +3-Bruce Venslavsky and Roger McKay; John Podkomorski and Joe Jingco. +2- Chuck Lafferty and Bill Horton.

Four-Man Two Best Balls Feb. 25

110-Ron Fulton, Chuck Lafferty, Mike Deahl and Stan Jarmel. 113-Joe Alfano, JC Van Bloom, Joe Jingco and Chuck Fairbanks. 117-Walt Pacuk, Rick Lilly, Roger McKay and Rick Casares. 120-Bill Anger, Jim Bennett, Tony Bruno and George Strob. Tie at 121-Bruce Venslavsky, Larry Rackstraw, Andy Bulloch and Gil Green; Pat Clayton, Steve Rice, Don Huston and Ken Zweiback.

Individual Net Stableford March 4

Crosby Flight: 41-Craig Riber. 40-Larry Smallwood. Tie at 39-Charlie Dove, Lon Scheibal and John Smith. Stills Flight: 41-Ron Shoner. Tie at 40-Chuck Lafferty and Ken Zweiback. Nash Flight: 40-Gil Green. 39-John Menzies. 38-Steve Rice. Young Flight: 43-Joe Jingco. 40-Bob Cowie. 39-Chris Lyndrup.

April 30: Spring banquet. 9-Hole Invite LGA-18 Scramble Feb. 11

Flight 1: 34-Janis Hannasch, Angelita Pena, Lorraine Rourke, Joan Cecchini; 36-Paulie McCoy, Eileen Gustavus, M. Kay Budd, Dea Johnson; 37-Susan Maillet, Geri Treppa, Kathleen Dushary, Marilyn Rose; 38-Sandra DeChambeau, Susan Rhodes, Ellie Rapacz, Ethel Miller, Dawn Hagberg, Fumie Veatch, Carol Bell, Michael Beyer. Flight 2: 35-Deborah Martin, Carolyn Cummings, Darlene Clark, Carolyn Abramovich; 37-Nancy Nicolas, Renee Aden, Joyce Jones, Velma Rose; 38-Janet Juhlin, Harriet Brower, Linda Mandala, Constance Deignan; 39-Rosemarie O'Neil, Joan Rappa, Jo Apperson, Betty Tully.

Skins Feb. 18

8-Kathy Hall; 7-Grace Bock; 5-Linda Dumeer; 4-Renee Aden, Pauline Beloin, Marlene Floeckher, Eileen Gustavus.

Low Net Feb. 25

Flight 1: 36-Linda Dumeer; Janis Hannasch; 38-Virginia Bayless. Flight 2: 38-Serine Rossi; 40-Kathleen Dushary, M. Kay Budd. Flight 3: 27-Marlene Floeckher; 35-Pauline Beloin; 39-Ethel Miller. Chip-In: Renee Aden. Flight 4: 37 Linda Heenan; 39-Louise Lineman, 44-Carolyn Abramovich

TTT Scramble March 4

38-Caroline East, Lorraine Rourke, Marlene Floeckher, Michael Beyer; 41-Janis Hannasch, Sheila Ashe, Carol Bell, Carolyn Abramovich; 42-Ethel Miller, Kathy Hall, Linda Heenan, Marie Marquis, Virginia Bayless, Linda Dumeer, Betty Dent, Marie Marquis, Louise Lineman, Renee Aden, Grace Bock, Agnes Tetti, Mary Hart.



Ladies 9-Hole Golf

By Lorraine Rourke

It was a busy and fun winter. I heard a lot of laughter out on the golf course. The meeting days with TTT has been a huge success. We have a wonderful time with all the folks who join us for our invitation and the charity scramble will be a fun event as well.

If you have new neighbors in your area, encourage them to join us. It is a great way to make friends!

Please make sure you check our bulletin board for announcements for invitations from other groups. There will be a posting there, a list for sign ups, and the cost (put check in the box made out to On Top of the World ladies 9-hole league and note the tournament the payment is for).

Anyone interested in playing on Thursdays at 9 a.m., meet at the members lounge before 9 a.m. to pair up. Please be early.

The following tournaments are scheduled - make sure to sign up:

- April 1: 9-Hole Invitational Fairways in Bloom - do not miss this one!
- April 8: Charity Scramble (Stirrups 'n Strides Therapeutic Riding Center is the charity).

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Ladies 18-Hole Golf

By Marilyn Rose

This has been a much better month than we had earlier in the year. We have been able to play for most of the month. We had a good Member/Member Tournament and we were treated to an excellent lunch. Nancy Zielinski and her capable crew headed the committee.

We held our March meeting and a new board emerged: President Nancy Zielinski, Vice President Harriett Hawkins, Sec-

retary Susan Rhodes, and Treasurer Jo Apperson. We all know that these ladies will lead us well.

Color Wars Feb. 25 / Tortoise & Hare

Red Team: 21-Bev Ovrebø, Jan Juhlén, Linda Bervinkle, Carol Johnson, Dea Johnson, Mary Lyon, Pat MacMurray, Deb Martin, Chris McIntire, Rosemarie O'Neil, Judy Pasch, Carol Robinson, Marilyn Rose, Fumie Veatch, Yoshiko Young, Nancy Zielinski, Peggy Borro. Blue Team: 14

Ribbon Day / Total Team Score March 4 / Links

114-Nancy Zielinski, Susan Maillet, Shirley Smagner, Blind Draw. 117-Joan D'Addio, Maggie Hudacik, Marilyn Rose, Blind Draw. 118-Rosemarie

O'Neil, Chris McIntire, Carolyn Cummings, Jo Apperson. Tie at 119-Susan Watters, Gina Bulloch, Carol Johnson, Joan Cecchini; Peggy Borro, Linda Bervinkle, May Chin, Doris Holman. 120-Valerie Smith, Judy Pasch, Angelita Pena, Joyce Jones. Tie at 123-Linda Blewitt, Sandy Chase, Ellie Rapacz, Blind Draw; Deb Martin, Pat MacMurray, Geri Treppa, Dea Johnson.

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Flight 1: 57-Mia Kolar, Deb Martin; 59-Iro Lisinski, Bev Ovrebø; Tie at 63-Linda Blewitt, Chris McIntire; Joan D'Addio, Jan Juhlén; Nancy Zielinski, Nancy Nicholas. Flight 2: Tie at 59-Gretchen Norman-din, Joan Cecchini; Connie Sohl, Fumie

Veatch; 60-Judy Pasch, Maggie Hudacik; 61-Joyce Jones, Susan Rhodes. Flight 3: 58-Angelita Pena, Yoshiko Young; 59-Carol Johnson, Dea Johnson; 60-Shirley Smagner, Ellie Rapacz; Carole Robinson, Piper Thomas.

Remember that the Club Championship is next week. Good luck to all who have entered. Also remember that the awards banquet is fast approaching. Please get your name on the list to attend and enjoy all the festivities that will occur. There will also be an installation of new officers and the president will announce her board members. Hope we meet on the course.

We have to get ready for summer. So long to our snowbirds. Drive safely and enjoy the summer ahead.

Business Workshop

By Robert Colen

Participants in Master the Possibilities Economic Development Institute have had the unique opportunity to see and learn about some of the remarkable manufacturing and business facilities in Marion County.

We are now taking the next step in offering a profoundly enriching experience. On Tuesday April 29, from 1 to 3 p.m., we will be hosting a SCORE Workshop: "Simple Steps for Starting Your Business." The workshop will take place at Master the Possibilities.

This free workshop is offered in conjunction with the volunteer organization SCORE and the Small Business Administration. It is specifically designed for those in retirement or nearing retirement, who want to explore the idea of starting their own business.

So if you have that entrepreneurial spirit you can register at <http://thevillageesocala.score.org/> or by calling SCORE directly at (352) 399-0050.

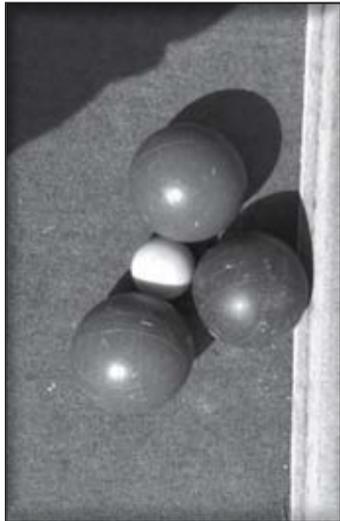


Photo by Michelle Malsch

When the red or green bocce ball touches the Pallino (the yellow ball) in game play, it is called a "kisser." It is rare and there were three "kissers" in one game during league play!



Bocce

By Michelle Malsch

Let's get the ball rolling! The Bocce Club league team standings as of Monday, March 10 are as follows:

Tuesday / 9 a.m.

498-Firecrackers; 496-Four Rollers; 465-Bocce Bombers; 448-Dolphins; 401-Hard Balls; 360-Low Rollers; 326-Ball Knockers; 283-Bocce Warbirds.

Tuesday / 11 a.m.

458-League of Nations; 452-Happy Feet; 447-Four Balls; 444-The Neighbors. 427-Smile Faces; 407-The Jets; 383-The Slow Flyers; 363-The Duds.

Thursday / 10 a.m.

304-The Other Halves; 392-On the Edge; 346-Rookies; 368-Rolling Stones; 339-Ocala \$; 304-The New Beginning; 239-Rocket Scientists; 219-Bocchettes.

As evidenced by the numbers, it certainly will be a fight to the finish with the end of the season drawing near. Top finishers will be fighting for their place in the Best of Bocce Tournament, which will be held on Tuesday, April 29. The top three

teams from each of the Tuesday/9 a.m. and 11 a.m. leagues, as well as the top two teams from the Thursday/10 a.m. league will play in the tournament.

The bocce league banquet will be held on Friday, May 2, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F. League members will pay \$10 and \$15 for their guests. Team captains have the sign up sheets and will be collecting the money for the banquet. Please sign up and make payment by Tuesday, April 15. Volunteers are needed to help set up the room for the banquet. Please see your team captains if you can help out. The affair will be a southern style buffet with catering by Sonny's Barbeque.

Open bocce is played on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9 a.m. Anyone is permitted to play during these days at this time. League play is on Tuesdays at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., and Thursdays at 10 a.m.

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Shuffleboard

By Grace Rohde

It was a somewhat cool morning for the annual Jack Huard Shuffleboard Tournament on Saturday, March 8; nevertheless, we still had 32 players who filled up all of the courts. Everyone was ready and anxious to use their shuffleboard skills to compete for the winner or runner-up.

There would be five rounds of play. For each round, 12 frames would be played or until the score of 75 was reached, whichever came first. Everyone was ready, chips were drawn for placement, and the tournament began. After each round, the players who won advanced to the next round, and the players who lost no longer played.

At each new round of play, the number of players grew smaller and smaller until we were down to the fifth and final round which left Jim Baker and Phil Weiner to compete for the championship.

The winner of the 2014 Jack Huard Tournament was Phil Weiner with Jim Baker as the runner-up! Phil was presented with a \$50 check and Jim, a \$25 check, from the tournament director, Peter Van Arsdale. Both Phil and Jim will also have their names engraved on a plaque which will be placed with the other winners of previous Jack Huard Tournaments, in the enclosed glass case display unit near the sidewalk at the shuffleboard courts.

Ginny Smith was our scorekeeper this year. She was kept busy keeping track of all of the players. Beverly Van Arsdale baked her chocolate chip and snickerdoodle cookies, and everyone looked forward to this special treat.

Our annual meeting with luncheon was at the Recreation Ballroom on Thursday, March 6, which brought together many shuffleboard players from all of our

teams. After the meeting, everyone socialized and had fun together.

A 50/50 raffle was held and the winners were Nancy Dreimiller, Jim Smith, Diane Hixon, Marilyn Youngman, Jim Smith, Charlie Lentz, Joe Veres, and Paula McClaren.

Everyone had a good time playing bingo, and the following were our winners: Charlotte Baker, Joe Zalmanoff, Roger Werner, Jim Youngman, Vickie Lentz, Diane Hixon, Maxine Malone and Marilyn Youngman.

Carol Scruggs planned and organized the luncheon and she had Pavarotti's Pizza & Restaurant cater chicken parmigiana, ziti, and cannoli. There was plenty of food to eat, and I am sure that everyone had a good time. Thanks to Carol for all of her time and effort for making this luncheon such a success.

Shuffleboard players had a busy month full of activity, competition, and fun. Now they can look forward to the next Ten Pin Tournament which will be held on Saturday, April 12 at 9 a.m. with the rain date the following Saturday, April 19 at 9 a.m. Be sure to sign up with Peter Van Arsdale before all of the 32 places are taken.

The winners in February league play were as follows:

Men

Monday a.m.: Nick Dreimiller.
Tuesday p.m.: Rick Vogel.
Friday a.m.: Roger Werner.

Women

Monday a.m.: Vickie Lentz.
Tuesday p.m.: Maxine Malone.
Friday a.m.: Shirley Lindsay.

30 Club Men

Monday a.m.: Jim Baker and Charlie Lentz.
Tuesday p.m.: Armann Rohde.

30 Club Women

Tuesday p.m.: Carol Scruggs and Dot Migliaccio.



Photo by Armann Rohde

Peter Van Arsdale presenting shuffleboard tournament winner, Phil Weiner, and runner-up, Jim Baker, with checks.



Billiards

By Richard Impresa

Having spent the better part of last month totally removed from playing or practicing pool, I needed to restart my game. This situation has happened before and it's not as easy as it may sound to get back to your former skill level.

After several trials and failures, I have found a method that seems to work for me so I thought I would share it with all of you who read my column. When you think about it, skill is the product of experience, experience is the product of repetition and repetition is the product of trial and error.

Another way of putting it is the only way to get to Carnegie Hall or back to your former skill level is practice, practice, practice. The big question is – what to practice? Do you start with cut or straight shots, with or without English, etc., etc., etc.?

When I thought about how pro athletes attempt to turn around a losing season I recalled an old film about the Green Bay Packers and their great coach, Vince Lombardi. In this documentary, Lombar-

di is seen inheriting a dysfunctional football team and converting them into champions. The method he used to achieve his goal was discipline and getting back to basics.

Restoring your pool skills can be achieved the same way. Start with the most basic part of your game ... your stroke. Is it true and straight? If it isn't nothing else you do will be right, you will just be wasting your time practicing cut shots, banks, etc. if your stroke is off. The easiest way to tell if your stroke is off is to shoot a ball from two diamonds away from a pocket 10 times, then move the ball out to four diamonds and repeat, then full table length and repeat.

Once you are sure your stroke is on then you can test your other skills. This will take time and patience so stick with it; there aren't any shortcuts or substitutes for practice. This same method works when you temporarily encounter a slump in your game. Go back to the basics; don't try anything fancy. Relax, have fun, enjoy the game and the camaraderie. Remember it's only a game.

If it doesn't work for you, I'll give you twice my salary as president of the Billiards Club and three times the salary of our vice presidents (Joe Amigliore and Penny Wilson), and our treasurer (Mike Retter). Until next month, keep stroking and keep your tip dry.

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View From The Library

By B.J. Leckbee

She worked in New York City as a marketing director for a best-selling magazine; her husband was a writer who was able to work out of their apartment. She liked living in northern New Jersey and working in Manhattan. He wanted a lifestyle change and was handed an unexpected opportunity to move to and manage a 500-acre farm in Northern Virginia. After much discussion they decided to try it.

Hubby quickly fell in love with farm life; Susan not so much. She didn't miss her job, but she missed many of the conveniences of working in the city. What did she miss most? Starbucks!

In her memoir-style book, "Confessions of a Counterfeit Farm Girl", Susan McCorkindale describes her transition from browsing through Ann Taylor and having a manicure on her lunch hour into a cow-herding, egg-hunting, tractor-driv-

ing, fence-jumping farmer's wife.

She reminisces that during all the years she lived in New Jersey she never had to stop her car and wait while a group of men forced an escaped bull back into a field. Nor did she have to warn her houseguests that in case of a power failure they should immediately fill the bathtub with water, because the fix could take some time. She's talking days here, not hours.

On the plus side, she learned a few things. For example: bush hog is spelled as two words and it has nothing to do with hogs; two people on a tractor means that someone is going to get hurt; in order to jump an electric fence it is wise to first turn off the electricity; and never stand close to the rear legs of any four-legged farm animal.

Susan's husband had agreed to live on and manage the farm for two years until the owner retired from his day job and was able to move onto the property. By the time this turnover occurred, Susan was ready to move on. The last chapter leads the reader to believe the couple will be moving to a lakefront property, and maybe raising salmon instead of cattle. Or not.

The book can be found on the center shelves, section 818.



Genealogical Society

By Peter Parisi

At our educational presentation on Monday, Feb. 17, Jean Monroe provided an informative session on setting up and organizing a file system in Windows Explorer on your computer. If you set up a library for those items, such as genealogy files, which you use frequently, you will be able to access your records more quickly.

On Friday, Feb. 28, Crista Cowan, The Barefoot Genealogist, gave a live presentation, hosted by the Marion County Genealogical Society, at the Marion County Main Library in Ocala on "The Five Things to Try at Ancestry.com" and "Sharing Your Family Story."

She stated, you always start with yourself and work back one generation at a time to find two parents and their children, and in turn, their parents. Using Family Tree Maker in conjunction with ancestry.com, click the leaf next to your ancestor's name to examine enough documentation to validate people are definitely your ancestors.

Once you begin to build a family tree, put it online to see if other people have information on your ancestors. Information on living people will not be shown if the birth date is less than 100 years and there isn't a date of death entered. Note that this is a "working tree" and gives people "guest" privileges so they can look at your tree and hopefully contact you on the ancestry.com message board with more information.

Use information from other online public trees but do not merge the information directly into your family tree. Some of the information might not be correct so only type in new information into your family tree that you validate. Use the card catalogue in ancestry.com to find records for the state or city in which you think your ancestor lived. Remember, many birth, marriage, etc. records are not online for many states because of state privacy laws. To narrow your search, change your keywords in your search.

To look at more than one record in a category, right click on it and select "open new tab" so you can toggle from one item to another, e.g. the 1910, 1920 and 1930 Census.

To learn more about genealogy and searching for information on your ancestors, use the learning center in ancestry.com to access hundreds of free Webinars, video classes on YouTube, the help FAQ and the family history WIKI. Genealogy can be fun but it does take time to do the research.

The Genealogical Society will hold a combined educational presentation meeting and business meeting at 10 a.m., the third Monday of April, in Suites B and C in the Arbor Conference Center. This meeting is for all members and people who may be interested in joining our society. We hope to see you at one of our meetings.

Remember, our annual dues are only \$10 per person or \$15 per couple, so come to one of our meetings and see what we are all about. One of the benefits of membership is that we have a large library of genealogical books and CDs, which are available to members to be signed out and used at home for their research.



R/C Flyers

By Elliott Wilkins

This month, we continue with our series entitled, "Magnificent Men and Their Flying Machines."

Our featured member this month is Charlie Fisher, one of the most esteemed flyers and builders in the club. He is a prime example of being a motivator and innovator as well as an excellent and dedicated aviator. Those of us who know Charlie respect him not only for his cooking skills but also his ability at building and flying some of the most technically complex planes and quadcopters.

He has an ever-present jovial personality and ability and expertise in helping other club members whenever and wherever the need arises. Other accomplishments include playing bocce and being elected to our board of directors as safety officer.

Charlie was married to his beautiful bride Donna in 1967. They have two children and six grandchildren. Charlie was a U.S. Air Force weapons specialist in Vietnam from 1967 to 1968. He then went to work for Eastern Airlines as an apprentice mechanic and later as a technical writer and supervisor for all of Eastern's Pratt & Whitney Engines.

In 1987, he trained as an internal con-

sultant for Eastern where he and his team would sit in and negotiate on labor or personnel issues. He also conducted many seminars.

In 1989, he established an employee relations department for Eastern Airlines. In 1991, he made a commercial for Eastern Airlines where the phrase, "We have a brand new airline with a bunch of old pros," became popular. After Eastern Airlines closed its doors, he opened a sports bar in Pembroke Pines, Fla. with two friends named "Huddles Sports Café." It won the city's wing competition two years in a row. (We here at the R/C Flyers Club are thankful for that!)

In 2010, Charlie and Donna visited friends at On Top of the World and fell in love with the place, people, flying field and club.

Through most of Charlie's diverse and extraordinary life, he has always had a love for model aviation from u-control models to all phases of radio control model aircraft including fixed wing, helicopters and now quadcopters. His quest to learn as much as he can about any and all new model aviation technology and techniques are why Charlie Fisher is this month's featured "magnificent man." Congratulations Charlie!

Our club is comprised of over 128 members and each member has a rich and glorious history consisting of life experiences that are noteworthy. I will try to write about as many members as possible in the coming months.

Singles Club

By Lorraine Serwan

The Singles Club is swinging into high gear with lots of activities in April.

At our Thursday, April 10 meeting, we will have a speaker from the Alzheimer's Association who will discuss this mental condition.

On Wednesday, April 23, a group will be taking a cruise on the St. John's River. The boat sails out of Sanford. Lunch is included. Cost for the trip and lunch

is \$41.35 and must be paid in advance. Members are already signed up, but there may be a few spots available. Call Cel at 840-3969 for information. The group will meet in the Recreation Center parking lot at 8:15 a.m. to carpool to Sanford.

The nominating committee will present its slate at the April meeting and nominations from the floor will be opened.

Please join us on Thursday, April 10 at 2 p.m. in Suites B and C at the Arbor Conference Center for our monthly meeting. Bring a friend. We always welcome new members.

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Ocala Clown Express

By Carol & Guy White

We were busy creating balloon animals, tattooing little hands, and painting cute animals on children's faces at IHOP for the Children's Miracle Network. And, what fun we had.

Next month, we'll be doing the same for the March of Dimes. Other groups will join in the fun.

"Ditzzy" also known as Charlotte is the

feature clown this month. Ditzzy hails from Florida where the Ringling Brothers Circus lives during the winter. She went to clown school there working as an elephant washer. In between washings, she learned to sweep up straw and muck up behind the lions. You'll know Ditzzy when you see her; she's missing her nose. Mostly she laughs, sings and teaches fire safety with her puppet, Sunny Sue, at Munroe Regional Medical Center. She retired from nursing to go into full time clowning. Now, if only, she could find a job.

Next month, we're really going to shine in the World News. Be sure to get the first edition, they'll go fast.

Submitted by Charlotte Erickson (Ditzzy)



Concert Chorus

By Patricia A. Woodbury

It is time for our spring concert! The Concert Chorus will perform on Sunday, April 6 at 3 p.m. in the Recreation Ballroom. This is a free concert but a free-will offering will be accepted. Any funds raised are used to purchase music for the chorus.

You do not want to miss this delightful concert entitled "Melodies of Spring" presented in four-part harmony by more than 30 residents. Some of the songs you will hear include selections from popular shows, such as the Sound of Music, "Til There Was You and some well-known folk songs, like "Danny Boy" and spirituals like "Deep River" and a couple patriotic songs, just to name a few.

Do you remember the song "Do Re Mi" from the Sound of Music? Well we will be singing that one; but did you know there is a history to that scale? A thousand years ago, if you heard a song and wanted to hear it again, you would remember it by heart; if you forgot the song it would be lost forever.

At that time, no musical notes were written. Guido, an Italian monk, who lived in Abrezzo, a small city in Tuscany, thought about writing down the sounds of music.

He discovered that the first syllable (tones used for the musical scale) of each line of words of an old Latin hymn was sung at a higher tone than the first tone of the preceding line. These syllables were Ut Re Mi Fa So La. After hearing this hymn, Guido had the idea of changing the scale to six tones. The French later added the

syllable Si, which is now called Ti, and Ut was changed to Do, because it was difficult to sing. This gave us the modern scale Do Re Mi Fa So La Ti Do.

Our featured chorus member this month is Nancy Dreimiller. Although Nancy was born in Glen Falls, N.Y., she and her family moved several times while she was growing up. She has several degrees, one in nursing, another in Liberal Studies and a Master's Degree in counseling from Marywood University. Her eventual career was as a registered nurse, financial consultant in long term care insurance. She moved to On Top of the World in 2006 from Loudonville, N.Y. Before joining the Concert Chorus, Nancy sang in choral groups in both high school and college. She has a high soprano voice and is a wonderful addition to our chorus.



Photo by Bill Shampine

Nancy Dreimiller

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Opera

By Bernie Kelly

In March, the class had a chance to see a lesser-known Mozart opera, "The Abduction from the Seraglio." The music was beautiful and the plot was an opera buffa.

In April, we are closing our season with "Carmen," which is in the top ten in popularity of all the operas in the repertory. We are going to have Plácido Domingo in his prime as Don José and Julia Migenes as a very sexy Carmen. We will meet in Meeting Room #3 on Thursday, April 3, at 1 p.m.

Georges Bizet was born on Oct. 25, 1838 and registered as Alexandre César Léopold, but baptized as "Georges," and known as Georges Bizet throughout his life. Bizet was born to a family, which was impoverished but cultured and very musically oriented.

His mother, Aimée, was a very accomplished pianist, and her brother was a distinguished singer and teacher.

Georges Bizet was admitted to the Conservatoire in October 1848 just two weeks before his 10th birthday. Georges impressed with his piano playing and soon won a second prize at 13, and the next year he won first prize. He became an accomplished pianist as an adult, but he never made an attempt to see how successful he could be as a soloist or a concert pianist.

In the Conservatoire, he started to turn his attention to composing and in 1850 he wrote two wordless songs for soprano. Four years later he had two songs published. He wrote a four-hand piano work based on a Gounod opera and later, his

symphony. Bizet's symphony was greatly influenced by Gounod's music, but the opus was lost until 1933 and was not performed until 1935.

Bizet completed his first opera, "Les pêcheurs de perles" in 1863. Berlioz was very complimentary in his comments about the work but other reviewers were generally negative. The public was unenthusiastic about the opera, and it closed after just 18 performances not to be seen again until 1886. It is sometimes performed today at the Met but is not in the general repertory.

In 1874, Bizet finished his new and last opera, "Carmen." He was confident that he had a work with great clarity and vivacity and history proved him right.

Massenet and Saint-Saëns were delighted by the new opera but the newspapers were very critical of the moral atmosphere. One critic called it the very incarnation of vice. The public was lukewarm and Bizet thought he had a failure on his hands.

The production that we are going to see, the Orchestre National de France, is conducted by Lorin Maazel and provides great support for this memorable opera performance.

This is the last opera of the season, and I hope all of our members are able to take advantage of this operatic gem. Remember anyone who is an opera lover is welcome to come to see what our Opera Appreciation Class is all about.

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Sewing Bees

By Linda Lohr

Most of the cold weather is behind us and spring has sprung! Flowers are blooming and people are out and about almost every day enjoying their life here at On Top of the World.

The Bees are now working on lighter weight quilts and amassing a lot of cuddly stuffed animals for the younger children. The older children will have a pillowcase to match their quilt and all ages will have a handy tote bag to carry their personal items.

We welcome our new members and remind them to look for treasures they are ready to pass along to others. The upcoming Rags to Riches event is one of our two

fundraisers for the year. With help from all club members and their friends and neighbors, we should have a lot of treasures for others to cherish. We will have some quilts for sale as well as our convenient wonder wallets! Mark your calendar for Friday, April 25 at the Recreation Center!

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, 12:30 to 3 p.m. We would be happy to show you our creations made with love for the children. New members are very welcome.

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 LeeAnn 854-7205 or Rita Miller 237-6660 for more information. As always, the children and we thank you for all your support.



Photo by Linda Lohr

Wonder wallets.



Stamp Club

By David Groves

In March, the General Francis Marion Stamp Club's first meeting featured a really great "show-and-tell" talk by club member Steve Main.

Steve's humorous, but factual, talk

focused on the international giveaways by postmasters to other postmasters throughout the world.

As Steve talked, he circulated several of what might be called "postmaster-to-postmaster gifts." For example, in 1997, India's postmaster general distributed an elegant, leather-bound, detailed and full-color presentation of actual proofs and stamps prepared during all phases of India's development and issue of a stamp showing the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt sitting at his desk, working on his personal stamp

collection.

Then there were presentations by non-governmental organizations. One unusual presentation came in the size and shape of a football (not inflated).

This presentation was prepared and distributed by the Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio, which included a set of four United States stamps showing famous football coaches Bear Bryant, Pop Warner, Vince Lombardi and George Halas issued in July 1997. It also included cards bearing information about the lives and careers of each of the four coaches.

Last November, with very little publicity, the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) did something that it had never done before. It issued stamps portraying identifiable, living people, none of whom are American citizens.

According to the USPS's "official source" - its new quarterly "USA Philatelic" catalog - this revolutionary issue "celebrated the Harry Potter films that brought J.K. Rowling's magical world to the screen; this 20-stamp souvenir booklet features stills from the Warner Bros. film series, showing some of the brave heroes, fearsome villains, and extraordinary creatures that inhabit Harry's world."

Next time you go to your post office, even if you don't collect stamps, you

might want to buy a booklet of Harry Potter commemorative stamps to give to your kids or grandkids.

On the other hand, if you happen to be interested in any aspect of stamp collecting or postal history, our club meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. and noon on the third Wednesday.

Both meetings are held in the second floor conference room of the Bank of the Ozarks on SW State Road 200 and the SW 99th Street entrance to On Top of the World.

If you prefer evening meetings, we do have Tuesday meetings scheduled at Freedom Library at 6 p.m. on May 13, June 10, Aug. 12, Sept. 9, Oct. 14 and Dec. 9.

Visitors are always welcome! Our annual membership dues are still only \$6.

For additional information about our club, or for information on either updating or disposing of your collection, please contact our club's president, Robert F. Schlegel, Jr., at rfschlegel45@cox.net, or our vice president, Russell Rumney Jr., at russellrumneyjr@gmail.com.

And ... as a last resort, you can always send an e-mail to me at bigpoo@embarqmail.com.

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

You are also invited to visit our website at <http://ocalagfmstampclub.com>.

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Happy Hookers

By Marge Curran

April is here and the Happy Hookers would like to wish everyone a happy spring!

Springtime brings excitement and freshness to all aspects of our lives and crafting is no exception. Vibrant colors, new patterns, and an eagerness to just try something new are all evident in the busy hands of the Happy Hookers.

If you love lively conversation as well as working on your craft, be it knitting, crocheting, embroidery, cross stitching, etc.

the Happy Hookers may be the group for you. We are always welcoming newcomers, and we meet year round every Monday from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Art Studio of the Hobby Building.

Monday, April 7 will find the Happy Hookers enjoying lunch at Ruby Tuesday's on SR200 in Ocala. Lunch will start at 1 p.m. These outings occur on the first Monday of every other month. Please contact Naomi Berman at 873-4328 if you have any questions or if you would like to be added to the April reservation.

If you find yourself doing some spring-cleaning and find yarn, knitting needles, crochet hooks and/or pattern books that you no longer have a use for, we can always find a new home for them. Feel free to call me at 630-336-1507 and I will make arrangements to pick up your donation.



Rubber Stamp Greeting Cards

By Linda Lohr

Our presenters for March were Ann Fields and Patty Hainzl. Much of the preparation was done beforehand and we all enjoyed making these clever cards.

One card was a birthday card and the other three could be used for many different occasions. We thank Ann and Patty for all their work and generosity

Anyone can be a presenter – and the cards do not have to be fancy or complicated. Our group is based on friendship,

socializing and helping each other play a big part of the club!

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 Thursdays of the month, unless the demonstrator requests other arrangements. 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 at Kathy at 237-6439. We look forward to introducing new people to our fun craft. Until then, keep on stampin'!



Art Group

By Anne Merrick

You will have read about Carole Drost Lopez in the March Neighbors magazine, giving a small idea of what she is about but you won't know what a generous person she is like we do in the Art Studio where we paint each Thursday and Saturday morning. She is a great teacher and painter in so many modalities. Carole is our greatest resource, showing us how to make it better when something isn't the way we want it. She uses her iPad to take a photo

of the painting and then uses one of her apps to make changes that can show you the way. Awesome.

Carole has a one-woman show during April at Master the Possibilities. Make sure you go up there to see her work; she has some fantastic pieces. One of her favorite ways to paint is Pleine Aire, and she is often out with a group at the many picturesque places around here and even in other states. Sholom Park offers trees, water, birds and architecture for a whole day of painting or just a quick sketch as you enjoy the atmosphere and serenity.

Several of us will be exhibiting our work, for sale, at the Hands Across the Highway show at the Circle Square Cultural Center on Saturday, April 5. Keep having fun at whatever you do.

You can contact Anne for more information at 732-0706.



Photo by Ann Fields

Photo of the four cards presented.



Photo by Anne Merrick

Carole Drost Lopez.



Artistic Crafts & Gifts

By Loretta Troutman

Scarves are "in." Some of our crafters are displaying beautiful scarves in answer to the current trend. Rene has lovely lacy and ruffled scarves and silver accessories to enhance the fashion. Jacky has knitted soft eye-catching scarves made with sparkling yarn. I have added scarves that can be fashioned into the cowl style or worn in different ways. They change the plain blouse or top into an attractive fashion statement. They are especially good looking when worn with one of Sharon's pretty

button pins.

Looking ahead to summer, Helen has scarves that are made to have a cooling effect all done in attractive prints.

We hope you will visit us when we set up our display tables in the Arbor Club in May. We will be there May 6, 13 and 20 while the construction work is being done in the Recreation Center. However, we will be in the Recreation Ballroom until May and hope you will visit us there. We display many beautiful handmade items suitable for your home decor and gift giving.

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Bridge

Monday Afternoon

By Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson

Feb. 17

1: Eleanor Giardina & Joan Lord; 2: Ida Rosendahl & Caryl Rosenberger.

Feb. 24

1: Ida Rosendahl & Doris Keathley; 2: Esther Lang & Helen O'Brien; 3: Joyce Walchak & Marge Starrett.

March 3

1: Ida Rosendahl & Caryl Rosenberger; 2: Phyllis Bressler & Marge Starrett; 3: Jayne Kaske & Carol Johnson.

March 10

1: Ida Rosendahl & Caryl Rosenberger; 2: Jayne Kaske & Carol Johnson; 3: Fran Griswold & Phyllis Bressler.

Monday Night

By Kathie & Art Dushary

Feb. 3

1: Eleanor Giardina (3490); 2: Art Dushary; 3: Marian McNeilly; 4: Nancy Van Gordon; 5: Ray Wilson.

Feb. 10

1: Ray Wilson (5310); 2: Sharon Miller; 3: Al Kremer; 4: Kathie Dushary; 5: Peggy Borro.

Feb. 17

1: Nancy Van Gordon (5480); 2: Ron McNeilly; 3: Mickey Martin; 4: Eleanor Giardina; 5: Howard Sale.

Feb. 24

Marion Hotz (4740); 2: Mildred Lane; 3: Sara Anderson; 4: Paul Agarwal; 5: Bernie Kelly.

Tuesday Afternoon

By Agnes LaSala

Feb. 4

1: Mazie Millward & Millie Ferrell; 2: Bernie Kelly & Bob Buchan.

Feb. 11

1: Cleona Redman & Mary Rose Janssen; 2: Bernie Kelly & Mildred Lane; 3: Don & Linda Sprague.

Feb. 18

1: Cleona Redman & Mary Rose Janssen; 2: Joyce Walchak & Mildred Lane; 3: Florence & Norbert Heckler and Don & Linda Sprague.

Tuesday Night Dup

By Doris Keathley

Feb. 4

1: Jayne Kaske & Caryl Rosenberger; 2: Katie White & Kathie Dushary; 3: Doris Keathley & Marjorie Benton; 4: Bill & Ida Carlson; 5: Rita Smyth & Rose O'Rourke.

Feb. 11

1: Doris Keathley & Marjorie Benton; Tie at 2/3: Katie White & Kathie Dushary and Rita Smyth & Rose O'Rourke; 4: Caryl Rosenberger & Ida Rosendahl; 5: Bill & Ida Carlson.

Feb. 18

1: Caryl Rosenberger & Ida Rosendahl; 2: Doris Keathley & Marjorie Benton; 3: John & Marie Fiorillo.

Feb. 25

1: Katie White & Kathie Dushary; 2: Bill & Ida Carlson; 3: Caryl Rosenberger & Ida Rosendahl; 4: Ron & Jan Fulton; 5: Doris Keathley & Marjorie Benton.

Wednesday Afternoon

By Pat Golgart

Feb. 19

1: Esther Lang; 2: Helen O'Brien; 3: Phyllis Bressler; Cons: Delores Melberg.

Feb. 26

1: Marlene Floeckher; 2: Diane Robinson; 3: Pat Golgart; Cons: Dot Calbech.

March 5

1: Phyllis Bressler; 2: Eleanor Giardina; 3: Jean Reis; 4: Dot Calbech; Cons: Deloris Melberg.

March 12

1: Phyllis Bressler; 2: Delores Melburg; 3: Helen O'Brien; Cons: Esther Lang.

Thursday Afternoon

By Marge Starrett

Feb. 6

1: Eleanor Giardina; 2: Nancy Dreimiller; 3: Serine Rossi; 4: Pat Golgart.

Feb. 13

1: Cleona Redman; 2: Shirley Ebert; 3: Mazie Millward.

Feb. 20

1: Agnes LaSala; 2: Serine Rossi; 3: Eleanor Giardina.

Feb. 27

1: Mary Walker; 2: Mary Rose Janssen; 3: Mazie Millward; 4: Serine Rossi.

Thursday Night

By Gail Ambrose

Feb. 6

1: Rich Fluet; 2: Ed Horner; 3: Don Sprague 4: Linda Sprague.

Feb. 13

1: Howard Sale; 2: Keith Briggs; 3: Myra Butler; 4: Vern Siber; 5: Shirley Stoll.

Feb. 20

1: Ida Rosendahl; 2: Ken Hall; 3: Rich Fluet; 4: Jack Martin; 5: Myra Butler.

Feb. 27

1: Ida Rosendahl; 2: Jack Martin; 3: Mildred Lane; 4: Howard Sale; 5: Mickey Martin.

Cribbage



Friday Night

By Rose Marie Postin

Feb. 7

1: Alberta Sarris; 2: Marge Saxon; 3: Bob Layne; Cons: Herb Postin.

Feb. 14

1: RoseMarie Postin; 2: Glenda Lins; 3: Norma Yonke; Cons: Herb Postin.

Feb. 21

1: Alberta Sarris; 2: Phyllis Wandrey; 3: RoseMarie Postin; Cons: Glenda Lins.

Feb. 28

1: Anne Jagielski; 2: Herb Postin; 3: Norma Yonke; Cons: Phyllis Wandrey.

Euchre



Friday Night

By Joe Askenase

Feb. 14

1: Maria France; 2: Bridget Hughes; 3: Virgil Taylor; 4: Vi Horton; 5: Ray Decker.

Feb. 21

Four Handed Game

1: Virgil Taylor; 2: Emil Knorr; 3: Vi Horton; 4: Ray Decker.

Five Handed Game

1: Marilyn Knorr; 2: Annette Taylor; 3: Maria France; 4: Bridget Hughes.

Feb. 28

Three Handed Game

1: Viola Horton; 2: Emil Knorr.

Four Handed Game

1: Bridget Hughes; 2: Lou Fisher; 3: Maria France; 4: Shirley Coe.

March 7

Four Handed Game

1: Virgil Taylor; 2: Ray Decker; 3: Emil Knorr; 4: Viola Horton.

Six Handed Game

1: Annette Taylor; 2: Maria France; 3: Marilyn Knorr; 4: Lou Fisher; 5: Bridget Hughes.

Friday Night 4 Fun

By Irene Pisani & Nancy Kowsky

Feb. 14

1: Barbara Engleman; 2: Walter Hickenlooper; Tie at 3: Buck Chaillet & Verna Harsh; Tie at 4: Jean Gillette & Rich Miles; 5: Richard Gillette.

Feb. 21

1: Paul Agarwal; Tie at 2: Dale Douglass & Jerry Harris; Tie at 3: Rich Miles, Jean Sylver, Joan Sigafos & John Wall; 4: Verna Harsh; 5: Jean Gillette.

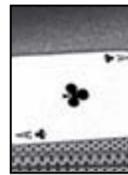
Feb. 28

Tie at 1: Phyllis Wall & Rich Miles; 2: Cindy Voigt; Tie at 3: Paul Agarwal, Joan Sigafos & Gayle Argano; Tie at 4: Barbara Engleman, Bill Eberle, & Jim Greig; 5: Irene Pisani.

March 7

1: Irene Pisani; Tie at 2: John Wall & Jim Greig; 3: Vickie Greig. 4: Nancy Kowsky. Tie at 5: Verna Harsh, Richard Gillette & Hazel Griffin.

Pinochle



Tuesday Night/Double

By Alberta Sarris

Feb. 4

Tables 1: Sue Kelly; Jimmy Mazzotta & Bunny Swift; 2: Ilse Kersey & Norma Yonke; 3: Jerry Dean & Jim Keller.

Feb. 11

Tables 1: Sue Kelly; Ann Pelham & Alberta Sarris; 2: Ilse Kersey & Norma Yonke; 3: Jerry Dean & Jim Keller.

Feb. 18

Tables 1: Verna Harsh & Sue Kelly; 2: Ilse Kersey & Lee Topf; 3: Jerry Dean & Jim Keller.

Feb. 25

Tables 1: Jimmy Mazzotta & Bunny Swift; 2: Lee Topf & Norma Yonke; 3: Alberta Sarris & Virgil Taylor.

Tuesday Night/Single

By Whitney Frye

Come one, come all! Everybody is welcome to come and play Pinochle on Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the Card Room. Skill and experience do not matter; play for the enjoyment and socializing. Call 237-0388 for information.

Feb. 4

1: Vernon Uzzell; 2: Gayle Argano; 3: Edith Kolb.

Feb. 11

1: Larry Hartman; 2: Joe Aveni; 3: Edith Kolb.

Feb. 18

1: Walter Hickenlooper; 2: Whitney Frye; 3: Gitte Agarwal.

Feb. 25

1: Bernard DiGregorio; 2: Eva Mazzotta; 3: Edna Frye.

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Let's Dance!

By Jim Chandler

The Recreation Ballroom was the setting for an exciting line dance festival on Saturday, March 15. International award-winning choreographer Ira Weisburd, the winner of the 2013 Dancer's Choice Award, taught about 75 line dancers some of his instant classics, such as S.B.S. Shuffle Boogie, Cha Cha Espana and Cabalero. The class was held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., with lunch provided.

Residents Janice Meade and Bob Ferguson teach a line dance class here at On Top of the World and thought it would be a good idea to bring Ira here, rather than hope that their students could travel to Tampa or farther to experience his expertise.



Photo by Mike Roppel

Line dance festival in the Recreation Ballroom on Saturday, March 15.

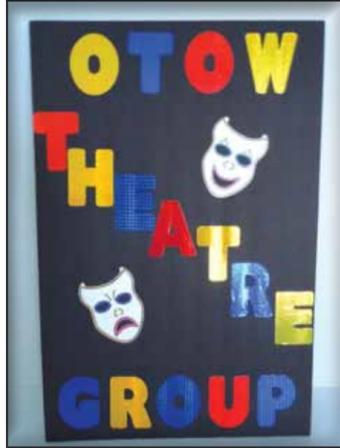


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Theatre Group's sign.



Theatre Group

By Anne Merrick

Our show is happening this weekend: Friday, March 28 and Saturday, March 29, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, March 30, at 3 p.m. on the stage at the Recreation Center. It is too late to buy tickets but you are welcome at the door.

We have rehearsed and rehearsed, worked on our costumes, designed and built the set. The sound and light crew set up the microphones for each person. They do such a great job getting the pitch and intensity just so for each individual voice. It's been a pretty intense time.

We have two new players this time as well as eight regulars, Bree McDonald, who is new to the community and making her singing debut on the stage and Conrad Massa who has lived here for many years and is debuting as our master of ceremonies. We are happy to have them.

We are coming to the end of our official year and will research something for the fall show during the summer. Elections for the new president and board member is in April, more about that in the May issue.

We always need creative people in this group so if you have an imagination there is plenty for you to do with scenery design and construction, sewing and props. Even if you have never acted before you can learn with this group as I have over the last few years. The first time is very scary; you can feel that slight tremble in your voice. The second time is better and you only improve, getting more confident each time. The audience is always great, appreciating the time and effort you have put in to entertain them.

As usual, we are proud to be a sponsor for a deserving student of the arts and drama at the College of Central Florida. Your ticket money goes toward this good cause.

As usual, for more information call Anne at 732-0706 and if I can't answer your question I will redirect you.



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Weekly Monday

6:00	Lap Swimming	ACIP
7:00	Open Pool Time	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	WW
	Deep Water Fitness Class	ACIP
	Ceramics (until 2 p.m.)	Art
	Ladies Billiards	PLR
9:30	Shuffleboard (Sept.-April)	HRCT
10:00	Tennis Doubles	HRCT
	Ladies Billiards	PLR
	Open Pool Time	ACIP
10:30	Line Dance	ICC
11:00	Golf Group	PAV
Noon	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:30	Bridge	CR
	Aqua Belles	ACIP
12:45	Line Dance (Beginner/Intermediate)	HRB
1:00	Dominoes	CC:H
2:00	Happy Hookers	Art
	Rummicube	CC:E,F
2:45	OTOW Bowling League	AMFW
6:00	Table Tennis	CC:D
	Men's Poker	MR3
6:30	Bridge	CR
6:45	Ballet Club	ACF
7:00	Mah Jongg	ICC

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
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	Metaphysical Club	CC:B
7:00	Original Karaoke Group	CCC

Third Monday

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

Fourth Monday

3:00	Community Patrol	CC:B,C
7:00	Original Karaoke Group	CCC

Weekly Tuesday

6:00	Lap Swimming	ACIP
7:00	Open Pool Time	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.	

Meeting Location Codes

AC	Arbor Club	HR	Recreation Center
ACF	Arbor Club Fitness	HRB	Recreation Ballroom
ACCT	Arbor Tennis Courts	HRCT	Recreation Center
ACIP	Arbor Indoor Pool		Tennis Courts
ACOP	Arbor Outdoor Pool	HRF	Recreation Fitness Center
Art	Art Studio		
AMFW	AMF Galaxy West Lanes	HRP	Recreation Center 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	Recreation Center Parking Lot
CSCC	Circle Square Cultural Center	PLR	Poolroom
		RCT	Racquetball Courts
CR	Card Room	SBF	Softball Field
FF	Flying Field	WD	Winn-Dixie
GC	Golf Course	WW	Wood Shop

To make changes, call the Activities Office at 854-8707, Ext. 7530 or 7533

9:00	9-Hole (Nov.-April)	GC
	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Tai Chi	ACF
	Shallow Water Fitness Class	ACIP
	Hand & Foot Canasta	CR
	Woodworking	WW
	Horseshoe League	HRCT
	Arts & Crafts	HRB
	Sunshine Quilters	Art
	Knit Wits	MR2
9:30	Concert Chorus	AC
	Yoga	ICC
10:00	Open Pool Time	ACIP
10:30	Horseshoe League	HRCT
	Walleyball	HRCT
	Open Pool Time	ACIP
Noon	Men's Poker	MR3
	Cyber Orientation	HRF
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:30	Bridge	CR
	Open Pool Time	ACIP
1:00	Badminton	RCT
	Ballet Club	ACF
	Shuffleboard (Sept.-April)	HRCT
	Crochet Club	ICC
2:00	Chess Club	MR2
3:00	ShutterBugs	CC:B,C
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 Business Mtg.	Art
2:30	Italian American Club	CC:E,F
6:30	JB Poker Club	CC:E,F
	Lions Club Meeting	CC:C
	Indigo East Girls Bunco	ICC

Second Tuesday

9:00	Citizens Emergency Response Team	CC:E,F
10:00	Sunshine Quilters	Art
11:30	Ladies Golf Assoc. 18-Hole (Oct.-April)	HRB
1:30	Visually Impaired Support Group	CC:H
3:30	Alpha Investment	Art
6:30	Lions Club Meeting	CC:C
6:45	Game Night	ICC

Third Tuesday

10:00	Sunshine Quilters	Art
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
12:30	Scandinavian Club	CC:E,F
3:30	Alpha Investment	Art
6:30	Lions Club Meeting	CC:C

Weekly Wednesday

6:00	Lap Swimming	ACIP
7:00	Open Pool Time	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	WW
	Deep Water Fitness Class	ACIP
	Fun with Ceramics	Art
9:30	Tai Chi	ACF
10:00	Open Pool Time	ACIP
10:30	Pool Closed for Cleaning (until 11:30 a.m.)	ACIP
Noon	Ladies Poker	MR3
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:15	Bridge	CR
12:30	Japanese Bunka	CC:B
	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
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

Second Wednesday

3:00	Pennsylvania Club	CC:E,F
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Third Wednesday

12:30	Bunco	CCC
1:00	General Francis Stamp Club	BO
6:40	Bunco Club	CC:G

Fourth Wednesday

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
7:00	Open Pool Time	ACIP
8:00	Men's Tennis	HRCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	RC Flyers Club	FF
	Pickleball	HRCT
	R.O.M.E.O. Club	WD
8:30	Racquetball	RCT
9:00	Art Group	Art

	Tai Chi	ACF
	Shallow Water Fitness Class	ACIP
	Woodworking	WW
	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Candler Hills Ladies Golf Assoc. 9-Hole	CG
	Candler Hills Ladies Golf Assoc. 18-Hole	GC
9:30	Shuffleboard (Sept.-April)	HRCT
10:00	Open Pool Time	ACIP
10:30	Walleyball	HRCT
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:30	Sewing Bees	Art
	Bridge	CR
1:00	Badminton	RCT
	Ballet Club	ACF
	Table Tennis	CC:D
	DBD Square Dancing	CC: E&F
	Games, Games, Games	ICC
3:00	Western Stars Bowling	AMF
5:30	Card Game	CC:B
6:00	Men's Poker	MR3
	Pinochle	ART
	Dancing Singles	CC: E&F
	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:C
	Opera Appreciation	MR3
5:00	Southern Club	HRB

Second Thursday

2:00	Singles Club	CC:B,C
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Third Thursday

1:00	Rubber Stamp Greeting Cards	CC:C
	New England Club (Oct-May)	AC

Fourth Thursday

6:00	Democratic Club	CC:E,F
6:45	Game Night	ICC

Weekly Friday

6:00	Lap Swimming	ACIP
7:00	Open Pool Time	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	WW
	Deep Water Fitness Class	ACIP
9:30	Shuffleboard (Sept.-April)	HRCT
10:00	Racquetball	RCT
	Women's Bible Study (Oct-May)	CC:A
	Tai Chi	ICC
	Open Pool Time	ACIP
	Golf Group	PAV
Noon	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:30	Aqua Belles	ACIP
1:00	Table Tennis	CC:D
5:00	Cribbage	Art
6:00	Nickel/Nickel	MR3
	Euchre 4 Fun	CC:A
6:45	Euchre	MR2

First Friday

1:00	Women of the World	HRB
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Second Friday

8:30	RC Ladybirds	CC:B,C
1:00	Mexican Train	CC:H
7:00	Republican Club	CC:E,F,G

Fourth Friday

1:00	Mexican Train	CC:H
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Weekly Saturday

8:00	Mixed Tennis	HRCT
	RC Flyers Club	FF
	Pickleball	HRCT
8:30	Men's Softball	SBF
	Shuffleboard (Sept.-April)	HRCT
9:00	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Woodworking	WW
	Art Group	Art
9:30	Yoga	ICC
10:00	Mixed Tennis	HRCT
	Yoga	ICC
1:00	Table Tennis	CC:D

Weekly Sunday

9:00	Racquetball	RCT
	Woodworking	WW
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

Third Sunday

2:00	American Jewish Club	CC:E,F,G
6:00	Everyone Wins Club	CC: B

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New England Club

By Donnamarie Castellano

The March social meeting of the New England Club enjoyed a visit and an education about crime prevention from Melissa Campbell of MetroCrime Prevention of Florida. Melissa spoke about fraud prevention as well as cyber crimes, which affect us all.

Donations of non-perishable food items were collected and donated to the Christ's Church of Marion County food bank. Thank you all for your generous donations, which were greatly appreciated.

Refreshments were served, 50/50 tickets sold and door prize tickets handed out to everyone present. Congratulations to all the winners! And thank you to all the members who were kind enough to bring such tasty treats.

On Friday, March 14, a group of 42 New England Club members carpooled and traveled to the Orange Blossom Opry. Everyone had a wonderful time and we will try to plan more trips like this one in the future.

Remember, during our April social we

will enjoy a presentation from Horses N Heroes. Our guest speaker Mindy Nolan-Morrow, owner of the farm, runs a mentoring program for girls ages seven to 17. Mindy's program partners young girls and horses to foster self esteem, responsibility, team work, kindheartedness, commitment and more to these young girls who come from families with extreme financial constraints.

Specific donations needed at the April social will be donations of money in any amount, clothing and some food items. Watch for your club e-mail notification for more specific donation information for the farm. Some time before the April social, you may want to visit the website at www.horsesnheroes.org where you can find out more information about the mission of the program and view a very touching video that some of the young girls put together.

Come join us at the New England Club. We meet on the third Thursday of the month from October through May at the Arbor Club Ballroom at 1 p.m. Refreshments, coffee and tea are always served. 50/50 tickets will be available for sale along with an occasional raffle and door prizes.



Photo by Gordon Daniels

The March social meeting of the New England Club.

Membership is open to all residents. If you are a resident of Indigo East you must have a Gateway of Services Pass in order to attend. Membership fee for our club year of October through May is \$10 per person, payable at the meeting. Remember, you don't have to come from New

England to join our club; you just need a love of New England!

For more information please contact Donnamarie Castellano, president, at donnamarie22452@yahoo.com or (207) 212-6529.



Southern Club

By Ida Willink

The Southern Club met at the Recreation Center on Thursday, March 6. The Ballroom was decorated with lots of green in celebration of St. Patrick's Day. Corned beef and cabbage were enjoyed by those attending and some folks were dressed in Irish green garb. Fran Wilson made a delicious desert for everyone. Thank you, Fran!

For the May meeting, plans are underway for a picnic at the pavilion featuring hamburgers and hot dogs. To better prepare for the picnic, members are asked to pay \$1.50 each at the April meeting. If you plan to bring guests, the charge will be \$5 per guest. Y'all come!



100 Grandparents

By Janet Fragapane

Evelyn Holiday has graciously volunteered to take over Barbara Greenwood's job as organizer of 100 Grandparents. If you are interested in volunteering in this wonderful organization, please call 237-0304. Barbara will continue to read to the children. Thank you Barbara for many great years of service.

Due to testing, we will not be reading to the children in April.

Our last visit with the children for this school year will take place in May. Time

sure does fly! Reading and being with the children is on the top of the list as one of those great fun things. If you have ever thought about joining us, please let Evelyn know and she can put you on the list for the next school year.

We may not be at school but please remember all the children who are in need of food everyday all year. Hunger knows no season. Joanne Leigh is always ready to take your donations for the backpack program. Her phone number is 237-7637. She lives in Avalon at 10114 SW 92nd Street Road. Please consider donating single serving items not weighing more than 15 ounces each: cereal, pudding, fruit cups, peanut butter, macaroni and cheese, soup, tuna fish, crackers, juice, dried milk, Pop Tarts, breakfast bars, and Ramen noodles.

Please note that pop-top seals on containers are preferred, as the children will

be opening them. As always, if you cannot get to Joanne, she will come to you.

If you cannot shop and wish to help, a check in any amount will be appreciated. Address the check and the envelope to Dunnellon Food 4 Kids, P.O. Box 262, Dunnellon, FL 34430. In the memo line, write for "backpack." The children thank you!

Keep those pop-tops, Campbell soup labels and Box Tops for Education coming. They do add up and do so much good. Leave them in the drawer under the stairs at the Recreation Center. Thank you for your help.

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Pennsylvania Club

By Pat Utiss

The activity at our March meeting was a somewhat seasonal quiz. The members who received prizes for the most correct answers were Ed Hinde, Gerry Beake, Elmer Radabaugh, Eileen Kreps and Shirley Wilver. We welcomed new members Phyllis and Glenn Felch.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 9, at 3 p.m. in Suites E and F at the Arbor Conference Center. We will have a speaker from Crime Stoppers.

The meeting starts at 3 p.m., but as usual, we urge you to come early for refreshments and fellowship. We hope to see you there.

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Favorite Recipes Dinner Club

By Luke Mullen

The February dinner was celebrated with 22 diners at three club members' homes enjoying great food and fun entertainment.

Hosting our first dinner were Gitte and Paul Agarwal. The evening began with hors d'oeuvres brought by Phyllis and Al Richards. They had prepared two appetizers. The first appetizer was buffalo chicken dip, which consisted of a mixture of cream cheese, blue cheese salad dressing, hot sauce, crumbled blue cheese and canned white chicken breast. This mixture was baked and served with vegetables and crackers. The second was stuffed Portobello mushrooms. Ingredients included onion powder, garlic powder, salt and pepper, lemon juice, dry sherry and seasoned panko breadcrumbs and crumbled Swiss cheese and chopped mushroom stems.

Following the appetizers, Suzette and Leo Paquin served a broccoli slaw with cranberries and nuts. Gitte and Paul then served chicken thighs with thyme cooked in a sauce with white wine and butter. This was served with buttered noodles and garlic-lemon green beans with toasted breadcrumbs, which were cooked with chopped garlic. Nancy and John Van Gorden served the dessert. It was a pistachio cake with chocolate glaze.

Gayle Argano and Walter Hickenloop-

er were the hosts for our second dinner. Barbara and Dick Steinfeldt started things off with two appetizers. The first was savory cheddar cheese thumbprint "cookies" with strawberry preserves or spicy red pepper jelly, and the second was mascarpone stuffed apricots with pistachios.

Following the appetizers Annette and Paul Hodges served a spinach salad with cranberries and mandarin oranges, balsamic vinaigrette dressing. Gayle and Walter then served the main meal. They had prepared a roast chicken with gravy, mushrooms and cranberry pieces. Accompanying this was deli rye bread and sweet potatoes. Walter added his own recipe of vegetable lasagna.

Rhea and Jim Russell had brought the dessert. They prepared an old-fashioned bread pudding with raisins, cinnamon and nutmeg. It was served with a rich Whiskey sauce.

Our third dinner hosts were Ann and Conrad Massa. Preparing the hors d'oeuvres for the dinner were Carol and Bruce DeWitt. The first was a red pepper and olive hummus. The second was artichoke and cheese squares. After the appetizers Ann and Conrad served the main meal. It was boeuf bourguignon with beef marinated in burgundy wine for at least 24 hours. Accompanying this entrée was rice pilaf made with a mixture of Italian seasonings. Also served were candied carrots and spring green salad.

After the main meal was completed Bev and Lew Rooks served the dessert. They had prepared an orange sherbet Jell-O mold with mandarin oranges! And it unmolded properly!

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



Community Patrol

By Patricia A. Woodbury

At our February meeting, Lieutenant Joiner reported that crime continues to be absent inside On Top of the World. In regard to speeding, Lt. Joiner feels the best solution is that residents should police themselves regarding their driving practices and following the rules of the road.

Did you ever wonder while driving (an automobile or golf cart) who has the right-of-way? In Florida, the answer is no one! The law only says who must yield (give up) the right-of-way. Here are some examples to consider (as documented in the 2012 Law Enforcement Handbook):

- Every driver of a vehicle must yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian, worker and flag person engaged in maintenance or road construction. (316.079)
- At a four-way stop intersection, the driver of the first vehicle to stop at the intersection shall be the first to proceed. If two vehicles reach the intersection at the same time, the driver on the left shall yield the right-of-way to the vehicle on the right. (316.123)
- An emergency vehicle en route to an emergency gives an audible

signal by siren, whistle, or flashing lights; the driver of every other vehicle shall yield the right-of-way to the emergency vehicle and proceed to the closest edge of the curb of the roadway until the emergency vehicle has passed. (316.216)

- When there are no traffic control signals or signage, the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way, slowing down or stopping if need be to yield to a pedestrian (bicyclists, skaters, skateboarders in a crosswalk or driveway are considered pedestrians) crossing the roadway within a crosswalk when the pedestrian is upon the half of the roadway upon which the vehicle is traveling or when the pedestrian is approaching so closely from the opposite half of the roadway to be in danger. (316.130)
- Every driver, cyclist, moped rider, and pedestrian has the responsibility to do everything possible to avoid a crash. (This public safety reminder was approved by the Marion County Sheriff's Office.)

The next meeting of the Community Patrol is Monday, April 28.

Anyone interested in becoming part of our community patrol should call Gary Rodoff at 291-7508 or Richard Enos at 304-8477. 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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Democratic Club

By Dan Lack

Our next meeting will take place on Thursday, April 24 when we will modify our usual format of having our speaker talk to us for an hour followed by a short time for questions. Instead we will have a town hall meeting in April where after a five-minute introduction by the speaker we will have an hour of questions from the audience. Our guest will be Congress-

man Ted Yoho. We have been reviewing Dr. Yoho's Congressional votes during our meetings and now we will have an opportunity to hear him explain his positions on the issues. It is an understatement to say that this will be a lively meeting.

Our next club luncheon at Beef 'O' Brady's will occur on Sunday, May 8, at 1 p.m. You may add your name to the sign up sheet that will be passed around at our club meeting. We will be eating in a private room that seats a maximum of 30 people so make sure that you're among the first 30 people to sign up if you want to go.

Let's continue to show our support for the Ocala Ritz Veterans Village by bringing canned goods, dry goods, toiletries and laundry detergent to our meetings. We meet on the fourth Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. in Suites E and F at the Arbor Conference Center. For more information, call Dan Lack at 509-4942 or send an e-mail to otowdemclub@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page (On Top of the World Democratic Club).

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Travel Toppers

By Jo Swing

Travel Toppers announces a new trip on our schedule. We will be going to the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta on Friday, Oct. 3 to Wednesday, Oct. 8. We will spend three nights in Albuquerque, N.M., a city rich in Native American culture. The Fiesta, featuring 750 balloons, is the largest hot air balloon festival in the world. While at the Fiesta, experience Dawn Patrol (a choreographed inflation and launch set to music), Mass Ascension (launch at 7:15 a.m. led by a balloon flying the American flag, to the strains of the Star Spangled Banner), Balloon Glows (all balloons lit from inside at night) and After Glow fireworks.

We will also spend two days in the historic city of Santa Fe, N.M. The cost is \$1,279 for the land portion only. Call Inge Gaitch at 237-7428 for more information. This is a not to be missed opportunity to see an unforgettable and world-renown event.

If you think you might be interested in this trip, please make plans to attend our next meeting Wednesday, April 2, at 9:30 a.m. in Suite A of the Arbor Conference Center. A friend of one our members will give a presentation of pictures from last year's Fiesta. If you plan to attend, please call Inge at 237-7428 so we can judge how many will be there.

Journey on down the yellow brick road on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 11. Yes, we are off to see the wizard, the Wonderful Wizard of Oz. Travel Toppers will be attending a production of "The Wizard of Oz" at the Show Palace Dinner Theater. The cost is \$73, which includes transportation, show, buffet and driver's tip and meal. Join Dorothy, Scarecrow, the Tin Man, and the Cowardly Lion on their adventures in the fantastic Land of Oz. This musical is based on the 1939 MGM movie of the same name. Call Allan Rickards now at 390-3075 for reservations.

Travel Toppers is currently taking reservations for our Father's Day, Sunday, June 15 cruise on the St. John's River. We will be cruising on the Barbara Lee, an authentic paddle wheeler. You can enjoy the wildlife and scenery of Central Florida from the dining area or outside on one of three decks. Your meal will be served at your table and prepared fresh in the on board galley. Choices are prime rib, chicken cordon bleu, salmon filet, roasted vegetable lasagna, chef's salad or pasta primavera. All entrees are served with seasoned red-skinned potatoes, Riviera blend vegetable, salad, rolls and cheesecake for dessert. While cruising, there will be a narration of the sights, and other entertainment. For reservations, call Pat Hood at 237-8533. Have your dinner selection ready at time of reservation.

Don't forget our next meeting on Wednesday, April 2 at 9 a.m. in Suite A of the Arbor Conference Center and the special presentation of the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta. The new blue brochure is out at the postal centers. Until then, happy travels to all.



On The Road Again

By Bob Woods

There are two remaining seats on the coach departing our community for the nine-night/ 10-day cruise on Royal Caribbean's Explorer of the Seas on Thursday, Dec. 4. This cruise will depart from Port Canaveral, Fla. and head to the ABC Islands (Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao) and Labadee, Haiti before returning to Florida. One balcony and two outside cabins remain at time of this writing. Each cabin will receive a \$50 shipboard credit and a free one-hour cocktail party. Call for details.

Another cruise is departing Tampa, Fla. on March 28, 2015 heading for the Western Caribbean on Royal Caribbean's Vision of the Seas. Ports of call are Roatan, Honduras; Belize City, Belize; and two ports of call on Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula, Costa Maya and Cozumel. This is a seven-night/eight-day voyage and prices start at \$823 (Cat N) inside to \$1,133 (Cat D2) balcony. Prices include port and government fees, taxes, round-trip motor coach, tips for coach driver and porter fees upon arrival in Tampa.

Trip insurance is optional and is recommended. A \$75 shipboard credit and a one-hour cocktail party are also included. Shipboard gratuities are not included but can be paid in advance or onboard the ship.

Last month, my column highlighted the port of Roatan, Honduras, which is the first stop on the Vision of the Seas cruise. This month, I am highlighting the second port of call on this cruise, Belize City, Belize. This small Central American country borders Honduras to the south, Mexico to the north and west and leaves the country's remaining boarder being the Caribbean Sea.

Belize is a small country, but an extremely popular destination, particularly

for scuba divers and snorkelers. The country of Belize is about the same size as the state of New Hampshire originating from a Mayan heritage. It is the second smallest country and the only country in Central America where English is the official language because at one time it was controlled until 1981 by the British.

Tourism is the biggest industry. Water related tourists flock to this country to dive, swim, snorkel, fish and other activities along the 150-mile long Belize Barrier Reef which is the second longest reef formation in the world.

Cruise ships drop anchor a few miles outside the Belize City's harbor because of shallow waters. Fast local high-speed tenders take those wishing to venture ashore a ride to remember. The tender ride is approximately 20 minutes. There is a tourism village (gated compound) comprising all kinds and types of stores including many eateries. The stores and shops sell the typical tourist array of arts and crafts, plus clothing, jewelry, and all kinds of duty-free merchandise.

Royal Caribbean offers many tours that depart from the tourism village such as a city tour, wildlife tours, airboat, zip lining, cave tubing, beach and scuba diving along with snorkeling. Since Belize has the highest concentration of Mayan ruin sites of all countries in Central America, the ship offers many tours.

Does this cruise sound interesting? Call me at 854-0702 and I will give any additional information required.



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By Fred O'Brien

Welcome aboard! Spring is in the air. Our first St. Patrick's Day cruise took place in March. Wow! Let's do it again next year was the word. The ocean did not turn green, but some who had too much to drink did.

Next year's cruise will take place on March 16, 2015 for four nights out of Port Canaveral, Fla. We have people on the books already for this cruise; don't miss out. Call Fred at 237-6367. If you're not Irish, you can be just by being on this cruise. It's a short cruise for a fast get-away, but enough to wet your appetite for our annual cruise coming in November.

The club's annual cruise this year with a sail date of Saturday, Nov. 15 is on the Explorer of the Seas. This nine-night cruise will be departing from Port Canaveral, Fla. for stops in Labadee, Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao. We will spend all day in each of the ports of call. This could be a once in a lifetime cruise from Port Canaveral, or you may have to go to Fort Lauderdale to do this same trip. For more information, call Fred at 237-6367.

Optional private bus transportation will be provided at an additional cost, but well worth it.

Remember, the days when you stood at the door of the show for nearly an hour so

you could get the best seats? Those days are in the past, at least for those who book with our club's group cruises. The travel agent makes show reservations for you. You just show your cabin door/charge card at the front entrance 45 minutes before the show and in you go. The same goes for the specialty restaurants.

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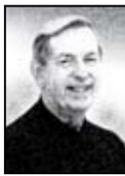
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World Traveler

By Bill Shampine

I am going to throw you a curve ball this month and talk about Carnival, an international event rather than a place. Carnival is celebrated throughout much of the world, but primarily in areas with a large Catholic population. It is a festive season occurring immediately before Lent, the Christian season of preparation before Easter. In addition to Carnival, you also hear a lot about Mardi Gras (which is French for Fat Tuesday). Mardi Gras is a one-day event within the entire Carnival experience. So, what is this all about?

Carnival is thought to have originated as a pagan festival in ancient Egypt, which, subsequently, was celebrated by the Greeks and then the Romans. The Roman Catholic Church adopted this popular festival in the 13th century as the festival of Carne Vale, which literally means farewell to flesh. Traditionally during Lent, no parties or other celebrations are held, and people fast and undertake other pious practices. With an extended period of abstinence in the cards, it became tradition for the populace to have a big party just

before the austerity of Lent season was upon them. After all, someone needed to dispose of a bunch of rich food and drink, as well as getting in a little party-time while it was acceptable. For those of you not familiar with Lent, it begins 40 days prior to Easter (not counting Sundays).

For several hundred years, the Carnival of Venice, which dates to 1268, was the most famous Carnival event in the world. From Italy, the Carnival traditions spread to the Catholic nations of Spain, Portugal, and France. The traditions then spread globally, as these countries sent explorers all over the world.

Carnival practices have changed a lot over the centuries, but traditionally have included the wearing of masks and costumes, parades, dancing, masquerade balls, and overturning, at least temporarily, some social conventions. Other than wearing masks and partying, there is little similarity among the many Carnival events scattered around the world. Every location seems to have its own unique method of celebration geared to the local culture.

In Europe, for example, Carnival tends to have reasonably conservative costumes, with an emphasis on masquerade parades and floats and social events with costume balls. In the Caribbean, the focus seems to be more toward revelry, partying, and wild masks and costumes.



Photo by Anja Johnson

An elaborate costume for Carnival in Venice, Italy.

The design and style of masks and costumes worn by participants varies significantly depending on local culture and geographic location.

In the Caribbean, for instance, costumes would disguise identities, and give the young men and women participating in Carnival a sense of freedom and the courage to express different desires and fantasies. The identity disguise was important in the time period shortly after slavery was abolished. Costumes for the Carnival in Brazil, certainly one of the best-known parties in the world, have changed dramatically since it began in 1641. After 1930,

the economy in Brazil and the cost of the materials to make the costumes began to take its toll on design. This was when the costumes began to move toward minimization, which served three purposes—they were cheaper to make, they helped the participants to keep cool during some of the hottest time of the year, and the participants and spectators thoroughly enjoyed seeing a lot of bare skin.

Carnival can be a wild and fun experience, no matter where you might go to enjoy it. Perhaps it should be on your bucket list?

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