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**OUR WORLD**

**COMMUNITY NEWS & UPDATE**

By Kenneth D. Colen  
Publisher

It's been great to hear so many positive comments from residents about the Patriotic Celebration on Friday, July 4. This was by far the largest event to date as we estimate that over 5,000 people attended or cycled through. Once the storm passed, it was a lovely evening and things definitely cooled off a bit. The summer weather always makes for "interesting" planning as the operations team works to make sure that everyone is as comfortable as possible in the heat and safe when and if a storm rolls in.

This was our third year of hosting this event, and I'm proud to say that the fireworks have gone off on time, without a hitch and not affected by the weather. We appreciate hearing all of the positive comments that all of you share with us. We are already in the planning stages for year four!

Speaking of being proud, I am very proud of our company's team that puts on this event, plus so many other events throughout the year. Everyone comes together to work as a team and make sure that you are not only entertained and wowed by the festivities, but kept safe as well. We have a phrase around here for those who work the event - they are "voluntolds!" This is a name we created tongue-in-cheek for our team members who volunteer to work on a holiday. I sincerely appreciate all of them, as they make everything seem so easy.

**Master the Possibilities**

It is with regret that we announce that Dan Dowd is leaving Master the Possibilities as its director. Dan's expertise has taken Master the Possibilities to a level that we could not have imagined, and for that, we are truly grateful to Dan.

We would be remiss if we didn't also include all of the instructors who have been involved, as well as Dan's team of Marlene and Sami, in making Master the Possibilities what it is today. Master the Possibilities is unlike any lifelong learning program in the country; the offerings are vast, comprehensive, and meaningful. Dan's knowledge and guidance will be sorely missed.

Rest assured that Master the Possibilities will continue on its current path of excellence with continuity as we move forward in the next step of the journey. We will keep you posted of developments as we seek a new director of education.

Master the Possibilities concludes its summer season this month and on Friday, Aug. 15, the fall catalog will be published. You can pick up a copy at the Education Center or simply review it online at [www.masterthepossibilities.com](http://www.masterthepossibilities.com). A copy will also be included in all home-delivered copies of the September issue of the World News.

Registration is possible starting on Aug. 15. There are hundreds of classes and presentations from September through December. As always, half of these offerings are brand new and the popular encores give us a chance to catch up on what we may have missed.

It doesn't seem possible but this catalog represents the completion of our ninth year of offering the best in lifelong learning. Your constant support has been wonderful. See you in class!

**Changes in Our World**

Beginning in late August, On Top of the World Communities will continue the "brand refresh" that began in March of this year as Palm Acre Real Estate will become "On Top of the World Real Estate, Inc." both in Ocala and Clearwater.

This name change will better identify the entity that deals with pre-owned properties, rentals, and property management. The team is excited to continue providing outstanding service to the community. This company is committed to supporting the highest property values for the benefit of all residents.

On Top of the World Real Estate, Inc. will continue to have the full backing and support of On Top of the World Communities. Based on our communities' longevity and well-respected reputation, the new brand name offers greater recognition so we can better serve our customers by offering the broadest possible exposure locally and across the internet-verse.

**Insurance Update**

The fact that we are nearing the peak of the storm season is a strong reminder to all residents to check in with your insur-

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Photo by Ray Cech

The latest buildings to reach sustainability using energy efficient solar panels are the Recreation Center and the On Top of the World Golf Shop.

**Solar Projects Lead to Future Sustainability**

By Ray Cech  
World News Writer

Progress is being made by leaps and bounds towards the sustainability of buildings throughout On Top of the World. In recognizing this progress, Duke Energy has nominated On Top of the World for the Florida Public Service Award "to a customer who has gone above and beyond implementing energy efficiency and continued commitment to that cause." With the installation of more than 300 solar panels, the latest buildings to reach sustainability using energy efficient solar panels are the Recreation Center and the On Top of the World Golf Shop. But solar panels are not the only contribution toward making them energy efficient.

Back in the latter half of 2010, their lighting fixtures were changed out to LED, providing the buildings (particularly Recreation) with a quantum leap toward reducing kilowatt-hours expended.

"We are striving to reduce energy usage," says Facilities Superintendent Jerritt Weaner, "by at least 25 percent. When factoring in the enormous amount of energy that the Recreation Center alone uses every day, that contribution to our environment is substantial."

The commitment to energy sustainability at On Top of the World is an ongoing effort, and impacts not only how residential homes are constructed, but

also all buildings and lighting within the community. For example, wherever possible, street lighting throughout On Top of the World is being converted to LED, as well as all lighting around The Town Square and within Circle Square Cultural Center. This is an energy savings of at least 75% over previous lighting installations. Additionally, building air conditioners and pool heaters within our community have been converted into the most efficient systems available.

With several thousand residents and growing, On Top of the World can choose to be a blatant consumer of power, air and water, or it can be a community that sets the pace and demonstrates leadership in how to treat our precious environment. To date, the decisions made and the actions taken by On Top of the World, exhibit a commitment to reducing the negative impact on our planet and developing processes that lead to future sustainability.

**League of Women Voters Introduces Primary Candidates**

By Ray Cech  
World News Writer

In keeping with its raison d'être, The League of Women Voters of Marion County, in concert with Master the Possibilities, held a series of forums introducing Primary candidates to Ocala residents. Candidates, either incumbents or challengers, were running for County Commission and School Board positions. Primary elections will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 26.

All forums were well attended. Two were held at the Ocala Police Department Community Center and two at Circle Square Cultural Center. The format was the same for each presentation. A moderator, such as Dr. Steve Gilman in the accompanying photo, posed questions to each of the candidates, who then had two minutes in which to respond. The questions were also displayed on a large screen above the stage for the audience to view. Each of the four meetings was designed to give Ocala and Marion County voters an opportunity to meet those candidates who will help shape the future of our county, as well as our school system.

On Top of the World resident Allie Gore is the founder and co-president of The League of Women Voters of Marion County. By presenting these forums, she says, "The League is working towards growing a community of informed voters and is committed to offering non-partisan, unbiased and factual information."

If you missed any of the forums, you can go to the League's website ([www.lwv-marion.org](http://www.lwv-marion.org)) for further information.



Photo by Ray Cech

Dr. Gilmore presents questions to school board candidates at Circle Square Cultural Center.

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**GOLDEN OLDIES HUMOR**

By Stan Goldstein



**Reality is for those without imagination.**



**Is It Legal?**

By Gerald Colen

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**Q.** I have been told that I cannot delete one of my children from my will. Is that true?

**A.** Florida law is quite tricky when it comes to who can be disinherited. In fact, in a column such as this, I really can't discuss all of the variables that can exist and whereby one can or cannot disinherit a child – or a spouse for that matter. I can say this, though: Absent a pre-nuptial agreement or a valid and enforceable post-nuptial agreement, a married person cannot completely disinherit a spouse. Further, if a person has a minor child, it may

not be possible to disinherit that child, at least to the extent of any homestead property. Beyond these two snippets, I think it's necessary that you meet with your attorney.

**Q.** What is the federal estate tax exemption for 2014?

**A.** Around \$5.34 million dollars.

**Q.** I haven't seen or heard from my husband in over 22 years. I am now engaged to a very nice man and wish to be married soon. Is there any legal impediment to that?

**A.** Um ... see, you might have a spouse somewhere, and if so, then I'd say that could be a legal impediment – it's actually got a name. It's called bigamy. Suggestion: see a domestic relations attorney and figure out what your best option might be.

**Q.** We love your dry sense of humor. Are you always that way?

**A.** I try not to take myself too seriously. My work, I take very seriously. Most everything else sort of depends on the

nature of a particular matter at hand. I try to be sensitive to the concerns of others, because after all, that's just simple courtesy. Some matters, however, just cry out for laughter and I try to accommodate that when and if I can.

**Q.** I saw some of your postings on Twitter. Why are you doing that?

**A.** It gives me a chance to express my thoughts on a wide range of matters and it also lets me follow folks who interest me. One area I follow is the American Civil War, which, as some folks may know, is a particular interest of mine.

**Q.** I read an advertisement that started off about hating annuities and then it seemed to wind up explaining why they should be purchased. I understand that you don't like annuities and am curious if you saw that ad and if so, what are your thoughts?

**A.** I didn't see the ad, but I've seen many over the years that start out to demean annuities but actually wind up touting them. I can only speculate on why that happens. My guess is that annuities and more specifically, seminars that "push" them have been given a black eye by some governmental agencies (Florida Attorney General Pam Bondi properly warns about

them).

Thus, a way to counter that is by starting off saying they are troubling and then explain why, the particular annuity that so and so is touting is not troubling at all.

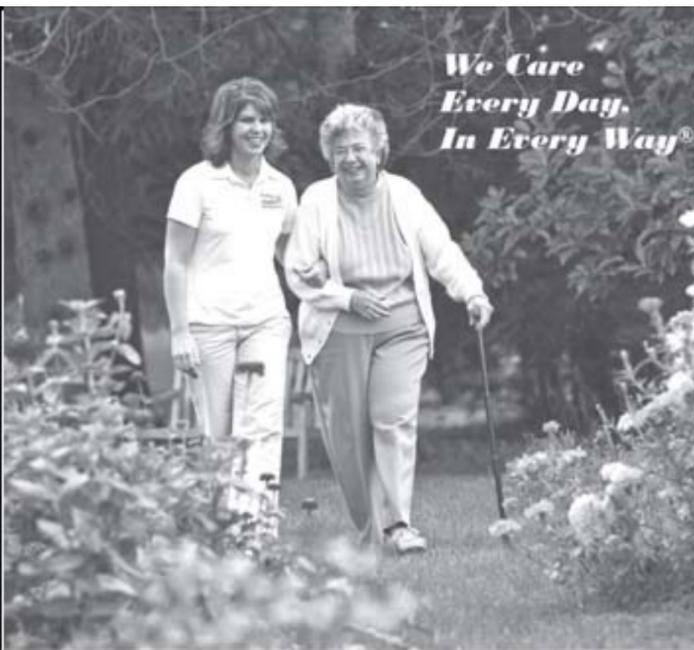
Now, let me touch on something you wrote concerning my thoughts on annuities. I neither like nor dislike annuities. The question – the only question – is whether they are or are not appropriate for the needs of a person. They are important assets for some folks; they are bad assets for others. For me, what I try to explain to my clients is that there is no one-size-fits-all when it comes to what is necessary to allow us to maintain the income we need. So, to me, what is important is not that there is a particular type of investment that is available for purchase. What matters is that one plans reasonably and rationally based on his or her specific situation – and not the situation of someone else.

**FAIR DISCLOSURE:** I get sickened by the marketing of annuities to senior citizens, which in my own opinion often borders on deceptive advertising.

**Q.** Can I leave my husband and move in with my children?

**A.** Don't ask me. You'd be better off asking your children to see what they say.

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**Indigo East**

By Jean DiPiero

On Saturday, June 21, the Indigo East ladies held their luncheon with the theme of "things remembered." The ladies were to wear something from the past and were to bring a special treasure or story, from the past, to share.

A good crowd turned out. Each table was decorated from past themes with coordinated dinnerware. They were treated to hot dogs with all the fixings including sauerkraut, chili, onions along with potato salad, coleslaw and bean salad. There was coffee, teas and other beverages to wash down desserts consisting of banana nut bread, blueberry bread with strawberries and whipped cream, chocolate chip cookies and heath bar cookies.

A 50/50 raffle was held and the winners were Beth Coburn and Colleen Rocafort. Plenty of door prizes were given away too. Attendees bid on items that others brought. One woman's trash is another one's treasure. Everyone enjoyed this tremendously.

Our talented vendors, Nancy Ludvik, Helen Solan and Lee Ann Oliver, were

selling their jewelry and purses.

Once again, special thanks to Barbara Martyn and Shirley Hamilton, co-chairpersons, who did a wonderful and outstanding job. It's people like them that make our community great along with the volunteers: Carol Seidman, Charlotte Sotetani, Helen Solan, Jean DiPiero, Jeanne Collins, Jenny Stockli, Lee Ann Oliver, Marie Deshommes, Mary Kay Fitzgerald, Mary Walters, Sarah Logue, Sue Copeland and Mary Lou Masone.

The next ladies luncheon will be held Saturday, Sept. 13 and the theme will be "let's make a deal." See you then.

All residents are invited to play buncos at the Indigo East Community Center on Tuesday, Aug. 5 at 7 p.m. 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.

At the end of the 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 buncos. If you have any questions please contact her at kableshirley@yahoo.com.



Photo by Jean DiPiero

Helga Schulze and Daisy Rowell wearing vintage clothing.

**Candler Connection**

By Janet Wiles



Many Candler Hills residents attended the Fourth of July Patriotic Celebration on The Town Square. Attendees enjoyed music by Norman Lee; the ever popular band, Second Slice, and the Ocala Symphony Orchestra. The food prepared by a variety of vendors was wonderful. Topping off the evening was a fabulous fireworks display. We thank Ken Colen and all those who had a part in bringing this event to us. This was truly a wonderful way to celebrate our Independence Day.

The next Candler Connection board meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 2, 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. Please note that there will be no meeting in August.

Mark your calendar for the second annual fall picnic on the afternoon of Sunday, Oct. 26 at the pavilion. Tickets, priced at just \$6 per person, will go on sale in late September or early October. Enjoy a variety of favorite picnic foods including hot dogs, hamburgers, and chicken sandwiches. Socialize with your friends and neighbors, and join in some outdoor games. This event is open to all residents. Specifics concerning the total menu, time,

and other details will be provided in the next Candler Connection column.

The Candler Hills speaker series will resume in the fall. On Thursday, Oct. 23, there will be two presentations. Phillip Hisey will talk about how to prepare your home and lawn for the winter months. Robert Colen will talk about the history of On Top of the World. On Thursday, Nov. 6, Lynda Spence, who is with the Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, will present on a topic that will be announced in a future column. Her topics for classes include families, finance, and aging well in Florida. All presentations will be held at 3 p.m. in the Candler Hills Community Center.

The communications committee is planning a new resident welcome session in early November. Be on the lookout in a future column for the date and time. In the meantime, refer to [www.candlerconnection.org](http://www.candlerconnection.org) for answers to many of your questions.

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

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**Avalon Social Group**

By Lorraine Rourke



Due to construction at the Recreation Center, the Sept. 8 potluck has been cancelled. The Oct. 6 and Nov. 3 potlucks will take place at the pavilion at 5:30 p.m. with the food line starting at 5:45 p.m. Please bring a dish to share and your own beverage (alcohol is permitted at the pavilion). Paper products and utensils will be provided.

Keep in mind the November potluck is our hot dog/sausage picnic with tickets being sold at the October potluck. The December potluck is our big Christmas party with ham.

The backpack program is still collecting with boxes in the Recreation Center. For questions call Ed Barnes at (352) 304-8206 or Lorraine at (352) 390-2120.

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**Citizens  
Emergency  
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By Patricia A. Woodbury

Members of the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) participated in an interactive Internet program on tornadoes on Saturday, June 28. The scenario in this program took place in a community called Broken Willow, 20 miles from the capitol of that state and centered in the geographic area called Tornado Alley.

The program went through a Hazard Vulnerability Analysis to determine the risks associated with a potential disaster. They had maps of the various facilities such as chemical plants, waterpower source, cell towers, major highway locations and schools. The CERT members had to discuss the possibilities of hazards in the event of a disaster based on the areas of vulnerability associated with this hypothetical community.

As planned, a tornado did rip through the community and there were many pictures of the devastation and destruction. The CERT members had to answer questions regarding how their team would be mobilized and what resources would be available to them. Detailed descriptions of 12 injured victims were presented and the CERT members had to describe how they would handle these injuries.

The members felt this was a worthwhile training as it led to much discussion about our own community situation. This event would not have been possible without the technical support of Bill Torzsa, president of the Computer Club, who shared his time, technical expertise and equipment with the group.

If you missed getting your application in for the July new member CERT training, it is not too early to call for an application for the Thursday, Oct. 9 through Nov. 13 classes from 5 to 7 p.m. Contact Beverly Case at the Bureau of Emergency Management of the Sheriff's Office at (352) 369-8120 to obtain an application. These classes fill up quickly, so be sure to get your application in as soon as possible. Participating in this service organization is a way to contribute to and give back to your community, so give it some thought and let us hear from you.

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

CERT meets every second Tuesday of the month at 9 a.m. in Suite A of the Arbor Conference Center. Persons interested in learning more about CERT are welcome to attend these meetings or contact Pat at (352) 854-8718.

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ance agent and make sure the insurance coverage on your home and contents is adequate. As I write this column, we are up over 12-inches of rain in the last 45 days. This means that we are dealing with very saturated soils already. If we have a tropical storm dumping yet more water on a saturated situation, we may all be in for an "interesting" time. If you feel "lucky" and go without insurance or believe you can self-insure, you should reconsider because the cost of repair or reconstruction (especially from fire) may well put you into debt.

In the On Top of the World Owners' Association, residential properties are insured under a master policy in the name of the Association. The per event deductible remains the same as the prior year, at \$10,000 per occurrence for any event including wind/hail-related damage. Named storm deductible was reduced to three percent from five percent, a significant enhancement to the property policy this year. Named storm events are subject to a minimum (community wide) deductible of \$250,000 for any one occurrence such as a named storm.

With respect to flood, earthquake, and flood resulting from a named storm, all loss, damage, and/or expense arising out of any one occurrence shall be adjusted as one loss, and from an amount of each such adjusted loss there is a \$100,000 deductible.

The Association does have coverage in the event of damage to building from sinkholes. This coverage has a \$10,000 deductible. It is worth noting that sinkhole activity did occur in several storm water retention ponds. This is not remarkable given the volume of water received and the concentrated weight imposed on the ponds as a result. The repair of the damage is a common expense of the Association and in not an insurable event inasmuch as no structures were involved.

Should the community experience wind-related losses, the deductible is spread over all members of the On Top of the World Central Owners' Association. In other words, the individual share of the

deductible would be approximately \$65 per dwelling were it necessary to assess for the named storm deductible and the deductible was \$250,000. This is a good point to segue into the limits of coverage that individual homeowners may wish to carry.

Contents coverage may vary greatly depending on what it is you wish to insure. As a basic point though, you need adequate limits to cover furnishings, personal items, floor coverings, appliances, fenestration (windows and doors) and cabinetry. Direct your agent to write an HO6 rider that provides for loss assessment coverage in the event of a special assessment from the Association to cover unforeseen shortfalls in losses. It is never a bad idea to see if that "loss assessment coverage" component can be increased.

There may be a possibility that your carrier will offer a product called "extended protection" that in effect offers another layer to loss assessment coverage. It was pointed out to me by a local insurance agent that the carrier may require a letter from the Association stating that there are "no losses, unreported losses, and ongoing repairs" currently pending. We have drafted such a generic letter and posted it to [www.otowinfo.com](http://www.otowinfo.com) (click on Insurance Info). You may print this letter and provide it to your local agent.

**Circle Square Cultural Center**

The August line-up kicks off with the re-scheduled show, on Saturday, Aug. 2 – Robin Gallo's Tribute to Reba McEntire. On Saturday, Aug. 9, Motown Magic – A Tribute to Motown will be performed by a cast of guys and gals who are wildly talented and perform songs made famous by The Supremes, Michael Jackson, The Four Tops, Barry White, Tina Turner and more. Great costumes and a high-energy show! Purchase tickets online at [www.CSCulturalCenter.com](http://www.CSCulturalCenter.com).

**The Town Square**

The Farmer's Market continues on Thursdays through the summer from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. I encourage you to support the market vendors and help us to keep them coming back. The monthly cooking demonstration will resume in October.

Some really hot bands are coming this month and include SSnakeyez, Signature Songs, PowerPlay, Second Slice and Dunning Shaw. What a great line-up!



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**All Around Our World**  
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Welcome to August in Florida. The very aptly named "dog days" of summer have certainly made their presence felt this year. I'm appreciative not only of the much needed afternoon showers but the relief they sometimes offer from the hot and humid days we have been experiencing. On one hand, that is very good news, as warm season grasses are growing and filling in. On the other hand, grasses are growing and with all the rain, it has been challenging to stay on our typical schedule.

Speaking of showers, we have been lucky this hurricane season with only one named storm so far but we aren't out of the woods yet, so if you haven't already, you may want to review your hurricane checklist just in case.

I hope you continue to enjoy your summer and wish you a safe and happy August. If you have family and friends visiting, take advantage of the many amenities to help entertain your guests - restaurants, pools, golf, miniature golf, tennis, entertainment on The Town Square, and let's not forget ice cream at Mr. B's.

**Power Outages**

If a power outage occurs, please do not call the Marion County Sheriff's Office or visit customer service. This will just prolong the length of the outage. Your power company must be called to restore the power and repair the streetlight that may be out or burning all day. If you are in Duke Energy territory, please call their outage line at (800) 228-8485. For other needs, their customer service number is (800) 700-8744.

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Please note that the Customer Service office is closed the third Wednesday of every month from noon to 1 p.m., which falls on Wednesday, Aug. 20, this month. Customer Service may be reached by phone: 236-OTOW (6869); e-mail: otowser-

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**Recreation Center Renovations**

The construction schedule has not been finalized at this writing; however, we are expecting that the Recreation Center will be undergoing renovations by delivery of this edition or soon after. The building permit is moving through the county departments and we are responding to their comments.

We are setting up a temporary fitness center in Suite A of the Arbor Suites. It will be operating on the same schedule as the fitness center is currently. More information will be available after the construction schedule is final.

We appreciate your patience as we work to bring you an updated Recreation Center for your future enjoyment. We will keep you posted on the schedule through e-mail blasts, updates on www.otowinfo.com and posters at Customer Service and post office locations.

**Playground Area**

If you haven't been to the playground area by the SW 90th Street postal center lately, you and the grandkids should definitely stop by this summer. Recently installed was a new playground set, which includes two slides, a climbing attachment, a fireman pole, as well as several other fun things. Be sure to take the kids by when they are in town.

The playground area also has access to restroom facilities. The facilities are located to the north of the garden and a walking path to the restrooms as you approach the garden will direct you behind the recycling dumpsters. The restrooms will be locked at dark.

**Pets**

Please remember to be courteous and clean up after your pet. It is the pet owner's responsibility to keep the area around his home clean. This will prevent the spread of odor and also reduce the likelihood of diseases caused by unsanitary conditions.

The owner must also keep his pet on a leash and away from neighboring houses, lawns or backyards. It is also the owner's responsibility to pick up droppings and clean any mess caused by the animal, whether it is in the owner's yard, a neighbor's yard, on the sidewalk or any other common area.

There are no locations on property where pets are allowed that do not require the owner or walker to pick up after the pet. Thank you for your cooperation.

And, please do not leave your pets in the car for any time in summer.

**Parking on Grass**

All of us know how hot our cars and golf carts can become when they sit in the heat. However, please do not drive on the grass to find a shady spot to park. The heat from vehicles can destroy the grass, so please park in designated parking areas.

**Minors**

We have had a couple of enforcements of late regarding minor children. As a reminder, minor children under the age of 17 may not reside in the community. Please refer to www.otowinfo.com, Second Amended and Restated Rules and

Regulations, 55 and Older Community.

**Trash Disposal Areas**

From time to time I have requests from residents who ask me to remind their fellow residents of certain things ... rules, pet reminders, etc. This month we are talking trash.

We ask that when residents are disposing of items at the trash disposal areas that you please move your car after you drop your trash to a parking space if you need to check the mail or visit with other residents. If you receive a polite reminder to do so from a fellow resident, being neighborly and courteous is most appreciated.

**CEP President to Speak**

By Robert Colen

What makes Ocala a great place to live, work and play? Are you interested in learning about what is really going on economically in Ocala? The Chamber and Economic Partnership's (CEP) CEO, Kevin Sheilley, will be giving a state of the economy presentation at Master the Possibilities on Tuesday Aug. 12, at 2 p.m. at the Circle Square Cultural Center. This presentation promises to be an exciting and interesting educational event for all who attend.

For those who have heard of Mr. Sheilley, he is widely considered the most dynamic and enthusiastic speaker in Marion County. Not only will you gain incredible insight into what transformations Ocala is making in preparation for the future, you will also be widely entertained by his presentation.

I encourage you to attend this free event at the Circle Square Cultural Center. Please register through Master the Possibilities and invite a friend.

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# A Whirlwind of a Trip

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

A group of residents ventured on a motor coach trip to Charleston, S.C., and Savannah, Ga. This trip was scheduled to be a fast-paced extravaganza visiting lots of places in a short period time frame.

The group departed early in the morning enabling a stop at the Charleston Tea Plantation on our way into the coastal city. The tea plantation is located some 20 miles southwest of the popular tourist destination.

Tea has been grown in the Charleston area for generations, but the Thomas J. Lipton Company moved the plantation to its present location on Wadmalaw Island in 1963. Later, Bigelow Tea Company purchased the plantation and the tea brand produced today is called American Classis Tea.

The Charleston Tea Plantation, as it is known today, is the only working tea plantation in the United States. The group had a tour of the plantation and the facilities making the tea from freshly cut leaves from the plantation's plants.

It was interesting to note that the tea-producing plants are cut many times during the growing season. A harvester trims the tops of the plants after the new leaves reach an inch or more in length just like mowing the lawn.

The leaves are processed within 24 hours, and the final outcome from the whinnying, cutting and drying of the

leaves results in a dark-colored tea ready for purchase.

Departing the tea plantation the next location on the agenda was a famous eatery called Hyman's Seafood Restaurant.

After a night's rest, the group headed for the aquarium pier area to board a sight-seeing boat touring the Charleston Harbor. Originally, the plan was for the group to tour the harbor after visiting and touring Fort Sumter. Due to the government's shutdown this was not possible.

The boat took the group past Patriots Point Naval and Maritime Museum and also the beautiful bridge that spans the Cooper River separating Charleston and Mt. Pleasant.

After the excursion of the harbor, the group ventured into the South Carolina Aquarium for a self-guided tour of the facility and lunch. The aquarium is home to over 10,000 animals and plants of all descriptions ranging from fish, snakes, birds, sea otters, and the lengthy list continues. In the center of the aquarium is a huge three-story tank holding some 385,000 gallons of water containing over 300 animals. The facility is designed so that the journey of the aquarium starts from the mountains continuing to the ocean.

Departing the aquarium, the group was joined by a step-on-guide who took the group all over this historic city viewing famous homes and buildings along with



Photo by Bob Woods

## Charleston Tea Plantation.

those luxury homes along the waterfront section known as The Battery.

The greatest destination on the tour was the Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina. The group visited the inside of the college's chapel where the guide explained many aspects of the Citadel and Charleston itself. The guide pointed out that in the lower right-hand corner of the large stained-glass window over the altar is a profile of Patrick Henry who is classified as a patriot. The Citadel was established in 1842 and is one of the country's top five military colleges.

The tour guide dropped the group near Charleston's City Market, which is over 300 years old at its present location. The present city market was established in 1790 and stretches four city blocks in length. The first public market in Charleston was established in 1692.

The next morning, the adventurers boarded the coach for a ride to Boone Hall Plantation and Gardens. The plantation is over 320 years old and still a working plantation producing vegetables and fruit. The plantation dates back to 1681.

In its early years, Boone Hall was a cotton plantation. At the plantation, our adventurous group split in many directions with some touring the plantation on special trams while others toured the plantation house. Everyone seemed to tour the gardens and the slave cabins, some of which date back between 1790 and 1810, while most of the group enjoyed a special talk about the slaves, and at the last cabin in a row was a live Gullah performance by an interpreter explaining how many portions and phrases of our language some of the food dishes we devour today originated by the African slaves along with the development and evolution of the Gullah culture in the Lowcountry.

The entrance to the plantation is a three-quarter mile avenue lined with live oaks that were originally planted back in 1681. Today it is called the "Avenue of Oaks."

Heading back towards Charleston, the group stopped at Patriots Point Naval and Maritime Museum. The location is home to the World War II Aircraft Carrier Yorktown, CV-10, and the National Medal of Honor Museum in the carrier's hanger bay. One could spend the entire day in this museum and not see everything.

A total of 3,462 Medals of Honors have been awarded since the medal's conception during the Civil War. There are 78 recipients still living and a total of 19 recipients have received the medal twice. The youngest recipient was a 13-year-old drummer boy from the Civil War's 3rd Vermont Infantry.

Also at the museum are the Navy Destroyer USS Laffey, DD-724, and the Submarine, USS Clamagore SS-343. A Vietnam support base is also available for viewing along with many aircraft on the Yorktown's flight deck and hangar bays.

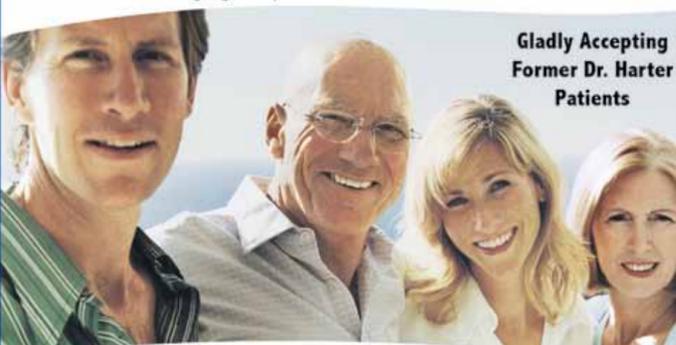
Culminating our fast-paced tour, the group departed Charleston early heading for Savannah to meet up with another step-on-guide who gave the travelers a tour of Savannah, pointing out historical homes and squares and places of interest including a tour at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. The cathedral was constructed in 1873 and serves 90 counties in middle and southern Georgia.

After the Savannah guided tour, free time for all took place down on historic River Street where the cobblestone street runs along the river and the old cotton warehouses are now home to many businesses and restaurants. Then it was time to head for Ocala ...



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# Fireworks Light Up the Sky

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

The Patriotic Celebration at Circle Square Commons on Friday, July 4 was a fantastic way to celebrate our country's 238th birthday.

The program began with a salute to our armed forces with veterans presenting military service flags. Norman Lee followed the salute by singing the Star-Spangled Banner and then the festivities were officially "off and rolling" as the saying goes. Lee, along with Marion County's "best local band," Second Slice, provided musical entertainment for the evening.

Captain America appeared to the delight of many singing many patriotic songs. Norman Lee was dressed in the popular American fictional character costume that appeared in comic books for decades. This patriotic character was internationally created back in the 1940s fighting the axis powers of World War II.

As the afternoon progressed, hundreds, if not thousands, flocked around The Town Square enjoying many of the events.

Some of the interesting features of the event were two face painters putting all kinds of painted designs on young people's faces along with two stilt walkers. The female walker danced and mingled with the crowd and the male walker dressed as Uncle Sam did the same but also made hats and animals from balloons for the kids. There were long lines at both venues.

There were all kinds of food vendors pleasing the palate of many.

At 7 p.m. at Circle Square Cultural Center, the Ocala Symphony Orchestra saluted our troops through music to a sold out crowd.

The highlight of this festive event was the spectacular fireworks (reportedly the largest display in Marion County) at 9 p.m. Not only were skyrockets bursting in air but Mother Nature had her own display as heat lightning flashed through the clouds.

Once again, we had another very successful event celebrating the Fourth of July!



Photo by Bob Woods

Fireworks were the highlight at the Patriotic Celebration at Circle Square Commons.



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Norman Lee dressed as Captain America as he entertained The Town Square at the Patriotic Celebration.

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**Community Patrol**

By Patricia A. Woodbury

At our June meeting, Corporal Darrell Greene from the Southwest District Office encouraged members and residents to be wary of letters that appear to be from American Express or Wells Fargo asking for money to establish an account. These are just another type of scams, and persons should check with their financial sources before responding to such offers.

Cpl. Greene explained that the pink stripe on some of the patrol cars was put on in October to support Breast Cancer Awareness. Based on the positive comments from the public the pink stripe will remain on the cars.

Cpl. Greene clarified that the Extra Special Person (ESP) program at the Sheriff's Office supplies bracelets for people with Alzheimer's disease or dementia who tend to wander. It gives them an identification number, and people can call it in and the Sheriff's Office will be able to identify who is the person.

Mary Callahan, president of the Marion County Sheriff's Office Foundation, was present to explain the work of the Founda-

tion. In 2008, the Sheriff's goal for the Foundation was to raise money to support the various volunteer programs. With this money, the Foundation is able to purchase equipment for the various groups. The Foundation became a beneficiary of an estate and was able to purchase a pontoon boat for the Rainbow River Watch Group. They have also provided boatlifts for the Sheriff's Lake Weir Watch Group. The Marion Emergency Radio Team (MERT) received new radios for them to use in shelters, hospitals and emergency centers during a disaster. GPS units were supplied to the Citizens On Patrol (C.O.P.S) and Homeland Security groups.

Ms. Callahan described several restricted accounts funds:

- Canine Fund: money donated to this fund is used to purchase dogs.
- Junior ROTC Fund: money donated to this fund is for special ROTC events, for new jackets and to go to camp.
- Southwest District Halloween Party: these monies support this annual event (last October over 1,000 children attended the party).

- Sheriff's Citizen's Academy: the money paid by the participants for the concealed weapons class (fee is \$75) is divided between the Foundation, Domestic Violence, and Literacy Council.
- Harmony in the Street: This fund is for children to go to day camp at the Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranch.

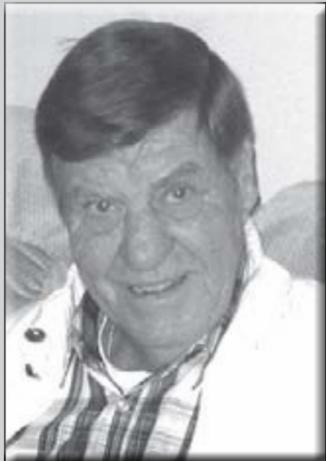
We continue to look for potential new members for the On Top of the World Community Patrol. Becoming a member of the patrol is to become a member of a well-recognized, large group of the Marion County Sheriff's Office volunteers. It is also an opportunity to take an active role in serving and giving back to your home community.

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

Anyone interested in becoming part of our community patrol should call Gary Rodoff at (352) 291-7508 or Richard Enos at (352) 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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**View From The Library**

By B.J. Leckbee

Have you ever checked out section 616 on the center shelves? Even if your favorite reading is mystery or romance, there are

self-help books here that are easy to read and contain, among other things, advice.

Reed V. Tuckson, M.D., chief of medical affairs at United Health Group, has written a book to, as he put it, "the nearly 100 million Americans who are over 50," and reminds us that "approximately two-thirds of all the people in the history of the world who have ever lived past age 65 are alive today." He titled his book "The Doctor in the Mirror" because he believes that each of us is the doctor in our mirror and that we can become the strongest advocates for our own health.

Here are some things you might find helpful.

His advice on the doctor-patient relationship: Take someone with you when you go for a checkup. If that's not possible, take notes. Ask questions. Discuss vaccines with your doctor, including influenza, pneumonia and shingles. The book provides a one-page worksheet that can be a helpful reminder of things you and your doctor need to know about your health.

Other checklists in the book include a guide for reading a nutrition label, a fall prevention checklist, and a guide to helping caregivers help themselves.

His advice on maintaining good health: You are your lifestyle. Your lifestyle has more to do with your health than any other factor. Drink plenty of water. Stretch. Wear sunglasses. Get your hearing checked. Avoid rush hour. Keep your mind active.

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**Keeping It Green**

By Phillip B. Hisey

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**Irrigation Tip**

Now that the rainy season is here, residents should monitor their irrigation systems more closely to help conserve water. Remember, half to three-quarters of an inch of irrigation per week is all that is needed to sustain the turf. Monthly irrigation checks should be done to ensure proper coverage. Check that there are no broken lines or heads as this will help with controller issues. Irrigation controllers may be affected by the summer lightning storms, therefore we advise residents to check their controllers after each storm. Lightning storms can surge power into the controllers affecting program scheduling thus causing controller malfunctions.

Rain sensors should also be checked to see that they are operating properly. If you are unsure or unable to check your system, you might consider contacting an irrigation company to assist you.

**Lawn Tip**

Chinch bug control in your St. Augustine yard is probably the most important pest to manage when trying to create a healthy yard. Chinch bugs feed on the sap of the St. Augustine grass and have piercing, sucking mouthparts. Many people do not know that the chinch bug is not the actual killer; it is the saliva of the insect that kills the plant as it clogs the vascular tissue of the plant thus not allowing the flow of water and nutrients to the plant.

Chinch bugs are found in the thatch layer of the grass. They are about one eighth to one fifth of an inch long or smaller. The adults have distinct white strips that cross their back and the young, or nymphs, are an orange-red color with a white stripe across their abdomen. Chinch bugs will hide over winter in shrub beds or down in the soil area and when the weather warms up they come out.

Chinch bug damage is often mistaken for drought stress and it is not properly diagnosed until it is too late. When looking for chinch bugs, do not look in the grass

that is already dead, look toward the margins of the dead area in grass that is alive. Spread the grass apart and look for the insects as described above. An easier way to detect a chinch bug infestation is to take a coffee can and remove both ends, soften the soil with a little bit of water so you can stick the coffee can into the earth about two to three inches leaving at least four inches of the coffee can above ground. Fill the coffee can up with water and wait, the chinch bugs will float to the top.

If a chinch bug infestation is present, report this to your spray company so treatment may begin as soon as possible. When treating chinch bugs, make sure that you rotate the chemical class not just the chemical. Chinch bugs have developed resistance to every major chemical class, so by rotating chemicals, you have a much better chance of extinguishing them.

Chinch bug damage that is noticed early can be treated typically with little damage to the grass. A good fertilization should revive the grass and fill the area back in with time. Bear in mind even after the chinch bugs have been treated that it is highly likely that the damaged area may grow in size. This is because the area treated was already damaged and the results of the damage were not visible at the time of treatment.

Healthy grass that is properly fertilized and watered will aid in the defense of the chinch bugs. With drought like conditions and water restrictions it is tough to deal with these insects so early detection and treatment is best.

**Landscape Tip**

The rule of thumb for azaleas; don't prune azaleas after July 4. If you plan on trimming them it should be done by hand and only if needed for shaping, don't use shears. Trimming azaleas after this time will reduce the amount of flowers in the spring.

Keep crape myrtles blooming by trimming off the old, spent blooms; these trees will keep blooming up through December if you stay on it.

The hottest days of summer lie ahead. If you have annuals or wish to plant annuals to add a splash of color, you should consider plant material that is tolerant of the heat such as coleus, Kalanchoe, Sedum and Vinca. These will give you varying heights dependent upon your needs and will also offer the pop of color you may be looking for.



**Food For Thought**

By Sandy Curtis

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Let's start the month out with National Watermelon Day on Sunday, Aug. 3. Watermelons are over 90% water, making them a very aptly named fruit. Stop in this Sunday and get a slice for only \$1. It's hard to just have one slice.

Did you know that over 20 years ago, President Ronald Reagan declared Thursday, Aug. 21 as National Senior Citizens Day? It is an opportunity for us to show our gratitude for what seniors have achieved in their lives and their contributions to our communities. By way of this, we are offering a 10% discount off your total bill to all seniors on this day. Thank you for all you have given, it doesn't go unnoticed.

Be sure and look for our ad in this edition of the World News, for our "Buy One Get One Free Pancakes and Sausage" at The Pub on Tuesdays from 8 to 11 a.m. and Candler Hills Restaurant on Sundays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bring a friend and enjoy a satisfying meal. This offer is for the month of August only.

Looking for a delicious prime rib dinner or maybe a seafood feature? Look no further; Candler Hills Restaurant serves up a spectacular dinner every Friday and Saturday evening. This entrée comes with a fresh salad, rolls, and baked potato. While you're there, take advantage of our \$2.50 happy hour drinks from 4 to 7 p.m. and \$1.50 Candler Select draft beer, all day.

Have you tried one of our delicious flatbreads? We have five to choose from: The Cheesy, Margherita, Pepperoni, Taco Taco and the Furnace. Every Friday they are only \$5 for one or two for \$9 at Candler Hills Restaurant from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. It's a meal you don't want to miss.

We are so excited to have Chef Chris with us bringing fresh ideas and great food. He will be hosting his first Chef's Table on Tuesday, Aug. 26 at Candler Hills Restaurant, starting at 5:30 p.m. This course will include a five-course meal. Call (352) 861-9720 today for your reservations.

**Chef Chris Tip of the Month**

Why is it important to wash all fruits and vegetables? Bacteria can spread from the outside to the inside as you cut or peel them.

Here's how to wash all your produce effectively ... Cut away any damaged or bruised areas. Rinse produce under running water. Don't use soap, detergent, bleach, or commercial produce washes. Scrub firm produce - like melons or cucumbers - with a clean produce brush. Dry produce with a paper towel or clean cloth towel ... and you're done. The good news? Bagged produce marked "pre-washed" is safe to use without further washing.

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The Democratic Club's secretary, Lynn Miller, delivered items donated by the club to Ocala Ritz Veterans Village.



**Democratic Club**

By Dan Lack

Our next meeting is Thursday, Aug. 28. Our speaker will be Marihelen Wheeler who is the Democratic candidate for the United States Congress from our district. This will definitely be different from our meeting in May when Congressman Yoho spoke to us.

In a continuing effort to take advantage of modern technology, we recently started to videotape most of our meetings and post the files online on youtube.com. Just type in "otow demclub" in the search box on their website and then click on "otow demclub" and you'll see the list of videos which are viewable by the public. You do not have to be a club member to watch and learn and be entertained.

Don't forget that Tuesday, Aug. 26 is primary day. Please vote!

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, contact Dan Lack at (352) 509-4942 or otowdemclub@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page (On Top of the World Democratic Club). You are not alone!



**Republican Club**

By Fred Pulis

United States Congressman Ted Yoho will be the Republican Club's featured speaker at its Friday, Aug. 8 meeting. Yoho represents the North Florida's Third District, which includes Marion County. He is seeking the Republican Primary nomination for the purpose of being elected to a second two-year term as a member of the House of Representatives.

The July club meeting featured speakers who are candidates for Marion County School Board and County Commissioner. Jane Moerlie and Ed Wilson, candidates for District 3; Michael Basinger and Jamie Bevan for District 4; and Kelly King and Ronald Crawford for District 5 all presented views, opinions, and reasons for their election in the August Republican Primary. Also giving reasons for their election was County Commission District 4 candidates Glen Fiorello and Carl Zalak.

Notable election related information included: absentee voting began on Tuesday, July 22 and early voting begins on Saturday, Aug. 16.

Our next scheduled meeting is 7 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 8 at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E, F, and G. For additional information, contact Fred Pulis at (352) 854-9976.



**OneBlood Bloodmobile**

By Sara Sommer

The Big Red bus is coming on Monday, Aug. 4!

Summer is when blood banks see donations drop about 10 percent. Snowbirds, vacationers, and students, both high school and college, are not around. We have several major holidays during the summer including Fourth of July and Labor Day. Many people are traveling and the need goes up.

OneBlood's motto is "Share Your Power" and this focuses on the need of donors to know their blood types. Those people who have O negative blood are known as universal donors. Most people can receive O negative blood without adverse reaction when the blood type is not known. O positive is the most common type. All types are needed most of the time.

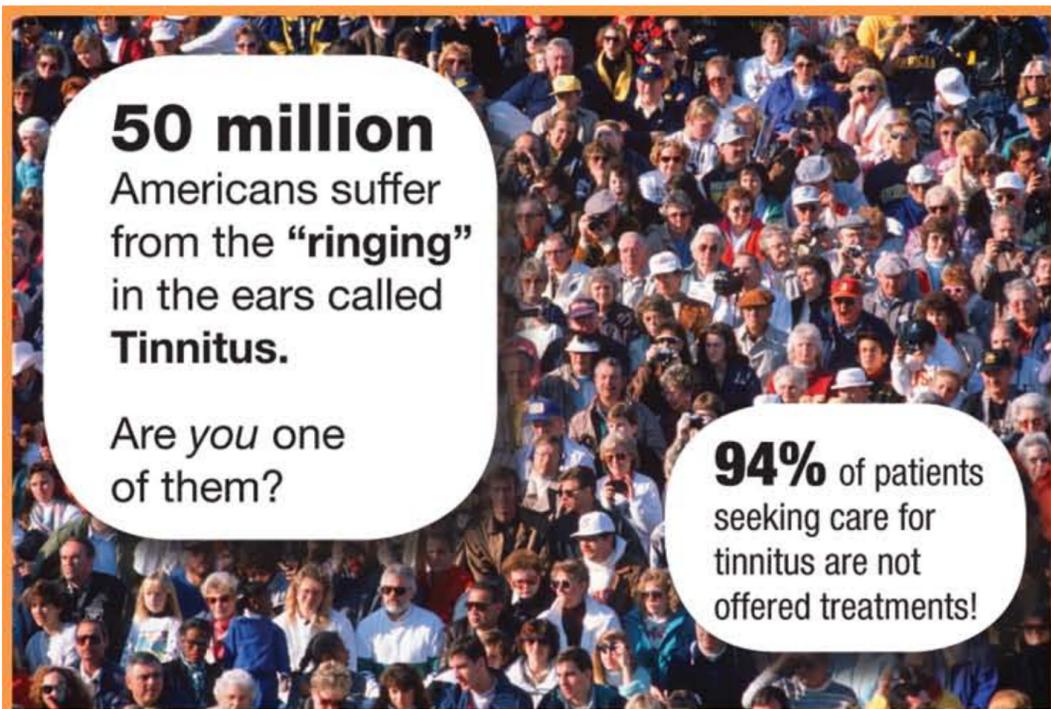
When you give blood, you are not only helping the sick or injured, but yourself. You kind of flush out your system. The families of the recipient are also grateful you took the time to give. You can help in three ways because the whole blood is divided into red cell, plasma, and platelets.

The Big Red bus will be here on Monday, Aug. 4. The bus will be in the Recreation Center parking lot from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. This is your time to shine. See you on the bus!



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# Buccaneers of the Caribbean

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

In the wee morning hours, a group of swashbucklers from On Top of the World headed for Tampa International Airport for an early morning flight to San Juan, Puerto Rico where the group boarded Royal Caribbean's Jewel of the Seas. The early morning flight was scheduled so that the group had free time to explore Old San Juan prior to the ship's departure.

Puerto Rico was "discovered" by Christopher Columbus in 1493 for Spain and he named the entire island San Juan in honor of Saint John the Baptist. It was Juan Ponce de Leon who was credited in founding the original settlement of San Juan in 1508.

Departing the historic port under darkness, the Jewel passed Fort El Morro, a 1540 built Spanish fort that protected San Juan for centuries. The ship's first destination was to the romantic island of St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

St. Thomas was the first port of call af-

ter departing Puerto Rico for the On Top of the World pirates seeking treasurers in mementos, jewelry, and great experiences along with lasting memories.

Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas' principle port, was named Tap Hus by its Danish rulers, meaning rum shop. Sailors plying the Caribbean waters including pirates appreciated the name alone and the most notable pirate was Edward Teach, commonly known as Blackbeard. A watchtower was erected in 1679 by the Danish to protect the harbor. The famous pirate also utilized it and today the tower, situated on the highest elevation of Charlotte Amalie, became known as Blackbeard's castle during the 18th century when the pirate used the tower for purposes of piracy.

Many members of the group took excursions offered by the cruise line taking them all over the island with most stopping on top of a hill overlooking the harbor. Most of those on excursions were

dropped off by choice at the center of town enabling those fortune seekers to ply inside the jewelry shops and other dens of treasure.

After a fun-filled day in Charlotte Amalie, the cruise ship headed to sea for the next treasure port of St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. St Croix is the largest of three islands. The major port that can hold two large cruise ships in St. Croix is Frederikstad, which is the second largest town on the island, Christiansted being the largest. Both towns offer countless historic tourist destinations and many treasure shops.

St. Croix is home to one of the oldest rum distilleries dating back to 1760 when this part of the world was controlled by the Danish and pirates. The rum produced is Cruzan Rum. The distillery claims the distinction of "the most honored rum distillery in the world."

Cruzan distillery is the largest supplier of American private labeled rums. Brand name Captain Morgan Rum is also distilled on this island.

Antigua was the next island in the Lesser Antilles located in the Eastern Caribbean for the pirates to set foot ashore seeking more treasures. The island is home to Nelson's Dockyard, named after the famous British Naval Captain Horatio Nelson. The dockyard, the only working

Georgian dockyard in the world, is the island's primary tourist destination. The dockyard's construction started in 1740, but it became known as Nelson's Dockyard when the famous sea captain lived at the location in the 1780s.

Antigua is a beautiful island with lush vegetation over rolling hills along with fantastic vistas overlooking the ocean and neighboring islands. Christopher Columbus discovered Antigua and named the island after an icon in Spain's Seville Cathedral. Antigua means "ancient" in Spanish. St. John's is the port city and capital. Royal Caribbean offered many shore and water excursions at this island.

The next port of call was Fort-de-France, Martinique. This island is located in the Lesser Antilles in the Eastern Caribbean and is an overseas region of France making it an integral part of the French Republic. Since Martinique is part of the European Union, the island's currency is the European Euro.

Fort-de-France is not only the capital but also the island's major harbor. The northern portion of this 436-square mile island is mountainous containing four pitons (volcanoes) with the most famous volcano being Mount Pelee. Mount Pelee is an active volcano and there is an excursion offered by the cruise ship for this tourist location.

The next port-of-call and the last port before transiting to San Juan was the island nation of St. Lucia. The capital of the island and its principle cruise ship port is Castries. It is a volcanic island and the most mountainous Caribbean island.

Mount Gimie is the island's highest elevation, rising 3,122 feet above sea level. The island's most famous landmark is the Pitons, two mountain peaks that are listed as a world heritage site.

An excursion offered by the cruise ship was to the volcano and sulfur springs. Tourists were able to be driven into the volcano's crater and walk between bubbling sulfur pools and pools of steam. One picture taking location offered on one excursion was a watery cave where some of the scenes from "Pirates of the Caribbean" were filmed. The rock formation looks like a lady's high heel shoe.

Departing the last island on the buccaneer's treasure hunting, the Jewel of the Seas headed back to San Juan spending a day at sea so these adventures could recollect on their bounty and booty.



Photo by Bob Woods

One of the many beautiful views seen from the cruise ship.

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LIFESTYLE

## Southern Marble Tour

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

"Made in America" were the words spoken to residents by the co-owner of Ocala's Southern Marble Manufacturing, Inc. as the group of residents toured the manufacturing facility located in northwest Ocala. Gary and Connie Palpant

started this company back in 1988 and currently employ 13 people.

You've never heard of this marble manufacturer before? Chances are that if your home was constructed after 1988, Southern Marble Manufacturing supplied

all the bath countertops and bathtubs. This company still supplies all the marble bath items in all the new homes being constructed in our community along with those being remodeled.

Recently, a group from our community went on a Master the Possibilities sponsored field trip with Robert Colen leading the pack. Colen is a certified building contractor heading up the remodeling division, World Home Improvements, as well as vice-chairman of the On Top of the

World Owners Association among other community positions.

We were able to follow a portion of the shower manufacturing process where the gel coating was sprayed on. When the shower dries it will become a new shower in one of the Candler Hills West homes under construction.

The material for the marble products created by Southern Marble comes in 2,500-pound bags shipped from quarries in Georgia. Gary explained that "the sand-like marble particles are some of the best around and besides, it comes from America."

It was interesting to find out how their marble products have the wavy colors in the white finished marble. The employee doing the mixing knows exactly the recipe for adding colors and the right amount of the number of rotations by the mixer blades giving the cultured product the swirling effect resembling real marble.

In reality, the end product is actually real marble. Gary told the group that his manufacturing company makes a composite or cultured marble and he likes to stay away from kitchen countertops as the composite could scratch and show knife marks. He also added that a lot of kitchen countertop abrasions can be fixed but then there are some that cannot.

Southern Marble is categorized as a wholesaler. They supply their product to countless housing communities within Marion and neighboring counties.

Think you might be interested in participating in trips sponsored by Master the Possibilities? Keep checking their catalogs for interesting field trips along with educational and craft classes.



Photo by Bob Woods

Residents observe the gel coating process at Southern Marble Manufacturing.

## A Visit by Hobie

By Maria Devine

The next SPCA meeting will be on Thursday, Aug. 21, at 1 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room at the Bank of the Ozarks. If you need to get in touch with us, please call our hotline number at (352) 362-0985.

We are happy to report that Beauty the cat and Pooka the wheaten terrier highlighted in last month's column have been adopted into loving homes. Now if we can only find homes for Arlene's cats Panda, Smokey, Ebony and Coco. We have been trying to get them adopted for over a year. There is nothing wrong with them; they just seem to get overlooked with all the other cats and kittens out there.

If you are contemplating a new feline friend, please check these guys out first. They have grown into wonderful cats that need to find their own homes. They have been so well cared for and socialized in foster care that you know you will be getting a great pet. Please call Arlene at (352) 875-9761 to meet them.

The SPCA was honored to have Hobie the great horned owl visit us at our last meeting with caretakers Keith Belisle (president) and Ken Lane (vice

president) of Ocala Wildlife Sanctuary (OWLS). Hobie is OWLS's goodwill and education ambassador extraordinaire. Hobie has been a resident at the sanctuary for 18 years, after being rescued from a trap. Keith can remove Hobie from her cage and hold her without a tether. This is remarkable for a bird of prey, but Keith believes that only through love and respect can we truly communicate with wildlife – they are not meant to be controlled.

Hobie participates in educational programs for schoolchildren and adult organizations throughout the year. Currently OWLS houses 33 owls of different types, as well as other birds, including eagles. Because OWLS keeps more than two birds per species, they are not entitled to receive state or federal grants, relying instead on private donations to stay funded. OWLS cares for over 100 animals at a cost of just under \$100 a day. There are many additional costs, for example a new eagle enclosure costs \$40,000. Keith and Ken are starting a handicap-accessible garden to help feed the animals and defray costs. The sanctuary itself is 80% handicap accessible because they want everyone to



Hobie, the great horned owl, visited the SPCA.

enjoy the grounds and be able to take a tour.

During a guided tour of their facility, you will get up close to all the birds and animals, getting each individual story of how they came to live at the sanctuary and what their needs are. It will be a visit that

will always stay in your heart.

You can arrange for a group tour of OWLS, or donate, by calling (352) 895-0451, emailing them at owls-ocalainc@hotmail.com, or visiting their website www.owls-ocalainc.org. You can call their pager for rescues at (352) 402-3894.

## Republic of Mauritius

By Bill Shampine

The Republic of Mauritius is an island nation in the Indian Ocean about 1,200 miles off the southeast coast of Africa. The country includes the islands of Mauritius, Rodrigues, Agalega, and the archipelago Saint Brandon. It is slightly smaller in size than Rhode Island, and has a population of about 1.2 million people.

Arab sailors discovered the island in the ninth century, but did not settle there. Portuguese sailors found the island in 1505, but they did not settle there either. The first to colonize the island were the Dutch, who took possession of it in 1598. Among other things they introduced sugar cane, and sugar became the major economic resource of the island.

In 1710, the Dutch abandoned the island, leaving behind an established sugar industry and irreversible damage to the endemic and indigenous flora and fauna of the island. For example, we all have heard of the Dodo bird and the fact that it is extinct. It turns out that Mauritius was the only place where they lived. Once people settled on the island, the Dodo bird was wiped out in 83 years. The black ebony tree was another thing that was almost completely eliminated during this period. Today, only two percent of the native forests remain.

The French settled on the island in 1713, three years after the Dutch left. They established their main settlement

on the northwestern side of the island and named it Port Louis, the present-day capital of Mauritius. About 100 years later, the British decided they wanted the island. They successfully fought the French for the island, and took over governance in 1810. To the credit of the British, they abolished slavery, which was used to work the sugar cane fields, in 1835. After that, indentured laborers were brought in from India to work the cane fields.

In 1968, Mauritius became an independent nation. With a stable democracy and a positive human rights record, Mauritius offers one of Africa's highest per capita incomes. The island has a very diverse culture although data on ethnicity are not available because such questions were banned from the census forms. Hinduism is the most popular religion, although Islam, Christianity, Buddhism, and other Sino-related religions are practiced. Most of the population is multi-lingual. Although English is the official language, French is the most common language used by the mass media, and Mauritian Creole, a French based Creole, is the most common spoken language.

Mauritius is a world-class luxury destination for tourists. It possesses a wide range of natural and man-made attractions, enjoys a tropical climate with clear warm waters, attractive beaches, tropical fauna and flora, and a friendly and cultur-

ally diverse population. Like any island, the main activities are fishing and enjoying the beaches. They have miles of wonderful sandy beaches with crystal clear pristine waters.

However, it is not all about the beach. You also can visit luxuriant forests to view exotic wildlife, and take pictures of some of the many waterfalls and other outstanding vistas. There are several botanical gardens that offer spectacular displays of flora

and offer you a very pleasant afternoon at leisure. One unique excursion would take you to see the colored earths of Chamarel. This is a landscape of different, and contrasting, shades of colors, including blue, green, red, and yellow. If you do go to Mauritius, remember that they drive on the left side of the road, things are relatively expensive, and the merchants rarely haggle over prices.



Photo by Logan

One of the ponds at the Garden of Pamplemousses in Mauritius filled with giant water lilies.

# CLUB MEETINGS

## Meeting Location Codes

AC	Arbor Club	CCR	Candler Hills Card Room	HBBR	Hobby Building	RCB	Recreation Center
ACF	Arbor Club Fitness	CSCC	Circle Square	HBCR	Billiards Room	RCF	Ballroom
ACCT	Arbor Club Tennis Courts	FF	Cultural Center	HBBR	Hobby Building	RCT	Recreation Center Fitness
ACIP	Arbor Club Indoor Pool	GC	Flying Field	HBCR	Card Room	RCT	Recreation Center
ACOP	Arbor Club Outdoor Pool	HB	Golf Course	HBWW	Hobby Building	RCP	Tennis Courts
AMFW	AMF Galaxy West Lanes	HB2	Hobby Building	HBWW	Woodworking Shop	RCP	Recreation Center
BC	Bocce Courts	HB3	Hobby Building Meeting Room #2	ICC	Indigo East	RCP	Outdoor Pool
BO	Bank of the Ozarks	HBAS	Hobby Building Meeting Room #3	MGC	Community Center	RCPL	Recreation Center
CC	Arbor Conference Center		Hobby Building Art Studio	PAV	Miniature Golf Course	RQC	Parking Lot
CCC	Candler Hills Community Center			RC	Pavilion	SBF	Racquetball Courts
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### Weekly Monday

6:00	Lap Swimming	ACIP
7:00	Open Pool Time	ACIP
8:00	Mixed Tennis Doubles	RCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	RC Flyers Club	FF
	R.O.M.E.O. Club	WD
8:30	Men's Softball	SBF
9:00	Woodworking	HBWW
	Deep Water	
	Fitness Class	ACIP
	Ceramics (until 2 p.m.)	HBAS
	Ladies Billiards	HBBR
9:30	Shuffleboard	
	(Sept.-April)	RCT
10:00	Tennis Doubles	RCT
	Ladies Billiards	HBBR
	Open Pool Time	ACIP
10:30	Line Dance	ICC
11:00	Golf Group	PAV
Noon	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:30	Bridge	HBCR
	Aqua Belles	ACIP
12:45	Line Dance	
	(Beginner/Intermediate)	RCB
1:00	Dominoes	CC:G
2:00	Happy Hookers	HBAS
	Rummicube	CC:E&F
2:45	OTOW Bowling	
	League	AMFW
5:00	Mah Jongg	CC:A
6:00	Table Tennis	CC:D
	Dancing Singles	AC
	Men's Poker	HB3
6:30	Mah Jongg	ICC
6:45	Ballet Club	ACF
7:00	Mexican Train Dominoes	CC:G

### First Monday

7:30	One Blood	
	(Even # Months Only)	RCPL
8:00	RC Flyers Club	CC:B,C
9:00	LifeSouth Blood	
	(Odd # Months Only)	RCPL
1:30	D'Clowns	CC:B,C
3:00	Bocce Meeting	CC:B&C
5:30	Avalon Social Club	AC
6:30	Karaoke Friends	CC:E,F
	Sunshine Singers	RCB

### Second Monday

10:00	Genealogical Society	
	Business Meeting	HB3
2:00	Bowling League	AMFW
5:00	Metaphysical Club	CC:B
7:00	Original Karaoke Group	CCC
	Theatre Group	CC:E&F

### Third Monday

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

### 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	RCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	RC Flyers Club	FF
	Pickleball	RCT

	R.O.M.E.O. Club	WD
	Ladies Golf Assoc.	
	9-Hole (May-Oct.)	GC
8:30	Ladies Golf Assoc. 18-Hole	GC
	Racquetball	RQC
	Ladies Golf Assoc.	
	9-Hole (Nov.-April)	GC
9:00	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Tai Chi	ACF
	Shallow Water	
	Fitness Class	ACIP
	Hand & Foot Canasta	HBCR
	Woodworking	HBWW
	Horseshoe League	HRCT
	Arts & Crafts (Jan-May	
	& Sept -Dec)	HBAS
	Sunshine Quilters	HBAS
	Knit Wits	HB3
9:30	Concert Chorus	
	(Jan -Apr & Sept -Dec)	AC
	Yoga	ICC
10:00	Open Pool Time	ACIP
10:30	Horseshoe League	HRCT
	Walleyball	HRCT
11:00	Open Pool Time	ACIP
Noon	Cybex Orientation	RCF
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:30	Bridge	HBCR
	Crocheting & Knitting	ICC
	Mah Jongg	ICC
	Open Pool Time	ACIP
1:00	Badminton	RQC
	Ballet Club	ACF
	Shuffleboard	
	(Sept.-April)	RSCT
	Crochet Club	ICC
2:00	Chess Club	HB2
3:00	ShutterBugs	CC:B,C
5:00	Mah Jongg	CC:B
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
	Table Tennis	CC:D
	Poker	CC:G
5:30	Mah Jongg	CC:B
	Sidekicks Western	
	Dance	RCB
6:00	Pinochle	HB3
	Poker	CC:G
	Poker	CCR
6:30	Duplicate Bridge	HBCR
	Mah Jongg	HB2
	Circle Squares	AC
	Mah Jongg	ICC
	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)	RCB
1:00	Sunshine Quilters	
	Business Mtg.	HBAS
2:30	Italian American Club	CC:E,F
6:00	Tues. Night Pinochle	HB3
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	HBAS
11:30	Ladies Golf Assoc.	
	18-Hole (Oct.-April)	RCB
3:30	Alpha Investment	HBAS
6:30	Lions Club Meeting	CC:C
6:45	Game Night	ICC

### Third Tuesday

10:00	Sunshine Quilters	HBAS
5:00	Caribbean Club	ICC

### Fourth Tuesday

8:00	Citizens Emergency	
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10:00	Response Team	ICC
	Sunshine Quilters	HBAS
11:30	Ladies Golf Assoc. 9-Hole	
	(Oct.-March)	RCB
12:30	Scandinavian Club	CC:E,F
3:30	Alpha Investment	HBAS
6:30	Lions Club Meeting	CC:C

### Weekly Wednesday

6:00	Lap Swimming	ACIP
7:00	Open Pool Time	ACIP
8:00	Ladies Tennis	RCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	Pickleball	RCT
	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	HBWW
	Line Dance	CC:E&F
	Deep Water Fitness	
	Class	ACIP
9:30	Fun with Ceramics	HBAS
10:00	Tai Chi	ACF
	Open Pool Time	ACIP
10:30	Pool Closed for	
	(until 11:30 a.m.)	Cleaning
Noon	Ladies Poker	HB3
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:15	Bridge	HBCR
12:30	Japanese Bunka	CC:B
	Aqua Belles	ACIP
	Mah Jongg	ICC
	Practice Bridge	HB2
1:00	Samba	CCC
1:30	Shuffleboard	
	(Sept.-April)	RSCT
2:30	Scrabble Club	CC:H
5:30	Bingo	RCB
6:00	Men's Poker	HB3
	Samba	HBCR
6:30	Circle Squares	CC:E,F
	Mah Jongg	CCC

### First Wednesday

8:30	Ladies Golf Assoc.	
	18-Hole	CC:B
9:00	Model Railroaders	HB3
9:30	Travel Toppers	CC:A
1:00	General Francis Stamp	
	Club	BO

### Second Wednesday

3:00	Pennsylvania Club	CC:E,F
6:00	Line Dancing	AC

### Third Wednesday

12:30	Bunco	CCC
1:00	General Francis	
	Stamp Club	BO
6:30	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
	Bunco/icious Chicks	CC:A

### Weekly Thursday

6:00	Lap Swimming	ACIP
7:00	Open Pool Time	ACIP
8:00	Men's Tennis	RCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	RC Flyers Club	FF
	Pickleball	RPCT
	R.O.M.E.O. Club	WD
8:30	Racquetball	RCT
9:00	Art Group	HBAS
	Tai Chi	ACF
	Shallow Water	
	Fitness Class	ACIP
	Woodworking	HBWW
	Computer Club	CC:B,C
	Candler Hills Ladies	
	Golf Assoc. 9-Hole	GC
	Candler Hills Ladies	
	Golf Assoc. 18-Hole	GC
9:30	Shuffleboard	
	(Sept.-April)	RSCT
10:00	Open Pool Time	ACIP
	Round Dancing	CC:E&F
10:30	Walleyball	RQC
12:00	Sewing Bees	HBAS
	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:30	Bridge	HBCR
1:00	Badminton	RQC
	Ballet Club	ACF
	Table Tennis	CC:D
	DBD Square Dancing	CC:E&F
	Games, Games, Games	ICC
3:00	Western Stars Bowling	AMF
6:00	Men's Poker	HB3
	Game Night	CC:G
	Poker Night	CC:B

6:15	Mah Jongg	CCR
6:30	Bridge	HBCR
	Mixed Poker	CC:H
7:00	Cards	ICC
	Circle Squares	CC:E,F
	Card/Game Club	CC:G

### First Thursday

1:00	Rubber Stamp	
	Greeting Cards	CC:C
	Opera Appreciation	
	(May-Dec)	HB3
5:00	Southern Club	RCB

### 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
6:30	CERT	ICC
6:45	Game Night	ICC

### Weekly Friday

6:00	Lap Swimming	ACIP
7:00	Open Pool Time	ACIP
8:00	Ladies Tennis	RCT
	Water Walk	ACIP
	RC Flyers Club	FF
	Pickleball	RPCT
	R.O.M.E.O. Club	WD
9:00	Woodworking	HBWW
	Deep Water	
	Fitness Class	ACIP
9:30	Shuffleboard	
	(Sept.-April)	RSCT
10:00	Racquetball	RQT
	Women's Bible	
	Study (Oct-May)	CC:A
	Qi Gong	ICC
	Open Pool Time	ACIP
10:45	Tai Chi	ACF
11:00	Golf Group	PAV
Noon	Mah Jongg	CC:A
12:30	Aqua Belles	ACIP
1:00	Table Tennis	CC:D
	Canasta the Old	
	Fashion Way	CR
5:00	Cribbage	HBAS
6:00	Nickel/Nickel	HB3
	Poker	CC:H
	Euchre 4 Fun	CC:A
6:45	Euchre	HB2

### First Friday

1:00	Women of the World	RCB
4:30	Neighbors of	
	Windsor	CC:G&H

### 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	RCT
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**Travel Toppers**

By Jo Swing

Travel Toppers presents an extraordinary grand western Canada vacation from Sept. 6 to Sept. 18, 2015. This 13-day/12-night trip takes you from Vancouver to Victoria, Whistler, Sun Peaks, Jasper, the Columbia Ice Field, Lake Louise, Banff, Yoho National Park, Glacier National Park, and British Columbia's Wine Country and back to Vancouver.

We will be staying in first-class hotels such as the Georgian Court in Vancouver, Marriott Victoria Inner Harbor, Fairmont Chateau Whistler and Banff Park Lodge. Included are daily breakfast, five three-

course dinners and a full-time guide. The price for this wonderful trip is \$4,017 per person double occupancy, which also covers taxes and travel insurance. Air prices will be announced when schedules and pricing are available. Contact Inge Gaitch at (352) 237-7428 for further information and/or reservations.

Travel Toppers is currently taking reservations for the Tuesday, Sept. 23, trip to the Kennedy Space Center Visitors Complex. The tour includes NASA Launch Headquarters, with stops at the four-story LC-39 Observation Gantry and Apollo/Saturn V Center, two IMAX films, and a chance to meet a real astronaut at the Astronaut Encounter. The cost for this interesting and informative trip is \$75, which covers coach, admission, guided tour and tip for driver. Meal is on your own. Call Audrey Mangan at (352) 854-7074 for reservations.

We are also taking reservations for the Thursday, Oct. 2, trip to the Show Palace Dinner Theater to see that delightful and witty musical "Kiss Me Kate." Enjoy this musical based on Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew" with music and lyrics by Cole Porter and Sam and Bella Spewack. The coordinator is Joan Connolly at (352) 854-8697.

Reservations start Monday, Aug. 18, for the Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 27, trip to Sleuths Mystery Dinner Theater in Orlando, Fla. Step into a world of comedy where you are the detective. Feast on a traditional Thanksgiving dinner while solving the crime. The cost is \$65 and includes coach, meal, admission and tips. Call Pat Hood at (352) 237-8533 for reservations.

It might seem early yet, but Christmas will come before you know it. Get your reservations in now for the Thursday, Dec.

25, trip to the Show Palace. This year's production is "A Christmas Carol," one of Charles Dickens' most beloved stories. See Ebenezer confront the Christmas ghosts and learn how to keep Christmas the whole yearlong. Call Pat Hood at (352) 237-8533 for reservations.

As of print time, there are a few seats left on the Oct. 3 to Oct. 8 trip to the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta. We will spend three nights in Albuquerque where we will attend the opening ceremonies, dawn patrol, the mass ascension, the balloon glows and the after-glow fireworks. We also have two nights in historic Santa Fe. The cost is \$1,279 per person double occupancy with a single supplement of \$579. Round-trip air from Tampa is \$600. Call Inge Gaitch at (352) 237-7428 now.

There is no meeting in August. See you in September as the song goes.



**On The Road Again**

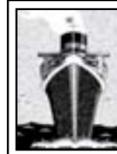
By Bob Woods

Don't forget the cruise on Royal Caribbean's Vision of the Seas departing Tampa, Fla. on Saturday, March 28, 2015 for a seven-night/eight-day cruise to the western Caribbean with ports of call at Roatan, Honduras; Belize City, Belize; Costa Maya and Cozumel on Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula. I still have a few cabins up for grabs; so don't procrastinate, call today for a choice of cabins and prices. This will also be a fun cruise with residents from our own community.

My trip to Northern Ireland departing Friday, May 29, 2015 for an unforgettable adventure is sold out, but I am looking for additional names to place on the stand-by list. There is no obligation or deposit for the stand-by list but I will call those on the list in order I received them in case of any cancellations.

When the speaker from the tour company spoke at a meeting in June about the Northern Ireland trip, he mentioned our first night's hotel has been changed. Well, we will be staying in a castle: Cabra Castle Hotel.

For additional information and prices or a flyer on either cruise along with my Ireland trip, please feel free to call me at (352) 854-0702. Both Bev and I will gladly provide what you need.



**Sail Away Cruise Club**

By Fred O'Blenis

Welcome aboard! The heat is on! Time to think about taking a cruise in the spring of 2015, and we are looking to find a good deal for you. As soon as we come up with a good price, we will let you know.

The cruise in November on the Explorer of the Seas has a crew of 1,180, 14 decks, weighs 137,308 tons and holds 3,114 passengers. Amenities include a 60-by-40-foot ice-skating rink, rock-climbing wall and miniature golf course. There is plenty to appeal to every age group. The gratuity charged per person, per day, is \$12. Passengers can modify or remove gratuities by visiting the guest services desk.

As for the islands of Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao, if you have a computer you can look them up. Just search www.aruba.com or the name of any of the islands and you will find lots of information.

In regard to our spring cruise, we will be doing a five-night cruise out of Tampa, Fla. to Key West and Cozumel on Saturday, April 11, 2015 on the Brilliance of the Seas. Don't miss out on this one if you like Key West or Cozumel.

The deposit is only \$100 per person and final payment is due at the end of January 2015. Crown and anchor members who are platinum and above are eligible for additional discounts on balcony and suite staterooms. Each cabin will receive a \$50 onboard credit to spend as you like.

For more information on this cruise, call (352) 237-6367. Until next time, keep the wind at your back and the sun on your face.



**Red Hat Society**

**THE GLITZY GALS:** Queen Mother Mary Curry, Vice Queens Carol Cecala and Dot Hinde, Mary Bicknell, and Ellen Brecheen will attend the International Red Hat Society Convention in San Francisco in August. In addition to the convention, these ladies will also be doing some extra sightseeing in San Francisco.

Attired in our glitz, we traveled to Stumpknockers in Inverness, Fla. for our luncheon with hostesses Carol Cecala and

Betty Tesmer. We were warmly greeted and enjoyed good food and service. Janet Wahl was the prizewinner. After lunch, our favorite sport of shopping took us to several consignment shops and Bealls Outlet before returning home.

Bus trips to Tampa and Sarasota are also planned for the month.

Red Hatters don't have meetings but prefer get-togethers, gatherings, hoots, affairs, and galas. These provide opportunities for acquaintances to become friendships.

Our group continues to collect supplies each month for Project Hope and now we will be collecting school supplies for the children. "When you wear a hat, it is like medicine for the soul." *QM Mary Curry by Janet Wahl*



**American Jewish Club**

By Carol Aronoff

Hope you are all enjoying your summer, wherever you may be. Your new board of officers is working hard at home to plan a new season for us all to enjoy.

As always, we will have our annual welcome back party and all of our other celebrations including Chanukah, pizza party, bagels and lox, Two Jays catering and not to mention some newbies we are considering for your pleasure. We are also going to present some new entertainment for you. All of this will be confirmed in September's column. But don't forget, our first meeting of the season is on Sunday, Sept. 20, at 2 p.m.

We are looking forward to a grand new year and truly hope all of our membership will take part in our programs.

For starters, we would like everybody to join us for a lunch bunch on Thursday, Aug. 21, at 1 p.m. We will be going to the Ivy House in Ocala. It was great the last time we were there, and it is so convenient. We hope those of you at home will join in and we can catch up on the latest news. It will be good to see you all. To sign up, please call or e-mail Carol at 861-8074 or channah8738@gmail.com by Friday, Aug. 15.

We trust the rest of the summer brings you some great times. Looking forward to seeing you.

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**Native Plant Group**

By Ron Broman

Humor me ... you've just arrived here after a harrowing 10-hour, non-stop (one potty break), road race down I-75. Your brand new garage (home, since furniture has not yet arrived) is 98 degrees. Neighbors have already provided six pitchers of lemonade.

In your mind's eye your front lawn, sporting a spindly four-foot live oak, will soon be an award-winning paradise of tropical splendor.

Well! Do I have a gift for you!

The botanists who named her *Illicium* knew your desires: attractive, enticing, desirable, charming, alluring. Her very genus name describes her to a T: *Illicium parviflorum*, yellow anise. Her three- to five-inch leaves are glossy on top and emit, when crushed, a delightfully subtle odor of root beer or licorice.

Her growth pattern allows a range of options from tight hedge to loose, cone-shaped 20-foot tree. Full shade all the way to complete sun, yellow anise or star anise, flourishes in our Florida climate. Preferring sandy soils and adequate moisture (tolerating periods of drought), she is more than adaptable.

Another of her names reflects that special relationship to North Central Florida: Ocala anise.

The name *parviflorum*, in Latin, means small flower. The greenish-yellow flowers



Photo by Ron Broman

**Yellow anise.**

are unimpressive and easy to miss, as the picture shows. They are followed by a star-shaped capsule seedpod about one inch in diameter.

Her low maintenance and adaptable character make her a great background for azaleas as well as a neat and clean choice on the patio.

*Illicium parviflorum* is not a substitute for the culinary spice and flavorings obtained from *Illicium verum*, the anise traditionally used in several food dishes. *I. parviflorum* is toxic and is not to be ingested.

Why star anise is listed as endangered in Florida is not clear to this writer. More research is needed.

So, after you get settled, give me a call. We'll find a supplier of Ocala anise, and you'll be on your way to that floral paradise.

Our Native Plant Group remains active with the Longleaf Pine Trail, SW 94th Street Circle, as well as the Belleview Library. Call, and we'll tell you when and where. It's great to grow native!



**Genealogical Society**

By Peter Parisi

What is genealogy? According to Wikipedia, the word genealogy comes from the Greek *genea* meaning "generation" and *logos* meaning "knowledge."

Genealogy is the study of your family and tracing your lineage back through your ancestors. To determine your family history, one would use a combination of oral interviews of relatives' still living, historical records, such as U.S. Federal and

State Censuses, birth records, marriage records, city directories, death records, Social Security Death Indexes, etc. These records are available for free on [www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org) and for a subscription fee at [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com) and [www.myheritage.com](http://www.myheritage.com).

Other genealogical websites can be found at [www.cyndislist.com](http://www.cyndislist.com). Many records are not online and require a little more effort to find. In tracing my family lineage, I have visited many cemeteries and the state and city archives of the state and city in which my ancestors lived.

Why does a person pursue this information? One reason is to determine why our ancestors would leave their parents, siblings and their homeland to come to a new country. For many of us living in the United States, our ancestors came from Great Britain, Ireland, Russia or the many countries of Europe. In the 1700s, 1800s and early 1900s, if your ancestor was not

royalty or in the merchant class, they may have been a farmer or a laborer. There really wasn't any middle class as we know it today.

Most immigrants came here on ships with little more than the clothes on their back. They were crowded into steerage without any sanitary facilities, no privacy, and ate the food and drank the water that they brought with them for the 10 to 14 day trip across the Atlantic.

Many of them did not speak English, were uneducated, possibly illiterate, and with limited job skills. It was not easy. The pursuit of our family history is a study in perseverance of the human spirit.

Using the above-mentioned records, we can determine how our ancestors succeeded in making a new and better life for themselves and their families once they arrived in America. It helps us appreciate that what our great-grandparents, grandparents and parents did to survive

and then succeed is why we are what we are today. This family history can then be handed down to our children and grandchildren to preserve the past for future generations.

During June, July and August, the Genealogical Society will not hold our monthly board meetings. We will hold a discussion meeting on the third Monday of each month in suites B and C in the Arbor Conference Center. Members can discuss any problems that they are having in finding genealogical records or any problems with computer programs. (If a computer program problem, please bring your laptop.) This meeting is for all members and anyone interested in joining our society.

Our annual dues are only \$10 per person or \$15 per couple. One of the benefits of membership is the large library of genealogical books and CDs/DVDs available to members to be signed out and used at home for their research.

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**Senior Citizen Day**  
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Photo by Ron Niebo

**Lion Snowman receives Mel Jones plaque from Lion Governor Melnick.**



**Women of the World**

By Pat Betts

It's hard to believe that it's August already and our first meeting will be in one month! As of this writing the Recreation Center is still available. So, please set aside Friday, Sept. 5 and join us for our first annual meeting.

Women of the World (WOW) members can send dues to Nancy Grabowski, 9870 SW 89 Lane Road, Ocala, Florida 34481. Remember, dues are now \$10 annually and quite a bargain! Refreshments in September, December, and May plus entertainment in December and May are provided through dues. Additionally, the club provides coffee, tea/lemonade and water at each meeting. Ladies new to our club can pay dues in September. Come and join us for some fun and fellowship the first Friday of each month.

The charity for the month is Ocala Ritz Veterans Village. Volunteers of America of Florida in partnership with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs renovated this former hotel for housing homeless veterans. Items needed include: toiletries, shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream, razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, laundry detergent, socks and T-shirts.

Entertainment this month will be the Rowdy Boys, a barbershop quartet.

During the summer, I asked the new officers to send me a personal biography. I'd like to share one of them with you. It's from our treasurer, Nancy Grabowski,

who has served WOW so graciously for many years. Instead of paraphrasing, here is what she sent me:

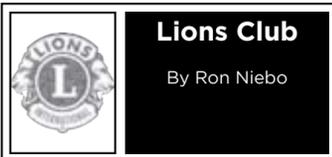
"I have always been a "people person" who enjoys most everyone I meet. After a 30 year teaching career, I continued to do things that brought me into contact with kids of all ages.

When we moved to On Top of the World, the first club I joined was Women of the World. It remains one of the best decisions I have ever made! I love the varied aspects of the club and the friends I have made through it. The generosity and giving spirit of WOW propel me through many activities.

I am thrilled to remain an officer for another term. I find myself working with dedicated women who share the same commitments as me.

For the record, Andrea Flannery initiated a movement within WOW to help sustain Marion County Senior Services when they underwent budget cuts. I was honored to be able to help Andy with this endeavor. More importantly, I am amazed at the overwhelming support our group has given this idea. Because of the group's giving nature, Andrea and I have been nominated as "volunteers of the year" on the state level. We will travel to Fort Lauderdale at the beginning of August to accept our award, knowing that in actuality, we are accepting for all members of Women of the World."

Cheers to Andrea and Nancy. This is why I love WOW and admire the women of our organization. We make such a difference in so many lives, plus we have a great time doing it! I hope to see you at our first meeting.



**Lions Club**

By Ron Niebo

The Lions Club congratulated two recipients honored with Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) Melvin Jones Fellow (MJF): Lion Wendy Phillips and Lion Steve Snowman. Lions Wendy and Steve received their MFL plaques from District 35-L Governor and resident Robert "Bob" Melnick. MJF is an honor - not an award. It is the highest form of recognition a Lion can receive for their charitable work, exemplary service, dedication to their club and their community and humanitarian ideas consistent with the nature and purpose of Lionism. It is our club's privilege to recognize their outstanding service locally and within our Club's Lions Multiple District 35 (Florida and the Bahamas).

Lions Wendy and Steve join five other On Top of the World Lions who have also been honored with an MJF by a Lions Club: Lions Estelle Clark, Ed Michelson, Ron Niebo, Marty Schley and Norm Schultz. Collectively, all seven MJF honorees have over 88 years of volunteer service to Lionism. This number is even greater as you include the service of other Lions Club members who are residents, other Lions in Multiple District 35, and other Lions around the world.

Worldwide there are 1,350,000 Lions

and 46,000 clubs located in 200 countries and geographic areas. Lions are the only service club recognized by the United Nations (UN) and honored with their own Lion Day at the UN each year. On Saturday, Feb. 15, Lions gathered in New York to celebrate the 36th Annual Lions Day with the UN.

You might ask: Who was Melvin Jones? In 1917, Melvin Jones, a 38-year-old Chicago business leader, told members of his local business club they should reach beyond business issues and address the betterment of their communities and the world. They agreed; the first meeting of what was to become the International Lions Club was held on June 7, 1917, in Chicago.

The name "Lions" was selected because of its good citizenship meaning: Liberty-Intelligence-Our Nations-Safety. The Lions directed their attention to sight projects in 1925 when Helen Keller challenged it to become the premier worldwide organization of "Knights of the Blind in this crusade against darkness." Today, our vision still includes supporting vision needs while also being the leader in community and humanitarian services with a mission to empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, and promote understanding through Lionism.

Next meetings are Tuesday, Aug. 12 and Tuesday, Aug. 26. Lions Club meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. in Suite C at the Arbor Conference Center. Please visit ... you will want to become a member!



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**Lion Phillips receives Mel Jones plaque from Lion Governor Melnick.**

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**LadyBirds**

By Caren Kowalsky

Hope everyone had a fun-filled Fourth of July. Hope everyone saw the thrilling and beautiful On Top of the World fireworks display.

Our Thursday, July 10, luncheon at Swampy's Bar & Grill turned out great. We had a delicious lunch while viewing the boats passing on the river.

Our next luncheon will take place at Bentley's on Thursday, Aug. 14, at 12:30 p.m. Please sign up upon receipt of the luncheon e-mail details, as a head count is required by the restaurant. Again, our thanks to our JoAnne Sauger for arranging the three summer luncheons.

As always, spouses/significant others

of any R/C Flyer are welcome to join us at a meeting.

Our first meeting will take place on Friday, Sept. 12 at 9 a.m. at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. Our meetings begin again on the second Friday of each month from September until April. Our May meeting is held at a restaurant, and is our installation of officers' luncheon. June, July, and August we attend monthly luncheons at different restaurants, arranged by our various members. We invite you to join our friendly group of ladies at one of our meetings, and see what we are all about.

Our talented board of officers is currently diligently working on a special Project. The details will be announced in our September column. It is sure to be a huge hit with all.

Hope to see you all at our September meeting. In the meantime, I hope you continue to have a happy and healthy summer.



**Favorite Recipes Dinner Club**

By Luke Mullen

The Favorite Recipes Dinner Club has suspended our regular monthly dinners for the months of June, July, August and September. This is because many members head north or travel during the summer months. As such, I would like to provide answers about our club that some residents have asked me.

The purpose of the club is for couple members to meet new people who enjoy cooking and entertaining people in their home. The club also provides the ability for members to enjoy eating dinners at different members' homes.

The club is not a gourmet dinner club. The idea is for members to prepare their favorite recipes. If a club member happens to have a favorite recipe that is a gourmet type meal, they are always welcome to do so. However, those hosting another meal shouldn't feel the need to "outdo" past meals. Almost everyone has a favorite recipe! The club's goal is for members to have fun, creating and sharing their favorite recipe to make an enjoyable evening for all dinner participants. Here is a favorite dessert recipe we have made and enjoyed frequently!

**Chocolate-Peanut Butter Fun Cake**

Serves 16

**Chocolate Cake**  
 Nonstick vegetable oil spray  
 1-1/4 cups all-purpose flour  
 1 cup sugar  
 1 cup natural unsweetened cocoa powder  
 1-1/2 teaspoon kosher salt  
 1 teaspoon baking soda  
 1/4 cup vegetable oil  
 1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
 1/2 cup finely chopped semi-sweet or bittersweet chocolate (3-1/2 oz.)

**Peanut Butter Buttercream**

1/2 cup sugar  
 1/4 cup egg whites (from about two large eggs)  
 1-1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract  
 1/4 cup creamy peanut butter  
 6 tablespoons (3/4 stick) chilled unsalted butter, cut into 1/4-inch cubes  
 Kosher salt  
 1/4 cup chopped semisweet or bittersweet chocolate (about 1-3/4 oz.)  
 1/4 cup chopped unsalted, dry-roasted peanuts

**SPECIAL EQUIPMENT:** 8-inch x 8-inch x 2-inch cake pan.

For the chocolate cake, pre-heat oven to 350°. Coat bottom and sides of pan with nonstick spray; line bottom of pan with parchment paper. Whisk flour and next four ingredients in a large bowl. Add oil, vanilla, and 1-1/4 cups water and whisk until smooth. Fold in chopped chocolate. Scrape into prepared pan, smooth top. Bake until a tester comes out clean when inserted into the center, 35 to 40 minutes. Let cool completely in pan on a wire rack.

For the peanut butter buttercream, combine sugar and egg whites in a medium metal bowl and set over a saucepan of simmering water. Whisk constantly until sugar dissolves and mixture is hot to the touch, 3 to 4 minutes. Remove from heat; using an electric mixer, beat on high speed until cool and thick, 5 to 6 minutes. Beat in vanilla, then peanut butter. With mixer running, add butter a few pieces at a time, beating to blend between additions. Season with salt.

Run a thin knife around the pan to release cake. Invert cake onto serving plate. Spread peanut butter buttercream over top. Garnish with chopped chocolate and peanuts. Cut into two-inch squares.

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



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Caribbean Club members dancing up a storm at their annual Mother's/Father's Day celebration in June.

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**Active Living**

By Theresa Fields

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It's hard to believe we are into August already! I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable Fourth of July. Circle Square Commons was filled with a lot of patriotic spirit with face painting, entertainment, food and a spectacular fireworks show. Thanks to all who helped to make it a successful evening.

**Recreation Center**

We continue to work diligently to obtain the construction schedule so that we may provide the closing timeframes of the Recreation Center during the renovation. There are a number of rumors floating about timeframes; however please know these are just that, rumors. We will publish the schedule just as soon as we have it. Thank you for your patience.

**Horse Farm Tour**

Join us for a private guided tour through horse country with Karen Grimes on Friday, Aug. 1, or Friday, Aug. 29. You will learn how Ocala became the "Horse Capital of the World," visit an Arabian farm, watch thoroughbreds gallop rail side and enjoy a boxed lunch. You will have the opportunity to watch a breed called "National Show Horses" as they are ridden. Bring your camera and join us for a fun-filled afternoon. Please note there is a lot of walking on this trip. Cost is \$46 per person and includes transportation, tours and lunch. Register at the Recreation Center.

**Ice House Theatre**

Join us for a trip to the Ice House Theatre in Mount Dora, Fla., to see "All Shook Up" on Sunday, Aug. 3. The songs of Elvis Presley inspire this musical. The cost of the trip is \$42 per person and includes transportation and show. After the show, we will dine at Angelo's Italian Restaurant in Tavares, Fla. (dinner will be on your own). Register at the Recreation Center.

**Line Dance Tickets**

Learn how to line dance for physical, spiritual and social enjoyment. Marilyn McNeal, a professional line dance instructor, has been teaching classes at On Top of the World for two years. The fall line dance season will begin Monday, Sept. 8, in the Arbor Club Ballroom. Line dance tickets will go on sale for the month of September starting on Monday, Aug. 4, and will continue every Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Recreation Center.

Each class is \$10 per month/per class. Please note that you may change to another level to suit your ability during your first month.

Class times and descriptions are as follows:

- Improver/Easy intermediate level (3 to 4 p.m.): Dance experience required. Current popular dance taught at this level, with quick rhythms and some turns.
- Beginner Level (4:15 to 5:15 p.m.): Basic line dance steps needed. Combinations and easy patterns, with low impact movement to many different rhythms.
- Introduction to Line Dance (5:30 to 6:30 p.m.): Learn how to line dance at your own pace and ability! Steps are thoroughly described, practiced and used in simple patterns.

**Seminole Casino Trip**

Join us for an exciting day at the Seminole Hard Rock Casino in Tampa, Fla., on Thursday, Aug. 7. The cost of the trip is \$20 per person for transportation. Please note that the Seminole Hard Rock Casino no longer provides the discount coupon book with \$1,000 daily drawings for bus riders. All guests will receive offers in the mail based on their plays. We will board the bus at the Recreation Center parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and return at 5:30 p.m. Register by calling the Recreation Center.

**Singing River Cruise**

Join us for an educational tour on Friday, Aug. 8. The captain will share his knowledge of Florida's ecology and history through story and song at the crystal clear spring-fed Rainbow River and the dark, swamp-fed Withlacoochee River. The tour is about an hour and forty minutes on the water. Once the tour is completed we will dock for lunch at the Blue Gator Restaurant overlooking the river. The cost of the trip is \$26 per person and includes transportation and the river cruise. Lunch will be on your own. Register at the Recreation Center.

**New Year's Eve Extravaganza**

Celebrate New Year's Eve at the Arbor Club Ballroom on Wednesday, Dec. 31, from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. with dinner, entertainment, dancing and more! Music will be provided by the duo Retro Express. Ticket cost includes a dinner buffet, party favors, and champagne toast with souvenir flute and continental breakfast. Proper

dress required. Seating is limited to eight per table. Tickets are \$50 per resident or \$60 per non-resident, accompanied by a resident and will go on sale Monday, Aug. 11. Tickets (maximum of eight per person) may be purchased at the Recreation Center.

**Social Hour**

Come join us for a free relaxing evening with friends and neighbors on Thursday, Aug. 14, from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Arbor Club Ballroom. You will enjoy Jerry Byrd as he plays easy listening music. A cash bar and hors d'oeuvres will be provided. For more information, visit the Recreation Center.

**Calypso Queen Cruise**

Join us for a cruise and luncheon on the Calypso Queen out of Clearwater, Fla., on Tuesday, Aug. 19. The cost is \$53 per person and includes transportation, cruise and a tropical island-style buffet with tip for server. Beer, wine, rum punch and soda are complimentary. Additional bar items are available on board. The ship has three decks: two enclosed for dining and a top observation deck. Register at the Recreation Center.

**Happy Hour**

Our last themed Happy Hour was held on Friday, July 11, with many residents dressed in their beach attire as they danced and celebrated a cruise party! Drawings were held for free drinks and beach towel giveaways. Join us for our next Hollywood nights-themed Happy Hour on Friday, Aug. 22. You won't want to miss this event as the "stars" and "paparazzi" walk the red carpet.

Please note that Happy Hour will be held at the Arbor Club Ballroom until further notice:

- Friday, Aug. 1: Kurtis May
- Friday, Aug. 8: Danny & Johnny
- Friday, Aug. 15: Tomaura
- Friday, Aug. 22: Kathleen Kane (Hollywood Nights)
- Friday, Aug. 29: Power Play

**Primary Elections**

Tuesday, Aug. 26, will be Primary Election Day. The polls are open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and are normally less busy during the mid-morning and mid-afternoon. Polls are located at 9125 SW 98th Street in the Card Room of the Hobby Building or 10070 SW 94th Street at the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E and F.

If you do not know the location of your polling place, contact the Supervisor of Elections. Also, Supervisor of Elections has precinct and polling place finders on their website to provide you with the information on where to vote. At the polls, you will be asked to provide a valid picture ID with signature. For more information, visit the Recreation Center.

**Get Acquainted Coffee**

Join us in welcoming some of our new residents into the community! We will have a Get Acquainted Coffee on Thursday, Aug. 28, in the Arbor Club Ballroom from 9 to 11 a.m. There will be coffee, doughnuts and several representatives from various clubs and organizations. Each department will speak on the services and programs they have to offer. At the conclusion of this event, we will take you on a short walk to familiarize you with some of the facilities and amenities that are available to you as a resident. For more information, please visit the Recreation Center.

**Football Game**

We have scheduled our first football game of the season on Thursday, Aug. 28, at Raymond James Stadium. The Tampa Bay Buccaneers will play the Washington Red Skins. Game time is 7:30 p.m. and tickets are \$80 per person. Ticket prices include transportation and the game. Seating will be in sections 227-228. If football is your sport, visit the Recreation Center.

**Upcoming Events for September**

- Tuesday, Sept. 9: Seminole Hard Rock Casino
- Friday, Sept. 12: Horse Farm Tour
- Friday, Sept. 12: Tailgate Party Happy Hour
- Sunday, Sept. 14: "Clybourne Park" at the Hippodrome Theatre
- Tuesday, Sept. 16: Weeki Wachee Springs
- Thursday, Sept. 18: Club Fair
- Sunday, Sept. 21: White Sox vs Tampa Bay Rays Baseball Game
- Monday, Sept. 22: Flu Shots
- Friday, Sept. 26: Singing River Cruise
- Tuesday, Sept. 30: Victory Casino Cruise

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<p><b>Friday, Aug. 1</b></p> <p><b>Horse Farm Tour</b> Ocala, Fla. \$46 per person To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.</p> <p><b>Happy Hour with Kurtis May</b> Arbor Club Ballroom 4 to 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>Recorded Favorites</b> The Town Square 7 to 10 p.m.</p> <p><b>Saturday, Aug. 2</b></p> <p><b>Snakeyezz</b> The Town Square 7 to 10 p.m.</p> <p><b>Sunday, Aug. 3</b></p> <p><b>Ice House Theatre: "All Shook Up"</b> Mount Dora, Fla. \$42 per person To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.</p> <p><b>Thursday, Aug. 7</b></p> <p><b>Seminole Hard Rock Casino</b> Tampa, Fla. \$20 per person To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.</p> <p><b>Farmer's Market</b> The Town Square 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.</p> <p><b>Friday, Aug. 8</b></p> <p><b>Singing River Cruise</b> Dunnellon, Fla. \$26 per person To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.</p> <p><b>Happy Hour with Danny &amp; Johnny</b> Arbor Club Ballroom 4 to 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>Signature Songs</b> The Town Square 7 to 10 p.m.</p> <p><b>Saturday, Aug. 9</b></p> <p><b>Recorded Favorites</b> The Town Square 7 to 10 p.m.</p> <p><b>Thursday, Aug. 14</b></p> <p><b>Farmer's Market</b> The Town Square 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.</p> <p><b>Friday, Aug. 15</b></p> <p><b>Happy Hour with Tomaura</b> Arbor Club Ballroom 4 to 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>Recorded Favorites</b> The Town Square 7 to 10 p.m.</p> <p><b>Saturday, Aug. 16</b></p> <p><b>PowerPlay</b> The Town Square 7 to 10 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Tuesday, Aug. 19</b></p> <p><b>Calypso Queen Cruise</b> Clearwater, Fla. \$53 per person To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.</p> <p><b>Thursday, Aug. 21</b></p> <p><b>Farmer's Market</b> The Town Square 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.</p> <p><b>Friday, Aug. 22</b></p> <p><b>"Hollywood Nights" Happy Hour with Kathleen Kane</b> Arbor Club Ballroom 4 to 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>Recorded Favorites</b> The Town Square 7 to 10 p.m.</p> <p><b>Saturday, Aug. 23</b></p> <p><b>Second Slice</b> The Town Square 7 to 10 p.m.</p> <p><b>Tuesday, Aug. 26</b></p> <p><b>Primary Elections</b> Card Room of the Hobby Building or Arbor Conference Center, Suite E &amp; F 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Thursday, Aug. 28</b></p> <p><b>World News Home Delivery / September Issue</b></p> <p><b>Get Acquainted Coffee</b> Arbor Club Ballroom 9 to 11 a.m.</p> <p><b>Football Game: Tampa Bay Buccaneers vs. Washington Red Skins</b> Raymond James Stadium 7:30 p.m. \$80 per person To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.</p> <p><b>Farmer's Market</b> The Town Square 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.</p> <p><b>Friday, Aug. 29</b></p> <p><b>Horse Farm Tour</b> Ocala, Fla. \$46 per person To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.</p> <p><b>Happy Hour with Power Play</b> Arbor Club 4 to 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>Recorded Favorites</b> The Town Square 7 to 10 p.m.</p> <p><b>Saturday, Aug. 30</b></p> <p><b>Dunning Shaw</b> The Town Square 7 to 10 p.m.</p>
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Avalon Post Office	Parking Lot	8:49 a.m.
Crescent 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	86th 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	86th 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.
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Dillard's/Tallah'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.
Gateway 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 1:17 p.m.
Friendship Colony Post Office	1:05 p.m. Health & Rec Building 1:21 p.m.
Williamsburg Post Office	1:08 p.m. Americana Post Office 1:23 p.m.
Avalon Post Office	1:13 p.m. Friendship Post Office 1:27 p.m.

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Publix Grocery	1:32 p.m.	3:05 p.m.
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Beall's & Dollar Tree	1:47 p.m.	2:47 p.m.
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Photo by Ray Cech

Jacinto Vasquez Hall of Fame jockey told many interesting stories while answering questions at Circle Square Cultural Center on Monday, July 14.

## Hall of Fame Jockey

By Bob Woods and Ray Cech  
World News Writers

How does a young boy from Panama grow up to win the Kentucky Derby and embrace a career that had him riding in more than 37,000 races? That was Jacinto Vasquez's story as it unfolded for more than 200 guests at Circle Square Cultural Center on Monday, July 14, in an event sponsored by Master the Possibilities.

Vasquez is the 15th all-time winning jockey on the wins list for jockeys when he retired from horseracing in 1996. Believe it or not, Vasquez raced in 37,392 races in his 36-year career winning 14% of his races. That's approximately 5,234 races!

Vasquez was elected to the National Hall of Fame in 1998 and the Calder Hall of Fame in 1999. He also was a two-time winner of the Kentucky Derby riding

Foolish Pleasure in 1975 and Genuine Risk in 1980. This jockey is the only rider to defeat the famous Secretariat three times. He also was in the saddle riding the famous thoroughbred Ruffian along with many other famous horses.

This famous jockey gave a brief 10-minute talk on his background, coming to America from Panama, and his start as being a jockey in the United States. He started working with horses at a racetrack in his native Panama at the age of 15, becoming a leading apprentice rider before his debut in the United States in 1960. In Panama, Vasquez made roughly \$10 to ride a horse and once becoming a full-fledge jockey, he could earn around \$300 a race.

It was a big draw coming to the Unit-

ed States where he could win upwards to \$5,000 for a big race. Jockeys generally receive 10 percent of the purse for winning a race.

Although he's raced at most of the major tracks around the country, he calls New York his home – especially Aqueduct – where he ran his very first race after coming to America.

He retired in Ocala, the "Horse Capital of the World," in 1996 where there are plenty of horses and great, warm weather.

After his retirement, he still rides thoroughbreds at racing speeds during the horses' training schedules. He works for free just to keep his hand in as a jockey riding the horses of the practice tracks and as a trainer at a local horse training stable.

The floor of Circle Square Cultural Center, containing racing enthusiasts, was able to have over one hour of questions and answers. Vasquez stated, "You got to run the horse almost daily to have a win-

ner instead of today they run the horse two or three times a month."

Someone in the audience asked Vasquez about his opinion of Churchill Downs. He replied, "I don't have much to say about it – they got the Derby."

Another attendee asked the famous jockey about whipping the horse. He responded, "It depends on the animal. Some don't whip at all while some jockeys like to use the whip. I generally whip the horse in the final straightaway a few times hitting him hard."

Another attendee asked Vasquez about injuries received in his racing career. He stated, "I have broken my leg twice, my collarbone, knee, along with some ribs."

The Hall of Fame jockey told many interesting stories while answering questions. He knows the history of horse racing and jockeys' names along with racing dates like he knows the back of his hand. He first started racing as a jockey at age 16. He was 52 during his last race.

## Summer Shuffle

By Grace Rohde

Snowbirds are gone, others are on vacation, but summer shuffleboard brings together a number of our players who are still here. On the last Monday in June, there was a good turnout of 14 players who showed up that morning.

Today was a good time to experience playing with those who we do not ordinarily compete with since there were players represented from four different teams of our regular league. We also had one new player. This is what I like about summer shuffleboard. It is such an opportune time to get to know others from the Shuffleboard Club and to greet new players. Also, it is a good time to share different strategies that will help everyone improve their own game.

All of the players were anxious to get started. Chips were drawn, designated places were taken, and we were all set to begin. We had four teams and three games were played.

The winner of three games was John Basch. For total scores of all three games, the top five players were John Basch–256, Helen Monsees–230, Tony Manzo–230, Robert Durst–216, and Jim Russell–213.

Regarding my column last month about when Ten Pin first originated, Joe Veres recently gave to me some pictures that were taken by a Fred Shaymow showing the placement of two bowling pins on the courts for shuffleboard play. This aroused my curiosity, and I went back through the history of the Shuffleboard Club to see what I could find.

During my search, I found out that the picture Joe had given me was taken at the Hobson Turkey Shoot on Saturday, Nov. 19, 1994 at On Top of the World shuffleboard courts. This Turkey Shoot was an obstacle course where the players moved from court to court, using their shuffle-

board skills to overcome these obstacles. The photo showing the bowling pins was from this obstacle course. This idea came from Bob Bates, a shuffleboard player during that time.

In the February 1995 issue of the World News, a Shuffleboard Club column stated, "All of these terrific extra tournaments are thought up and run by Bob Bates, who

very generously gives his time and energy. He is busily working on a new game (at least to us) called 10 pin. Seventy-five is still game, but when you get to 65 or over, you revert to 65 and must get a 10 to win. If in the process, the pin placed on the 10/8 line is knocked over, that is a minus 10! The object of this game is to learn how to hide a score! Sounds great!"

A March 1995 column also stated, "The much awaited 10 pin instructions by Bob Bates was very well received and will prove to be an interesting addition to our club."

And there you have it. The mystery of

the origination of playing Ten Pin at On Top of the World is solved, and we have a former shuffleboard player, Bob Bates, to thank for the time and effort he gave to the Shuffleboard Club which nearly 20 years later still has players become enthusiastic to compete in and enjoy the game.

Just a reminder to everyone that we still have time left before league play starts in September. Come join us at the courts, whether it is for standard shuffleboard or Ten Pin. You will be glad that you did!



Photo by Armann Rohde

Monday morning summer shuffleboard players eager to compete with each other.



**R/C Flyers**  
By Elliott Wilkins

I would like you all to meet, Don Southard, our newest certified pilot. He soloed on Wednesday, June 25 and is a welcome asset to the club. He is dedicated and loves flying and building the models that we all have an interest in. Presently, he is mainly involved with electric aircraft. Congratulations Don!

This month's column continues with our series entitled, "Magnificent Men and Their Flying Machines." This month's featured member is none other than Sherman Maine (affectionately referred to as "Bud" Maine, possibly because he is everyone's buddy and well regarded and respected).

Bud was born in Westerly, R.I. After graduating high school, he immediately joined the U.S. Navy with his lifelong friend. Bud went to sonar school and had the honor of being the first ever sonar man on an aircraft carrier, USS Wasp.

After four years in the U.S. Navy, he left and went to computer programming school and upon graduating went to work for Pfizer as a computer programmer. He left Pfizer and started on a journey with a buddy of his and they decided to take a short cut to California via West Palm Beach, Fla. When he got to West Palm Beach, he fell in love with it and ended up staying and residing there for the next 42 years. He met his beautiful bride to be Pat on a blind date and with his eyes wide open fell in love with her. They have been happily married ever since. Bud has worn many hats in his exciting lifetime, which included owning a gas station, partner in a tile company, licensed insurance agent for New York Life and then working for Pratt & Whitney as an assistant engineer in their jet and space shuttle engine testing facility in West Palm Beach. His second love has always been fishing and at one point wanted to become a professional fisherman.

After Bud and Pat retired from their respective jobs, they sold their house in West Palm Beach and moved to On Top of the World where they found a place that they both loved. Pat with her golf and various other activities and Bud with his R/C model airplanes. Although Bud never had time to indulge in it before, he quickly adapted to the new lifestyle and the R/C Flyers Club and the friendships he as made. He is now our field marshal and is one of the most daring pilots in the club.

This then is why Bud Maine is this month's R/C Flyers Club's, "Magnificent Man and His Flying Machine." Congratulations Bud!

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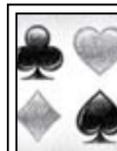
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**Bridge**

**Monday Afternoon**  
By Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson

**June 16**  
1: Caryl Rosenberger & Ida Rosendahl; 2: Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson; 3: Pat Goltgart & Marge Starrett.

**June 23**  
1: Joan Lord & Eleanor Giardina; 2: Helen & Joe O'Brien; 3: Carol Johnson & Shirley Stolly.

**June 30**  
1: Betty Morris & Fran Griswold; 2: Eleanor Giardina & Joan Lord 3: Joe & Helen O'Brien.

**July 7**  
1: Eleanor Giardina & Joan Lord; 2: Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson; 3: Helen & Joe O'Brien.

**Monday Night**  
By Kathie & Art Dushary

**June 2**  
1. Paul Agarwal (5470); 2: Shirley Stolly; 3: Nancy Clarkston; 4: Ginny Barrett; Marion Hotz

**June 9**  
1: Marion Hotz (3850); 2: Howard Sale; 3: Eleanor Giardina; 4: Vern Siber; 5: Fran Griswold.

**June 16**  
1: Howard Sale (4630); 2: Peggy Borro; 3: Paul Agarwal; 4: Bob Durst; 5: Bernie Kelly.

**June 23**  
1: Paul Agarwal (5080); 2: Cindy Brown; 3: Eleanor Giardina; 4: Ray Wilson; 5: Joan Sigafoos.

**June 30**  
1: Peggy Borro (5650); 2: Howard Sale; 3: Mildred Lane; 4: Fran Griswold; 5: Marion Hotz.

**Tuesday Afternoon**  
By Agnes LaSala

**June 3**  
1: Shirley Stolly & Betty Morris; 2: Cleona Redman.

**June 10**  
1: Ida Rosendahl & Caryl Rosenberger; 2: Marjorie Benton & Joan Lord; 3: Cleona Redman & Mildred Lane.

**June 17**  
1: Florence & Norman Heckler; 2: Mazie Millward & Millie Ferrell; 3: Ida Rosendahl & Caryl Rosenberger.

**June 24**  
1: Ida Rosendahl & Caryl Rosenberger; 2: Marjorie Benton & Joan Lord; 3: Shirley Stolly & Betty Morris.

**Wednesday Afternoon**  
By Pat Goltgart

**June 4**  
1: Eleanor Giardina; 2: Iro Lipski 3: Bernie Kelly; 4: Shirley Stolly; Cons: Jerry Snyder.

**June 11**  
1: Bernie Kelly; 2: Jean Reis; 3: Dianne Robinson; Cons: Bonnie Heinlein.

**June 18**  
1: Betty Morris; 2: Eleanor Giardina; Cons: Helen O'Brien.

**June 25**  
1: Dot Calbeck; 2: Shirley Stolly; 3: Jean Reis; 4: Fran Griswold; Cons: Pat Goltgart.

**Thursday Afternoon**  
By Marge Starrett

**June 5**  
1: Marge Starrett; 2: Helen O'Brien; 3: Joanne Jones.

**June 12**  
1: Eleanor Giardina; 2: Marge Starrett.

**June 19**  
1: Joanne Jones; 2: Helen O'Brien.

**June 26**  
1: Marge Starrett; 2: Norbert Heckler; 3: Mazie Millward.



**Cribbage**

**Friday Night**  
By Rose Marie Postin

**June 6**  
1: A. Sarris/R. Postin; 2: Ed Horner; 3: Marge Saxon; Cons: Anne Jagielski.

**June 13**  
1: Ed Horner; 2: Norma Yonke; 3: Jeff Hoelzer; Cons: Lynn Hoelzer.

**June 20**  
1: RoseMarie Postin; 2: Norma Yonke; 3: Anne Jagielski; Cons: Phyllis Wandrey.

**June 27**  
1: Sheila Howell; 2: Herb Postin; 3: Paul Reidinger; Cons: Lynn Hoelzer.



**Euchre**

**Friday Night**  
By Joe Askenase

**June 13**  
**Three Handed**  
1: Virgil Taylor; 2: Viola Horton; 3: Ray Decker.

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**Four Handed**  
1: Maria France; 2: Bridget Hughes; 3: Annette Taylor.

**June 20**  
**Four Handed**  
1: Virgil Taylor; 2: Viola Horton; 3: Annette Taylor; 4: Marcy Askenase.

**Five Handed**  
1: Jeff Hoelzer; 2: Ray Decker; 3: Lynn Hoelzer; 4: Maria France.

**June 27**  
**Six Handed**  
1: Marcy Askenase; 2: Maria France; 3: Virgil Taylor; 4: Ray Decker; 5: Annette Taylor.

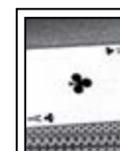
**Friday Night 4 Fun**  
By Irene Pisani & Nancy Kowsky

**June 13**  
1: Marie Marquis; Tie at 2: Jean Gillette & Walter Hickenlooper; 3: Paul Agarwal; Tie at 4: Chip Parsons & Edith Kolb; 5: Cleona Rodman.

**June 20**  
1: Bill Eberle; 2: Richard Bartel; 3: Jean Sylver; Tie at 4: Walter Hickenlooper & Nancy Kowsky; 5: Chip Parsons.

**June 27**  
Tie at 1: Rich Miles & Jerry Harris; 2: Jean Gillette; 3: Gitty Agarwal; 4: Shirley Stolly; 5: Richard Gillette.

**July 11**  
1: Phyllis Jarskey; 2: Betty Legg; 3: Walter Hickenlooper; 4: Jean Sylver; 5: Jan Harris.



**Pinochle**

**Tuesday Night/Double**  
By Alberta Sarris

Arrive at 5:45 p.m. to start play at 6 p.m. in the Card Room of the Hobby Building. Need Players for regular pinochle and military.

**June 3**  
Tables 1: Verna Harsh & Alberta Sarris; 2: Vi Horton & Ilse Kersey; 3: Jeff Hoelzer & Virgil Taylor.

**June 10**  
Tables 1: Jerry Dean, Joe Scrivo, & Virgil Taylor; 2: Vi Horton & Ilse Kersey.

**June 17**  
Tables 1: Sue Kelly & Bunny Swift; 2: Vi Horton & Lee Topf.

**June 24**  
Tables 1: Ilse Kersey, Bunny Swift, & Norma Yonke; 2: Jeff Hoelzer & Virgil Taylor.

**July 1**  
Table 1: Sue Kelly, Bunny Swift, & Norma Yonke; 2: Virgil Taylor.

**Tuesday Night/Single**  
By Whitney Frye

Come one, come all! Everybody is welcome to come and play pinochle on Tuesdays. Skill and experience does not matter; play for the enjoyment and socializing. We are in the Card Room of the Hobby Building and start at 6 p.m. Call 237-0388 for information.

**June 3**  
1: Andy Mark; 2: Edith Kolb; 3: Rickey.

**June 10**  
1: Edna Frye; 2: Andy Mark; 3: Lois Rider.

**June 17**  
1: Whitney Frye; 2: Edith Kolb; 3: Gitte Agarwal.

**June 24**  
1: Mildred Lane; 2: Cherie Cunningham; 3: Gitte Agarwal.

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**Model Railroaders**

By Paul Lewandowski

Summer is here. What does that mean? Several of our members have gone north for the summer, but some stalwart year-long residents have remained behind to run trains, make needed adjustments to the layout, and plan for the coming year. Included is the planning and preliminary work on a layout for Christmastime that will be shown at Master the Possibilities ... dates and times to be determined and announced.

I recently had the opportunity to show the layout to several different generations of interested people. First, I ran into a family at the pool visiting grandma for a couple of weeks, like they do every summer. The thirty-something father expressed interest in showing the layout to his six-year-old son, so I met them at the layout a few days later. The young lad was a bit overwhelmed by the overall experience, including letting him run his own train for a while.

Dad, on the other hand, was flabbergasted at the size and detail of the layout and the operations of the trains. I had quite a time of answering all of his questions about techniques used to apply the details in various areas of the layout and how we ran the trains without crashes (head-on or rear-end). With his six-year-old approaching an age where electric trains would be an appropriate Christmas gift, I foresee dad getting son into the hobby very soon.

A few days later, I was playing cards with a friend who is an octogenarian. We began discussing the Model Railroaders, and he asked to be able to come by and see for himself. His enthusiasm was at least equal to the enthusiasm of the young father from a few days earlier. He spent several hours with us, running trains and discussing model railroad electronics and wiring (he was a professional design engineer in his younger days). He expressed interest in being involved with electrical and track upgrades to the layout as we need them.

Now that school is out and grandchildren are visiting, why not take a few minutes and bring them over to the Recreation Center (lower level, inside the apparatus room, to the left) to see our layout? We normally have someone there Tuesday/Friday around 3 p.m. Even if we are not there, the room is open and residents can stop by and pop their heads in – the light switch is just to the right of the door (just turn it off when you leave, please).



**Softball**

By Bill Leon

We now are one month into the summer softball league and things are turning out quite interesting. Surely things will change by the end of July. For now, the Overholser and Tee Pee Tire teams are enjoying their first place standing. The teams are on fire and even the hot weather doesn't seem to cool them down.

One good thing is that we are getting new players. Hopefully, we will continue to see more residents come out and join in on the fun. It helps in getting to know our neighbors and their playing further helps in keeping them healthy. We are always looking for and welcoming players who want to feel young. We continue to play every Monday and Wednesday starting at 8 a.m.

Team	Won	Lost
1-Overholser (Jimmy)	6	2
4-Tee Pee Tire (Ed)	6	2
2-Great Clips (Jeff)	3	5
3-Dr. Dunn (Paul)	1	7

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**Stamp Club**

By David Groves

General Francis Marion Stamp Club's meeting took members back almost 80 years ago to the Spanish Civil War. This journey was presented by an ex-president of our club and expert on many of the postal aspects of a very complicated war, Dennis Neimira.

In 1936, both Nazi Germany and fascist Italy provided covert aid to General Francisco Franco's armed forces in Spanish Morocco. Italy's Mussolini supported Franco's Morocco revolution by sending both Navy and Army troops to join Franco's forces. After Franco's win in Morocco, the revolution began in Spain.

The communist government of the Soviet Union sent military aircraft and troops to Spain to support the Spanish Republican government. Nazi Germany

sent it's Condor Legion of 10,000 troops and Italy sent 50,000 troops. That's when our postal history kicks in.

Italy established a special secret post office in Naples, Italy, called "P.O. 500" which handled all mail going to and from Italian soldiers in Spain. Dennis showed our club members several excellent examples of Italian mail to and from "P.O. 500."

Switching from then to now. By the time you receive this, you may have visited our Farmer's Market, held every Thursday morning at Circle Square Commons. In addition, the United States Postal Service will have issued a colorful strip of "Farmer's Markets" stamps – "four designs that are as bright and colorful as the freshest fruits and vegetables."

One stamp features fruits and vegetables. Another stamp shows an array of flowers. The third box is where we see potted plants, and the last box at this postal "Farmer's Market" is filled with eggs, buns, cookies and a variety of their breads.

Back to our club ... if you are interested in any aspect of stamp collecting or postal history, our club meets on the

first Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. It also meets at 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 Road.

We have evening meetings at 6 p.m. at the Freedom Library on 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, please contact our club president, Robert F. Schlegel, Jr. at rfschlegel45@cox.net, or our vice president, Russell Rumney Jr., at russellrumneyjr@gmail.com. Our club's secretary, Dr. Jeffrey A. Howard, at dochoward46@gmail.com, would also be happy to help you as would our treasurer, Elliot Natale.

For our stamp club brochure and/or a free "Guide to Stamp Collecting" kit, please contact Joe Rosinski at (352) 237-7366 or e-mail at jrcr8850@embarqmail.com.

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**Candler Hills Men's Golf**

By Joe Alfano

I walked out of a Phoenix restaurant around 8 p.m. one summer evening a few years back and it felt like I was walking into an oven. So much for that "dry heat" notion. Hey, when it's hot, it's hot no matter where the heck you are! With that said, let us not forget that it's now August, it's Florida and it's darn hot, so hydrate, hydrate and then hydrate some more. Always did want to be the next Marcus Welby or was that Ben Casey (did I hear someone say Dr. Zorba)?

Our intra-club Ryder Cup is in the books and congratulations go out to Walt Pacuk's Range Rats with their recent victory over Nicky Nimerala's Fashion Ma-

vens. The score is meaningless as is the bragging rights over who is now in possession of the "Alfster Cup" until this coming December. The golf was somewhat intense, the sportsmanship well evident and the grog cold and refreshing. Life is good in the CHMGA!

We welcome newest member Jay List to the assemblage and we hope you enjoy the ride. As is my want, may I be the first to remind you that we are a treasure trove of fascinating personalities and far from classic golf swings. Should you be looking for an environment of quietude, might I suggest a library and not Tuesday mornings? But do not despair for we do take our golf and post-round festivities quite seriously. Anyone interested in playing is such a place can contact me at tjalf8371@yahoo.com for more information.

Members are reminded that in order to play in both our Match Play Championship and CHMGA Club Championship you must satisfy the 10-play rule.

Simply stated, you must have played on a minimum of 10 league days within the year prior to each said event. Our crack accounting firm, Ken Zweiback & Sons LLC, keeps a running total that is continually updated and posted in our bulletin board outside the Golf Shop so give a look occasionally to see how you stand.

Poet William Wordsworth was heard to say, "Golf is a day spent in a round of strenuous idleness." Having no such qualms this past month was Pat Clayton (69), Walt Pacuk (70), Tom Garrison and Bill Latta (74), Charlie Dove and John Smith (75), Garry Gerlach (77), Jack Gustafson (78) and John Massari (79). Nice job "golfing yer gutta" gentlemen.

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

**Four-Man Three Best Balls June 10**

132-Craig Riber, Paul Rubly, John Podkomorski and John Workman; Tie at

128-Al Wassmer, Gil Brooks, Marvin Brooks and Joe Jingco & Bill Anger, John Massari, Jim McGrath and Bill McMurray.

**Red, White and Blue Scramble June 24**

61-Tom Garrison, Fred Kennedy, George Strob and Bill Horton; Tie at 62-Charlie Dove, Paul Rubly, John Workman and Fred Hobbins & Bill Latta, Tony Mysterly, Bob Cowie and Dan O'Brien; 63-Tom Weiss, Ken Zweiback, Joe Jingco and Rich Vullo.

**Intra-Club Ryder Cup July 1**

Walt Pacuk's Range Rats defeated Nick Nimerala's Fashion Mavens 8-5-6.

**Four-Man Two Best Balls July 8**

114-Tom Garrison, Dave Miller, Joe Mandala and Bill Horton; Tie at 117-Pat Clayton, Glenn Sauer, Mark Monk and Roger McKay & John Smith, Tom Racinowski, Jack Gustafson and Rich Vullo; 118-Bill Latta, Jim Bennett, Tony Mysterly and George Strob.



**Candler Hills Ladies 18-Hole**

By Pam Monk

The dog days of summer are upon us. Temperatures in the 90s dictate we all use sun protection, keep hydrated and stay cool while on the course. We appreciate going out in threesomes on league day as it moves the pace of play along.

I was wondering where the adage dog days of summer originated. It has its origins with both the Greeks and Romans but according to The Old Farmer's Almanac, the traditional period of the dog days is the 40 days beginning July 3 and ending Aug. 11, coinciding with the ancient

heliacal (at sunrise) rising of the dog star, Sirius, brightest star in the constellation Canis Major (large dog). These are the days of the year with the least rainfall in the Northern Hemisphere. I guess they never came to Ocala where it rains every afternoon during summer.

Hope everyone enjoyed the fireworks display on Friday, July 4. Each year, they seem to get bigger and better. Let's keep all our brave service people still on foreign soil in our prayers and thoughts. They continue to protect our beloved country and keep it the home of the free.

After much course maintenance, the course is filling in beautifully. I met a gentleman from The Villages the other day and heard him comment that of all the courses they have there, both championship and executive, Candler Hills Golf Course is the best maintained. Kudos to Andy Jorgenson and his staff for the tiptop shape they keep our playground and sand box.

Our league was extended an offer to join Mid-State for the 2014-2015 season which runs from September through

May. The clubs currently participating are Ocala Palms, Rainbow Springs, Inverness, The Woods, Seven Rivers and Summer-Glen. Kate Beaty sent out information to all league members for their thoughts on participating. We would be the seventh club in the league and host a March 2015 tournament. We are working with Denise to see if the cost is feasible. If you haven't already responded to Kate, please let Tournament Chairs Kathy Smyth and Pam Monk know your thoughts. Sounds like a lot of fun.

Remember to mark your calendars for Thursday, Oct. 30. Our league will be hosting a flighted charity invitational, Michelle-O-Gram, to benefit local women unable to afford a mammogram.

The new board is in place and your officers and committee chairs for the 2014-2015 year are: Kate Beaty, president; Betty Werner, vice president; Judie Anderson, secretary; Sandy Noe, treasurer; Mary Pat Giffin, social and sunshine chair; Kathy Smyth, tournament chair and Pam Monk, tournament chair. We wish the board a successful year creating lots of fun times

for all of us.

**Low Gross/Low Net June 26**

Flight 1 Low Gross: 83-Pam Carpenter. Flight 1 Low Net: 67-Peggy Boros; 69-Mary Muller.

Flight 2 Low Gross: 92-Lise Jordaan. Flight 2 Low Net: 72-Kate Beaty; 74-Patty Ware.

Flight 3 Low Gross: Tie at 93-Angie Jingco and Toni Stevenson.

Flight 3 Low Net: 70-Vicki Salyers; 72-Andrea Fratarangelo.

Flight 4 Low Gross: 98-Carol Venslavsky.

Flight 4 Low Net: 72-Linda Buschur; 73-Betty Werner.

**Criers July 3**

Flight 1: 60-Judy McGrath; 62-Mary Muller; Tie at 64-Iro Lisinski and Peggy Borro.

Flight 2: 60-Lise Jordaan; Tie at 67-Gail Banavige and Donna Smith.

Flight 3: 61-Vicky Salyers; 63-Carol Clark; 66-Joan Gustafson.

Flight 4: 62-Carol Venslavsky; 66-Betty Werner; 71-Heddy Racinowski.

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**Golf**

By Matt Hibbs

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Oh how the seasons fly. The PGA Tour is down to its final major of the season, The PGA Championship. This year's event will be held at Valhalla Golf Club in Louisville, Ky. This Jack Nicklaus designed course has been host to two PGA Championships and the 2008 Ryder Cup. Here are the professional picks for this year's PGA Championship: Matt-Tiger Woods, Denise-Billy Horschel, Will-Hunter Mahan, Russ-Brandt Snedeker. Who do you think will take home the Wanamaker Trophy?

As everyone is aware, pace of play and course difficulty are two main reasons for decline in new golfers. I'm sure you have all appreciated the recent "While We're Young" commercials produced by the USGA. This public campaign was created to address slow play on the golf course and create a more enjoyable game.

Another campaign that On Top of the World golf has been promoting is the "Tee It Forward" program. The goal of this program is to enhance your golf experience by speeding up play while playing the set of tees that are best suited for your golfing

ability. Most golf courses have four to five sets of tees. These tees are no longer created based on gender but playing ability. Just because the tees are red doesn't mean they are just for ladies.

Please see the chart, which recommends the yardage a player should play from based on how far you hit your driver.

By playing the correct tee, you will enhance your golf experience and have a more enjoyable round of golf.

**Upcoming Events**

- Game Improvement Clinic: Aug. 2, Candler Hills driving range, 9 a.m. and Aug. 9, Candler Hills driving range, 3 p.m.
- Monthly Event: Aug. 16, Links.
- Par 3 Challenge: Aug. 21, Tortoise & the Hare, 9 a.m. shotgun.
- World Labor Day Event: Sept. 1, 9 a.m. shotgun.

**World Accolades**

**LINKS:** Andy Bulloch, hole-in-one #6. Mike Zielinski, eagle #3. Archie Pollard, eagle #16. Charlie Casale, hole-in-one #5. John Gayson, eagle #1.

**TORTOISE & THE HARE:** Howard Sale, shot 82 twelve strokes under his age. Jim Merrick, shot 77 one stroke under his age.

**CANDLER HILLS:** Jane Kendall-Bowman, eagle #3. Glenn Sauer, hole-in-one #13. Walt Pacuk, shot 66, a personal best. Jerry Cofield, hole-in-one, #13.

Congratulations to all of you for these fine accomplishments!

Driver Distance	Recommended 18 Hole Yardages
275	6,700 - 6,900
250	6,200 - 6,400
225	5,800 - 6,000
200	5,200 - 5,400
175	4,400 - 4,600
150	3,500 - 3,700
125	2,800 - 3,000
100	2,100 - 2,300

**Golf Tip of the Month**

How many of you watch the golf channel, read Golf Digest or listen to your fellow golfers for tips on how to improve your game? You then take these tips to the golf course expecting to immediately improve.

This unfortunately isn't the best approach to take. Most of the tips you see or read aren't always the best tips for you to

apply to your game. The best way to improve your score is to take lessons from a golf professional. A golf professional can pinpoint specific ways for you to improve your game. Next make sure you practice what your instructor is teaching. If you don't practice then you are wasting your time and the instructors. Take a series of lessons, remember to practice and take pride in your improvement.



**Ladies 9-Hole Golf**

By Diane Dzik

Dog days of summer have arrived and a hardy group of ladies have managed to play without rain-outs. We have moved play along with threesomes and observing ready golf. Now is a great time to come out and see if joining a league is for you. Check with the Golf Shop about establishing a handicap, sign up, and show up at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesdays ready to tee-off at 9 a.m.

We have transferred to total electronic sign up. You can do this at the Golf Shop if you do not have a personal computer. Access [www.gafgolf.org](http://www.gafgolf.org), sign in with "OTOW" plus your local number, password with your last name in caps, click events button, click on sign-up and results button, click on event, then click submit.

If you need further information about

league activities, always check the bulletin board in the Golf Club Room located behind the Golf Shop. Members please check that you have signed up to play in the fall and verify your e-mail address.

**One Best Ball June 17**

21-Caroline East, Donna Sauer, Olive Curtin. 24-M.Kay Budd, Marlene Floeckher, Donna Fisher. 27-Eileen Gustavus, Linda Mandala, Linda Heenan. 27-Ethel Miller, Gail Ambrose, Sheila Ashe.

**Red, White, Blue June 24**

Flight 1: 25-M.Kay Budd; Caroline East, Joan Rappa. Flight 2: 17-Marlene Floeckher; 20-Grace Bock; 23-Sheila Ashe. Flight 3: 23-Marie Marquis; 24-Connie Deignan; 24-Ethel Miller; 24-Jane Wilson. Flight 4: 18-Donna Liphardt; 19-Cathy Hathaway; 20-Donna Fisher.

**Scramble July 1**

40-Janis Hannasch, Carol Moravec, Donna Fisher. 41-Ethel Miller, Kay Bak-

er, Kathy Hall. 42-Caroline East, Sheila Ashe, Diane Dzik. 42-Susane Trembulak, Jane Wilson, Linda Heenan.

**Guess Your Score July 8**

Flight 1: 47-Linda Mandala; 47-Lorraine Rourke; 55-Joan Rappa. Flight 2: 51-Sheila Ashe; 51-Agnes Tet-

ti; 53-Grace Bock, Flight 3: 52-Donna Sauer; 52-Pauline Beloin; 54-Marie Marquis. Flight 4: 54-Connie Deignan; 57-Mary Hart; 59-Cathy Hathaway; 60-Linda Heenan.

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**Men's Golf Association**

By Bill McGarry

**Chicken Day Scramble  
April 2**

Tie at 62-Dennis Brown, Ron Clevenger, Jerry Ashe, Bob Selmon; Jim Tait, Paul East, Phil Johnson, Freddie Moody; Tie at 63-Tom McHaffie, R.D. Zink, Norman Schulze, Roland Schwab; Steve Becker, Vincent Jones, Doug Coleman, Jack Martin; Joe Bologna, Ralph Solvold, Stanley Caldwell, Bill Koch.

**Play with the Pro  
April 9**

64-Pete Trgovic; Tie at 65-Henry Sohl, Jerry Ashe; Tie at 66-Robert Meyer, Bill McGarry, John Hill.

**Team Stableford  
April 23**

192-Tom Fragapane, Ralph Solvold, Stanley Caldwell, Wolf Stoldt; 176-John Langville, Bill Miller, Ron Abramovich, Bill McGarry; 174-John Hudacik, Dave Hannasch, Joe Dent, Tom Pasch.

**Low Net  
April 30**

Flight 1: Tie at 65-Gary Hassett, Joe Hawkins, William Young; 66-Charlie Dove.  
Flight 2: 62-Jim Weaver; Tie at 63-James Merrick, Leonard Ruble; 64-Don Noel.  
Flight 3: Tie at 62-Francis Caprez, Tony Magri; 64-Dale Budd; 65-Charles Casale.

Flight 4: 57-Ray Messer; 59-John Singer; 60-Phil Johnson; 63-Ed Klodzen, Bill Walker.  
Flight 5: Tie at 63-Joe Polizzotti, James Delfraisse, Bill Engels, Roland Schwab.

**Scramble  
May 7**

Tie at 64-Michael Almon, Robert Meyer, Art Buecher, Edward Rossi; Rudy Normandin, George Noltensmeyer, Bill McGarry; Tom Weiss, John Bauer, Tary Bole, Peter Peterson; 65-Vincent Jones, Bill Miller, Freddie Moody, Bob Selmon.

**Team Stableford  
May 21**

172-Joe Bologna, Don Noel, Ray Messer, Robert Moravec; 167-Gene Sohler, Ed Conway, Joe Dent, Carl Giddings; 166-Joe Furfaro, Ralph Solvold, Kas Kaske, Art Frescura; 165-Ross Mac Donald, James Merrick, Roy Hira, George Blankenship.

**Individual Quota Points  
May 28**

Flight 1: Tie at 10-John Hudacik, Vincent Jones; 8-Jon Hill; 7-Charlie Dove; 6-Joe Hawkins.  
Flight 2: 11-Ed Conway; 10-Dale Budd; Tie at 9-Mike Krzeminski & Don Noel; 8-James Merrick  
Flight 3: 11-Freddie Moody; 8-Johnny Gill; Tie at 7-Mike Driver, Phil Johnson, Tony Magri.  
Flight 4: 11-Ray Messer; 10-Jack Hagarty; Tie at 8-Ed Klodzen, John Singer; 7-Bill Flannery.  
Flight 5: 8-Bill McGarry; Tie at 7-Tony Capillo, Art Frescura; Tie at 6-Tommy Cummings, Joe Rappa.

**Best Ball**

**June 4**  
256-Pete Trgovic, Tary Bole, Art Buecher, Tony Capillo; 262-Joe Bologna, Jerry Ashe, Barry Barringer, Tommy Cummings; 264-Colin Adamson, Mike Driver, Tom Treppa, James Moran; 265-John Langville, Ray Messer, John Singer, John Ricciardone; 267-Joe Hawkins, Tony Magri, Bill Walker, Bob Selmon.

**Four Man Two Best Ball  
June 18**

107-Rudy Normandin, Jerry Chase, Tony Magri, William Engels; Tie at 113-Tom Fragapane, Don Noel, Art Frescura, Richard Enos; Michael Almon, Barry Barringer, David Miller, Ralph Solvold; Jon Hill, Charles Casale, Harry

Brower; 114-Pete Trgovic, Francis Caprez, Jack Hagarty, Roland Schwab.

**Individual Stableford  
June 25**

Flight 1: Tie at 42-John Langville, Peter Trgovic; Tie at 41-Charlie Dove, Dennis Brown; 40-Tom Weiss, Al Wasserman.  
Flight 2: 46-Joe Bologna; 43-Jim Borro; Tie at 42-Mike Krzeminski, Ed Conway; 41-James Merrick.  
Flight 3: 48-Tony Magri; 45-Tary Bole; Tie at 43-Jack Hagarty, Ed Klodzen.  
Flight 4: Tie at 41-Doug Coleman, Art Frescura; Tie at 40-Ross Mac Donald, Roy Hira, Barry Barringer.  
Flight 5: 49-Tommy Cummings; 45-James Defraisse; 44-William Engels; 42-David Miller.



**Ladies 18-Hole Golf**

By Susan Rhodes

With the onset of summer, many of our members have been vacationing and visiting with family. As a result, we have fewer players than usual during league day.

Just a reminder that we have a course dress code. Ladies may only wear sleeveless tops if the top also has a collar. If the shirt does not have a collar, it must have sleeves. And, of course, no denim is permitted.

In case you haven't gotten the word, birdies no longer need to be attested. Signing the sheet on Tuesdays after league play in the player's lounge with your name, hole, and date is sufficient.

We wish to welcome back Barbara Buecher, who has rejoined our league after a brief hiatus.

We encourage members who are not participating in the league right now to join us at The Pub after league play. We miss you and would love to see you. Recently, Velma Rose and Flo Emanuel joined us for lunch, and it was great catching up with them.

Our league always welcomes new



Photo by Sue Watters

**"You're on the wrong course!" Vicky Salyers (Candler Hills) and Joan D'Addio (Ladies 18-Hole Golf) provide directions to the Tortoise & the Hare.**

members. The league is open to all women residents. It is not necessary to be a member of the golf course. We have league play starting at 9 a.m. with rally at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesdays. There is no commitment to play every week; you can sign up as late as Monday morning. If you are interested in joining us, you are welcome to play as a guest up to three times before paying membership dues. For further information, stop by the Golf Shop or contact Nancy Zielinski, president, at (352) 861-3116.

**Candler Hills Invite-Team  
Gross, One Best Ball  
June 17 / Links**

135-Joan D'Addio, Susan Watters, Vicky Salyers. 143-Deborah Martin, Lise Jordaan, Shirley Smagner. 144-Nancy Zielinski, Irmgard Anger, Carol Clark. 146-Beverly Ovrebø, Sandy Hase. 148-Nancy Nicholas, Christine McIntire, Maureen Trgovic. 152-Mary Muller, Betty Schwartz, Carolyn Cummings. 153-Gretchen Normandin, Patricia MacMurray, Yoshiko Young. 154-Janet Juhlin, Gina Bulloch, Carole Robinson.

**Ts & Fs-Individual Net  
June 24 / Links**

Flight 1: 34-Valerie Smith. Tie at 36-Janet Juhlin, Rosemarie O'Neil. Tie at 37-Peggy Borro, Nancy Zielinski.  
Flight 2: Tie at 36-Ruth Caraway, Sandy Chase. 37-Harriet Hawkins. 40-Linda Blewitt. Tie at 41-Christine McIntire, Mary Muller.

Flight 3: 33-Fumie Veatch. 38-Linda Bervinkle. 39-Jo-Ann Roney. Tie at 40-Geri Treppa, Maureen Trgovic.  
Flight 4: 31-Shirley Smagner. 33-Dea Johnson. Tie at 36-Joan Cecchini, Carolyn Cummings. 37-Yoshiko Young.

**Red, White & Blue Shamble-  
Team Net, Two Best Balls  
July 1 / Tortoise & the Hare**

114-Beverly Ovrebø, Christine McIntire, Dea Johnson. 118-Nancy Zielinski, Betty Schwartz, Fran Griswold. Tie at 119-Pam Carpenter, Geri Treppa; Rosemarie O'Neil, Maureen Trgovic. Tie at 121-Iro Lisinski, Fumie Veatch, Shirley Smagner; Peggy Borro, Susan Rhodes, Joan Cecchini. 133-Linda Blewitt, Ruth Caraway, Dawn Hagberg.

**Stableford-Individual Net  
July 8 / Links**

Flight 1: 41-Iro Lisinski. 36-Rosemarie O'Neil. 35-Beverly Ovrebø. Tie at 34-Gretchen Normandin, Nancy Zielinski.  
Flight 2: 41-Linda Blewitt. 40-Susan Watters. Tie at 38-Betty Schwartz, Christine McIntire. 35-Susan Rhodes.  
Flight 3: 36-Angelita Pena. 35-Linda Bervinkle, Maureen Trgovic. 33-Sandy Chase. 32-Mary McAtee.  
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**Candler Hills Ladies 9-Hole**

By Judith Parisi

How's your game going? Consider tracking your game and noting not just the score but also fairways hit, greens hit, total putts, green and sand saves as well as length of your drive. Repeat this for at least five rounds. Once the results are collated it will be more obvious what area of our game is holding us back. Based on that analysis we can work with one of our pros to devise a plan to target overcoming the weaknesses in our game.

We actually have a readily available tool to help us record these stats – our Golf Association of Florida website (gafgolf.org). Hopefully, we are all entering our scores after each round to get a better handle on what our handicap should be. We can expand the information we enter to include statistics on a hole-by-hole basis – to include putts, penalties, saves and much more. We can then obtain a summary of the stats we entered on a course-by-course basis, or for the last specified number of rounds. Using this tool, we can see where we need to focus and then work with Denise on improving our skill set.

We have many events on the calendar for the upcoming year. Please check the website at [www.chlga9.shutterfly.com](http://www.chlga9.shutterfly.com) for specifics so you can mark your calendar and plan ahead.



Photo by Janice Sturm

**The new 2014-2015 board: Carol Deahl, vice president; Kathy Hall, member at large; Gail Ambrose, president; Sue Pleinis, secretary; Angie Ward, treasurer; and Judy Parisi and Pat Gill, members at large.**

A great deal of work is being done in preparation for our Thursday, Nov. 13 Invitational, as chaired by Kathy Hall. Our goal is to raise monies at this event that will be donated to Food 4 Kids, a local nonprofit that works with schools in Marion County to provide food for hungry children. We will have two spectacular baskets on display in the Golf Shop for two weeks prior to the Invitational. We hope to generate a great level of interest in purchasing raffle tickets for these baskets

from within our community. Eve Harvey and Ginny Redden are coordinating collecting monies from our members that will go toward putting together each of the baskets. In addition, Eleonora Buba is reaching out to our members to volunteer to do individual or group baskets that will be raffled off the day of the event to the Invitational participants. If you have any questions on how you can help, contact Kathy, Eleonora, Eve or Ginny. This is a wonderful cause that we wish to enthusiastically support.

astically support.

**Fewest Putts  
June 12**

11-Diane O'Brien, Olive Curtin, Angie Ward and Kathy Hall. 13-Eleonora Buba, Jennifer Boyd and Pat Gill.

**Throw Out Two Worst Holes  
June 26**

Flight 1: 22-Susie Trembulak.  
Flight 2: Tie at 26-Pat Gill and Olive Curtin.  
Flight 3: 27-Julie Crudele.  
Flight 4: 29-Jennifer Boyd.



**Billiards**

By Richard Impresa

If you've visited the billiard room since the last week of May, you might have noticed that the pool tables have a different look about them. This is due to the fact that all the tables were recovered with new Simonis 860 cloth that week.

The Simonis Cloth Company was founded in 1860 in the town of Verviers, Belgium. Today, the cloth manufactured in Belgium is imported and sold in North America by Iwan Simonis Inc. located in Libertyville, Ill. We chose to keep the classic green color and the 860 version of the cloth that was previously on the tables.

Simonis also makes a 760 version of cloth and several people have asked me about the differences and why did we

choose the 860. Both versions are nap and pill free. Generally, the 760 cloth is about 10 to 15-percent faster than the 860 cloth. The 760 cloth is 70-percent wool and 30-percent nylon versus the 90-percent wool and 10-percent nylon makeup off the 860 cloth.

Some players go as far to describe the 760 cloth as slippery. A faster cloth is advantageous on a billiard table versus a pool table, therefore 760 is the preferred choice for billiard players. Simonis also makes an extremely slow playing 4000 version, which is 100-percent wool for snooker tables.

Yard for yard, the 860 weighs about 15-percent more than the 760 and is somewhat thicker, which will equate to better wear in the long run. That's important because our facility is considered a commercial establishment so the tables get a lot of play compared to a home environment.

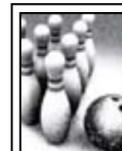
The first thing you will notice during the break in period is the faster speed of

the new cloth. You probably will over-run your desired position while trying to get used to it, and your draw shots will go further. The next difference will be in your kick and bank shot aiming points, especially multi-rail kicks and banks. You will have to compensate for this during the next six to 12 months until the cloth is entirely broken in, in fact you will be constantly adjusting these aiming points all throughout this period, so be patient.

In other Billiard Club news, Bill Daly

organized a singles nine-ball tournament in May featuring 32 players from the men's league from six adult communities in Marion County. Tom Mauro of Stone Creek finished in first place and On Top of the World's own Mike Carver placed second. Congratulations to both players and the other participants.

Bill is running a two-man team summer league and I will have periodic updates on that in the coming months. Until next time, keep stroking and keep your tip dry.



**Monday Bowling League**

By Bob Lingus

At the close of our banquet in April, new officers were elected for the Bowling League. Bob Lingus was named president, George DiFrancesco remained secretary

and Barb Lingis was elected vice president.

We are all looking forward to another season, which will begin on Monday, Sept. 8, at AMF Galaxy West Lanes on Easy Street. All those wishing to join our league, which bowls every Monday at 3 p.m., are asked to attend. We will have a meeting at 2 p.m. and then start bowling around 3 p.m. If you have any questions, contact George at 342-1667.

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By Larry Robinson

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**Fun Fitness Facts**

Ten fitness facts to stimulate your brain!

1. Do you know how fast you can walk? To get a close estimate, count the number of steps you take in a minute and divide by 30. For example, if you take 120 steps you would be walking about four miles per hour.
2. The risk of heart disease, high blood pressure, cancer and diabetes can be reduced by walking the dog regularly.
3. Weight gain of 11 to 18 pounds increases your risk of heart disease by 25-percent. A weight gain of more than 25 pounds increases your risk up to 200-percent.
4. It takes about 200,000 frowns to make a permanent wrinkle. So the next time you notice a wrinkle, turn that frown upside down!
5. A study in the Journal of the American Medical Association reported gains in leg strength of 374% over baseline in men over 90 years of age in as little as eight weeks! Other research supports a reversal in normal, age related muscle decline in older adults who took up weight lifting.
6. Exercise can speed up wound healing. A study out of Ohio State found that skin wounds healed an average of 10 days faster in the exercise group compared to the non-exercise group.
7. Exercise can improve brain function! Research has discovered that the fittest kids generally score the highest on tests. Older adults who are fit show less cognitive decline

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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	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	Water Walk
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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as compared to their sedentary counterparts.

8. Exercise can help you live longer. Studies on large populations have discovered that those who are the most fit have the lowest death rates.
9. Exercise can prevent muscle loss. Sedentary adults lose six to 10 percent of their muscle mass per decade after age 30, leading to a condition called sarcopenia. Regular strength training can delay or in some cases reverse this trend. When it comes to muscle, you must use it or you will lose it!
10. Exercise can lower blood pressure. Numerous studies support that exercise training does indeed lower blood pressure in hypertensive subjects.

**FIT TIP #1:** Freeze water in your water bottle. It will melt slowly while you are exercising so you'll have a constant supply of cold, refreshing water.

**FIT TIP #2:** Have a tasty tomato salad with your dinner! Tomatoes possess a very powerful cancer fighter that exists in the flesh and peel.

**FIT TIP #3:** Look for foods that are high in Omega-3 fatty acids. These reduce inflammation and help prevent risk factors associated with chronic diseases such as heart disease, cancer, and arthritis.



**Horseshoe Club**  
By Ralph Voight

Starting with July, the Horseshoe League began a two-month break in the action. While the warm temperatures offer a good reason to take some time off during the summer, we also have many participants taking vacation time to visit family or simply enjoying some out of town travel. Regular league play will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 2, at 9 a.m.

In the meantime, anyone wanting to play is welcome to do so anytime that's convenient for you. If you don't have your own shoes to pitch, house shoes are available in the outdoor storage bin located adjacent to pit 1B. This will give you time to fine tune your game during the "off season" or just have a little fun playing. Don't forget, the ladies and the men over 70 have the option of pitching from the 30-foot line, if they wish. When you finish your play, please use the flat edge rake provided to smooth out the pit for the next player.

The start of the summer break means that the current league season came to an end. The finishing order for the top seven players was extremely close and was based on the player with the most wins:

- 1: Jim Russell; 2: Ed Klodzen; 3: Henry Vieu; 4: Carrie Beisler; 5: Carl Buchanan.

In accepting his trophy for first place, Jim noted that one of the reasons he had the most wins was because he played the most games and not because he was the person with the most ringers. That honor goes to Ed Klodzen, who maintained a 40.39 ringer percentage during the season. He was followed by Carl Buchanan who maintained a 30.83 ringer percentage. As Jim was quick to point out, the handicapping system used during league play enables everyone to compete on a head to head basis each week and gives everyone the opportunity to compete for first place.

In the next issue, we'll update you on how Carl Buchanan did at the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association 2014 World Horseshoe Tournament being held in Buffalo, N.Y. He is one of only 36 players from Florida competing so we are very proud he will be representing On Top of the World in this prestigious tournament.



**Sidekicks Western Dance Club**  
By Tony & Carla Magri

Here's a whirlwind trip for the Sidekicks. We start heading south to Seminole County for a scuffle; continue our Florida stroll to the Everglades for an alligator shuffle. Then it's time to head north to Charleston for a bump and on up to New York.

Heading west to Wyoming we reach

for the sky with a Teton mountain stomp, then down into Jackson Hole for a strait. Continuing west, we head to California for a Palm Springs cha cha, and go south of the border for a double Mexicali.

Back up to Texas for a waltz, and a stroll through El Paso.

Now that we've two stepped our way across the country, we head back home to our backyard where we relax with a bit of Wild Turkey. Then it's off to bed for some sweet rimrock dreams.

Visit the Sidekicks at <http://pattern-dancers.wix.com/side-kicks> and also on [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com). Just put ro67ger in the search box. Happy trails ...

**CURBSIDE LANDSCAPE DEBRIS PICK-UP SCHEDULE**

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

\* Due to volumes, pick-up may extend into Tuesday  
\*\* Begins at 7:30 a.m.



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**Fitness Happenings**  
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**Fitness FAQs**

Over the many years that I have been teaching, training and administering fitness programs, there are certain FAQs (frequently asked questions) that I get hit with over and over again. Let me shed some light on questions you might have and see if I can convince you that staying active is critical.

1. "If I haven't exercised in years, why should I start now?" Sometimes people think that because they are not overweight or their vital signs are normal, they don't need to exercise. I disagree. Physical activity is critical for optimal aging. Exercise and lifestyle activities (walking the dog, dancing, gardening, volunteering, etc.) keep muscles and bones strong and your heart and lungs healthy. Regular physical activity is critical for maintaining muscle that is lost in the aging process. It also provides numerous health benefits such as preventing heart disease, controlling/preventing diabetes and boosting energy.
2. "I am managing one or more medical conditions, is it safe for me to exercise?" It is always important to consult your health care provider regarding exercise. Your doctor can advise you on certain precautions and provide exercise advice ensuring safety and benefit specific to your condition. Exercise can boost your immune system, help to reduce pain and empower you to gain confidence in managing your medical condition. Exercise also balances brain chemicals, which makes you feel better and supports a positive outlook.
3. "I struggle with joint and/or orthopedic issues (arthritis, bursitis, artificial joints, etc.). Will exercise hinder my condition or increase my pain?" There are several activities that can actually help to manage pain and improve your condition. Movement increases the synovial fluid in the joint. Synovial fluid lubricates the joint easing movement and providing comfort. Choose exercises that are low or no impact. Water aerobics is a great example of low or no impact. The water's buoyancy lifts you up so that the stress on the joints is greatly reduced. If you participate in deep water aerobics (you are in a suspended state using a flotation belt) there is no impact! Low impact aerobics, Tai Chi, yoga and chair classes are also good exercise choices, reducing joint stress and providing health benefits. As previously noted, it is highly recommended that you consult your health care provider before beginning an exercise program.
4. "How much do I need to exercise?" To receive a health-related benefit from exercise you need to consider: frequency, intensity, time and type. Start small and progress so that your activity is enjoyable and comfortable. You want to work up to 30 to 60 minutes a day (time) of moderate challenge (intensity),

# FITNESS SCHEDULE

RECREATION CENTER GROUP WELLNESS						EFFECTIVE: August 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.	Balanced Body	"KBKB" Kickboxing	Balanced Body	"KBKB" Kickboxing	Balanced Body	
Aerobics Room	Marie	Han	Jessica	Han	Marie	
10:45-11:30 a.m.	S.O.S.	Balanced Body	S.O.S.	Balanced Body	S.O.S.	
Aerobics Room	Larry	Jessica	Larry	Elizabeth	Larry	
10:45-11:30 a.m.	Zumba Gold®		Zumba Gold®		Zumba Gold®	
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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: August 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*	
Indoor Pool	Larry	Barb	Larry	Barb	
9:30-10:30	Yoga*		Tai Chi for Joint Health*		Meditative Yoga*
Ballroom	Barb Anne		Barb Anne		Stuart
10:30-11:15	Light Cardio Mix		Light Aerobics		
Ballroom	Becky		Marie		
11:00-12:00				Tai Chi for Joint Health*	
11:45-12:45	Adult Karate*				
Fitness Room	Art				
1:30-2:15		Water Walking			
Outdoor Pool		Kelly			

*Arbor Club Hours: Monday-Friday, 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Saturday, 7 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Sunday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.*

\*Denotes Fee Based Class  
\*\*Fitness center orientations and balance assessments are free. Reservation required.

most days of the week (frequency). The exercise you choose (type) should include both cardiovascular activity, and strength training. Ideally you want to get three to five days of cardiovascular activity and two non-consecutive days of strength training per week.

5. "I want to get stronger but I'm fearful of lifting weights, is it safe to lift weights and strength train at my age?" There is no getting around the fact that we lose muscle as we age. The good news is that regular strength training can prevent and even reverse this age-related muscle loss. Therefore, strength training is very important for older adults, and it is safe to lift weights (for help with your exercise prescription seek out the advice of a certified fitness professional). Science proves that it is never too late to gain muscle and build strength. Maintaining muscle mass supports a healthy body composition (more lean mass and less fat!) and helps

to maintain good function (posture, gait, motor skills etc.). When your body functions well you are

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### Line Dancing

By George Conklin

The summer is almost over and it is time to plan your activities for the fall and winter seasons. If you are thinking of an exercise program but the gym is not your thing, think line dancing. Line dancing is a low impact aerobic exercise and social event that has been shown to improve both balance and gait. Line dancing burns

more calories per hour than a brisk walk. "Dancing will reduce the risk of dementia a whopping 76%" (Source: New England Journal of Medicine). The comparison is between dancing and walking, tennis, swimming and golf. Dancing is for any age. If you want to get up and dance but can't get your partner off the couch, line dancing is the thing for you.

Our resident led line dance practice classes have continued through the summer but September is the start of a new year of instruction. Classes will be held in the Arbor Club Ballroom until the construction in the Recreation Center Ballroom is complete. Classes start at 1 p.m.

with intermediate instruction by Nancy Carmack. Marilyn teaches easy intermediate "Improver +" from 3 to 4 p.m., Beginner is from 4:15 to 5:15 p.m. and newcomers from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Class schedule may adjust as we move to the Recreation Ballroom.

Marilyn McNeal is the house instructor at Cowboys Saloon in Ocala, Prestige 55 and at major dance events here and internationally.

Which class do I sign up for? If you have never danced, that's easy, sign up for newcomers. If you have prior experience, try the level you think is right for you. You can always move up or down if you picked

the wrong one. Class sign up and information is available at the Recreation Center.

We are dancing at Happy Hour on Fridays at the Arbor Club Ballroom, Friday and Saturdays at The Town Square and our second Wednesday of the month line dance in the Arbor Club Ballroom. 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.



### Ballet Club

By Eugenie Martin

The "dog days" of August are here, and with them, the desire to move more slowly or rest more often. Even though most of us are retired, keeping as active as possible is important any time of the year. Activities keep us physically fit and mentally alert.

Ballet Club members choose dancing as an important activity. Four times each week, co-teacher Julie Sines and I offer free training in classical ballet. We believe that ballet is not just for young people. It is also for more mature people, just like our members.

Our classes are held in the beautiful Arbor Club Exercise Studio adjacent to the indoor swimming pool. Class times are Mondays from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m., Tuesdays from 1 to 2:15 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 to 10:15 a.m. The classes begin with work at the barre for warming, toning and strengthening our bodies. Then, we do dance combinations in the center of the floor.

Newcomers are always welcome, and you don't need any previous ballet training. To start, all that you need are exercise clothes, socks and water. Ballet clothes can always be purchased later. However, we do suggest that you call in advance so that we can be prepared for you to join class. To inquire about joining us or asking any questions about our classes, please feel free to call me at 854-8589. Happy dancing!



### Ballroom Dance Club

By Richard P. Vullo

Although it's the beginning of August, your Dancin' On the Top committee has started planning for our upcoming season of dances. Please mark your calendars for the schedule of dances for this season:

- Sept. 20: Rock "n" Roll theme
- Nov. 8: Harvest Dance
- Dec. 31: New Year's Eve celebration
- Feb. 14: Sweetheart Dance
- April 11: Spring Dance

Dates for ticket sales will be sent to members by e-mail and will also be listed in this column in the September issue. For more information about becoming a member of the Ballroom Dance Club or attending our dances, please contact Gene Melnick at (352) 304-8293.

There's still plenty of opportunity to dance here in On Top of the World starting with our weekly Friday night Happy Hour at the Arbor Club Ballroom and on Friday and Saturday night outdoors at The Town Square. The list of performers each week is listed on Theresa's page under "Upcoming Events" in each issue of the World News.

The new season of ballroom dance lessons with Trish Sands will begin on Monday, Sept. 8 at the Ocala Health Senior Health & Wellness Center, next to the Customer Service. Please call Trish Sands at (352) 216-1657 to get the lesson schedule.

There are many local venues that provide dancing opportunities throughout the summer. For more information about dance lessons and dance venues, please check the website for USA Dance: [www.usadanceocala.com](http://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 online.

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### Dancing Singles

By Stephanie Rohde

Dancing Singles – the day of the week and place have changed as of Monday, July 7. We now meet on selected Mondays in the Arbor Club Ballroom at 6 p.m. Membership is free to all residents who are single or who are married to, or living with a non-dancing spouse or partner. This is not about dancing with a partner, hence

#### GOT TRASH?

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the name – Dancing Singles. And yes, you can dance (move your body) sitting in a stationary or moveable chair. This is about exercising the brain and feet and dancing with "you" anyway you like 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.

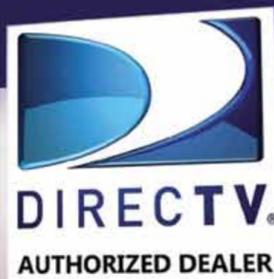
This is totally about getting out of the house, meeting new people, moving one's body, and socializing. Upcoming dates are Aug. 11 and 25 and Oct. 13, 20 and 27. We will not meet in September due to construction at the Recreation Center. Please call me at (352) 873-2100 prior to the first time you plan on attending so I can add you to my list of interested individuals, and/or for additional information. My best to all always, and in all ways ...

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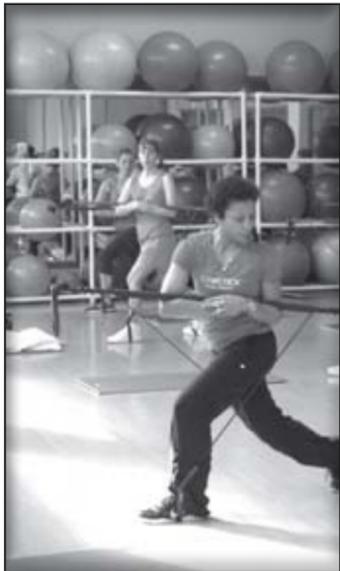
**Visiting Presenter Brings Exciting New Fitness Programming**

Marietta Mehanni, a visiting fitness presenter from Australia, was recently at The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa to lead our members through an innovative new fitness challenge using Gymsticks. Marietta is a Gymstick master trainer and well known as a leader in the fitness industry.

Her recent visit to The Ranch showcased the Gymsticks for both land and water workouts. The Gymstick is a simple, sleek exercise tool that is easy to use and gets great results. It incorporates rubber resistance, which creates a force that the muscle must push or pull against. The lightweight stick makes this piece of equipment easy to lift, carry and position for each exercise.

Ranch members were delighted and challenged as Marietta took them through a full workout using the Gymsticks. One Ranch member who took the land "Gymstick Muscle" class noted that the challenge was surprising. The Gymstick is so light that it is deceiving; when the first time user picks it up they are not anticipating the intensity of the workout. In addition to the resistive load that provides muscle building, there is also a cardiovascular benefit. The Gymstick was designed to mimic athletic movements; therefore Gymstick exercises involve multiple joints. This recruits more muscles and places a greater demand on the cardiovascular system.

It was especially exciting to see our members participate in the "Aqua Gymstick" class. The pool is a very unique exercise environment due to the water's buoyancy. Gymstick defies the buoyancy because of the rubber resistance. Our aqua students were amazed at the added challenge that the aqua Gymsticks provided.



Land Gymsticks workout.



Water Gymsticks workout.

**THE RANCH**

**GROUP FITNESS SCHEDULE**

EFFECTIVE: August 2014

Time/Location	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7:00-7:45 Studio 3		Power Cycle Mary		Power Cycle Mary		
8:00-8:55 Main Studio	20-20-20 Pat	Time Training Jessica	20-20-20 Pat	Time Training Carolyn		
Studio 2 <i>*F.I.T. classes are fee based. Registration required at the front desk</i>						FREE Intro TRX August 2 ONLY!
Studio 3	Power Cycle Jessica		Power Cycle Cammy		Power Cycle Dara	
9:00-9:55 Main Studio	Power Pump Pat	Step & Cardio Combat Becky	Super Circuit Dara	Cardio Combat Kitti	20-20-20 Dara	Zumba Rotation
Studio 2 <i>*F.I.T. classes are fee-based. Registration required at the front desk</i>	TRX* Jessica	Bosu Bootcamp* Carolyn	TRX* Cammy	fiTRX* Carolyn	Iron Circuit* Jessica	TRX* Carolyn
Studio 3		Power Cycle Pat	Yoga Therapy Stuart	Tai Chi Art		Power Cycle Instructor Rotation
10:00-10:55 Main Studio	Zumba Nichole	Muscle Mix Kitti	Power Pump Dara	Muscle Mix Kitti	Cardio Dance Jessica	Power Pump Instructor Rotation
10:30-11:25 Pool	Water Works Jessica	H2O Fit Barb	A.B.C. Kelly	H2O Fit Barb	H2O Fit Kelly	H2O Fit Instructor Rotation
11:00-11:55 Main Studio		Restorative Yoga Jennifer		Restorative Yoga Jennifer		Yoga Flow (90 min) Jennifer
Studio 3	Pilates Barb Anne		Pilates Barb Anne			
5:00-5:55 Main Studio	Zumba Christine	Time Training Carolyn		20-20-20 Dara		
Studio 3	Power Cycle Elizabeth					
6:00-6:55 Main Studio	Power Pump Elizabeth	Cardio Remix Heaven	Zumba Nichole	Zumba Toning Heaven	Zumba Nichole	
Studio 2 <i>*F.I.T. classes are fee-based. Registration required at the front desk</i>	TRX* Cammy	Iron Circuit* Carolyn	Bootcamp* Dara	TRX Circuit* Dara		
Studio 3	Wind Down Yoga Julie		Power Cycle Carolyn	Tai Chi Art		
Pool	H2O Fit Linda		H2O Fit Linda		H2O Fit Linda	
7:00-7:55 Main Studio	Zumba Heaven		Power Pump Heaven			
Studio 2 <i>*F.I.T. classes are fee-based. Registration required at the front desk</i>	FREE! Intro Bootcamp John					
Studio 3		Gentle Yoga Grace		Karate Art		



**Mah Jongg**

By Mary Ehle

Not much news this month. There are still a few seats available for the Saturday,

Oct. 4 tournament. If you can play four games in 55 minutes and you love Mah Jongg, this might just be the time for you to try our tournament. It is a full day of fun and you need nothing but you for the whole day. The cost is \$25.

A light breakfast snack and coffee will be provided. The lunch at noon will be a fully catered meal. Just bring whatever you want to drink. If this appeals to you, give

me a call at (352) 873-7507 and we can get you signed up. We are nearly full and the cut off date is Saturday, Sept. 20. Don't delay. I would love to see you playing and enjoying the day. You could be a winner. Jokers to you.

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**AUGUST 2**  
**Robin Gallo's Tribute to Reba McEntire**  
*Greatest Hit: "Does He Love You"*  
 Resident: \$13-15;  
 Non-Resident: \$14-16



**AUGUST 9**  
**Motown Magic: A Tribute to Motown**  
 Resident: \$16-18;  
 Non-Resident: \$18-20



**SEPTEMBER 13**  
**Quattro Four Divo**  
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 Resident: \$14-16;  
 Non-Resident: \$15-17



**NEW EVENT**  
**SEPTEMBER 19 & 20**  
**Autumn Gift Market by Junior League of Ocala**  
 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
 Tickets: \$5 per day  
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**SEPTEMBER 27**  
**Garth Brooks Tribute Show featuring Shawn Gerhard**  
*Greatest Hit: "The Dance"*  
 Resident: \$14-16;  
 Non-Resident: \$15-17



**OCTOBER 11**  
**Maxine Nightingale**  
*Greatest Hit: "Right Back Where We Started From"*  
 Resident: \$16-18;  
 Non-Resident: \$18-20



**OCTOBER 18**  
**Annual Craft Fair**  
 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
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**OCTOBER 25**  
**Michael Firestone's Tribute to Michael Jackson**  
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**NOVEMBER 15**  
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 Resident: \$20-24;  
 Non-Resident: \$21-25



**NOVEMBER 22**  
**Shirley Alston Reeves of The Shirelles**  
*Greatest Hit: "Will You Still Love Me?"*  
 Resident: \$20-24;  
 Non-Resident: \$21-25



**DECEMBER 6**  
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**NEW DATE**  
**DECEMBER 13**  
**Real Diamond: A Tribute to Neil Diamond**  
*Greatest Hit: "Sweet Caroline"*  
 Resident: \$14-16;  
 Non-Resident: \$15-17

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**ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT**

**Theatre Group Chooses Cast**

By Anne Merrick

Auditions have been held and a cast was chosen for the fall play. The seven cast

members are excited to start working on their lines and the development of their characters with the guidance of the director. This is the time when the stage is designed, props and costumes are decided upon and folks start looking for any new furniture and props that will be required. We have four months from now to be ready for the performances in November.

July and August are "summer holiday" time so we won't start the serious work until September, however it doesn't hurt to let the "wheels turn", as it were. We are always in need of support staff and the more we have the less each person has to do. If you are able to help, call me, at (352) 732-0706.



Photo by Anne Merrick

The seven cast members chosen for the fall play.

**It's Showtime!**

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

August promises to knock your socks off with great entertainment at Circle Square Cultural Center.

**Robin Gallo's Tribute to Reba McEntire Saturday, Aug. 2**

Robin has been paying tribute to Reba McEntire since 1995. Robin portrays respect for Reba's talents, creativity and sincerity in her performances; songs made famous by Reba consist of "Does He Love Me," "The Night the Lights Went Out in Georgia," "Consider Me Gone," "Turn on the Radio," and many more. If country music is your thing ... this show is a must see!

**Motown Magic: A Tribute to Motown Saturday, Aug. 9**

This talented group has toured all over performing Motown music made famous by countless artists such as The Temptations, Jackie Wilson, Diana Ross and The Supremes, Smokey Robinson, Marvin Gaye and many others. This performance is guaranteed to be great. If you are a Motown fan, stop by the ticket office today!

The ticket office is located at 8395 SW 80th Street or go online to [www.csculturalcenter.com](http://www.csculturalcenter.com) to purchase your tickets. Let's watch the lights dim as the curtain rises. It's showtime!



Robin Gallo's Tribute to Reba McEntire



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**The Bees Keep Buzzin' Along**

By Linda Lohr

Even though several of our members are snowbirds, the Sewing Bees have been working steadily each week to continue our mission.

We are thankful to be blessed with several new members who have been very enthusiastic workers.

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



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By Toni LaGattuta

Summer is here! Would you like to try something new (indoors)? How about ceramics?

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For more information, please call Toni at (352) 854-9768.



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### Recreation Center Pool

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- Pool closes at dusk - hours of operation are 8:00 am to dusk.
- Facilities are for use by residents and guest(s) only.
- Guest(s) under 15 years of age may use the pool from noon to dusk, and must be accompanied by parent or resident.
- During weekends and holidays, there are no time restrictions for guests under the age of 15.
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- Remove any oils or lotions by showering before entering the pool.
- No running, jumping or horseplay in or around the pool.
- No throwing of objects or littering.
- Food, drinks, glass containers, and pets must be kept outside of fenced pool area.
- Water bottles are allowed as long as they are plastic - no coolers allowed.
- No smoking in and around pool area including pool deck.
- 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.
- Diving is prohibited.
- Bathing load capacity is 100.
- Be safe, responsible, and considerate while using the pool.
- Pool will be closed on the last Wednesday of the month for cleaning.

### 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.,

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Swim at your own risk; no lifeguard on duty.

- 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

Swim at your own risk; no lifeguard on duty.

- No alcoholic beverages allowed on pool deck.
- Please exit pools during thunderstorms.
- 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

Swim at your own risk; no lifeguard on duty.

- 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

Swim at your own risk; no lifeguard on duty.

- No alcoholic beverages allowed on pool deck.
- Please exit pools during thunderstorms.
- 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 third 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

Swim at your own risk; no lifeguard on duty.

- 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.

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### Concert Chorus

By Patricia A. Woodbury

The Concert Chorus will begin practicing for its Christmas concert on Tuesday, Aug. 26, at 9:30 a.m. in the Arbor Club Ballroom and will continue to meet weekly, both in general practice sessions and in sectional practices until the performance.

The Concert Chorus is always looking for people who like to sing. So why join a chorus? Well you get to meet interesting new people and make fantastic new friends. You will sing all kinds of music including some fun and uplifting songs. You

do not need to be a good singer because you will learn all there is to know about singing as a member of the chorus. You will also build your musical knowledge as you learn.

Studies have documented that engaging in music, such as singing, significantly improves your memory and verbal ability. Music seems to develop the brain as a kind of universal stimulator, with a side effect of improved memory and verbal skills. Members of the chorus will tell you that it can improve your lung function, as you are encouraged to do deep breathing.

So what are you waiting for? Interested persons should contact Joan Stenson, president, at (352) 873-0304, for further information and to let her know of your availability.



### Karaoke Friends

By Vivian Brown

We love theme nights. It was prop night in July.

We had no theme in June but it turned out to be duet night. Shirley and Tom sang "Lonely Street." Bree and Steve did a great rendition of "Don't Close Your Eyes." Fred and Patty sang "A White Sport Coat and a Pink Carnation." Keith and Ann sang, "It Ain't Me, Babe." Kathy and Charlie told everyone that "You Got What it Takes."

Not always being serious, Rudy got up

to sing "I Got You Under My Skin." The girls backed him up and swayed while scratching to get him out from under the skin. Tari sang "Music Music" and some line dancers did the Cowboy Charleston. John came with his own dancers. The Dancing Jewels backed him up while he sang.

Other singers for the evening included Daryl, Bob, Sindy, George, Bree, Steve and Richie.

If you want to laugh and have fun, come join us the first and third Mondays in the Arbor Conference Center, Suite E. You do not have to sing. You can clap and laugh. Better yet, we love dancers who get up and entertain with the singer.

The only requirement is a desire to have fun. Hope to see you join us!



### Art Group

By Anne Merrick

For those of us who use acrylic paints on a regular basis, there is a problem with paints drying out once you have them on your palate. Even if you spritz them with water when you stop painting for a while they are dry in no time. It's just the nature of the paint.

A great article by Patti Mollica was sent to me addressing this issue, and her solution is storing paints in a plastic craft bead box, or bead organizer. She uses the one that is divided into 18 compartments. The brand name is Darice and can be purchased at Michaels or AC Moore. The plastic is flexible and has some give to it (high density polyethylene). Also, the bead box is not airtight.

She doesn't recommend using a hard plastic case, which is as rigid as glass and

could snap if you try to bend it. Acrylic paint adheres to that type of rigid plastic and does not peel off when dry.

Each compartment must be filled full with paint or the drying effect will not be minimized. It takes longer for the water to work its way out and a regular spritzing will keep it moist. In between sessions the container is put inside a two gallon Ziploc bag with a moist paper towel. If you don't like squeezing out blobs of paint each time this is a good solution.

If you want acrylic paints that dry 10 times slower, try Open paints, also by Golden, which have a slightly lower viscosity. You can mix the regular heavy body paints with the Open paints too. They are perfectly compatible. If you mix in a 50/50 proportion, your paints will dry five times slower than the straight heavy body colors.

You can also use the slow drying Open Medium, which, when mixed with either the Open or heavy body paints, helps increase the flow of the paint off your brush and extends the dry time. You can also put a drop or two of Open Medium on each of your colors, whether you are working with blobs on your palette or in the compartments.

Many people use water as the medium with acrylics, not realizing that they could be using a medium such as polymer medium. If you want your paints to dry faster, use water as the medium, slower, use a polymer medium, which comes in glossy, or matte. Open is the slowest drying medium, and is available in both sheens. Again, all Open products are designed to work with the faster drying acrylics too.

Here's to trying new things and to painting up a storm whenever you can. Join us on Thursday and Saturday mornings in the Art Studio in the Hobby Building or call Anne for more information at (352) 732-0706.

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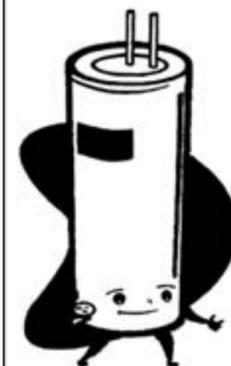
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# Alaskan Salmon

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

What a sight – millions of salmon in Alaskan waterways readying themselves for migration upstream to their spawning grounds. Countless salmon fighting the elements and waiting for the right moment to head upstream – one such migration point is the Ketchikan Creek situated in the middle of the southernmost city in Alaska – Ketchikan.

This city's economy is partially based on tourism and commercial fishing. This city is known as the "Salmon Capital of the World." Ketchikan is not only famous for its salmon fishing but also having the world's largest collection of standing totem poles.

The best place for viewing migrating salmon is at Creek Street just outside the downtown area of the city near the mouth of Ketchikan Creek. This street is built over the creek on pilings and was once one of Alaska's famous red-light districts.

Salmon are in the Ketchikan area from late May with king or silver salmon until July attracting sport fishermen from all

over the world to the Coho variety weighing upwards to 20-pounds in late August until early October.

In middle to late September, salmon in the creek are so thick in the brackish waters of the creek's mouth. They are getting ready to migrate up Ketchikan Creek waiting for that right moment to start the migration to their spawning locations. Birds of prey, bears and other wildlife ready themselves for a gigantic fish feed. Before the migration the creek is so full of salmon it appears one could walk across the creek without getting wet above the ankles. Harbor seals are so full of eating this delicacy that all they do is play with the fish, flipping them into the air as if playing games.

There is a lot of history concerning Creek Street. Not only was it Ketchikan's red-light district comprising some 20 bawdy houses, it is also well known by fishermen and bootleggers alike. At one time, in the mid-1920s prostitution was the city's number one industry. During prohibition, Creek Street was the place

to drink Canadian whiskey smuggled in at high tide under the cover of darkness to the many saloons. Most of the houses and saloons had hidden trap doors underneath the dwellings receiving the prohibited deliveries.

Today, other than an occasional place to quench one's thirst, the street utilizes the old business establishments as gift shops and boutiques. One red-light house

is now a popular museum.

Readers having visited Ketchikan in the past by cruise ship can testify that Creek Street is an attraction not to be missed while transiting Alaska's inside passage. Cruise ship passengers visiting this area are practically guaranteed to view hundreds if not thousands of salmon in the creek.



Photo by Bob Woods

# A Tall Order

By Pat Wellington

When she's not holding a book or a bridge hand, Norma Scioscia is usually holding a crochet needle. She calls crocheting relaxing and enjoys making gifts for friends and family – everything from potholders to Christmas ornaments.

Last January she contacted Romeo Elementary asking if crocheted teddy bears would be welcome Christmas gifts for the school's kindergarten tots. The school responded with enthusiasm.

Unfortunately, she neglected to ask the number of enrolled kindergarteners, thinking there were probably no more than about 50. A few months into her

project she learned the real number – a staggering 117.

A call went out to friends like Joanie Crist, Anne Marie Russo, and Joan Rappa who volunteered to help. Another friend, Anne Walenstein, made a donation for materials.

But now with only five months remaining until Christmas and only 65 teddy bears completed, Norma needs more help. These animals are adorably whimsical and come in many colors and sizes, toys sure to delight the little ones at Romeo. If you can help, please call Norma at 509-40-51. She'll provide you with the pattern and starting materials.

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By Annette Sharpe

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As I have for many years,  
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### ShutterBugs Photography

By Marilynn Cronin

July's field trip was an early morning trip to Shalom Park photographing the flora and wildlife.

We are gearing up for this year's judging and exhibit. Entries will be digitally judged by professionals around the country ... an exciting new step for us. If you are interested in entering, you must be a member in good standing to access the website and upload your photos, so join us now! Annual fee is \$12.

Warm, sunny days and summer vacations encourage you to get out more with your camera. Take full advantage of the season by reading the following tips adapted from "Three Tips for Better Summer Photography" by Julie Waterhouse.

- 1. TELL THE STORY OF SUMMER:** Photography is a form of communication, so you want your images to tell the story of summer and how it makes you feel. Does summer mean picnics, building sand castles, a car ride with the top down, or playing Frisbee with the dog? Do you think of blue skies, blazing heat, and cornfields? Is summer a time to spend with your family, fishing, swimming in the lake, and roasting marshmallows on the campfire? Does it mean eating ice cream and wearing flip-flops? These activities can all be turned into iconic images that capture the mood of summer and make your images personal.
- 2. USE COLOR EFFECTIVELY:** Winter for some paints everything in black and white and creates a colorless landscape. Summer, brings rich and saturated colors. Strong, bright colors in your pictures gives an indication to the viewer that it's summertime. The choice of colors you include can help tell your summer stories more effectively; color choice can determine the mood of the image. Warm colors bring to mind the warm temperatures. Using warm tones in your images or a splash of vibrant red, orange, or yellow, lends an impression of heat to your photograph. In contrast, you can also make use of cool colors to create a feeling of refreshment. The blue of a swimming pool can help your viewer imagine the restorative power of a dip in chilly water. The trick is to use color deliberately so that it enhances your message.
- 3. AVOID HARSH LIGHT:** The bright and sunny days of summer are often the worst time to take pictures. If you are photographing people in the middle of the day, the bright light can create dark shadows on their faces or cause them to squint if they are looking into the sun. Try to move people into the shade to photograph them. Shoot during the "golden hour." Golden hour is the half-hour before and half-hour after sunrise or sunset. The sun's rays fall at more of an angle, creating longer, softer shadows and warmer, gentler light.

The ShutterBugs meet every Tuesday at 3 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. The first Tuesday of the month we have an instructional video or speaker. Second Tuesday is a show and tell of different subjects with a soft critique. Third week is a field trip. We will be starting to view lessons on PhotoShop Elements the fourth Tuesday of the month. Members are happy to help you understand your camera (always bring your manual). For more information, contact Gary Uhley at guhley@cfl.rr.com.

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**Rubber Stamp Greeting Cards**

By Linda Lohr

Although our club did not meet in July, we have a presenter waiting in the wings for her August cards.

Anyone can be a presenter – and the cards do not have to be fancy or complicated. Our group is based on friendship, and socializing and helping each other play a big part of the club!

Our group is open to all crafters, begin-

ners 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 Kathy at 237-6439. We look forward to introducing new people to our fun craft. Until then, keep on stampin'!

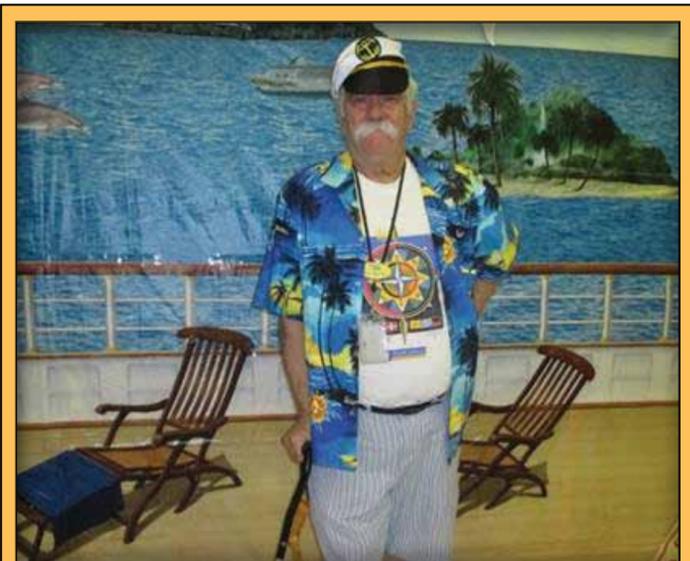


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**Mort Meretsky at the cruise party-themed Happy Hour on Friday, July 11.**

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Butchart Gardens on Vancouver Island.

# Butchart Gardens

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

An island sitting off the coast of mainland British Columbia, Canada is home to one of the most sought after destinations on the west coast. The island is Vancouver Island some 60 odd miles from the City of Vancouver and likewise Seattle, Wash. One can reach the island by either ferry service or air but those visiting this island can also opt for a 25-mile ferry ride from Port Angeles located on Washington's Olympic Peninsula.

The attraction brings an estimated one million visitors a year to Butchart Gardens. The gardens display a sensational floral year-round show in one of the most beautifully landscaped gardens that our planet has to offer. The gardens comprise an area of 55 acres of different gardens called "rooms" ranging from sunken gardens to rose-covered walkways, spring-time flora along with a Japanese inspired winter garden. The dahlia "room" is amazing with such large blooms displaying so many different colors.

The gardens are a photographer's delight! Those who love flowers of all descriptions and types will go crazy viewing

the entire flora the gardens have to offer. The island, along with its principle city of Victoria has been referred to as the "City of Gardens."

Butchart Gardens has been designated a National Historic Site in Canada due to its international fame. Plants and flowers flourish on the island in which temperatures very seldom go below freezing during the winter months and stay fairly cool during the summer.

Robert Butchart developed the original purpose of this land for the manufacturing of Portland cement back in 1888. The rich limestone deposits at the site were excavated, as this ingredient is necessary for cement production. When the limestone quarry was exhausted in 1909, Butchart's wife, Jennie, decided to turn the quarry into the Sunken Garden. The gardens flourished and grew in size from that point. Ownership of the gardens remains in the Butchart family today.

An interesting tidbit: In 1982, Butchart Gardens inspired the gardens located at the Canadian pavilion at Epcot at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla.



Photo by Bob Woods

# Statue

By Bob Woods  
World News Writer

Can you tell me about this statue and where it is located? This bronze figure is 19 feet, six inches tall and weighs approximately 15,000 pounds. The crest of this statue is 288 feet off the ground.

Give up? It is located in Washington, D.C. on top of the U.S. Capitol Building. It is the Statue of Freedom – also known as Armed Freedom or simply Freedom – standing on a cast-iron globe on top of the Dome. One of our national mottos encircles the statue's base with the words, E pluribus unum, Latin for "Out of Many, One."

Inside the Capitol's visitor center is a plaster model of the Freedom statue. The plaster model was the casting for the figures on top of the Capitol Dome. Prior to the Civil War, Secretary of War Jefferson Davis, who was responsible for the construction of the Capitol building, approved the statue's design in 1856. The statue's final section was erected on Dec. 2, 1863 to a salute of 35 cannons from 15 forts around Washington, D.C.

Where is this statue?

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**Tag Sale:** Saturday, Aug. 2, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. 8556-C SW 90th Lane (Friendship Colony).

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