



COMMUNITY NEWS & UPDATE

By Kenneth D. Colen, Publisher

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

No joking, the lobby of the administration office looked so much like a food warehouse, we called for an early pick-up from Interfaith Emergency Services! We are pleased to report that the outpouring of contributions filled a 34-foot box truck and then some!

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

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

Annual Meetings

I would like to thank all of the association members who returned their proxies for the annual meetings. Second, to thank all those members, who attended the annual meetings on Dec. 6, 2013, for Candler Hills and Indigo East Neighborhood Associations and the On Top of the World (Central) Owners Association on Dec. 18, 2013.

We covered a great deal of material generally dealing with the state of the community and the factors that affect the operation and, very much by extension, the quality of life for every resident. Other questions focused on what the board is doing to control costs and operate efficiently. I always welcome these types of questions.

By way of response, let me state that the board delegates most of the day-to-day operations within all three communities to Parkway Maintenance and Management Company. The board remains accountable for the outcome. Parkway, regularly bids work to keep existing contractors honest, and identify competent and competitive suppliers and systems.

Enforcement matters were discussed. We live in a tight-knit community. What one person does (or doesn't) may adversely affect their neighbors. The first annual neighborhood cleanup day in On Top of the World was discussed, and it was noted that neighbors volunteered, helping make it a success. We also discussed how the board deals with delinquencies in community services fees.

Judging by the questions at the On Top of the World meeting, insurance was a topic on many people's minds, the gist being, what is adequate coverage on your home and contents?

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

The cost of property insurance for the Association moderated in fiscal 2013-14 and will continue to do so in the 2014-15 budget year. The moderation is due primarily to the increased capacity in the insurance market place worldwide.

Roof replacement work is contracted because of the extensive scope of work involved in replacement. Largely because of the natural disasters and high petroleum prices, roofing materials remain at escalated levels. In 2013, new reroofing work was bid, and responses have been received from four of the eight vendors who received proposals. The bids are being analyzed; however, we do not expect material and labor price increases to abate any time soon.

Master the Possibilities Upgrades

The winter/spring catalog, covering January through May, was published Dec. 16, 2013. The registration process has been very strong for about 600 classes and presentations featured in this edition. I encourage you to enroll early and often in order to ensure getting the classes that you want. Some are actually generating wait lists right now.

The easiest and most efficient way to register is by using the online alternative www.masterthepossibilities.com. You can access this 24/7. It's easy and user friendly. More than half of all enrollments are done this way. While you're there, don't forget to sign up for weekly updates that often announce programs that were set up after the catalog came out. You won't want to miss

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Photo courtesy of On Top of the World Communities, Inc.

Join in the line dancing celebration on The Town Square on Saturday, Jan. 18, at 2 p.m.

Health & Wellness Week

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

Get healthy and stay healthy! Be sure to mark your calendar for the week of Jan. 13 through Jan. 18, and plan to participate in health and wellness activities and classes.

Fitness Director Cammy Dennis, The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa Director David Gibas, and Master the Possibilities Director Dan Dowd will be hosting events and classes throughout the week. For example, you can attend lectures on aging gracefully or the benefits and importance of good posture.

Maybe karate is your thing? If so, you

can attend a lecture (at Master the Possibilities) and demonstration (at The Ranch Fitness Center) by Martial Arts Professional Art Stalbow on Friday, Jan. 17. If the soothing benefits of Tai Chi are more to your liking, be sure to attend the presentation on Tuesday, Jan. 15 (at Master the Possibilities).

Throughout the week of Jan. 13, Master the Possibilities has invited health care providers to discuss anything and everything about staying healthy. Check the latest catalog for classes that you'll want to attend.

Meanwhile, over at The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa, Director David Gibas will be hosting a weeklong open house. You're invited to take a tour, ask questions, and get a peek at their expanded facilities. Be sure to ask about their special exercise classes and what's on the agenda throughout the coming months.

On Saturday, Jan. 18, come out to Circle Square Cultural Center for the Health & Wellness Expo. From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., health care providers will be there to answer questions, discuss the latest medical technologies, and demonstrate everyday good, healthy habits. There will be fitness demonstrations on stage and, of course, free massages.

The final program of week will be a line dancing celebration on The Town Square on Saturday, Jan. 18 at 2 p.m. All are welcome to participate.



On Top of the World's rowing team for the Wounded Warrior charity event.

Rowing for a Good Cause

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

It was sometime in September 2013 when Assistant Operations Manager for On Top of the World, Cindy Smith, walked over to Golf Maintenance Manager, Andy Jorgenson, and said, "Will you be on my Dragon boat team?"

Now and then big things spring from one sentence, and this was one of them. Cindy's idea was to participate in the Lake Hernando, Wounded Warrior charity event on Nov. 16, 2013. Word quickly spread, and pretty soon 20 employees and a decorated drummer were on board practicing their paddle strokes.

Volunteers Cammy Dennis, Rich Hrcas, Patty Soriano and Kim Leech, along with all the others, really had no idea what they were in for. Few had ever rowed a boat or paddled a canoe, no less a 42-foot, 800-pound boat. But this was for charity,

and it was supposed to be fun, right? Thirty teams would participate, with some "village" people, who were so serious about the sport that they own several of their own boats.

After much discussion, the On Top of the World team came up with the name "Blazing Paddles," designed shirts, and were quickly on their way. The first practice never got underway, because it was cold and windy, and Lake Hernando was more like "Lake Atlantic." One of the steersmen agreed to take them out early the day of the event and do a practice run. Everyone was there at the appointed hour. The practice went well, and they "suited up" for the real thing.

There were 20 paddlers, the drummer and one professional steersman. They finished three 300-meter races against the

clock, scoring big in the first round, losing their way a little in the second race and then back on track for an exciting third round finish.

Out of nine teams in their division, they took second place, missing first place bragging rights by only one second. Their creative side glowed a bit more brightly though when they were awarded best decorated. Thanks to everyone pitching in and the designing talents of Sharon DeWitt. Patty Soriano, the drummer, was a real sport too, considering the green tights, dragon hat and wings and all that creative makeup that Lisa Lazaro painted on her face. And a very special thanks goes out to the volunteers at Barkley Tree Service who labored tirelessly clearing the area for tents and for spectators to watch and enjoy the event.

The On Top of the World team of volunteers raised more than \$1,200 for the event. And yes, it must have been fun, because while passing around the Bengay they were already talking about next year's regatta.

The full team, in addition to those mentioned above consisted of Bill Coggin, Lisa Lazaro, Kurt Vogel, Jessica Pinkowski, Marlene Berrio, Justin Seffern, Larry Roberts, Larry Robinson, Sheryl Johnson, and Jennifer Cannestro.



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GOLDEN OLDIES HUMOR

BY STAN GOLDSTEIN



I base my fashion sense on what doesn't itch.



Is It Legal?

By Gerald Colen

SCAM ALERT: The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) is reporting that there's a scam

going around where the caller identifies himself/herself as an IRS agent and then claims there is some fraud involved with your income tax return. If you ask the caller to give you a call-back phone number and an IRS badge number, the caller will give them to you. If you call back the phone number, whoever answers will say it's the IRS. Do not believe any of that! It's a scam.

The correct way to handle that if you do get a call like this is to take down the return phone number and the badge number

and then call the IRS, but not at the phone number the caller gives you. Just hang up and do it immediately! Don't you dare call back on that phone number.

Instead go to the IRS website: www.IRS.gov. If, however, you don't use the computer, then call the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at this number: 1-800-366-4484. Under no circumstances should you provide any personal information to a caller like that. Please pass this on to friends and family.

Q. What is the difference between a pre-nuptial agreement and a post-nuptial agreement?

A. A pre-nuptial agreement is a marital agreement that is signed before a marriage. The purpose of it is to deal with and resolve issues of support and division of assets should the marriage be terminated either by divorce, annulment or death. It is frequently called a pre-nup.

A post-nuptial agreement is entered into during a marriage. Its purpose is to define the property rights of each spouse in the event of death or divorce. A post-nuptial agreement should never be entered into when the parties are contemplating a divorce or separation. There would be a different agreement called a property separation agreement or marital agreement when a divorce is contemplated.

Both a pre-nuptial agreement and a post-nuptial agreement are enforceable. However, the title insurance companies frequently require a court adjudication of the validity of a post-nuptial agreement in order to assure it was fairly entered into by the parties.

It is my belief that everyone who is going into a second or subsequent marriage should have a pre-nuptial agreement signed prior to the marriage.

Q. My husband and I have four children and we want to leave different amounts to some of them. Can we say in our wills that if any child contests the will, they will receive nothing at all?

A. That's what is called an in terrore clause. Sometimes it's called a no contest clause. They are not enforceable in Florida.

The reason is that if someone has a valid reason to contest a will (or trust), then that valid reason cannot be taken away. Let me just add that if a testator or testatrix makes a valid will, it is extremely unlikely that a successful challenge can be made.

Q. I am in my 80s. For many years I have named my niece as the personal representative of my will. I have also named her in my durable power of attorney, living will and health care designation. I feel that she has pretty much abandoned me and so I want to name someone else. Will that create a problem for the new person I name?

A. It might. Nevertheless, there is nothing to prevent you from changing your mind whenever you want. Although you may not like this idea, perhaps you could tell your niece what you have decided to do—put it in writing and keep a copy of it. You could have your attorney send a letter like that if you don't wish to send it. That way, you've put your niece on notice of what you intend and that would eliminate any later issues. Of course, it will also be a "wake-up call" to your niece, which isn't such a bad idea anyway.

Q. Do you typically recommend that your clients use a will or a trust?

A. I typically recommend that my clients create an estate plan that meets their needs. Once they have explained their needs, it is not too difficult to ascertain what type of estate planning vehicle is needed.

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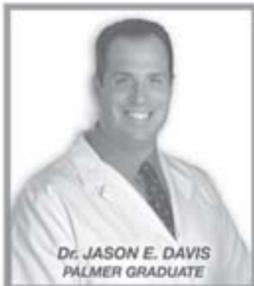
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All Around Our World

By Lynette Vermillion

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and is ready to start a new year with new goals for the coming year. We wish you a wonderful 2014, filled with happiness, success and good health.

Community Mindedness

I hope you will join me in supporting a goal for 2014 and beyond for everyone to be community minded – residents and employees alike. To me, community mindedness is not only everyone taking pride in the community in which we live and work, but it is also doing our part to assist our neighbor or fellow employee, discarding our trash or doggie waste appropriately, or being mindful of the rules of the road, etc., etc.

Our Volunteers

We have many examples of the wonderful residents we have in our community, who give generously of their personal time and money, offering encouragement and smiles to various individuals and organizations throughout the community and Marion County where needed. Your volunteer hours are so appreciated by On Top of the World and by the many who reap the benefits of your labor. I wanted to take a moment to say "thank you!"

SW 90th Street Gate

The SW 90th Street gate is now open 24 hours, seven days a week. Residents, who mainly use the SW 90th Street gate, will want to visit Customer Service at their earliest convenience to have the new decal installed, as the old decals will not work at the new SW 90th Street gate resident lane.

Car Gate Decals

In December, Customer Service applied and processed over 2,000 new car decals. With a few thousand more to do prior to March 31, I'd like to note that Customer Service is applying new decals Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to noon only, unless special arrangements are made. Reminder, you must bring your registration with you to obtain your decal.

There will be no charge for up to two new decals on your existing vehicles, if replaced by March 31. Normal fees will apply after March 31. All vehicles must have the new decal by March 31, as the old scanners will be removed. We ask for your patience, as we work through this process.

Attention Indigo East residents: Only Indigo East residents, who are Gateway of Services members, will be eligible for the decal.

Gate Safety

We ask all residents to please be cautious around the gates, especially at SW 90th Street, as we transition with the new resident lane and the decal reader. We appreciate your patience and ask that you not use the resident lane unless you have obtained the new decal. The old decal will not work on this gate and will only cause frustration to you and those behind you, while the gate attendant checks you in.

We also ask that you be cognizant of your speed, when approaching the gate. Going too fast was the cause of an accident at the Candler Hills gate in December. So, please slow down and be safe!

Just a reminder that, although it may seem like you are being nice by stopping to let people cross, as you are coming out of the SW 99th Street Road gate, it may actually be creating a potentially dangerous situation, as the cars that may approach on the left side of you, can't see that you have stopped to let a walker or golf cart cross. The walker or golf cart cannot see the vehicle approaching in the left, and this creates an unsafe condition that we hope to avoid. So, please continue on your way and let the walker, bike rider, or golf cart cross when both lanes are clear.

Yard Debris Pick-up in Indigo East and Candler Hills

Just a reminder, yard debris will not be collected in the Candler Hills and Indigo East Neighborhoods on New Year's Day. It will be collected on Thursday, Jan. 2, instead of Wednesday, Jan. 1.

Customer Service

The Customer Service office is closed the third Wednesday of every month from noon to 1 p.m., which falls on Wednesday, Jan. 15, this month.

Please note the Customer Service office will be closed on Wednesday, Jan. 1.

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

Bullying

It seems strange to think that bullying is not just limited to children and adolescents, but yes, patterns can continue for years and years. Throughout our lives we will run into people whom we may not care as much for or who may not care for us. I like to think that as adults, we are able to handle situations dealing with such persons with diplomacy or have the ability to walk away.

Occasionally, I hear from residents who have experienced a verbally abusive incident or had a bad experience with a neighbor or another resident, because the person

felt the need to make a comment or gesture that was inappropriate or offensive.

When I was younger my mother shared the following piece of wisdom, which I have tried to remember and apply no matter how hard, and yes, I have failed at doing so at times, "If you don't have anything nice to say, don't say anything at all." So, the next time you find yourself getting ready to give voice to something that may be best kept to yourself, remember that sage advice and just walk away.

Indigo East Gateway

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

We are offering something new this year, a 30-day trial, per the request of several residents. Sign-up for the 30-day trial will start Jan. 15 and run through Jan. 31, with the trial officially starting Feb. 1 and ending March 2. Indigo East residents who have never had the Gateway of Services will have a chance to experience what it is all about.

Residents wishing to sign up for the 30-day trial to have access to the clubs, events, amenities and facilities behind the gates, just need to visit Customer Service to sign up between Jan. 15 and Jan. 31. The 30-day trial fee is \$75 and the fee will be applied to the annual fee should you decide to continue the Gateway of Services.

Several payment options are available when you sign up for the annual Gateway of Services: monthly automatic debit from your checking, savings or credit card or one time check or credit card payment with no processing fee applied; or payments billed quarterly and a processing fee would apply. If you would like more information regarding the Gateway of Services or if you would like to sign up, please contact Customer Service for an appointment.

Getting Ready for the Cold

Winter is here and, even though we are experiencing warmer than normal temperatures, I'm sure that the colder weather is right around the corner. That being said, cold temperatures can have an effect on your backflow preventer. For those residents who maintain their own backflow preventer, have you seen Phillip Hisey demonstrate how to winterize it? If not, please check the "Homeowner Maintenance" tab on www.otowinfo.com to watch Phillip's demonstration and read more details about how to winterize your backflow preventer and protect it from freezing temperatures.

Holiday Decorations

Please ensure that all holiday decorations are removed by Jan. 16. Live Christmas trees may be placed on the curb in front of your home for pick-up on your community's regularly scheduled debris pick-up day.

I look forward to a great 2014! Happy New Year!

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Stay tuned ...





Keeping It Green

By Phillip B. Hisey

Hope you had a wonderful holiday season.

Did you remember to cut back your irrigation timer? Even though current restrictions allow once per week watering, depending upon the community you live in, your grass, plants and temperature, you may not need to water as frequently. Try reducing the run time a little at a time.

One of the factors that should be taken into account before reducing the run times is the maturity of your landscaping. If your landscape is older than one year, reducing run times gradually in small increments is the best way to reduce run times. Small increments will keep you from creating a severe problem, if you don't add enough

water. If you do too much at once, waiting on the next run day could cost you your landscape.

Research conducted by the University of Florida indicates that during the shorter, cooler days of winter, grass and plants are growing slowly or not at all. During this time, their need for water is greatly reduced from that of the long, hot days of summer. Many people never change their automatic sprinkler system to compensate for this change in water needs, and water is needlessly wasted.

If your irrigation is equipped with Solar Sync, your irrigation system is automatically adjusted every day according to climatic conditions. Cooler days and less solar radiation are taken into account with Solar Sync to reduce the runtimes of your irrigation system. For more information on the Solar Sync, visit www.hunterindustries.com.

Your home irrigation system is equipped with a backflow prevention device per Marion County Code. The backflow preventer is a brass device located on the outside of

the home, typically on the same side of the house as the irrigation controller near the irrigation control valves. Here in Ocala, we see temperatures from time to time cold enough to damage this device. In an effort to protect the backflow preventer, some steps need to be taken to winterize your backflow. Please visit www.otowinfo.com and in the home maintenance tab, there is a video on how to winterize your backflow.

Warm temperatures in early December caused brown patch to flare up. I want to take a minute to talk about the problem and what you can be doing to prevent and control the situation, before it becomes a serious problem.

Brown patch fungus is attributed to the weather we have been having. The fungus typically flares up when soil temperatures are between 60 and 70 degrees. Turning off your irrigation after rainfall events or simply turning it back using the seasonal adjust feature, will help control the fungus, but preventative applications of fungicide are the best method.

You can normally spot fungus issues in your yard by a large symmetrical ring or circular patch that has a yellowish edge. The spots typically start as one-foot diameter areas and grow from there. Keep from walking on and mowing affected areas. Fungus travels from spores, and disturbance of the fungus could potentially cause more areas to pop up.

Routine lawn maintenance and pest control is key to keep pest problems, such as brown patch fungus, from popping up in your lawns. Identification and treatment of this pest are crucial in control and will help keep the pest from spreading. Keep from fertilizing these areas until the fungus has been treated and has been eradicated. Fertilizers will actually feed these fungi creating more problems in the future.

Lowe's carries a product that is labeled for fungal control. It is called Spectracide Lawn Disease Control Systemic Fungicide. Though I have never used this product, it will probably handle most fungal problems. Lesco also carries many fungicide products. The cost of these products is probably higher than the products purchased from Lowe's, and chances are they are more concentrated products that will require mixing. Lesco carries Manicure and T-Storm.

Both the Lowe's and Lesco products are great products, but be sure to read the label before using, and make sure you have proper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). If you have a maintenance company taking care of your lawn, they can easily treat for the fungal problem. Fungus is preventable and controllable.

The end of January is also a great time to think about trimming your Crape Myrtles, Lantana and other dormant species. The method I prefer for residents to follow when pruning Crape Myrtles is the "pencil pruning" method. Basically you remove all branches pencil size and smaller. This method is the least invasive to the tree and still provides an aesthetic quality to the tree, even when the leaves have fallen and all you have is sticks. Since Crape Myrtles bloom on the newer growth, this provides the new growth for summer blooms.

Lantana will need to be cut back in the late winter or early spring to remove dormant growth. You can trim them now or wait until late winter or early spring to make sure the plant is at its fullest stage of dormancy. If these plants are trimmed too soon, the pruning could cause the plants to flush new growth resulting in potential frost burn.

Try and stay warm and good luck in the landscape!



Food For Thought

By Sandy Curtis

New Year's greetings from all of us at Candler Hills Restaurant, The Pub and Friendship Catering to each of you. We hope you had a wonderful holiday season and are ready to start 2014 with great enthusiasm for what lies ahead.

With each New Year, many of us make resolutions on what we would like to accomplish in the upcoming year. In our department, it is our resolution to bring fresh new ideas, consistency and great food to the table every time. With each of us working together, I believe we can accomplish our goals. If it has been a while since you have visited Candler Hills Restaurant or The Pub, I encourage you to do so in 2014. We are making great strides and thank you for your support.

Starting this month, we are offering Dinner for Two every Monday, from 4 to 7 p.m. Enjoy two entrees and two drinks for \$20 plus tax and gratuity. We will have a selected menu of four entrees for you to choose from. Mix and match to see what you like and remember it's only on Monday nights!

A fresh start to the New Year starts with Tapas & "Tinis" on Wednesday, Jan. 15, from 5 to 7 p.m. We will be offering a range of simple items such as olives or cubes of ham and cheese to more elaborate preparations like cooked shrimp and little meatballs. Tapas are the ultimate finger food and can be eaten any time of the day as long as it comes with a drink. Great news for you as I have you covered with some delicious "Tini (martini) ideas as well from our bar.

Our Girls Night Out event will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 21, from 7 to 9 p.m. If you haven't had a chance to join us, please do so. A great time is in store for you. You will enjoy this time together with your friends and maybe make some new ones as well.

The cost is \$15 inclusive, which includes unlimited appetizers, two drinks from the bar and tax and gratuity. It's a price you can't resist and fun you don't want to miss. Please call Candler Hills Restaurant at 861-9720 to reserve your spot.

Each month, we like to celebrate a special date that occurs within that month. We invite you to join us in celebrating National Chocolate Cake Day on Monday, Jan. 27. Stop by The Pub or Candler Hills Restaurant and receive a slice of chocolate cake for only \$1. It will be worth the trip.

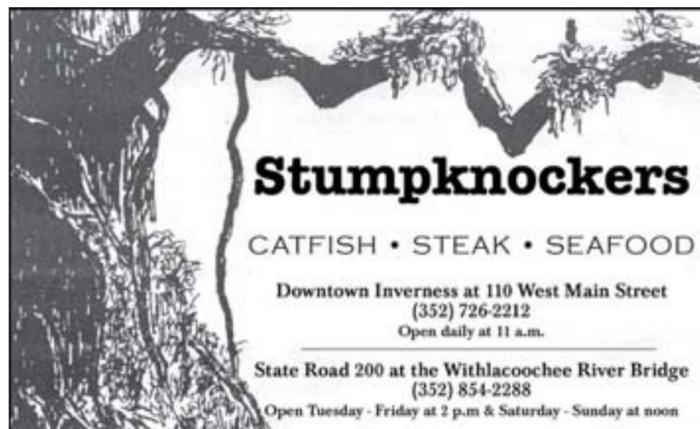
Throughout the month, we will be sending out e-mail blasts to update you on current events. If you have not given your e-mail address to us, please consider this as a way for us to keep you informed. For your convenience, I have listed our e-mail address, which is hospitality@otowfl.net.

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Wishes for the New Year

By Annette Sharpe

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May each dawn be the beginning
Of a perfect day that's new,
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Of good health smile on you
To keep you well and strong.
May you laugh a lot along life's way,
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Happy New Year!



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COMMUNITY NEWS & UPDATE

By Kenneth D. Colen, Publisher

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anything in this cutting edge lifelong learning program.

January is when resolutions are made. Often these involve health and wellness issues. Want some help? Need new information? Discuss with professionals? Take advantage of our seventh annual Health & Wellness week Jan. 13 through Jan. 17. There are wonderful opportunities to learn more about ensuring a truly healthy new year!

Customer Service Fee Window

The vast majority of residents have migrated to auto-debit. The Customer Service Fee option is fully automated though there may still be those times where you wish to make a change and need to speak with the Community Service Fee (CSF) office. In December 2013, the CSF office moved to a different area of the administration building at 8447 SW 99th Street Road (see map to the right).

Easy and direct access is available from SW 96th Lane, adjacent to the Friendship Commons postal area. Follow the signs to the back parking area and look for the designated spaces. It is a short walk up to the CSF entry and window.

Health & Recreation Building Changes

We're currently working with Solar Impact, their structural engineers, and the Florida Solar Energy Center (FSEC) on the design for the addition of solar panels to the Health & Recreation Building.

We anticipate seeing the installation of

the system in late January. As we get closer to the installation, we will work to make sure that we don't interfere with any scheduled events. The general remodeling and update of the facility are on schedule to begin in late spring.

Circle Square Cultural Center

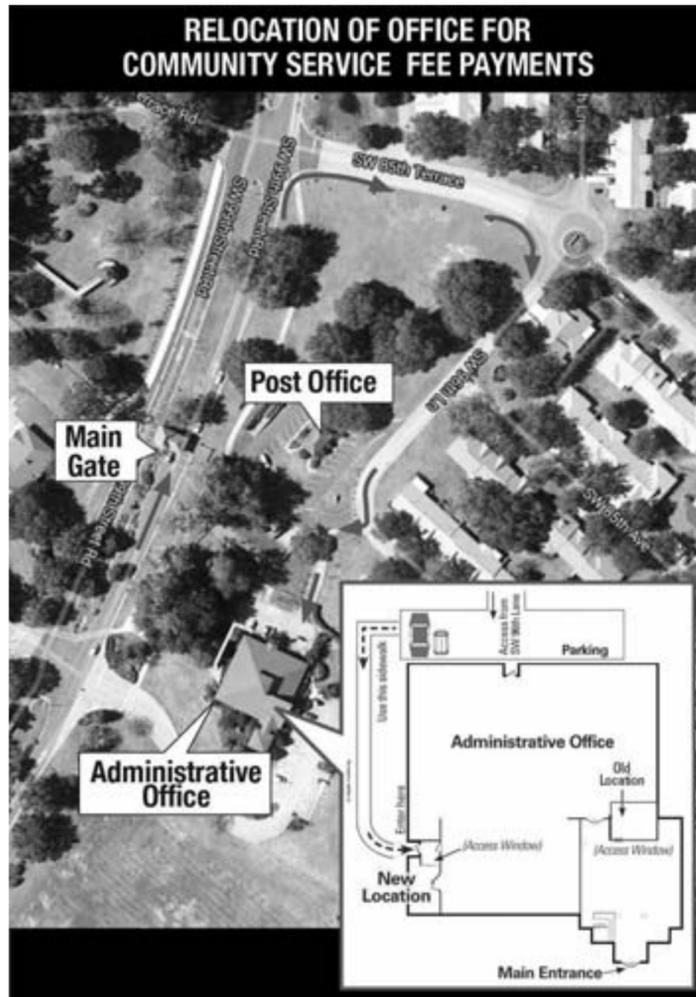
The New Year kicks off with a great group - The Mystics on Saturday, Jan. 4. You're sure to remember their greatest hit - "Hushabye." On Saturday, Jan. 11, you'll want to come out to a totally new experience which is an interactive dance party performed by Dueling Pianos. There are two extraordinary pianists that perform a wide variety of high-octane dance music and they'll have you up and dancing during their performance. Be sure to wear your dancing shoes!

Wrapping up the month on Saturday, Jan. 25 is the Kingsmen, who will perform a song that everyone knows - "Louie Louie." Who doesn't remember that one! For a more sedate Sunday afternoon, Jan. 26, VOICE Experience will enchant you with wonderfully talented opera voices.

Go online to www.CSCulturalCenter.com for the full upcoming line-up and to purchase tickets.

The Town Square

While the weather is cooler, the bands that will warm you up during the month are Sounds of Time, Tomaura, SSnakeyez Band, Fred Campbell and Automatic. Have some hot chocolate at Mr. B's Big Scoop and enjoy the holiday lights.



Sharing at On Top of the World

By Ray Cech
World New Writer

Christ's Church of Marion County and their Sharing Hope Ministry is a local organization serving meals to those in need throughout downtown Ocala. Starting Wednesday, Jan. 1, the Ministry will begin providing meals to those On Top of the World residents who otherwise find it difficult to get out and about. Meals will be delivered every Friday afternoon between noon and 1 p.m.

John Morales, On Top of the World resident, and active member at Christ's Church of Marion County said, "We are sure there are folks who would welcome a meal delivered directly to their home, and it's a convenience we will gladly provide."

The Sharing Hope Ministry currently delivers meals every Friday to people living

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in motels and RVs along the Pine Avenue corridor. There are more than 70 children who receive their largess.

The Ministry relies on the church garden for vegetables, as well as, retail stores like Panera, Winn Dixie, and Publix, that donate food, bread, and baked goods. Individual donations of food, clothing and dollars are also a source for the Sharing Hope Ministry. The center, located on SW 80th Street, serves Friday meals between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

A team of about 10 volunteers will be available every Friday between noon and 1 p.m. to deliver a meal to residents of On Top of the World; at the same time, if some small chore needs doing around the house, consider it done by a team member. If you or someone you know would like to receive a Friday meal from Sharing Hope Ministry, simply call (352) 861-6182.

A Visit to the Business Incubator

By Robert Colen

Master the Possibilities' students got the rare opportunity to visit the Chamber & Economic Partnership's (CEP) Power Plant Business Incubator on Thursday, Nov. 7, 2013.

The Power Plant is one of the many strategies that the CEP has taken to expand job growth and economic activity in the Ocala area.

Angela Busler and Ryan Lilly from the CEP met the group of about 25 at the old Ocala Utility Services (formerly known as Ocala Electric Utility) building in downtown Ocala. The building is now operated by the CEP and used as an office park for small upstart businesses trying to make a name for themselves. Mr. Lilly gave a presentation on the history of business incubators and then provided an overview of how these companies are actually growing.

The class discussion then expanded into a conversation about the role public and private sector partnerships are taking in attracting new businesses to Marion County. We learned a few things about the new FedEx distribution center, the location of Israeli-based company Krausz Industries into Ocala and a general overview of why Ocala is strongly positioned for growth.

Ocala's key strength is location. We are positioned almost smack dab in the middle of Florida. Any property in the county is only minutes from highway I-75. From I-75, we are only five hours to over 20 million people and eight hours to over 40 million. We are only two hours from major water shipping ports in Jacksonville and Tampa.

Several international airports are close, including Ocala's very own International Airport. There are also train railways throughout the county. Railways are the least expensive method of transporting material.

With the availability of inexpensive land, transportation infrastructure, and an eager workforce, Marion County can be a brilliant location for a distribution center and other businesses that need these services. FedEx recognized the importance of Ocala, and the CEP expects other businesses will be quick to follow suit.

Overall, the visit to the Power Plant, provided class participants the opportunity to learn more about the inner workings of Marion County. We got a chance to see up close some of what our county commissioners, newspapers, and business leaders are talking about.

Master the Possibilities is working hard to provide cutting-edge programs that inspire and educate. Our recent trips to Golden Flake, Scorpion Performance, and the Power Plant are the beginnings of what we are calling the Economic Development Institute.

Future classes include a February tour of the Custom Window Systems factory. Later in the year, we are planning tours of Southern Marble and the Florida State Fire College. Other tours and site visits will be announced as the courses develop. Each of these classes will expand the horizons of our understanding of what shapes the economy in Marion County.

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Hoofin' It for Hospice

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

The 14th annual Hoofin' It for Hospice will take place on Saturday, Feb. 8, starting in front of the Health & Recreation Building.

This annual walking event benefits Hospice of Marion County's Legacy House. All residents are welcome to support this worthy cause!

The walking course is almost a two-mile trek at your own pace. Golf carts will be patrolling the route and available to support walkers. Registration will take place at 9 a.m. and the walk will commence at 9:30 a.m. The event will take place rain or shine.

Before the walk, participants are urged to get their friends, family, neighbors or club members and colleagues to sponsor the walkers.

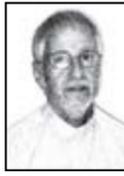
If one cannot participate in the event, donations ahead of time will be accepted by contacting any member of the commit-

tee. For those participating in the event, donations and pledges can be delivered to the committee the morning of the event at the Health & Recreation Building. There will be a committee representative attending club meetings asking for club donations and participation. Please make checks payable to Hospice of Marion County.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the committee volunteers: Bob and Karen Benson at 304-8656; Darlene Schmelfanick at 412-337-6854; Marge Fisher at 598-0208; or Bob Woods at 854-0702.

Let's make this annual event another great success by supporting Hoofin' It for Hospice. It's a great way to exercise, meet new and old friends, plus all monies benefit a worthy cause - Hospice of Marion County's Legacy House.

See you on the walking course!



Democratic Club

By Dan Lack

Our next meeting will occur on Thursday, Jan. 23 when our speaker will be George Albright. That name should be familiar to you because you send him money each year when you pay your taxes or renew your driver's license or car registration. Mr. Albright will give you a behind-the-scenes look at the Marion County Tax Department and Motor Vehicle Division.

We require a quorum of at least 25% of our club's membership to be present at this meeting so that we may vote on the slate

of officers for 2014: President Dan Lack, Vice President Jerry Segovis, Secretary Lynn Miller, Treasurer Evelyn Koffroth and Directors Jim Delfraisse, Jack Hegarty, Vernon Murray and Margot Thomas.

Our semi-annual club luncheon will take place at Beef 'O' Brady's, at 1 p.m., on Thursday, Jan. 16. These luncheons give us opportunities to get to know each other better while we enjoy good food. We need to give the restaurant a final stomach count, so please phone our secretary, Lynn Miller, at 438-3354 if you haven't already registered for this event.

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



Birders' Beat

By Anne Merrick

I was unable to go on the last outing but was told it was a great trip. After initial difficulties trying to locate the East African crowned crane, the group came across a maintenance worker who showed them where it was located on that morning.

The bird is glamorous in photos but exciting to see in the flesh. It is very tame and everyone got a good look. On their way to the Longleaf Flatwoods Reserve, they stopped at Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Historic State Park. There were a lot of mosquitoes around, so the visit was short.

A tasty lunch was eaten at Blue Highway, a pizzeria. This is always an important part of the trip to cement new friendships and generally chit-chat about birding and life's experiences. We do see a lot of birds

and have our expert birders to show and tell those of us who are not so good. Thanks to Carolyn Retey for leading the group.

Twenty-four species were seen and heard, including bald eagle, purple gallinule, red-tailed hawk and two types of woodpeckers.

Thank you so much to those who drove and don't forget to contribute to the gas, if you were a passenger.

The Audubon and Marion County Christmas bird counts are over. The one usually held in January was held on Saturday, Dec. 14, when it was considerably warmer than usual. Because it was a Saturday, local youth were able to attend. It's always great to have young people along to learn about the world around us.

The next trip is on Friday, Jan. 31, to the Emerald Marsh Conservation Area. This is a driving and walking trip as it is a large area. You will see water birds as well as many others. Roberta Campbell is the leader, and carpooling will be at 7:30 a.m. from under the large tree in the Health & Recreation parking lot. You may call her at 854-4814 for more information.



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Hoofin' It for Hospice committee preparing for the upcoming walk.



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Artistic Crafts & Gifts

By Loretta Troutman

While still enjoying Christmas decorations and visits from family and friends our crafters are checking our lists twice. Yes, working on some new items, restocking here and there, this and that.

During the weeks before Christmas we enjoyed meeting quite a few new shoppers and those friends who brought their guests to see the beautiful work our crafters offer.

With the brisk weather ahead of us this winter, you'll want to check out the scarves, knit hats, blankets, afghans and bed socks made to keep you comfortable. And have you seen the beautiful totes and handbags in warm colors to compliment your winter wardrobe? There are so many more items such as jewelry and those things of practical use you'll enjoy seeing. It's all there in the Health & Recreation Ballroom every Tuesday from 9 a.m. to noon.

Please do come up to see us. We know you'll be pleased to see the beautiful items our crafters offer for gift giving and home decor.



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Sewing Bees

By Linda Lohr

Well, I have already mistakenly written 2013 instead of 2014 for this column! This won't be the only time, I am sure. Happy New Year to everyone! May it be healthy and happy!

The bees stitched and filled 50 stockings for distribution at Christmas to needy children of Marion County. They were stuffed with animals, candy and small toys and either a hat or socks.

Our Christmas luncheon and gift exchange was held at Candler Hills Restaurant.

In the meantime, we are still buzzin' in the hive, making warm quilts, many in soft, cuddly flannel. Oh so cozy!

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

If you no longer sew but have cotton fabric, fiberfill or batting cluttering up your closets, please consider donating the materials to the Sewing Bees. We will put it to good use!

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



Photo by Cathy Lewandowski

Some of the 50 stockings given out at Christmas to needy children in Marion County by the Sewing Bees.



Happy Hookers

By Marge Curran

Happy New Year from the Happy Hookers!

The Happy Hookers may have been absent from the World News for a while but the group is alive and well as evidenced by the large group of crafters who meet on a weekly basis. You can find crochet (hence the Happy Hookers moniker), knitting, needlepoint, card crafting, embroidery, needlepoint, and just about any project you happen to be working on or have interest in. The group is often working on hats and blankets that are donated to local charities as well as the armed forces.

Tuesday, Dec. 9 found 16 of the members celebrating the holiday season over lunch at Arthur's Bistro at the Ocala Hilton. It was a great way to kick off the holiday season in a beautiful environment.

This terrific group of ladies continues to welcome newcomers to their weekly get-together where a variety of crafts in progress can be found. I just joined the group a few weeks ago and felt comfortable right from the start.

The group meets every Monday from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Art Room of the Craft Building. There are no dues or agenda. Attendees bring whatever they happen to be working on and sometimes come empty-handed looking for a new idea or just for a chat with friends in a comfortable setting. The group meets year-round and schedules a lunch-out every other month.

If you have yarn you have no use for that is just taking up space, donations are always greatly appreciated. Questions? Feel free to call me at 630-336-7105.



Rubber Stamp Greeting Cards

By Linda Lohr

Happy New Year to everyone and may 2014 bring you health and happiness!

Our presenters for December were Jett Messer and Susie Freitag. Susie presented



Photo by Linda Lohr

Elf card presented by Susie Freitag.

an adorable elf card for Christmas, holding a big package. Jett's card was adorned with a clever dress, they both presented calendar cards, which were quite well received, as were the others. Kits were made up for each person, so all we had to do was organize the pieces and glue them together! We thank Jett and Susie for their generosity. What great cards!

Last month, Ida Swanson and Donna Hamende presented a fantastic photo album.

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

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



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Home Maintenance Tips

By Robert Colen

Time to Repaint Your House?

The first houses in the Indigo East and Candler Hills communities started popping up in 2004. Wow! Ten years really flies by fast. This also means that for many houses inside of these communities, it is time to strongly consider a repaint.

Repainting of a home is important for many reasons, and not just because it may enhance the beauty. Paint plays a vital role in protecting your home from the elements, especially sun and rain.

One of the reasons that we use a high-quality masonry paint product in our new construction is to ensure that houses are protected from moisture intrusion. For example, if you were to look at a new house under construction, prior to the drywall being installed and paint applied, you will likely notice that the block on the inside of the house is damp. The block is wet because moisture from rain or humidity has seeped through the concrete block, almost like a sponge. Paint provides a barrier that keeps water out.

Ultraviolet light from the sun, heat, rain, and all kinds of weather play a significant role in causing the paint to age, fade and crack. As the paint on your house gets older and its elasticity breaks down, it will lose the ability to protect your house from the moisture. Paint warranties, on even the best paints, typically only cover peeling and blistering.

We recommend that you repaint your house every seven to 10 years. The time frame depends on the color of the paint and the condition of the exterior walls. Darker paints do age and fade quicker than lighter paints, so you might be better off with a lighter color. Lighter color paints can also be more energy efficient since they reflect some of the sun's heat away. Additionally, naturally occurring hairline cracks can appear over time and may permit water

to seep through the block.

If you are going to repaint your house, or use a professional painter, this is what we suggest in this order:

- **POWER WASH THE HOUSE:** You will want to make sure that the house is fully cleaned on the outside, removing any kind of possible contaminants.
- **SEAL ANY CRACKS:** The painter should also seal any cracks that appear in the wall prior to conditioning. We suggest that the painter use a good 40-year or better exterior caulking.
- **USE A CONDITIONER:** Conditioning is a water-based spray on product that is used to revitalize the existing paint on the house.
- **USE A LONG-LASTING, QUALITY PAINT:** We recommend that you use a high-quality acrylic-based paint. For example, in the On Top of the World Central Owners Association neighborhoods, the houses are repainted every seven years. The painters are required to use Color Wheel Tropiccoat 3400, Porter Acru Pro, or Sherwin Williams A-100 Acrylic or an approved equivalent. Just remember that in Florida, even the best paints only provide about seven to 10 years of optimal performance due to the subtropical climate.
- **USE A SATIN PAINT:** A satin finish provides a slight gloss and will give the house paint a longer life with a more vibrant look.

We always recommend that you get a couple of bids from different painters. Just look for a painter that understands the difference in quality of paints and really knows what they are doing.

These suggestions can make your house look great for many years to come and will provide lasting protection from water intrusion.

Don't forget that if you are changing the paint color on the exterior of your home, you will first need to apply for a modification at Customer Service and receive approval before any work may begin. If you are just repainting with the exact same color(s), there is no need for a modification.



100 Grandparents

By Janet Fragapane

Happy New Year to all. Just think ... the school year for the grandparents is half over. What a wonderful time the children and our readers have had.

December found our group loaded down with cookies, cupcakes, candies, and gifts for the children. Some grandparents came to school wearing Santa hats, or reindeer ears. We went home with handmade gifts made from loving children's hands. We joined them in their classrooms for songs, games, and reading.

If by reading this, you think you would need to bring special things, food or dress up in some way, be assured that is not the case. As a grandparent, you are only asked to read each month to the students. The school supplies the books. Nothing more is asked of you ... just your desire to be there.

Reading to the children at Romeo Elementary is such a gift. These children become a part of you. You want to bring a little extra. That little becomes a big memory for you and hopefully a memory for them. Call Barbara Greenwood at 861-2539 to join us.

Just being there means so much to these children. Teachers have told us that the children look forward to our monthly visit. It makes the children want to learn more about what was read to them or told to them by their grandparent.

Thank you all for donating to the Dunnellon Food-4-Kids. Cash donations may be made by sending donations to P.O. Box 262, Dunnellon, FL 34430. So many of these children rely on that program for food over the weekend. Remember any amount is welcome: \$25 will fill a backpack with food.

If you wish to donate food items, keep in mind that each item is no heavier than 16 oz. each. Please purchase single serving-sized items, and drop them off at Joanne Leigh's front door at 10114 SW 92nd Street Road (Avalon). There is a tote on the bench, where you can leave your items. Can't get there but still wish to donate? Call Joanne at 237-7637; she will gladly come to you.

As always, a big thank you to the people who leave Campbell soup labels, Box Tops for Education, and pull tabs at the assigned drawer at the Health & Recreation lobby under the stairs. These items have been a big help to the school in getting needed items for the children. Keep them coming.

The next school bus will be leaving from the old Porter's store at the Winn Dixie parking lot on Thursday, Jan. 12, at 8:30 a.m. Give Barbara a call. Get on the bus to some fun and learning.



Genealogical Society

By Peter Parisi

At the business meeting on Dec. 9, 2013, the members of the Genealogical Society present at the meeting, elected the following members as officers for 2014: Jean Monroe, president; Guy White, vice president; Donnamarie Castellano, secretary; and Jane Duckworth, treasurer. Peter Parisi, outgoing president, thanked all of the officers and also Julia Hendrick, Jane Duckworth, Margaret Smith, Em Jones, Kathy McKelvey, Patty Kirschner, Dick Belz, Ron Chard, Nancy Frank, Rene Beck and Betty Kyle for their service to the club this past year.

We want to remind all members and non-members of the Genealogical Society that Sharon Tate Moody will be presenting two one-hour genealogy workshops on Tuesday, March 18, from 10 a.m. to noon at Master the Possibilities. The topics for the workshops will be:

1. What Happened to Grandma at the Altar?
2. A Strategy for Research Success:

How to Analyze Your Evidence and Know Your Next Step.

The cost is \$15 per person for the two-hour presentation. Sign up for this workshop either online or in person at Master the Possibilities. Remember to pay for the class within 10 days after you sign up for the class.

The Genealogical Society holds a business meeting at 10 a.m. on the second Monday of every month in Meeting Room #3 of the Craft Building next to the Health & Recreation Building. This meeting is for all members and people who may be interested in joining our Society.

At the business meeting we discuss upcoming genealogy programs, new books added to the Society's extensive genealogical library and methods of researching your family's roots and more. All of the books and CDs in our extensive collection are available to members to be signed out and used at home for their research.

We also have an educational presentation at 10 a.m. on the third Monday of the month in Suites B and C in the Arbor Conference Center. We hope to see you at one of our meetings. Remember, our annual dues are only \$10 per person, \$15 per couple, so come to one of our meetings and see what we are all about.

The Genealogical Society wishes everyone a happy and healthy New Year.



Republican Club

By Fred Pulis

The December meeting was a social get together providing members an opportunity to discuss election strategies for the upcoming 2014 elections. Various ideas and suggestions were discussed in the friendly roundtable format. Also, American Flag

flying rules and etiquette were provided for neighborhood use.

The first scheduled meeting for the year will be held on Friday, Jan. 10 in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites E, F, and G. Featured guest speaker will be Marion County Commission Chairman Carl Zalak. He will be discussing county pressing issues including the proposed Yankee baseball stadium.

All regular meetings are scheduled for the second Friday. The meetings start at 7 p.m. and usually last about an hour. For additional information contact Fred Pulis at 854-9976.



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Photo by Tom Wiles

The Candler Connection board of directors and their spouses/dates enjoyed a holiday dinner.



Candler Connection

By Janet Wiles

Happy New Year to all! We wish you, your family, and friends a year filled with good health, fun, and happiness.

The next Candler Connection board meeting will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 7, at 2 p.m. in the Candler Hills Community Center. All residents are welcome to come and discuss any issue pertaining to the board.

On Tuesday, Jan. 14, at 3 p.m. in the Candler Hills Community Center, Karen Jensen with the Marion County Library System will present information on services and resources available to Marion County residents. Some areas she will cover are digital resources, programs scheduled for the year, opportunities for volunteering at the library, and the Marion County Citizen's Academy.

The Candler Connection Social Club board of directors announced that the annual meeting and election for incoming board members will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 21, at 3 p.m. in the Candler Hills Community Center. When you arrive, be sure to get a ticket that will make you eligible for a free door prize. Liquid refreshments and light snacks will be served. The meeting should last no more than one hour.

The next potluck will be on Tuesday, Jan 28, in the Candler Hills Community Center. Come meet your neighbors. Residents with last names beginning with A-C and T-Z should bring main entrees; D-K, vegetables, salads, or side dishes; L-S, appetizers or desserts. Label your dish with its name and ingredients to assist people with dietary issues. Start arriving at 5:30 p.m. to enjoy appetizers. Please get a number for the table where you will sit. The cost of \$1 covers eating utensils, plates, napkins, and decaf coffee. To attend, contact Bev McCarthy at (352) 854-9416 or bjtr6@yahoo.com to let her know how many will be attending, what dish you will be bringing, and if you can help with set up.

Mark your calendars for three additional events. On Thursday, Feb. 20, there will be a presentation on sinkholes and catastrophic ground cover collapse. On Saturday, March 8, Phillip Hisey will discuss getting homes and yards ready for summer. Both presentations will at 3 p.m. in the Candler Hills Community Center. The "Swing into Spring" dinner and dance will be on Saturday, April 5, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Arbor Club. Details for these events will be in next month's column. All residents are welcome to attend parties and speaker series presentations.

The Candler Connection web site, www.candlerconnection.org, contains a neighborhood directory. If you wish to be added to this directory, to receive e-mail notices, or to make corrections to the current listing, please contact Marilyn Lube at 895-3954 or marilynlu@yahoo.com. If leaving a message, please include your name, address, phone number, and e-mail address. Sometimes it is necessary to reschedule a speaker after the column has been submitted. Having your e-mail address would allow us to contact you about any changes.



Avalon Social Group

By Lorraine Rourke

Our Christmas potluck was a huge success with around 100 residents. We had a variety of delicious dishes made by our residents. Also need to mention various items raffled off as part of the 50/50 raffle, which pays for the meat on special occasions, decorations, and paper products.

Our potlucks are the first Monday of the month unless that falls near a holiday then we move it to the second Monday. Come join us on Monday, Jan. 6 with the first potluck of 2014.

Are you trying to take off those pounds put on over the holidays? How about fixing some low calorie dishes so we can all work on it? Bring a dish to share of meat, pasta, casserole, vegetable, salad, fruit, or appetizer, a serving utensil and your own non-alcoholic drink. I will assign the dessert so unless you have talked specifically with me do not bring one.

We will also discuss if you want a different format or if what we're doing is working and you want to keep it the same. Location is the Arbor Club Ballroom with setup at 5:15 p.m. and start at 5:30 p.m.

New and current residents have a great time sharing ideas, repairs, and sights to see. If you have any questions, contact Lorraine at 390-2120.

Potluck dates for 2014 are Jan. 6, Feb. 3, March 3, April 7, May 5, Sept. 8, Oct. 6, Nov. 3 and Dec. 8.

Sold Out Show

The Atlantic City Boys show on Saturday, Jan. 25, 2014 is sold out. The Entertainment Group appreciates your support.

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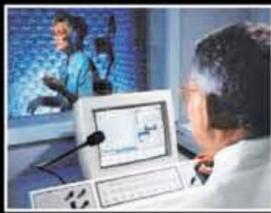


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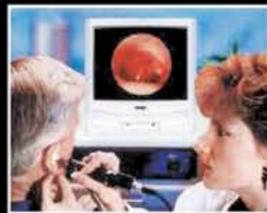
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Indigo East

By Jean DiPiero

All residents are invited to play bunco at the Indigo East Community Center, at 7 p.m., the first Tuesday of every month. Please bring a drink of your choice, if you wish, along with a snack to share. It can be cookies, chips, candy, etc. There is a fee of \$3 per person.

At the end of 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. If you have any questions, please contact Shirley Hamilton at kableshirley@yahoo.com.

Indigo East held a "Holiday Glitter" ladies Christmas luncheon on Saturday, Dec. 7, 2013. Guests saw a magnificent, decorated Christmas tree as soon as they walked into the Indigo East Community Center with poinsettias around the tree.

After enjoying appetizers and dessert, many door prizes were given away such as gift cards from Publix, Wal-Mart and Pavarotti's. Other door prizes consisted of a musical snowman figurine, coffee and travel mug, earrings, a watch, picture frame, ceramic bowl serving set, set of four teal light holders with tray and much, much more.

Several people wore glittery tops and the winner of the "glittery top prize" was Lois Nix. If you donated a canned good to Interfaith Emergency Services food pantry, you were automatically entered in another drawing for a prize.

Our talented artisans from Indigo East displayed their wares.

Barbara Martyn and Shirley Hamilton were co-chairpersons of the Indigo



Photo by Jean DiPiero

Santa's helpers: Annette Hodges, Sue Copeland, Barbara Sandberg, Lee Potoma, Lynn Bernot, Sybil Hester and MaryBeth Barnes.

East "Holiday Glitter" ladies Christmas luncheon. Also, helping out to make this luncheon a success were the following ladies: Sue Copeland, Angela Vann, Lee Potoma, Charlotte Sodetani, Betty Chadwell, Annette Hodges, Mary Pat Giffin, Sarah Logue, Sybil Ester, Patsy Keegan, Sheryl Browne, Lee Ann Oliver, Helen Solan, Barbara Kratz, Barbara Sandberg, Marybeth Barnes, Lynn Bernot, Daisy Rowell, Joyce Winspear, Mary Kay Fitzgerald, Shirley Pupa, Anita Burnham, Vivian Covin, Maria Fried, Jeanne Collins and Susan Moles-

ki. Our next ladies luncheon (for Easter) will be on Saturday, March 29. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Shirley Hamilton at kable.shirley@yahoo.com.

Indigo East held their annual Christmas party at the Indigo East Community Center on Sunday, Dec. 8, 2013. The theme of the party was "Peace On Earth." Each table was beautifully decorated.

Joyce Dickman said a prayer before we ate. A buffet of sliced turkey with gravy and cranberry sauce, spiral ham, mashed

potatoes, sweet potatoes, corn, green beans with bread and butter. Marble cake, cookies and brownies were for dessert.

Poinsettia plants were given out as door prizes. Everyone had a good time.

Special thanks goes out to all of the people who worked hard to make this a success: Joyce Dickman, Sally Reisman, Marcia Connolly, Betty Chadwell, Sue Copeland, Mary Lou Masone, Mary Pat Giffin, Sue Siegal, and David Marrella.



Photo by Bill Wetmore

Luminaries in Windsor on Sunday, Dec. 8, 2013.



Winds of Windsor

By Walt Lamp

Welcome to Windsor! Sunday, Dec. 8 was our fifth annual luminaries get together. The weather was good, the candles and lights were glowing and there was plenty of food and drinks to go around.

At 6 p.m., we lit the candles and turned on the candle lights. After this, the neighbors walked around and enjoyed the scenery of the luminaries and each other.

For the second year now, we used a combination of the original candles and electric lights. Each homeowner in Windsor makes his or her own choice in this regard.

Another change that was in its second year was having a get together, which included great food and drinks, on one of the

cul de sacs outside. Peter and Joyce Woods were always kind to volunteer their house for this event but now there are 60 occupied houses, so we had to move it outdoors. Most folks in the loop do attend, making the outdoor choice more practical.

Although this event is a community effort, a few folks stand out in helping to organize this event: Ted and Karen Welty, Peter Woods and Brian Cerutti. They helped get the word out and then made the necessary preparations for the night. They also helped distribute the supplies needed, such as the sand, bags and candles. The electric candle lights were purchased by the neighbors. Joni Wetmore led the way with a group of ladies in preparing not only the food, but setting it up so we could all enjoy it.

The next morning, a few early risers in their golf carts drove around the loop and cleaned up all the candle bags. Now, Windsor looks the same once again. But, to the residents, we know how special it was the night before and how special it is to us each and every day.

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Pennsylvania Club

By Pat Utiss

The Pennsylvania Club Christmas party was held on Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2013. We always have it earlier than our usual meeting date, so our members who wish can attend the holiday festivities in the Health & Recreation Ballroom on the second Wednesday in December.

The tables were decorated with white tablecloths, red napkins and beautiful red poinsettias. After a delicious and plentiful dinner, prepared by the good cooks in our membership, participants were challenged with an equation quiz. There was some grumbling that the questions were too hard, but five members answered enough to win a prize.

Congratulations to Micki Malsch, Ed

Hinde, Nancy Minehart, Janet Wahl and Jim Entinger. After the game, Santa Claus made an appearance. Santa along with his elf, Larry Wilver, helped Nancy Minehart in the reading of "The Visit of St. Nick." This is the method we use for the gift exchange.

Another tradition of the Pennsylvania Club is the huge basket of Pennsylvania products (donated by the members) that is the first door prize at our Christmas party. This year, Anita and Phil DeVito were the lucky winners of the basket.

Many other attendees won the poinsettia centerpieces and several door prizes, also donated by members. I think I can safely say that it was a rousing start for the holiday season.

We will start off January with another round of horse racing at our Wednesday, Jan. 8 meeting, at 3 p.m., in Suites E and F of the Arbor Conference Center. We will be collecting dues at this meeting, still just \$5, per person, per year.

Happy New Year, and we hope to see you at the January meeting.



View From The Library

By B.J. Leckbee

The 24 Hours of Le Mans is an endurance sports car race in France that requires fast and durable cars driven in turn by two daredevil drivers. In its early years, safety was sacrificed for speed, crashes were common, and spectators as well as drivers paid the ultimate price.

In the 1950s and early 1960s, Enzo Ferrari of Italy was the king of sports car racing in Europe and Henry Ford II was president and CEO of Ford Motor Company. Ford wanted to sell cars in Europe and he realized that sports car racing was the most effective marketing tool in the auto industry. He decided it would be necessary to beat Ferrari. And he wanted to do it publicly at the 24-hour race at Le Mans.

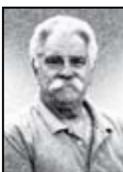
In his book, "Go Like Hell," A.J. Baime declares that winning Le Mans would take a greasy-fingered visionary, a team of the most skilled drivers in the world, and the swiftest racing sports car ever to hurtle down a road. It also would require a lot of money.

Ford had the money. He assigned the task of designing and building a winning race car to his marketing genius and developer of the Mustang, Lee Iacocca, who quickly realized there was only one "greasy-fingered visionary" car designer in America who had the knowledge and experience to build a winner. His name was Carroll Shelby and his cars were winning races regularly in this country. Shelby wasn't interested in working for a large corporation, but he was very interested in beating Ferrari.

So Lee Iacocca took off his suit and showed up at Shelby's facility dressed in shorts and a sports shirt and created, if not a partnership, a working relationship. It took three years and many setbacks, but, long story short, the Ford team did it, and in very dramatic fashion.

"Go Like Hell" describes three years of small successes followed by mechanical failures followed by more small successes until it all came together. The book also follows the careers of drivers who dared to challenge Le Mans, including Phil Hill, Ken Miles, Dan Gurney, and Mario Andretti.

Ferrari never won Le Mans after the initial Ford win, but his brand name still commands respect. A Ferrari Spider (not a race car) sold at auction for \$25 million. Enzo would have been so proud.



Bingo

By Mort Meretsky

Bingo is back after a well-deserved one-month vacation. Wednesday, Jan. 8 bingo begins its new season. Games begin at 6 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. The cost is still the same: \$1 per card, 70/30 drawing is \$1 for three chances or \$3 for 10 chances.

The only change is that after 15 years of calling bingo, I have retired. However, I understand that Lolly already has a couple of volunteers. Also, this will be my last bingo article. I'm sure that someone will fill this spot. This gives me a chance to give my best to all of the bingo players. I had a great time and thoroughly enjoyed calling for all of you. May you all get to yell bingo!

If you have any questions, call Lolly at 861-2165.



Southern Club

By Ida Willink

All at the Southern Club Christmas party had a great time on Thursday, Dec. 5, 2013! As folks arrived, they were warmly greeted by Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus (thank you Joanie and Richie). A delicious turkey and ham dinner with all the trimmings was served at 5:30 p.m.

An outstanding musical program was presented by Kathy and Charley Petrosky. They led the audience in a sing-along featuring Christmas carols and other traditional Christmas songs. Perhaps the highlight of the program was the performance of "The Twelve Days of Christmas" arranged "Southern style!"

We were glad to have Carol Kemp introduced as a new member.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, Jan. 2. Y'all come!



Lions Club

By Eloise Hollyfield

This is the last call for model entries for the second annual Recycled "Trashy" Fashion Show, which will take place on April 25. Businesses, clubs, and various other types of organizations are invited to enter the competition.

The first, second, and third place winners donate their prize money to the charity of their choice. Don't be left out of this exciting event!

To enter a model, contact Lion Estelle at 861-7358 or pdgestelle@yahoo.com. Additionally, sponsors and advertisers are

still being sought. For full details about all aspects of this exciting spring event, visit www.otowlionsclub.org.

The Lions Club met on the evening of Tuesday, Dec. 10 for their annual Christmas party and dinner. Ham, a variety of potatoes, green beans, rolls, desserts, and coffee were created by members and served buffet style. Members were treated to a new selection: meaty empanadas, made by one of its members. They were delicious and well-received. After dinner, gifts were exchanged and wishes for happy holidays expressed.

The Lions Club provided residents with the Veterans Day program on Monday, Nov. 11, 2013, an event that was very well attended.

Lion President Richard Spahn presided over the event, Pastor David Bellows provided both the invocation and closing benediction, and the West Port High School R.O.T.C. presented and retired The Colors.

The Concert Chorus and Sunshine Singers sang a medley of patriotic songs, including the theme song of each branch of the government; veterans stood as the theme song of the branch in which they served was sung. Colonel William V. Murry, U.S. Army, Ret. served as the guest speaker.

Colonel Murry spoke of his experiences in the military, and he read the oath those who enlist in the military take, reminding veterans - and citizens - that the oath to defend the Constitution was forever a duty. He also told an anecdotal story about the position of the U.S. flag, which should never be placed upside down, as they depicts eminent danger. Having come across such a flag, he and another passerby restored it to its rightful position. Colonel Murry concluded his speech by listing major military campaigns, asking veterans to stand as they heard the name of the campaign(s) in which they served.

Mr. Kenneth Colen and Coleman V. Brumley, Navy Senior Chief E8, Ret. placed the memorial wreath.

In other news, this is the last call for models for the Recycled "Trashy" Fashion Show, to be held on April 25. If your club, business, or organization would like to participate, please contact Lion Estelle at pdgestelle@yahoo.com or 861-7358.

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Concert Chorus

By Patricia Woodbury

Although we just completed our Christmas concert, the chorus will begin Tuesday, Jan. 7 to practice for the spring concert. We are always looking for residents who like to sing and join us. We meet every Tuesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Arbor Club Ballroom. So come and check us out, you might like it.

While you are toasting and singing in 2014 on New Year's Eve, think about that song you will be singing "Auld Lang Syne." There is always someone who will ask what those words mean - simply translated they mean "old," "long," and "since." The title of this Scottish tune means "times gone by" and about remembering friends from the past and not letting them be forgotten.

Despite its strong association with New Year's Eve this ballad was written by the Scottish poet, John Burns in the 1700s about a disappointed lover as a popular dance tune. It was never intended to be a holiday song until Guy Lombardo popularized it during a live performance at the Roosevelt Hotel in New York in 1929. Af-



Photo by Mike Roppel

"Songs of Celebration" Christmas concert by the Concert Chorus on Dec. 8, 2013.

terwards a New Year's tradition was born so that on every Dec. 31 millions of people stand with friends greet the New Year looking back on days past.

Our featured member this month is Jane

Rolfe. Jane was born in Chicago, Ill. She moved to Florida in 1960 and was a successful real estate broker in Palm Beach for many years. She retired in 1998 and moved to On Top of the World in May 2010. She has a lot of singing experience, with voice lessons, church choirs, Palmer Singers and the Palm Beach Choral Society. Jane has a lovely soprano voice and the chorus is pleased that she sings with us.

Jane tells a delightful story about her father. Jane invited a friend to sing for her father a song he had written. After the friend left, her father said, "If that kid ever makes a cent with his voice and song, I'll eat my hat." Years later while watching the Milton Berle show on television a guest star was introduced and it was Jane's friend, Mel Torme, singing his song "Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire." Jane said, "Dad here is your straw hat."



Photo by Bill Shampine

Jane Rolfe



ShutterBugs Photography

By Gary Uhley

The ShutterBugs is "under new management." Our yearly elections were just held, and starting in January the board will be: President Gary Uhley; First Vice-President John Bauer; Second Vice-President Larry Goldberg; Secretary Marilynn Cronin; Treasurer Bill Osis; Display Director Daisy Rowell; and Web Master Mike Gattozzi.

All of us would like to thank the retiring officers for their dedication, and hard work for this past year. Sue and Larry Goldberg had a difficult situation thrust upon them, but handled it like troopers! Some of last year's officers are returning to their previous positions, and we'd like to thank them as well. Without your efforts our photography club would not be as active or successful as it is today. Thank you.

Holiday Lights: Nope, it's not too late to take that new camera out and try to get a good picture of holiday lights.

What do you need? Well, if you're planning on going out at twilight or close to sunset, likely nothing but your camera. You

see, nowadays, these new fangled gadgets have all the necessary tools built in.

On the camera, you'll find a "mode dial" (that's the one with all the funny little pictures on it). If you turn it to the "night setting" (could look like a moon or stars on a dark background) and find something to steady the camera on ... you're set to go.

A small flashlight is always a handy thing to take along too. Remember to pick a spot where you are away from outside lights.

Try using the shutter priority (S) and leave open for a couple of seconds, up the camera's ISO to 400 or higher. You'll need a tri-pod and possibly a remote shutter release. These will help eliminate shaking while the shutter stays open longer. Those Christmas lights can be very pretty and colorful.

For these longer exposure shots eliminating "camera shake" or movement is critical. To help, if you're using a tripod, try adding weight to the unit - I'll sometimes tie a brick hung by twine, from the frame to reduce "shake."

We'll be introducing some dynamic changes for this new year. For one, we will be meeting every Tuesday again, starting in January. Same as before, we'll meet in Suites B and C in the Arbor Conference Center, at 3 p.m. For further information visit our web site at www.otowspc.com.



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For more information call: 854-8707 ext. 7532



Back at The Ranch

By David Gibas

Happy New Year from The Ranch Fitness Center & Spa! A New Year brings hope, inspiration and the renewed commitment to personal health. The Ranch is here to assist you; this is the perfect time to put your health and wellness goals into action.

Let our team of fitness professionals help guide you to a workout plan that is just right for you. Check out our January fitness schedule for a wide variety of classes. Discover programs that focus on strength, flexibility and cardiovascular capability along with mind-body programs that add balance and mental focus. We also have lots of aqua classes for those who prefer to exercise in the water, and we have added more aqua classes for January.

Be sure to make note of our Open House Week (Jan. 13 through Jan. 19); feel free to stop in, we would love to show you around. Special programming for January includes:

- Buddy Boot Camp, Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 8 a.m.
- Karate demonstration, Thursday, Jan. 17 at 11 a.m.
- Adult Karate class, Monday, Jan. 20 at 11 a.m.

If you need a customized fitness program, one of our personal trainers would be happy to design an exercise prescription specific to your needs. Personal trainers provide motivation and accountability; they keep you focused and on track!

An important part of restoring your commitment to personal wellness is striking a balance between demand and recovery. A challenging workout or a stressful day creates demand on the body and the mind and it is important to seek out recovery for both.

Wellness is multifaceted; it is a state of being healthy in both body and mind as the result of deliberate actions. These "deliberate actions" are thoughtful, lifestyle

choices that embrace much more than exercise. They include social, emotional and spiritual elements. Let our spa and salon immerse you in a restorative world that invites wellness. Inspire renewal and balance in your life with one of our many relaxing treatments.

We are anxiously awaiting the completion of our expansion; in addition to our added space we have exciting new programs to keep you motivated. As the New Year unfolds The Ranch is eager to support you on your path to personal wellness. Turn the New Year into a new "you!"

THE RANCH FITNESS SCHEDULE

| The Ranch (Effective Jan. 1) | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--------------------------|---|
| Time | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| 8:00-8:55 a.m. | Power Cycling Jessica | Tabata Training Jessica | Yoga Sculpt Barb Anne | Tabata Training Carolin | Power Cycling Carolin | (8:30 a.m.) Power Cycling Instructor Rotation |
| 9:00-9:55 a.m. | 20-20-20 Jessica | ZUMBA Nichole Water Works Jessica | Power Cycling Carolin | Combat & Core Kitti H2O Fit Pat | 20-20-20 Carolin | (9:30 a.m.) Power Pump Instructor Rotation |
| 10:00-10:55 a.m. | ZUMBA Dara | Chisel Muscle Mix Kitti | Power Pump Carolin | Chisel Muscle Mix Kitti | Cardio Dance Jessica | (10:30 a.m.-Noon) Yoga Flow |
| 10:30-11:25 a.m. | Water Works Jessica | H2O Fit Barb | | H2O Fit Barb | H2O Fit Kelly | H2O Fit Instructor Rotation |
| 11:00-11:55 a.m. | Power Cycling Cammy | Restorative Yoga Jennifer | Power Cycling Mary Hydro-Pilates (11:30) Barb | Restorative Yoga Jennifer | | Special Class! Adult Karate January 20 11 a.m. |
| 6:00-6:55 p.m. | Power Cycling Rene H2O Fit Linda | Tabata Training Carolin | Power Pump Rene H2O Fit Linda | ZUMBA Heaven | H2O Fit Linda | |
| 7:00-7:55 p.m. | ZUMBA Heaven | Yoga Fit Grace | ZUMBA Nichole | Tai Chi Art | | |

Monday-Thursday, 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday, 5:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Art at Master the Possibilities

Students at Master the Possibilities go into an art studio on about 150 occasions during the year and come out with an art piece worth displaying at home or using as a gift. According to Marlene Berrio, who coordinates these programs, "Most of our art students are novices who want to try out something that has been on their wish list." Perhaps the biggest surprise is that the work done is really very good.

Sami Odeh teaches stained glass and reports that the majority of his students never did any glasswork before signing up for his class. "Stop by Studio 3 during class and you'll see various stages of projects ... stop by near the end and you'll see an almost

finished piece of art worth displaying." Along with the popular stained glass program, students can opt for oil painting, acrylics, watercolor, drawing, embossed metal, pastels, pottery, furniture painting, floor rug painting, one stroke painting, glass fusion jewelry, Wycinanki (Polish paper cutting), calligraphy, wearable art, knitting and many more.

Lee Ann Oliver's classes are perennial favorites. Studio 2 is her "turf" and the products of her teaching talent are displayed throughout the studio. Some of her students have been taking her classes regularly for many years; one of the students has said that pottery has brought a new dimension to her life. Another student said she was so glad that she found this class and would ask you to come and join the fun.

One of the reasons for this popular curriculum at Master the Possibilities is the small class size. "Seldom do we have more than 10 in a session," says Berrio. This allows the teacher and student to work closely and individual attention is the hallmark of hands on art and crafts.

Master the Possibilities will offer, for the second year, a three-day watercolor workshop with an internationally recognized artist, author and art instructor, Karlyn Holman. She is a prolific artist with a busy teaching schedule but has found the time to stop in Ocala again in January.

On Saturday, Jan. 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. you can stop by Studio 3 and meet instructors, perhaps see a demonstration, try your hand at a quick and easy project and find out what these classes are all about.

In February, stop by the Education Center and experience an exhibit of both student and teachers' artwork. It is guaranteed that you may find it difficult to distinguish between the two. If your New Year's resolution is to try something new ... try art!



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Fitness Happenings

By Cammy Dennis

Are you Fit to Function?

Happy New Year from the fitness team at Health & Recreation!

Functional fitness has become a very popular fitness trend and for older adults the "function" just might be more important than the fitness. Functional fitness training is geared towards training muscles and their actions to make it safer and easier to execute everyday tasks.

Functional exercises should improve your ability to do things like carry groceries, challenge the grandkids to a round of putt-putt golf and put away holiday decorations. Don't get me wrong, the five components of fitness are also important and play a role in overall health (see below), however when it comes to the quality of life, preserving independence and living with energy and vitality, functional fitness is paramount.

Five components of fitness:

1. Cardiorespiratory endurance, the ability of your heart and lungs to provide oxygen for your body's needs such as walking, dancing, or a game of tennis.
2. Muscular strength, the ability of your muscles to exert force such as getting out of a chair, lifting something heavy, moving quickly to avoid a fall.
3. Muscular endurance, the ability of your muscles to work for extended periods of time such as walking, riding a bike or repeatedly lifting things.
4. Flexibility, the range of motion you have at a joint such as reaching up into a cabinet, bending over to tie your shoes or turning around to look behind you when driving in reverse.
5. Body composition, your body's ratio of lean mass (muscles, bones, organs) to fat mass. (Healthy range for ages 55-79: women-23 to 36%; men-11 to 25%)

Functional fitness exercises recruit multiple muscles and joints at the same time because this mimics how everyday movements occur. A common method of improving strength is to use strength-training machines. Strength machines typically isolate muscles and train them individually; however "real life" actions rarely use only one muscle at a time. Therefore it makes sense to train muscles to work together rather than in an isolated fashion.

Another advantage of functional training is the core stabilization that is required. When performing exercises that use multiple muscles and joints the core muscles have to work harder to stabilize the trunk. This is good news for improving both strength and function.

Health & Recreation is pleased to announce a new functional training class on Thursdays at 11:30 a.m., "Fit to Function." This class is specifically geared to improving ADLs (Activities of Daily Living). Participants will be challenged on gait training, obstacle courses and functional movement such as bending, lifting and reaching.

FITNESS SCHEDULES

| Health & Recreation (Effective Jan. 1) | | | | | |
|--|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Time | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 7:00 Aerobics Rm | Oxycise-Video | Oxycise-Video | Oxycise-Video | Oxycise-Video | Oxycise-Video |
| 8:00-8:50 | Cardio Mix | Strength & Stretch | Wednesday Warrior | Strength & Stretch | Dance Party |
| Aerobics Room | Dara | Barb Anne | Jessica | Barb Anne | Jessica |
| 9:00-9:50 | Tai Chi | Chair Yoga | Stretch for the Stars | Chair Yoga | Chair Chi |
| Aerobics Room | Art | Barb Anne | *Last Wednesday of the month bring a mat | Barb Anne | Art |
| 10:00-10:45 | Balanced Body | *KB KB Kick boxing | Balanced Body | *KB KB Kick boxing | Balanced Body |
| Aerobics Room | Marie | Han | Jessica | Han | Marie |
| 10:45-11:30 | S.O.S. Serious on Strength | Balanced Body | S.O.S. Serious on Strength | Balanced Body | S.O.S. Serious on Strength |
| Aerobics Room | Larry | Jessica | Larry | Cammy | Larry |
| 10:45-11:30 | ZUMBA | | ZUMBA | NEW CLASS! | ZUMBA |
| H&R Ballroom | Kitti | | Kitti | Fit To Function | Dara |
| 11:45-12:30 | Get Fit While You Sit | | Get Fit While You Sit | Cammy (11:30) | Get Fit While You Sit |
| Aerobics Room | Kitti | | Kitti | | Marie |
| 1:00-2:00 | | Fitness Center Orientation** | | Balance Assessments** | |

Health & Recreation 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 (Effective Jan. 1) | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Time | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 9:00-9:45 | Deep Water Aerobics* | Shallow Water Aerobics* | Deep Water Aerobics* | Shallow Water Aerobics* | Deep Water Aerobics* |
| Arbor Club Indoor Pool | Larry | Barb | Larry | Barb | Dara |
| 9:30-10:30 | Yoga* | | Basic Hatha Yoga* | | Meditative Yoga* |
| Ballroom/Fitness Room | Barb Anne | | Grace | | Stuart |
| 11:00-11:45 | Light Cardio Mix | | Light Aerobics | Tai Chi for Joint Health* | |
| Ballroom | Becky | | Jessica | Art | |

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.

ARBOR CLUB INDOOR POOL SCHEDULE

Monday through 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.

Indoor pool closed for cleaning every Wednesday from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Outdoor pool closed for cleaning first Wednesday of every month

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

* Fitness Pass required to attend class

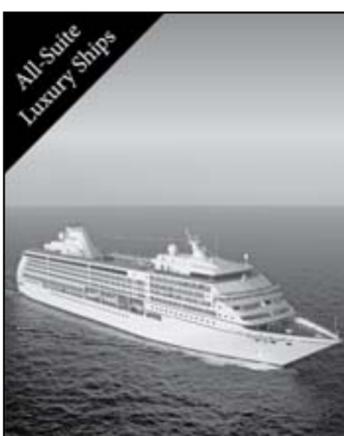
Rules for Lap Swimming:

1. Swimmers should swim on the line.
2. If lanes are full, share the lanes.
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Health and Recreation Pool

Monday through Sunday, 8 a.m. to dusk. Closed for cleaning the last Wednesday of every month.
Children permitted Monday through Friday, noon until dusk, all day Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

There will also be opportunities for discussion on functional fitness at Master the Possibilities during Health & Wellness week: "FUNCTIONAL Fitness Should be Fun" on Thursday Jan. 16, at 11 a.m. and "Posture Proud, Caring for Your Carriage" on Thursday, Jan. 16, at 1 p.m. Please refer to the Master the Possibilities catalog for more details or call 854-8707 ext. 7532 for more information on any of our fitness programs.



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Larry's Fit Tips

By Larry Robinson

Rules for Smart Shopping

Trying to navigate the aisles of the supermarket these days can be a daunting task. As a shopper, you are confronted with thousands of choices; grocery stores are brimming with questionable marketing claims and unsound nutritional options. As a consumer, it is difficult to know what's healthy and what's not. Here are five simple rules to help you shop smart.

RULE #1: Be prepared. Healthy grocery shopping starts before you leave the house, prepare a detailed list and stick to it once you are in the store. Researchers found that people who choose their food from memory were more likely to buy unhealthy foods than those who shopped from a grocery list. Preparing your grocery list beforehand, which promotes meal planning, often leads to a healthier diet overall.

RULE #2: Never shop when you are hungry. A Cornell University study found that hungry shoppers bought almost 19% more high-calorie items than those who ate a snack beforehand. Grocery shopping when you are hungry sets the stage for unhealthy impulse buys.

RULE #3: Shop the perimeter of the grocery store. Linger in the produce section and only go down the middle aisles for the items on your list. Eating five or more servings of fruits and vegetables daily ensures you are getting lots of vitamins, minerals and fiber.

Fruits and vegetables are low in calories and high in nutrients. Frozen fruits and vegetables are also a great option; they are

just as nutritious as their fresh counterparts. Frozen fruits and vegetables provide a convenient and inexpensive way for people to bump up their intake of much needed produce. Be sure to check for added fat and calories (sugar and sauces).

RULE #4: Read the food labels. Food labels provide you with important nutritional information, which will help you make wise selections. Food labels provide information on:

- Serving size: look at this closely, this is the amount of food in 1 serving, if you eat more you get more of everything on the label; including fat, cholesterol and calories!
- Total fat: this number tells you how many grams of fat are in one serving. A good rule of thumb is to avoid foods that have 30% or more of the calories derived from fat.
- % Daily Value: A large number (20% or greater) means one serving has a lot of that ingredient, a small number (5% or less) means one serving has a small amount of that ingredient. This value is based on a 2,000-calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs (calorie needs are dependent on age, gender and activity level).

RULE #5: Spend as little time as possible in the middle aisles. This is where the majority of processed foods are found. Processed foods are high in sugar and sodium to preserve the food for a long shelf life. Select foods that are as close to their natural state as possible.

FIT TIP #1: Ingredients on a food label are listed in decreasing order by their weight in the product. Thus, ingredients at the top of the list are more plentiful than ingredients at the end.

FIT TIP #2: A good rule of thumb when buying prepared foods from the inner aisles is to look for those with the shortest ingredient lists containing the words you can pronounce.

FIT TIP #3: Be careful with the so-called free samples at the end of the aisle, some can be healthy and some not so healthy. Remember to stick to your grocery list.



Ballet Club

By Eugenie Martin

I hope you enjoyed the holidays and did not overdo it on the shopping, cooking, partying, standing in line, writing cards, wrapping presents, and so on. It was so much easier to get through this time when I was young. In those days, Santa seemed to do everything except open presents.

Soon, we will all be facing New Year's resolutions. Mine will be health, fitness and better organization. I confess to being a saver. I still have items such as my elementary school report cards, 30-year-old files, clothes I have not worn in over a decade and many hundreds of books.

I also have ballet classes. They do not help my organization, since many of my books are about theatre and dance. However, the classes do help with fitness and health, including my mental health. A pas-

sion, which makes me happy and healthy, has got to be good. And that is true for everyone, I believe. Whatever you enjoy that keeps you healthy, fit and happy – well, go for it and stick to it.

Although some of our members have exercise and dance classes other than ballet, it is ballet that gives us the most joy. My co-teacher, Julie Sines, and I teach a total of four free weekly ballet classes in the Arbor Club studio adjacent to the indoor swimming pool. Classes are held Mondays from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 2:15 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 to 10:15 a.m.

Newcomers are always welcome to join us, and no previous experience is necessary. To start, all you need are exercise clothes, socks and a bottle of water. You can get ballet clothes later if you decide this dance form is for you. If you do want to begin, it is best to call in advance. That way, we will be prepared to greet you and assimilate you into the class. Since we teach at a variety of times, you can pick the time that is best for you to start. For any information on our classes, please call me at 854-8589. Happy New Year and happy dancing!

Relaxation Exercises at Sholom Park

By Robert Colen

Starting Thursday, Jan. 16, at 9:30 am, Sholom Park will begin a monthly series of relaxation exercises called Qigong (pronounced "Chee-gong"). The exercises are in some ways similar to Tai Chi and provide a unique method of exercising and relaxing at the same time.

Instructor Fran Indelicati, a local certified Qigong instructor, has graciously volunteered to offer a free monthly Qigong session for anyone who wishes to join us at Sholom Park. We believe that Qigong complements the park's purpose of helping individuals find peace and introspection. During the summer months, we were blessed to have Ingrid Crane offer free monthly sessions of yoga. We continue this

tradition with our new winter and spring sessions of Qigong.

For those of you not familiar with Qigong, don't be afraid to come and try it. Qigong is an ancient Chinese method of relaxation and exercise that helps to restore inner energy and balance to the participant. The exercises include gentle head, hand, arm and body movements that focus the mind. Most participants find that Qigong will help to improve posture, coordination and endurance, while also improving the person's quality of life.

Sholom Park is located at 7110 SW 80th Avenue. You can learn more about Sholom Park from our website at www.sholompark.com or find us on Facebook.



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Original Karaoke Group

By George Quaranta

I hope everyone had a very happy holiday. Everyone loves singing Christmas carols. Did you know Christmas carols were first sung in Europe thousands of years ago? They were first pagan songs sung at the Winter Solstice celebrations.

The word carol means dance, or song of praise and joy. Carols used to be sung for all seasons but now we only sing them Christmas time.

Early Christians took over the pagan solstice celebrations for Christmas and gave people Christmas songs. In 129 AD, a Roman bishop said, "A song called 'Angel Hymns' should be sung at a Christmas service in Rome." Another Christmas hymn was written in 760 AD for the Greek Orthodox Church.

Soon after this, many composers started writing Christmas carols. Not many people liked them because they were sung in Latin, and they started losing interest in celebrating Christmas altogether.

Saint Francis of Assisi changed this. In 1223, he started his Nativity plays in Italy.

The new carols spread to other countries. They sung songs that told stories, and thus spread to other European countries.

The earliest carol like this was written in 1410. Most carols were untrue and were about the Holy Family and were more entertaining than religious. Traveling singers and minstrels started singing carols for local people.

When the Puritans came to power in England in 1647, the celebration of Christmas and singing carols stopped but people still sang them in secret. Two men, William Sandys and Davis Gilbert, collected lots of old Christmas music from England.

Before caroling in public became popular, there were official carol singers who only sang on Christmas Eve. They were called waits and were led by the town's council leaders. They had the power to take money from the public, all others were charged as beggars.

Also at this time, orchestras and choirs were being set up in England and the people loved it. Carol services became popular, as did the custom of singing in the streets. Both these customs are still popular today.

I hope you learned something today, and I want to wish everyone a healthy and happy New Year. We meet at 7 p.m., on the second and fourth Monday at the Candler Hills Community Center. Come join the fun.

For more information, call George at 873-9667.

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Square Dancing

By Walter Lamp

On Wednesday, Dec. 4, a group from the club went to visit Camelot Chateau Assisted Living in Ocala. We put on about a half hour demonstration of square dancing for the residents. They enjoyed it and appreciated our efforts that day.

On Saturday, Dec. 14, at the Health & Recreation Ballroom, was our annual winter seasonal dance. This year, it was called our "Holiday Ball" with lots of Christmas songs to dance to, decorations to enjoy and lots of seasonal snacks to get us through the evening. Our caller, Ron Libby, who is definitely one of our favorites, lives right here in central Florida. Loretta Hanhurst was the cuer.

On Wednesday, Dec. 17, we enjoyed our annual Holiday Cookie Dance in the Arbor Ballroom. This was our monthly theme dance and it sure tasted good. Oh yea, we danced too. Thanks to the members who took the time to bake such tasty cookies.

2013 was a fun year of dancing with my fellow members, who brought much pleasure and laughter. Also, a special thanks to our caller and cuer, Don and Loretta Hanhurst, for keeping us moving on the dance floor.

My resolution for 2014 is to have another fun year on and off the dance floor. I hope that your resolution for 2014 will be to come down to the Arbor Club Ballroom on a Tuesdays at, 6:30 p.m., and watch us in action. Maybe, you'll enjoy it so that you might consider giving it a try when our fall classes begin in October. Of course, while you're watching, there are snacks and drinks to enjoy.

In the month of January, we will have two visits from two central Florida clubs. On Monday, Jan. 13, Royal Squares from Leesburg will be taking our banner. On Monday, Jan. 21, Orange Blossom Squares from The Villages will be retrieving their banner. This is another fun aspect of square dancing. It's always fun to get these visits from other clubs, so we can socialize and dance together. Getting to meet other dancers from and around Florida. We develop new friendships. As clubs and dancers visit us, we eventually reciprocate and go visit them.

On Tuesday, Jan. 7, we will be holding our first monthly theme dance of the New Year in the Arbor Club Ballroom. This one is called "Disco Dance." As the name implies, the songs and even some of the outfits being worn that night, will remind one of that era.

Happy New Year from Circle Squares.



Ballroom Dance Club

By Richard P. Vullo

On behalf of all of the members of the Ballroom Dance Club and Dancin' On the Top committee, we wish all of our residents another great year of retirement here at On Top of the World.

On New Year's Eve, our Dancin' On the Top committee will hold its fifth annual year-end dance celebration for over 200 of our residents. Many volunteers will decorate the Health & Recreation Ballroom to create a terrific party atmosphere. The evening will consist of hors d'oeuvres, champagne at midnight, sweets, and the music of Automatic.

On Saturday, Feb. 15, we will hold our traditional Valentine's Day dance with spectacular sweets tables and music by Karen Hall. Our last dance of the season will be our spring dance on Saturday, April 19 with Automatic.

For more information about attending our dances, please call Gene Melnick at 304-8293.

The Dancin' On the Top committee was started five years ago by Jack Stone. Jack solicited many of us to join him in creating a new dance club to continue the tradition of sponsoring ballroom dancing for our residents here at On Top of the World. Without him, this committee would not be where it is today. Thank you Jack!

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

There are many local venues that provide dancing opportunities throughout the year. For more information about dance lessons and dance venues, please check the website for USA Dance at www.usadanceocala.com.

If you're interested in committing to a monthly ballroom dance event, consider the Ocala Dance Club. It is a not-for-profit social ballroom dance club for couples who enjoy a classy atmosphere in a private club setting. For more information visit www.ocaladanceclub.com or e-mail ocaladanceclub@gmail.com.

On Friday, Jan. 17, Happy Hour will be held at the Health & Recreation Ballroom instead of the Arbor Club Ballroom. This will give everyone the opportunity to dance and socialize with their friends in a much larger facility, with a better sound system for listening and dancing. Let's continue supporting these dances.



Line Dancing

By George Conklin

It is going to be a good New Year. Many of our newcomers are dancing with us at The Town Square and Happy Hour. Our winter friends are back with us as we dance off those extra pounds we put on over the holidays. Sometimes the dance floor seems to overflow but with the correct procedure we can all dance together.

The question is ... how? With line, pattern or ballroom dance there are two sets of dancers, those who stay in one spot and those who progress along a line of dance around the floor. Ballroom dancers have both: Two Step, Fox Trot, Viennese Waltz and others move continually along a line of dance, while dances like the Rumba, Cha Cha or Merengue stay one spot. The Lindy and the Twist may take a little more room but they stay in one spot.

Line dancers repeat a set pattern designed to always return to the same spot, while pattern dancers repeat a set pattern

moving forward and back along a line of dance but progressing always forward along the line of dance.

How do you manage the two groups of dancers on the dance floor at one time? It's easy. Common ballroom dance etiquette is that the dance floor turns counter clockwise. Faster dancers at the outer edge; slower to the center.

Line dancers and other spot dancers at the center leaving an open track around the outer edge for the pattern dancers and progressing ballroom dancers.

Line dancers should always group together if doing the same dance; not two small groups at each end of the floor. Always be respectful of your fellow dancers and their space. Stepping in a set pattern to the beat of the music in a line with your friends is fun. Come dance with us.

We will be dancing at the Health & Wellness Expo on Saturday, Jan. 18. Come join us.

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

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.



One Blood Bloodmobile

By Sara Sommer

Kathleen and Luke Mullen, John Orend, David Pint, Joan Rappa, Gary Schulte, Geoffrey Smith, and Sharon Taplett-Lundgren. With their donations, up to 60 lives can be saved. What a wonderful way to start the holiday season.

The next visit of the Big Red Bus will be on Monday, Feb. 3. Please mark your calendar.

The Big Red Bus was here on Monday, Dec. 2, 2013. I want to thank all those donors who took the time to share: Linda Blewitt, Jimmy Crouch, Carol and Michael Deahl, Nancy Dreimiller, Linda and Thomas Haynes, John Hegarty, Judith Kane, David and Janice Keitz, Audrey Mangan,

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Sidekicks Western Dance Club

By Tony & Carla Magri

It was wall-to-wall with dancers in the Health & Recreation Ballroom on Tuesday, Dec. 3, when the Sidekicks held their annual Christmas party. We jingled all the way as we danced to Christmas tunes and enjoyed a delicious potluck supper. Jean Hester and her entertainment committee did an outstanding job, as always, organizing the party and they have the sincere thanks of all the club members.

As of this writing, we're turning our attention to our next bash, our annual New

Year's Eve party. Always a wonderful and fun event, we're looking forward to ringing in the New Year with music, dancing, great food contributed by our members and most importantly, the friendship we share. Our club just keeps getting better and better as we continue to grow.

Our newcomers are increasing their repertoire in preparation for New Year's, and our veteran dancers are adding some new dances to their already sizeable array. We also continue to review our older dances for those who haven't yet learned them. Our instructors are extremely proud of our dancers and always enjoy seeing them in action.

The Sidekicks wish to take this opportunity to wish everyone in On Top of the World and their families a wonderful, safe, happy and healthy New Year.

Happy trails ...

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Bree McDonald in the Art Studio.



Art Group

By Anne Merrick

In February, Master the Possibilities is hosting an art exhibit in the lobby of the Education Center for students who have taken classes there and for members of the Art Group. You will be allowed to exhibit one piece and may bring it to Marlene Berrio at the Master the Possibilities office by Wednesday, Jan. 15.

The art will be on display for the month of February so choose your best piece. Please tape a piece of paper to the back of the artwork that includes the title of the piece, the medium in which it was done, your name and phone number. This should be a good show ... so choose your piece now or get working on something new. Each piece must be framed, in good shape and clean unless it is the type that doesn't need a frame.

One of our newest members, Bree McDonald, shares, "My husband, Steve, and I moved from Columbus, Ind. to On Top of the World in October 2013. When I discovered the art studio, I was excited to get back to painting again.

I guess my love of drawing started when I was a young girl when I would watch my

mother sketch. I would spend hours tracing and trying to make my drawing just like hers. I decided to take art as my elective for all four years of high school.

I never used this education again until 1987 when I signed up for an oil painting class. The class met one night a week after work and I was hooked on painting thereafter.

When my husband and I moved to Alabama, I found an art group and continued to enjoy the weekly lessons and the camaraderie of all the talented artists. The instructor even taught watercolor, which scared the dickens out of me! It still scares me, but I love it the most! Finding an interesting subject is the biggest challenge for me. I have quite a number of half finished paintings that are tucked away in boxes because I lost interest in the subject or it just wasn't turning out like I had hoped it would. Let me think: aren't they still finding half completed works of Picasso and Van Gogh? Ha, ha!

There is beauty in everyone and everything and it is all around us. To me the phrase, "take time to smell the roses" is a challenge to me to take time to paint them too."

With all the snowbirds back, our room is quite full. We'll be sharing a table soon, which is fine. We welcome new people to the group and have fun sharing ideas and critiques. If you want to know more, you can call Anne at 732-0706 or just turn up on a Thursday or Saturday morning at the Art Studio in the Craft Building.



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Native Plant Group

By Ron Broman

I would like to take this opportunity to honor the man of peace, Nelson Mandela. Betty and I visited South Africa in 2010 on our recent trip around the world.

The guide took us to a small section of the Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden and showed us the birds-of-paradise. There, the guide informed us that a special form of this South African native plant had been developed, and was now called Mandela's Gold.

I took several pictures and began to plan our Christmas cards.

Now, at this writing, I am surrounded by stacks of folded paper with inserts of a special Christmas poem, and over 100 pictures of Mandela's Gold.

It's not certain that all of these cards will be completed and mailed by Christmas.

In honor of Dr. Mandela, we are lifted in spirit. There is a model, a pattern, a life lived here on earth; no, many lives lived here on earth point us to a better way. It is a way that was shown us some 2,000 years earlier by someone called the Prince of Peace. There is hope and the impetus to follow that path of reconciliation and peace.

Here is that poem, and we enclose it as our message to you, with love.

In Cape Town, South Africa
The Garden Kirstenbosch
With richness of diversity
And floral beauty awash
Grows a bird-of-paradise
With the name
Mandela's Gold
Now
In remembrance of the birthday
Of the Prince of Peace foretold
Peace
To you and the world.

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Recreation News

By Theresa Fields

It's that time of year when we all make New Year's resolutions. Two of the top 10 New Year's resolutions are "enjoying life more" and "staying healthy and fit." We have planned plenty of activities and fitness classes to help you get started.

Health & Wellness Expo

See what is new and interesting in the medical field today by attending the free Health & Wellness Expo on Saturday, Jan. 18, at the Circle Square Cultural Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

There will be over 50 health care providers onsite to provide you with information on the latest technology. There will also be doctors and specialists available to answer questions and conduct wellness screenings.

Instructors from the On Top of the World Fitness Department will present demonstrations on stage of the many fitness classes and latest exercises.

At the conclusion of the Health & Wellness Expo there will be a free line dancing celebration on The Town Square from 2 to 3 p.m.

Bingo

Bingo will resume this month and will

be held every Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Health & Recreation Ballroom. Cards will go on sale at 5:30 p.m. Resident I.D. is required, and reserving of seats is not permitted. Indigo East residents must have a Gateway of Services Pass to participate. Don't forget The Pub has extended hours until 6 p.m.

Seminole Hard Rock Casino

Our next casino trip is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 14. Once you arrive at the casino, you will receive a play pass booklet that includes an entry ticket for the \$1,000 free play drawing, per day, for bus guests only. You need not be present to win; free play will be put on the guest's Player's Club card and is good for the month. You will find coupons for \$5 off a meal of \$20-plus at the Rise Kitchen & Bakery or The Green Room, 15% off any regular priced Hard Rock logo merchandise at Hard Rock gift shops and more. The cost of the trip is \$20 per person and covers transportation. Register at the Health & Recreation office.

Singing River Cruise

Join us for an educational tour on the Rainbow River, Friday, Jan. 3. The captain will share his knowledge of Florida's ecology and history through story and song, as you cruise along the crystal clear spring-fed Rainbow River and the dark, swampy Withlacoochee River. All tours are handicap accessible.

Once the tour is completed, we will dock at the Blue Gator Restaurant for lunch.

(Please note the restaurant is outdoor seating only.) 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 Health & Recreation office.

Line Dancing

Line dance classes are in full swing at the Health & Recreation Ballroom every Monday. We are offering three different line dance levels. Marilyn McNeal will be your dance instructor.

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:

- **IMPROVER/EASY INTERMEDIATE LEVEL:** 3 to 4 p.m. Dance experience required for this class. Current popular dances taught at this level, with quick rhythms and some turns.
- **BEGINNER LEVEL:** 4:15 to 5:15 p.m. Dancers need knowledge of basic line dance steps. Combinations and easy patterns, with low impact movement to many different rhythms, are taught in this class.
- **INTRODUCTION TO LINE DANCE:** 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Have fun learning how to line dance at your own pace and ability! Steps are thoroughly described, practiced and used in simple patterns.

Happy Hour

Come out for a fun-filled evening of live entertainment during Happy Hour. Visit with neighbors and friends and dance the night away. Join us this month for our jungle-themed Happy Hour on Friday, Jan. 24. Come dressed in your wildest jungle prints.

Our entertainment line-up for the upcoming month is as follows:

- Jan. 3: Barry & Nancy
- Jan. 10: Kurtis May
- Jan. 17: Automatic
- Jan. 24: Karen Hall (jungle-themed)
- Jan. 31: Sounds of Time

Don't forget that Happy Hour will be held at the Health & Recreation Ballroom on the third Friday of each month, with The Pub being open as well. Snacks will not be permitted during this Happy Hour. If you have a birthday celebration, please contact the Health & Recreation office to make arrangements to bring a cake. Remember, Resident I.D. is required for entry into Happy Hour and guest fees apply.

Behind the Scenes Horse Farms Tours

Join us on a private guided tour through horse country with Karen Grimes on Friday, Jan. 17, or Friday, Jan. 31. The tour will meet at 9 a.m. at the Florida Thoroughbred Breeders' and Owners' Association.

There you will learn how Ocala became the "Horse Capital of the World." We will go watch thoroughbreds in training rail side. It's foaling season in Marion County; so, of course, we will stop at a farm and spend time with the babies!

Have you ever heard of HITS (Horse Shows in the Sun)? Karen will take you on to the show grounds and explain all about this spectacular annual event. Buffet lunch served in the VIP Tent at HITS. The cost of the trip is \$40 per person, which includes transportation and lunch. Register at the Health & Recreation office.

Hippodrome Theatre

Join us on a trip to the Hippodrome Theatre to see "Good People." This recent Broadway hit is dramatically funny and surprisingly touching. The trip will take place on Sunday, Jan. 19, and showtime is 2 p.m. Cost is \$42 per person, per show, which includes admission and transportation. Local cafes are available within walking distance for snacks and beverages. Register at the Health & Recreation office.

Health & Recreation Office
Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
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Solar Bears Hockey Game

The Orlando Solar Bears will play against the Florida Everblades on Sunday, Jan. 26. The Orlando Solar Bears are a professional hockey organization playing in the ECHL and are affiliated with the NHL's Minnesota Wild and Toronto Maple Leafs and AHL's Iowa Wild and Toronto Marlies.

You will be seated in the club seats located on the club level. The club level offers a fantastic view of the ice, so you won't miss a thing!

\$45 per person includes transportation and admission to the hockey game. Register at the Health & Recreation office.

StarLite Yacht Cruise

Join us for a dazzling sightseeing cruise on smooth inland waterways, aboard the StarLite Yacht. The captain will give an informative narration during the cruise. You will enjoy a complete "sit-down" luncheon with an individual choice of six entrees served at your table. There will also be a full cocktail service available. The yacht leaves from Corey Causeway, St. Petersburg, Fla. The trip is Tuesday, Jan. 28. The cost is \$59 per person, which includes transportation, cruise and lunch. Register at the Health & Recreation office.

Community Bus

Please note that the community bus will not run on Wednesday, Jan. 1, in observance of New Year's Day. Please plan accordingly!

Facility Request Forms

It is that time of year again to put in your room request for 2015. If you have a special event coming up or you have monthly meetings, you will need to turn in your room request forms to the Health & Recreation office. All room requests are currently being entered for 2015. Room request forms are available at the Health & Recreation lobby area.

Holiday Facility Hours

Please note that the Health & Recreation office and all community buildings will be closed on Wednesday, Jan. 1, in observance of New Year's Day.

Telephone Directories

The new 2014 On Top of the World telephone directory will be coming out in March. The directories will now be distributed at the Arbor Club seven days a week during open hours.

Upcoming February Events

Contact the Health & Recreation office for information on these upcoming events:

- Sunday, Feb. 2: "Not Now Darling" at the Playhouse Theatre in Daytona Beach, Fla.
 - Thursday, Feb. 6: Dinner Theatre "Murder on a Budget Cruise Line"
 - Friday, Feb. 7: HITS horse farm tour and lunch.
 - Wednesday, Feb. 12: Florida State Fair
 - Friday, Feb. 14: Senior Prom-themed Happy Hour
 - Saturday, Feb. 15: Lakeridge Winery
 - Thursday, Feb. 20: Social Hour with Paul De Ritter Quintet, Health & Recreation Ballroom
 - Thursday, Feb. 20: Seminole Hard Rock Casino
 - Friday, Feb. 21: Lazy River Cruise
 - Thursday, Feb. 27: Florida Strawberry Festival
 - Friday, Feb. 28: Live Breeding Horse Farm Tour
- Happy New Year!

EVENTS/ACTIVITIES*

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

Thursday, Jan. 2

Farmer's Market

The Town Square
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Cooking demo at 10 a.m.

Friday, Jan. 3

Singing River Cruise

Rainbow River
\$26 per person
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.

Happy Hour with Barry & Nancy

Arbor Club
4 to 8 p.m.

Sounds of Time

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

Saturday, Jan. 4

Recorded Favorites

The Town Square
5 to 9 p.m.

The Mystics

Circle Square Cultural Center
7 p.m.
\$13-15 per resident
\$14-16 per non-resident
For tickets, call 854-3670.

Thursday, Jan. 9

Farmer's Market

The Town Square
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 10

Happy Hour with Kurtis May

Arbor Club
4 to 8 p.m.

Tomaura

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

Saturday, Jan. 11

Recorded Favorites

The Town Square
5 to 9 p.m.

Dueling Pianos "Interactive Dance Party"

Circle Square Cultural Center
7 p.m.
\$12 per resident; \$14 per non-resident
For tickets, call 854-3670.

Tuesday, Jan. 14

Seminole Hard Rock Casino

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

Thursday, Jan. 16

Farmer's Market

The Town Square
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Vendor demo at 10 a.m.

Friday, Jan. 17

Horse Farm Tour (HITS)

Florida Thoroughbred Breeders' and Owners' Association
\$40 per person
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.

Happy Hour with Automatic

Health & Recreation Ballroom
4 to 8 p.m.

Recorded Favorites

The Town Square
5 to 9 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 18

Health & Wellness Expo

Circle Square Cultural Center
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Line Dancing Celebration

The Town Square
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

SSnakeyez

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

Sunday, Jan. 19

"Good People"

Hippodrome State Theatre
Gainesville, Fla.
\$42 per person
To register, call 854-8707 x7533 or 7530.

Thursday, Jan. 23

Farmer's Market

The Town Square
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 24

"Jungle" Happy Hour with Karen Hall

Arbor Club
4 to 8 p.m.

Fred Campbell

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

Saturday, Jan. 25

Recorded Favorites

The Town Square
5 to 9 p.m.

The Kingsmen

Circle Square Cultural Center
7 p.m.
\$14-18 per resident
\$17-19 per non-resident
For tickets, call 854-3670.

Sunday, Jan. 26

Solar Bears vs. Everblades Hockey Game

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The Town Square
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Happy Hour with Sounds of Time

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4 to 8 p.m.

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| On Top of the World Communities BUS SCHEDULE | | |
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| Monday - Thursday | | |
| MORNING ROUTE | PICK-UP LOCATIONS | TIME |
| Williamsburg | 91st Cir.E. - 91st Cir.W - Post Office | 8:42 a.m. |
| Providence | 90th St. - 96th Ter. - 92nd Pl. Rd. - 96th Ct. Rd. | 8:45 a.m. |
| Avalon Post Office | Parking Lot | 8:49 a.m. |
| 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 | 89th Ct. Rd. - Post Office - 85th Ter. Rd. | 9:02 a.m. |
| Friendship Village | Post Office - 84th Ter. - 93rd St. | 9:06 a.m. |
| Friendship Colony | 83rd Ter. - 90th Pl. - 87th Ave. - 97th St. | 9:10 a.m. |
| Friendship Park | 97th St. - 94th Lane | 9:14 a.m. |
| Friendship Village | 89th Ct. Rd. - 92nd St. | 9:16 a.m. |
| Friendship Colony | 90th St. - Post Office | 9:20 a.m. |
| Candler Hills Community Center | At Bus Stop Sign | 9:25 a.m. |
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| Jasmine Square | 9:45 a.m. | 12:35 p.m. |
| Dillard's/Tallulah's/Kohls | 9:55 a.m. | 12:25 p.m. |
| Sam's | 10:05 a.m. | 11:30 a.m. |
| Lowe's | 10:10 a.m. | 11:40 a.m. |
| Paddock Mall | 10:15 a.m. | 12:15 p.m. |
| Wal-Mart/Stein Mart | 10:20 a.m. | 11:50 a.m. |
| Target | 10:30 a.m. | 12:00 p.m. |
| Hobby Lobby/Shady Oaks | 10:40 a.m. | 12:05 p.m. |
| Gaitway Plaza | 10:45 a.m. | 12:10 p.m. |
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| Candler Hills Community Center | 1:45 p.m. | Crescent Ridge Post Office |
| Friendship Colony Post Office | 1:51 p.m. | Health & Rec Building |
| Williamsburg Post Office | 1:53 p.m. | Americana Post Office |
| Avalon Post Office | 1:55 p.m. | Friendship Post Office |
| AFTERNOON DESTINATIONS | ARRIVE | PICK-UP |
| Beall's & Dollar Tree | 2:15 p.m. | 3:45 p.m. |
| Wal-mart | 2:17 p.m. | 3:40 p.m. |
| Big Lots | 2:22 p.m. | 3:55 p.m. |
| Publix Grocery | 2:27 p.m. | 4:00 p.m. |
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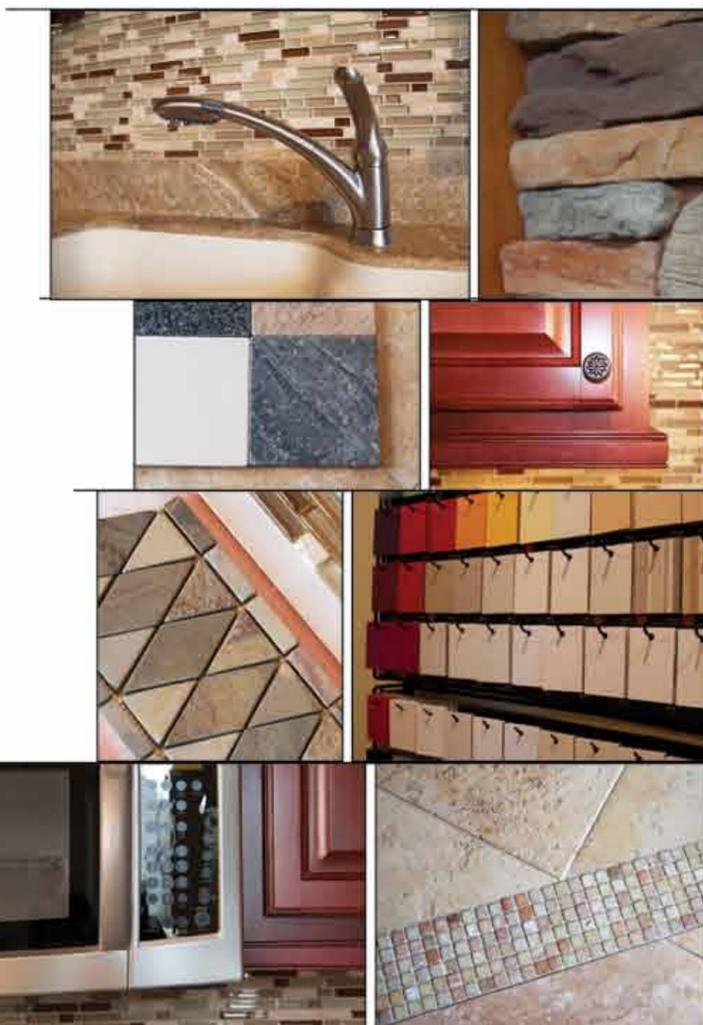
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A Very Prestigious Award

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

"Dear Shizuka: Congratulation on being selected by your school district as PRISM Outstanding Teacher of Mathematics for the 2013 school year."

This opening paragraph in a letter from PRISM President Dr. James Schott, to Candler Hills resident, Shizuka Campagna, captures the spirit of recognizing exceptional dedication and performance to the teaching of mathematics. Shizuka teaches at the Osceola Middle School.

PRISM (Promoting Regional Improvement in Science and Math) is a private/public partnership that promotes regional excellence and improvement in science and mathematics. It serves ten school districts throughout Central Florida with a mission to recognize and support outstanding teaching practices.

In a letter recommending Shizuka Campagna for the PRISM award, Principal John

McCollum said, "Mrs. Campagna understands how to reach children who struggle with math concepts. Her use of manipulatives, drawings, and cooperative learning strategies help reinforce instruction ... her classroom is alive with on-task energy."

As part of the vetting process for the award, Shizuka appeared before the Marion County School Board, where she was required to give an inspirational speech, as well as, answering several of their questions. The school district found her work and dedication extraordinary, and selected her for the PRISM recognition.

On Tuesday, Sept. 24, she was awarded the prestigious PRISM sculpture, along with a Certificate of Excellence as the school districts, "Outstanding Teacher of Mathematics."

Congratulations to our very own Shizuka Campagna!



Photo by Ray Cech

Shizuka Campagna with PRISM award.



Photo by Ray Cech

Norbert Sachs won Ocala Camera Club's 2013 "best of the best" award.

Best of the Best

By Ray Cech
World News Writer

Every year, the Ocala Camera Club gathers all their photos that have received ribbons throughout the year and has a "best of the best" runoff.

Norbert Sachs, resident, has been a member of the Ocala Camera Club for the past five years, and is regularly recognized for his exceptional photography. Every month, the club has a special challenge for its 70-plus members, whose photographs are then judged by an independent, professional judge. Since judging is done online, the judge may reside anywhere in the world; for example, October entries were judged from Abu Dhabi.

Members who had received a first, second, or third place ribbon in any of the

monthly challenges will be entered in the "best of the best" finale at year's end. This year, there were more than 180 entries. Norbert Sachs demonstrated his artistic and creative abilities and was awarded the very coveted, first place ribbon with his black and white photo, "Slight Left Turn."

Norbert said he was pleasantly shocked by the recognition, but at the same time, "greatly honored." It is interesting to note that Norbert also took first and second place ribbons in this year's Masters category at the annual ShutterBugs photography exhibit.

Congratulations are in order to Norbert and his very agile, Nikon D70.

Sunshine Quilters

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

The Sunshine Quilters made and donated over 400 placemats to Ocala's Meals on Wheels. The placemats will be distributed to homebound individuals by Meals on Wheels. This is the second year the quilters have donated to Meals on Wheels.

Over 40 women in our community get together every Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Art Room where they make all kinds of items to be donated.

The group makes comfort quilts for Munroe Regional Medical Center, abused children, Alpha Center For Women, Marion County Sheriff's Office, plus many other organizations. They also make pillowcases for children suffering from cancer.

Any person who likes to sew or hand make quilts, stop by the Art Room on the club's scheduled day and time.



Photo by Bob Woods

The Sunshine Quilters made and donated over 400 placemats to Ocala's Meals on Wheels.



Photo by Bob Woods

OneBlood award given to On Top of the World Communities.

OneBlood Appreciation Dinner

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

On Top of the World was recently recognized at the OneBlood multi-gallon appreciation dinner held at the Ocala Hilton. Sara Sommer accepted the corporate award in November for our community's contribution towards saving over 450 lives in Marion County. Sara will turn the award over to Kenneth Colen, the president of On Top of the World Communities.

Sara is the site coordinator for the OneBlood Big Red Bus bloodmobile that visits the Health & Recreation parking lot every eight weeks during even months starting in January. For those wishing to donate blood,

the Big Red Bus is open from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. during visitation days.

The dinner was held honoring multi-gallon blood donors. Donors honored ranged from donating 10 gallons to over 115 gallons (that's 40 pints to 460 pints). Each pint of donated blood can save one life or up to four lives.

If residents would like to donate a pint of blood, please check the World News for dates the Big Red Bus bloodmobile will be on location in our community.

Remember, every pint of donated blood could save several lives!



Arbor Club Tennis

By Jorge Privat

First of all, I want to wish all of you a wonderful New Year. We've been very fortunate to enjoy some terrific weather while many of our friends and relatives up north had to endure inclement weather conditions. From November to May is the best time to take advantage of mild temperatures and play your best tennis.

So naturally, your resolution for the New Year should be to eat healthy, stay fit and play better tennis than last year, and we should also look forward to having some competition and social activities with the help of the tennis committee.

The way I see it, tennis is comprised of three parts: physical, technical and mental. Each one of these areas can be divided into many components, but I would like to offer a way to minimize making unforced errors by using a mental approach rather than just the technical side.

Tennis Tip of the Month

We've all had those days when we seem unable to control the tennis ball. I am not referring to those days when you're playing slightly below par, in those cases, you hold yourself together, make small technical adjustments and you can play better as the match goes on.

I mean those times when there is no shot that's secure and your nervous system seems to be totally out of sync. You try to relax and play normally, but it doesn't work, and the errors continue.

You will be tested, for sure but your first move should be to keep a tight leash on your emotions. Each subsequent error will evoke feelings of frustration and anger. It's one thing to miss your normal mix of shots, but it's quite another when you miss an extraordinary number of easy ones by

wide margins. It will require a good effort of will to resist the demands of your emotional system to bang your racquet on the court or chuck it over the fence, but resist you must.

The first step is to accept that this is one of those days. It doesn't mean there's nothing you can do about it. It means that you can't just expect your game to revert to its normal condition, because it probably won't.

However, you can drive your error rate down and remain functional with concentration, emotional discipline and a modified game plan. You will need to be more mechanical and conservative than usual. Resist the urge to get creative or tricky in your shot selection. This would lead to more errors.

Instead, hit more crosscourt shots and less down-the-line winners. Take a little off your first serve and put a higher percentage of serves in the court. Incorporate a higher margin into all of your shots by staying away from the net and the lines. Be determined to win more points by attrition than by great shots. Also, assume that you will have to do a bit more running than usual and decide that the points will last a little longer. You must be determined to work harder, both mentally and physically, to grind your opponent down.

Concentrate on the fundamentals of your strokes, watching the ball. Getting into position early, keeping your hands relaxed and using your body rotation and legs to help you accelerate the racquet. Normally, you do all these things without even thinking, but when your nervous system is out of whack, you need to drive the process more consciously.

It takes tremendous mental effort, but you can do it if you are sufficiently determined, and do not relax your concentration even if you are leading because you will start missing again. When it is "your day," you can play on automatic pilot, if it isn't, use this approach, it will help you eliminate a lot of frustration and hence give you more satisfaction more often.

See you on the courts!



Golf

By Matt Hibbs

Happy New Year to you and yours from the On Top of the World golf staff. We also would like to thank everyone for a tremendous 2013 and we hope 2014 will be even better.

With a New Year brings New Year's resolutions. If your resolution is an improved golf game, then we have the answer for you. Our professional staff has created a wonderful and exciting golf clinic schedule for 2014. The season kicks off on Saturday, Jan. 4, at the Candler Hills driving range, at 9 a.m. with a clinic on "Tips for Becoming a Better Driver." This clinic is \$10 per student. Please register in the Candler Hills Golf Shop no later than Friday, Jan. 3, at 5 p.m. Look for the complete 2014 clinic schedule in both the Candler Hills and On Top of the World Golf Shops.

We would like to recognize our members and residents for their continuous contributions to various local and worldwide organizations. You all raised monies for Hospice of Marion County, Interfaith Emergency Services, Patriot Golf Day, Rally for the Cure, Toys for Tots, high school scholarships, St. Jude's Children's Hospital and have sent numerous care packages to our military overseas. Congratulations to you all for your support to these wonderful organizations.

A friendly reminder from the golf staff that all shop credits will expire Friday, Feb. 28. All credit winnings to your account will be posted through the January events. Any

winnings during February will be held until the beginning of March to be posted.

Upcoming Events

- Extreme Demo Day: Saturday, Feb. 8, Candler Hills Golf Club, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- World Sadie Hawkins: Friday, Feb. 14, Candler Hills Golf Club, 9 a.m. shotgun. Check Golf Shop for details.
- World Golf Championship (golf members only): Monday, Feb. 24, Friday, Feb. 28 and Saturday, March 1. Check Golf Shops for details.

World Accolades

CANDLER HILLS: Chris Piotrowski, three eagles in one round, #3, 7 and 15. Chris Piotrowski, six birdies and one eagle in one round.

LINKS: Tom Smith, shot 78, three strokes under his age.

TORTOISE & HARE: Ralph Solvold, hole-in-one on #13. Congratulations to all.

Golf Tip of the Month

How many of you get frustrated and upset after each missed shot? Golf is a funny game that with one swing can manipulate your attitude and demeanor for not only your round but the remainder of your day. Keep in mind that everyone hits bad shots, yes including touring professionals. Don't let one swing ruin your round or even your day.

Every round take a minute to appreciate your surroundings, the birds chirping, the beautiful flowers and trees and the friends you have made playing this wonderful game. Don't let the wonderful things in life pass you by and remind yourself golf is just a game we all enjoy to play.

Everyone have a safe and exciting 2014!

The World in a Classroom

Over the past two years, Master the Possibilities has been bringing part of the world into the classroom. Education Manager Marlene Berrio has been instrumental in developing a worldwide curriculum.

"We want to enhance our understanding of other countries, customs, languages and cultures. We are fortunate to have individuals with first-hand knowledge and a desire to share with students," says Berrio. The result has been almost monthly cross cultural study presentations as well as language classes and even a film series.

The list of presentations is impressive: Colombia, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Venezuela, Brazil, China, Thailand, Ecuador, Italy, Singapore, Cuba, Germany and Guatemala. This winter/spring will bring monthly lectures on Puerto Rico, England, Philippines, Romania and Spain.

Language classes have become very popular too. "Some people are planning trips and want to be a little familiar with common phrases. Some want to brush up on those high school classes. Learning a language is also great brain exercise too," says Berrio.

Master the Possibilities typically offers four levels of Spanish classes, four levels of Italian and two French classes. They have also done some Chinese, Russian, Portuguese and sign language. German will be offered in the winter.

There have also been both French and Italian film series to round out the curriculum. This has become a very popular and interesting component of Master the Possibilities. If you haven't experienced one ... now's the time ... comprehend? (Say you are most welcome in a language not English.)

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Mah Jongg

By Mary Ehle

Time is just flying by only about 55

days until the tournament. Saturday, March 1 is just around the corner!

We have about one third of the seats spoken for already. We will be cutting off the openings on Friday, Feb. 21. If you have previously joined us, then you know what a good time everyone has. I am sure that this year will be no different. I am hoping to see someone take the jackpot this time.

Jokers to you until next month.

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Saturday, January 4, 2014
at 9 a.m.
Tips for Becoming a Better Driver

Saturday, January 11, 2014
at 3 p.m.
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Photo by Frank Scinlari

Charlie Lentz, winner, and Armann Rohde, runner-up in the Christmas Ten Pin Tournament.

Shuffleboard

By Grace Rohde

It was a beautiful sunny day for the Christmas Ten Pin Tournament. We had a great turnout of 32 shuffleboard players, and all eight of the courts were full.

After chips were drawn, the players went to their assigned places and found out whom their opponent would be. In order to win a round of play, the players would have to score 35 points, and then they would have to score a good ten in the next or subsequent frames.

The tournament began and after the first round, there were 16 players left. We were now down to playing on four courts. Everyone looked with anticipation to see whom his or her new opponent would be. Places were found and round two began. Upon completion, eight players were set to compete in round three.

At the end of round three, there were four players: Rick Vogel would play against Armann Rohde, and Charlie Lentz would compete with Jerry Griffin. The round ended, leaving Armann Rohde and Charlie Lentz to vie for the championship in the final round of play.

Congratulations to Charlie Lentz who became the winner of the Christmas Ten Pin Tournament, and Armann Rohde who was the runner-up. Those of you who were at the tournament saw Charlie and his "ten pin that refused to fall down." Charlie had a ten pin that just would not fall down when he accidentally hit it. A number of times when he hit the ten pin, it swayed back and forth like it was going to fall down which would have resulted in a minus 10 for him, but the pin did not fall down. In another instance, the pin moved at least an inch, wob-

bling all the way when he hit it, but again it did not fall. That pin was not going to fall down for Charlie, no matter what!

The tournament was a lot of fun and we have the following people to thank for making it a success. Peter Van Arsdale again did a terrific job of organizing the tournament. Marge Fisher was the scorekeeper, and Beverly Van Arsdale baked cookies. A thanks also goes to the many shuffleboard players who participated in or came to watch the tournament.

John Mataya played in the Senior National Games 2013 at Ormond Beach, Fla. on Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2013. He played in singles, age bracket, 85 to 89, and won gold. This win qualified him to play in the State of Florida Senior Games, which took place in December at Cape Coral, Fla.

Shuffleboard league competition winners for the month of November were:

Men

Monday a.m.: Jerry Griffin and Henry Erikson.
Tuesday p.m.: Jim Smith.
Thursday a.m.: John Basch.
Friday a.m.: Jim Youngman.

Women

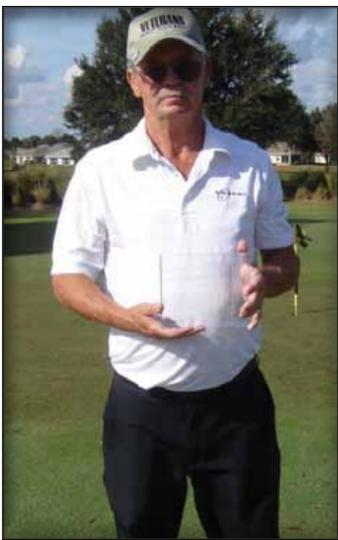
Monday a.m.: Vickie Lentz.
Tuesday p.m.: Maxine Malone.
Thursday a.m.: Helen Monsees.
Friday a.m.: Shirley Lindsay.

25 Club Men

Tuesday p.m.: Frank Scinlari.
Thursday a.m.: Vito Chieco.
Friday a.m.: Jim Youngman.

25 Club Women

Tuesday p.m.: Maxine Malone, Dodie Phillips, Kathy Kostishon, Edith Kolb, and Dot Migliaccio.
Thursday a.m.: Violet Dubay and Helen Monsees.
Friday a.m.: Nancy Kowsky, Shirley Lindsay, and Marilyn Youngman.



Men's Golf Association

By Bill McGarry

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and Christmas!

Our December Chicken Day was highlighted by our presentation of a check to Karen Haven at Hospice of Marion County in the amount of \$1,216. A trophy was also presented to Charlie Dove, the winner of the Cal Apperson Veterans Cup.

The 2014 MGA handbook is available in the member's lounge. Once again, I would like to thank George Blankenship.

Photo by Ray Messer

Charlie Dove (left) was the winner of the Cal Apperson Veterans Cup.

Our next Chicken Day will be Wednesday, Feb. 5. Please remember once you sign up to put \$10 in the box located in the members lounge. I am sure that you have noticed the menu has had some slight changes. The vegetables have been changed and also we now have fried or baked chicken. Our new food director John (Fitz) Languille is making some good changes. If you have any ideas, give them to John.

Last but not least, if you have any Golf Shop credits, they must be used by the end of February.

**Two Drive Scramble
Nov. 6**

63-Tary Bole, Vincent Jones, Standley Caldwell and Joe Rappa. Tie at 64-Tom Fragapane, Edward Conaway, Jerry Ashe and Norman Schuler; Charles Casale, Gene Sohler, Bill Walker and James Moran. Tie at 65-Jon Hill, Jack Hegarty and William McGarry; Charlie Dove, Ron Abramovich, Raymond Wilson and Richard Enos; Gary Hassett, Rocky Groomes, Art Buecher and Bob Selmon; Ed Klozen, David Miller, Kas Kaske and Douglas Coleman; Ross

Mac Donald, Tom McHaffie, Maurice Kingsley and Jim Entinger; James Merrick, John Bauer, David Miller and Larry Rourke; Ron Cleveringa, Mike Krzeminski and William Engels; Johnny Gill, Dan Carty and Peter M. Peterson.

**Three Best Balls of Four
Nov. 20**

Tie at 180-Ralph Solvold, Carl Zeiler, Tommy Cummings and Ron Abramovich; Johnny Gill, John Hudacik and Mike Flynn; 182-Francis Caprez, Paul East and Jack Hagarty. Tie at 185-Ed Klodzen, Rudy Norman, Joe Polizzotti and Art Buecher; Tom Treppa, Jay Bouton, Jack Martin and Mike Maillet. 186-Henry Solh, Paul Wade, William Engels and Peter Peterson. 187- Ron Cleveringa, Larry Rourke, Joe Quaranta and Robert Moravec.

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Candler Hills Ladies 9-Hole

By Judith Parisi

Happy New Year to all! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season. In order to keep with the spirit of the holidays our league donated \$300 to a local family in need. Pat Gill coordinated our donation to a family with four girls. She worked with Pastor Alan Jefferson and his wife, Jo, of the Ocala West Methodist Church to reach out to this family. Pat said, "Our league should be proud of their kindness and generosity." This is truly a special way to celebrate and demonstrate the meaning of the holiday season.

Our 2013 holiday party was held Thursday, Dec. 5, at Bella Cucina at Oak Run. There was a wonderful buffet dinner followed by a very lively gift exchange. Shortly after the exchange, there was a surprise appearance by Santa and his elf. The ladies shared with Santa their holiday wishes, and Santa and his elf distributed gift bags to all. The tables were very festive with intricate handmade favors at each place setting, and a Christmas cactus, which went to one person at each table.

Attendees brought unwrapped gifts for Toys for Tots. Again our ladies demonstrated their generosity as the donation container was overflowing.

Kudos to Pat Gill and her committee, which included Eve Harvey, Mary Giannukos, Julie Crudele, and Rhonda Brooks. They made this event very special and enjoyable.

In mid-November, we had a Rules and Etiquette Class conducted by our Denise Mullen. We began with a presentation at Candler Hills Community Center and then moved out to the first hole to discuss rules,



Photo by Judy Parisi

Eve Harvey, Pat Gill, Julie Crudele, Rhonda Brooks and Mary Giannukos were the planning committee for holiday party.

etiquette and misconceptions. Denise discussed when to hit a provisional ball, what happens if the original ball is located, taking relief from various lies, raking techniques in the bunker, repair of ball marks on the green, technique for marking one's ball and much, much more.

All through the session Denise entertained questions from the attendees. Our thanks to Denise for this interesting and instructive presentation.

Best Ball Nov. 14, 2013

26-Jennifer Boyd, Olive Curtin, Cheryl Engeman,

Gail Ambrose. 32-Kathy Hall, Dianne Masterson, Marcie Hock. 32-Nancy Cofield, Pat Gill, Susan Layne.

Scramble, Lowest Putts Nov. 21, 2013

9-Kathy Hall, Cathy McKeithan, Gail Ambrose & Mary Giannukos. 11-Virginia Redden, Rhonda Brooks, Marcie Hock & Susan Layne. 12-Debra Massari, Judy Parisi, MaryAnn Holmquist & Pat Pozsony. 12-Donna Sauer, Dianne Masterson, Eleonora Buba & Carol Hobbins.

Low Gross/Low Net Dec. 5, 2013

Flight 1 Low Gross: 49-Fran Greenfield

Flight 1 Low Net: 36-Kathy Hall, 40-Marianne Ingwersen.

Flight 2 Low Gross: 54-Judy Parisi.

Flight 2 Low Net: 37-Pat Gill, 39-Olive Curtin.

Flight 3 Low Gross: 58-Mary Giannukos.

Flight 3 Low Net: 36-Gail Ambrose, 37-Susan Layne.

Three Blind Mice - Low Net Dec. 12, 2013

Flight 1: 20-MaryAnn Holmquist, Tie at 22-Linda Mandala, Kathy Hall, Cathy McKeithan.

Flight 2: Tie at 19-Marguerite Piotrowski, Judy Parisi.

Flight 3: 17-Gail Ambrose; 19-Mary Giannukos.



Ladies 9-Hole Golf

By Lorraine Rourke

December was a busy month. By the time you read this most all the snowbirds will be back with the league in full swing.

With the cooler weather arriving, make sure you dress in layers so you can remove articles as the morning warms up. If you know ladies who have moved in but are hesitant to join the league, ask them to join us for a round or two. They can play as a guest as long as it is not a team event.

I was hesitant about joining, as I wasn't good. What I found was a group of ladies

who were very supportive, willing to help me understand the rules, and having a good time in our beautiful Florida weather. I should have signed up sooner as it was nice knowing there were ladies I could play with weekly if I wanted, and if I didn't, I just didn't sign up that week.

If your strokes get over 10, pick up for the rest of the hole to keep the game moving. You're still getting in great practices.

A handicap will need to be established by entering five scores into the system. The Golf Shop will help set that up. Since the pro breaks us up into various flights based on handicap and the weekly game changes, there is always a chance to win something.

Please, if you do sign up on the sheet and change your mind about play that day make sure you call the Golf Shop to remove your name. That way they are able to adjust the teams appropriately rather than scrambling to do so when there is a no-show. If the shop is closed, just leave a message.

Keep in mind, if the weather causes play to be cancelled, an e-mail will go out by 7:30 a.m. If you do not have e-mail, call the Golf Shop to determine if play is cancelled.

Shamble Oct. 29

124-Eileen Gustavus, Agnes Tetti, Ethel Miller, Virginia Bayless. 150-Serine Rossi, Kathleen Dushary, Jean Flynn, blind draw. 158-Caroline East, Pauline Beloin, Cathleen Hathaway, blind draw.

Individual Points Nov. 12

Flight 1: Linda Dumeer, Virginia Bayless, Janis Hannasch, Caroline East, Eileen Gustavus. Flight 2: Marlene Floeckher, Carole Bell, Kay Budd. Flight 3: Ethel Miller, Carolyn Abramovich, Judith Kane.

Ts & Fs Nov. 19

Flight 1: 12-Janis Hannasch, 13-Eileen Gustavus, 15-Linda Dumeer, Lorraine Rourke.

Flight 2: 15-Pauline Beloin, 16-Carol Bell, 19-M. Kay Budd, 20-Sheila Ashe

Flight 3: 12-Adele Stelljes, 13-Marlene Floeckher, 15-Ethel Miller.

Flight 4: 14-Mary Hart, 15-Michael Beyer, 17-Cathleen Hathaway.

Four Person Scramble Dec. 3

39-Lorraine Rourke, Ethel Miller, M. Kay Budd, Marie Marquis. Tie at 40-Janis Hannasch, Carolyn Abramovich, Kathleen Dushary, Pauline Beloin and Linda Dumeer, Michael Beyer, Virginia Bayless.

CHIP INS: Nov. 12-Linda Dumeer; Nov. 19-Linda Dumeer and Agnes Tetti.

BIRDIES: Nov. 19-Linda Dumeer; Dec. 12-Linda Dumeer.

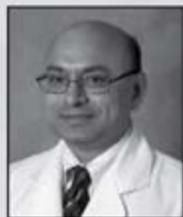
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Candler Hills Men's Golf

By Joe Alfano

Please allow me to wish everyone a healthy and happy 2014 with the expectations of many more to follow.

Speaking of the New Year, it didn't take long for me to break one of my resolutions. I had decided to improve my so-called golf game by going to the Stack N' Tilt swing method. Sadly, I quickly realized that the only things I seem to stack are pancakes and the only things I want to tilt are full to the brim mugs of grog. I guess I have to resign myself to the fact that the only tried and true swing theory for me is the "swing hard and keep your head up" method.

Our website has been updated with much useful information including our 2014 schedule of events. We have included

a couple of new games this year to make those Tuesday mornings much more interesting for many and perhaps more confusing for some.

Members can get an explanation of all our game formats by simply following the "Games We Play" link on the opening page of our website or continue to pester Tournament Director Dennis Norris that morning as some are wont to do.

The association continues to grow with the addition of new members Vinnie Jones, Jon Hill and Larry Kettlewell. You will find us to be an amiable bunch with nary a member who has an inflated sense of ones' self or importance. Though we do love our banter and repartee, we have no qualms when it comes to laughing at ourselves. Anyone else who may be interested in playing in such an environment can contact me at tjalf8371@yahoo.com for more information.

The third edition of our Intra-Club Ryder Cup is in the books and the worldly renowned "Alfster Cup" will safely remain in the possession of Dennis Norris' Chow-

der Hogs for another year. Captain Norris' gallant combatants edged out Captain Rich Trembulak's vaunted Chili Dogs 14-13 to keep retention of the cup.

We have no problem giving credit where credit is due and so we say "job well done" to Restaurant Manager Sandy Curtis and her able staff for the post-round flavorsome chili and chowder. Social Chairman Rich Trembulak gets a "tip of the trilby" for another fine job of arranging this revelry for all the participants.

Special thanks are also warranted for Head Pro Denise Mullen and Assistant Pro Logan Stringer for not just this event but for all their valuable help during the past year. And lest we forget, Director of Golf Matt Hibbs and Course Superintendent Andy Jorgenson deserve our thanks for the fine effort and professionalism in their respective positions.

Famed golfer, Gary Player, once remarked, "Golf is a puzzle without an answer." Having no such problem fitting the pieces together this past month was Bryant Giffin (73), Bill Latta (75), Tom Garrison

(76) and Walt Pacuk (78). Nice job "wackin' yer Acushnet" gentlemen!

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

Two-Man Net Stableford Nov. 19, 2013

Patton Flight: 82-Bryant Giffin & Dan Gill; 81-Bill Latta & Dave Miller; 80-Tom Garrison & Ron Shoner.

Montgomery Flight: 84-Rich Freeman & Joe Jingco; 74-Tom Martinetto & John Workman; 73-Don Huston & John Menzies.

Four-Man Team Shamble Dec. 3, 2013

184-Dave Martin, Ron Shoner, John Podkomorski & Dave Green; 185-Larry Kettlewell, Larry Rackstraw, Dave Schultz & Joe Jingco and Pat Clayton, Dan Gill, Ken Zweiback & Stan Jarmel.

Intra-Club Ryder Cup Individual Match Play Dec. 10, 2013

14-Chowder Hogs; 13-Chili Dogs.



Candler Hills Ladies 18-Hole

By Pam Monk

Happy and healthy New Year! Hope everyone had a joyous holiday season. May 2014 find us all hitting the fairways and greens at par or lower.

Congratulations to Judie Anderson, our 2013 President Cup winner. This event is our internal league match play competition held over a five week consecutive time period. In this case, President's Cup play began Thursday, Oct. 31, 2013 and culminated on Thursday, Dec. 5, 2013 with the President's Cup winner.

Those golfers eliminated in the second round of play participated in a consolation

round. Ilyong Dicus won this competition. These ladies are first time winners of this event and we are very proud of them. Hearty congratulations to all who participated in this event, particularly Deborah Martin and Mary Pat Giffin who were finalists in the final round.

Our 2013 holiday party, held at Bella Cucina, was a huge success. It's so nice to socialize when everyone is out of golf attire and dressed to the nines. Everyone was asked to bring an unwrapped toy for a child/infant donated to Toys for Tots. Dinner was a buffet of chicken or fish. The awards for the President's Cup tournament were presented to the winners and runners-up.

A 50/50 raffle was held and \$250 was collected. Half of that amount was donated to First Tee of Ocala and the other half went to four lucky winners - Kate Beaty, Deanne Green, Lynne Thesman and Heddy Racinowski.

Our appreciation goes to Heddy and her decorating committee, Carol Venslavsky,

Patty Ware and Joan Gustafson for putting together a great event.

Our general membership meeting will be held on Thursday, Jan. 9 at the Candler Hills Community Center. Lunch from Lee's Chicken with all the trimmings will be provided at a cost of approximately \$6 per member. This is the first meeting of 2014 so we hope to have a great attendance. Achievement recognitions for the 2013 season will be awarded. More information on this event is provided on our fabulous website: www.chlgagolf.com.

Stableford - Individual Nov. 7, 2013

Flight 1: 43-Peggy Borro. 39-Iro Lisinski. Flight 2: 40-Nancy Shoner. 39-Patty Ware. 36-Deanne Green.

Flight 3: 44-Linda Buschur. 37-Gail Schultz. 30-Heddy Racinowski.

Cross Cross - Individual Nov. 14, 2013

Flight 1: 28-Deb Martin. Tied at 29-Lise Jordaen and Judie Anderson.

Flight 2: 26-Irmgard Anger. 27-Gail Banavige. Tied at 31-Ruth Carraway, Carol Clark, Pat MacMurray and Nancy Shoner.

Flight 3: 30-Joan Gustafson. Tied at 31-Andrea Fratarangelo and Donna Liphardt.

Best Gross Plus 1 Best Net - Team Nov. 21, 2013

132-Peggy Borro, Gail Banavige, Marge Cowie and Donna Liphardt. 133-Lorie Anderson, Kate Beaty, Heddy Racinowski and Carol Venslavsky. 139-Lise Jordaen, Irmgard Anger, Vicky Salyers and Gail Schultz.

Two Person Scramble - Team Dec. 5, 2013

Flight 1: 73-Su Freeman and Ruth Carraway; 74-Tona Scheibal and Kate Beaty; 75-Iro Lisinski and Betty Dong.

Flight 2: 85-Kathy Smyth and Pam Monk; 87-Andrea Fratarangelo and Carol Venslavsky; 91-Joan Gustafson and Renee Aden.



Ladies 18-Hole Golf

By Marilyn Rose

Due to the holidays and a few days of rain, we haven't been able to play as much golf as we would have liked to.

Our Christmas celebration was a pot-luck luncheon. The food was wonderful. The women of the 18-Hole Golf Association can really cook.

We had tasty appetizers, delicious salads, unbelievable main dishes and you couldn't miss the dessert table! Some thought it would be something to consider once a year because it was so different for us and so good.

A big thank you from the committee of Harriet Brower, Harriett Hawkins, Bonnie Le Clerc, and Marilyn Rose.

In the New Year, our regular golf schedule will resume. Hope you all had a won-

derful Christmas.

18-Hole Scramble Nov. 12, 2013 / Links

68-Mia Kolar, Bonnie LeClerc, Judy Pasch, Velma Rose. 70-Deb Martin, Dawn Hagberg, Lori Anderson, Dea Johnson. Tie at 72-Peggy Borro, Mary McAtee, Joan Cecchini; Harriett Hawkins, Iro Lisinski, Harriet Brower, Lou Borders; Bev Ovrebø, Sandy Chase, Ruth Caraway, Fran Griswold. 73-Linda Blewitt, Mary Driver, Geri Trippa. 74-Joan D'Addio, Chris McIntire, Connie Sohl, Doris Holman. 75-Sharon Bartholomew, Maggie Hudacik, Ellie Rapacz.

Two Best Balls Dec. 3, 2013 / Links

Tie at 114-Peggy Borro, Dawn Hagberg, Judy Pasch, Ellie Rapacz; Deb Martin, Mary Lyon, Doris Holman. Tie at 115-Linda Blewitt, Sandy Chase, Fumie Veatch, Lou Borders.

Here are some of the new ladies who joined our league: Dawn Hagberg, Connie Sohl, Sharon Bartholomew, Pam Carpenter, Susan Maillet, Patricia Cole. Please introduce yourselves and welcome them.

Happy New Year to each and every one of you.



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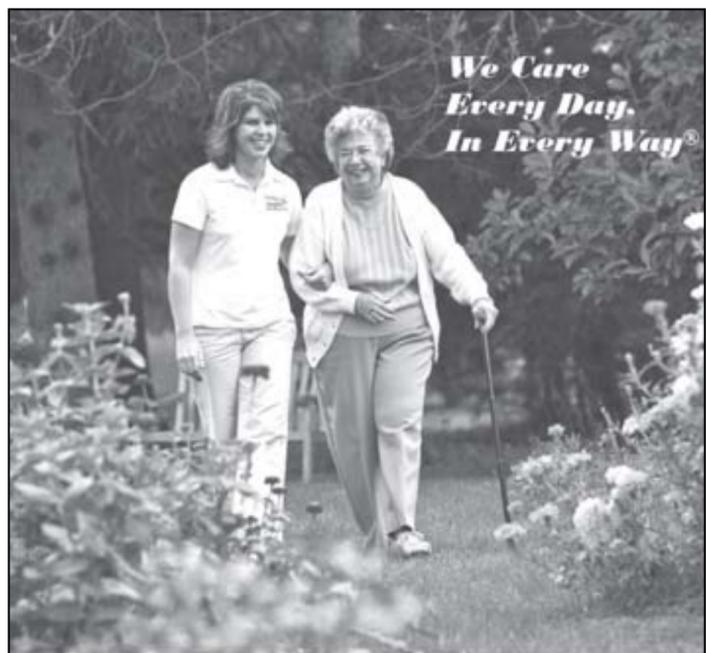
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Billiards

By Richard Impresa

It's that time of year again; time to make your list of New Year's resolutions. These are the things we vow to accomplish (or in the case of bad habits, refrain from repeating) in the coming 12 months. Since this is a billiard column, I will limit my list to 10 items pertaining to pool and the billiard facilities.

1. Since several club members took the time and trouble to buy and install additional cue holders all around the poolroom, I vow not to place my cue against the walls.
2. Given the fact that we have 16 chairs in the room, I vow to never sit on the pool table cushions.
3. Notwithstanding the fact that it in no way impedes the path of or inconveniences any pedestrian, I vow not to park my bike in the covered

4. Before leaving the poolroom, I vow to place a cover on any pool table not in use, whether I used it or not.
5. Visitors, guests, and potential homebuyers will be welcomed with a friendly comment.
6. When my turn at the table is done, I will move out of the way of the next shooter and players at other tables.
7. Friendly banter (a.k.a. male/female bonding) is to be encouraged but courtesy to the shooters should be observed, especially during tournaments.
8. Everyone should be treated with dignity and respect unless they have been proven unworthy of it.
9. If you don't like music, bring earplugs.
10. If you don't have a good sense of humor the poolroom is no place for you (see 7, 8 and 9).

That wraps up my top ten resolutions for 2014. Please let me know if any of them offend you and I will do my best to convince you of the error of your ways. Happy New Year and until next time keep stroking and keep your tip dry.



R/C Flyers

By Elliott Wilkins

The RC Flyers has undergone a major change in our club leadership as we have elected a new slate of officers for the year 2014: President Jerry Deluyck; Vice President Ron Lukowski; Secretary Paul Bianchi; Treasurer Stan Stein; Safety Officer Charlie Fisher; Field Marshall Bud Maine; Director Dick Rose; and Co-Director Jim Hyde.

Good luck and best wishes for a successful and soaring good year 2014!

On Dec. 11, 2013, the electric had their second "hog wild" combat contest early in the morning as the sun was just rising. You could not only see the flag flying over the RC field, but also these miniscule electric

planes with their long tails flittering in the morning breeze diving and spinning in order to get into position to cut the other tails around them.

This is RC model airplane competition in action that you will have a hard time finding anywhere except here in On Top of the World. This time, the winner who came away with the coveted trophy was Mark Swarmberg. (Or as I overheard, without the aid of someone else's tail clinging unexpectedly to his plane might have come in second but undoubtedly due to his expert flying skills managed to land with the other tail still hanging on to his plane.) Good flying Mark!

If anyone reading this column is interested in seeing the fun activities as just referred to, you can come down to the RC field either from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. for the electric flyers or from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the gas and go flyers. The latter fly the big planes and are a thrill to watch and witness the expert flying skills of our pilots.

After our hog competition, we had our monthly brunch at the field and enjoyed the great cooking and barbeque skills of chefs, Charlie Fisher and Bill Cruff, and coordinator, Bud Maine. A great and fulfilling time was had by all. The irresistibly delicious cheeseburgers, homemade coleslaw, potato chips and drinks were a real treat.

Come on down and see for yourself what RC flying is all about! The RC field is located at the end of SW 94th Street right after the entrance road to Avalon. Go through the white fence and follow the road to the field.

The RC Flyers would like to wish everyone a happy and healthy new year!



Bocce

By Michelle Malsch

The Bocce Club league team standings are in! Here are the team standings year-to-date:

Tuesday at 9 a.m.

301-Four Rollers (15 wins and 5 losses). 295-Firecrackers (15 wins and 5 losses). 267-Bocce Bombers (13 wins and 7 losses). 259-Dolphins (11 wins and 9 losses). 216-Hard Balls (9 wins and 11 losses). 219-Ball Knockers (8 wins and 12 losses). 212-Low Rollers (6 wins and 14 losses).

Tuesday at 11 a.m.

241-League of Nations (11 wins and 7 losses). 235-Happy Feet (10 wins and 8 losses). 228-Smile Faces (10 wins and 8 losses). 222-Four Balls (10 wins and 8 losses). 232-The Neighbors (9 wins and 9 losses). 214-The Slow Flyers (8 wins and 10 losses). 203-The Jets (7 wins and 11 losses). 200-The Duds (7 wins and 11 losses).

Thursday at 10 a.m.

269-The Other Halves (16 wins and 2 losses). 258-On the Edge (13 wins and 5 losses). 258-Rolling Stones (10 wins and 8 losses). 232-Ocala 4 (10 wins and 8 losses). 198-Rookies (9 wins

and 9 losses). 191-The New Beginnings (6 wins and 12 losses). 158-Rocket Scientists (5 wins and 13 losses). 145-Bocchettes (3 wins and 15 losses).

As the numbers show, halfway through the season it certainly is anybody's guess whose team will come out on top! A lot of teams are tied with total number of wins and only separated by the number of points won.

Will it roll to the right, will it drift to the left? If the wind blows, will the ball drift, and which direction? It's fun, it's challenging and we have a ball, literally!

The Bocce Club Christmas social was held on Friday, Dec. 13, 2013, at 1 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. Sandwiches and beverages were provided by the board and sides and desserts were provided by team players. An anonymous team player donated door prizes.

Open bocce is played on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:00 a.m. Anyone is permitted to play during these days at this time. League play is on Tuesdays at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., and Thursdays at 10 a.m. If you have never played before, or want to learn, why not pay us a visit during these times to see how the game is played? You never know until you try! You might like it! Head Director Don Oakes can be reached at 854-8364 for further information.

Until we roll again ...



Softball

By Bill Leon

The battle has begun. The Great Clips team, which was floundering at the start, but with recent changes to the team, has moved closer to the top. The Great Clips team seems to be the team to beat as they display their powerhouse offense and key hits. They are even with the top teams in wins and have a good chance of taking the top spot as they begin to play the weaker teams.

The Tee Pee Tire and Dr. Dunn teams are neck and neck on top of the league. In their last play, they ended up in a tie as the game had to be called due to rain. The tie-

breaker will come next time they play.

The Pavarotti's team will have to play as a unit as they continue to leave men in scoring position even when their better hitters come to bat. They did jump for joy in their final game before the holidays, as they came from behind in the last inning and won the game.

A recent change to the Overholser team has helped their offense and defense, but they still have to make changes to their batting order until they can find the right solution.

We are pleased to see that we are getting more spectators coming out to watch some of the games and thank them for their presence.

| Team | Won | Lost | Tie |
|----------------------|-----|------|-----|
| 4-Tee Pee Tire (Ed) | 8 | 5 | 1 |
| 2-Dr. Dunn (Paul) | 8 | 5 | 1 |
| 1-Great Clips (Jeff) | 8 | 6 | |
| 3-WiseWay (Jimmy) | 7 | 7 | |
| 6-Overholser (Ken) | 5 | 9 | |
| 5-Pavarotti's (Bill) | 5 | 9 | |



Monday Bowling League

By Jerry Roney

The team OSIMA took over first place on Monday, Nov. 25, 2013 and has maintained its first place standing for three weeks now. However, they are only one point better than the Pin Poppers.

High games among the ladies were bowled by Linda McIntyre (190 and 189) Hedy Schamal (180), Barbara Reynolds (182) and Barbara Buecher (181).

High ladies series were Linda McIntyre (508, 494 and 487), Barbara Reynolds (479

and 467), Hedy Schamal (479 and 478) and Barbara Buecher (460).

Among the men's high single games were Jim Shepherd (246 and 223) Bob Vitale (235 and 217), Henry Vieu (224), Elliott Wilkins (243), Rod Shepherd (216), Bob Lingis (213) Dennis Turnipseed (213) and Keith Buckhold (213).

High men's series included Jim Shepherd (638, 633 and 575), Bob Vitale (613) Neal Quick (569 and 572), Bob Geesler (567), Dennis Hoff (560), Dennis Turnipseed (578) Keith Buckhold (550) and Art Buecher (544).

We took a couple of weeks off for Santa and the New Year.

We are still looking for bowlers - regular and substitutes. High averages are not required - it is a fun, sociable, handicapped league. We have a number of bowlers whose averages are the low 100s - even two slightly below 100. Call George at 342-1667 or Jerry at 873-4327.

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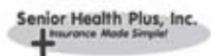
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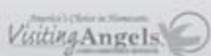
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Sail Away Cruise Club

By Fred O'Blenis

Welcome aboard! In case you missed last month's column, let me update you on our cruises in 2014.

The St. Patrick's Day sailing on the Enchantment of the Seas has had an overwhelming response. On March 17, the club is sailing on a four-night cruise to Royal

Caribbean's private island of Coco Cay and Nassau. For those who travel alone, we have single occupancy cabins available. Call Fred at 237-6367 for more information.

Additionally, the club will give each cabin (not per person) a \$25 on board credit. Optional private round trip bus service is available for about \$50 per person. As I mentioned above, time is running out on this early spring cruise.

The club's annual cruise in November is on the Explorer of the Seas out of Port Canaveral. It is a nine-night cruise for about the price of seven.

Our travel club decided on the nine-

night cruise because of the ABC Islands (Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao) and, of course, Royal Caribbean's private island called Labadee. Many of our clients have visited some of these locations, but too often the ships were only in port a few hours versus the upcoming cruise with all day-scheduled itineraries.

There are all kinds of interesting things to see and do while in port at these locations. If all of the above isn't enough to get you to pick up the phone and get more information on this cruise, maybe the \$50 per cabin on board credit would. To book/hold a stateroom for just \$250 per person, call Fred at 237-6367. Whatever money put

down on any of our cruises is fully refundable up to final payment.

The Sail Away Cruise Club wishes everybody a happy and healthy 2014. The travel club looks forward to serving all of your travel arrangements. Until next time, dream of your next cruise with us. Book once and you'll see why we have so many repeat clients each and every year. Call Fred at 237-6367.

While working on this column, I noted that our club's name is Sail Away and the cruise lines always refer to a "sailing date." I've looked and cannot find a single sail on any of our cruise ships. What's up with that? Just a thought.



On The Road Again

By Bob Woods

Sept. 14. For additional information and pricing, please call me at 854-0702 or visit my website at www.bobwoodsroadaagain.com. There is no deposit or obligation for placing your name on the stand-by list.

After a few cancellations, there are cabins available on the nine-night/10-day voyage on Royal Caribbean's Explorer of the Seas departing Port Canaveral on Thursday, Dec. 4. There are also a few seats available on the motor coach. This cruise is heading for the ABC Islands (Aruba, Bonaire, and Curacao) in the southern portion of the Caribbean off the Venezuelan coast before stopping on the cruise line's private beach in Labadee, Haiti. There will be a \$50 shipboard credit per cabin and a one-hour shared free cocktail party.

Last month, I gave a brief overview on

the ship's first port of call - Aruba. The second stop in the ABC Islands is Bonaire. Bonaire is rated among the best diving locations in the world for both scuba diving and snorkeling since the island is ringed by a coral reef. It is known as a "divers paradise." The island's economy is mainly based on tourism. The island lies outside the hurricane belt and is known for its pink flamingos. The highest peak on the island is Mt. Brandaris standing a mere 784 feet. There are very few sandy beaches on this island.

The capital of Bonaire and the largest city is Kralendijk and this is where the Explorer will dock. Royal Caribbean offers six excursions on the island ranging from 4x4 off road safaris to sightseeing by car.

To see the island, the Bonaire highlights tour would be my choice. The moderately priced tour takes tourists through

the mountains stopping in one area for a sweeping view of the capital. There are photo stops along the route and one place of photographic interests is the salt pans, which are towering mounds of white dry salt contrasting between the blue Caribbean and the sky. The tour goes through many historical sites on the island.

Bonaire should be a very interesting destination. The total population of the island is less than 20,000. The official language is Dutch but not to worry ... most speak English as the island's currency is the U.S. dollar.

When a local on the island says to you, "Bon Bini," don't be alarmed, it means welcome to Bonaire.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call me or visit my website. Next month, I will state a few interesting items about the ship's third stop: Curacao.



Travel Toppers

By Jo Swing

Travel Toppers wishes all residents a happy and adventurous New Year. We are working hard to fill 2014 with entertaining and interesting trips.

Our Thursday, Jan. 23 trip to the Federal Reserve Bank and Sally Industries in Jacksonville, Fla. is full at this time. If you are interested in being placed on our wait list, please call Jo Swing at 237-4564.

We are currently taking reservations for the Wednesday, Feb. 5 trip to Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater, Fla. for the Adults at Leisure presentation of "Ethel Merman's Broadway." Rita McKenzie recreates her award-winning off-Broadway portrayal of the "Queen of Broadway." The show features many of the show-stopping songs that Miss Merman introduced to the world such as "I Got Rhythm," "There's No Business Like Show Business," and "Everything's Coming Up Roses." The cost is \$46, which includes coach, boxed lunch, show and tips

for driver and meal. When making your reservations be sure to indicate your choice of lunch: egg, tuna, or chicken salad sandwich or garden salad. Lunch will include potato salad, cookie, and coffee or tea. Linda Hein is taking reservations now; call her at 891-9880.

We have another trip to Ruth Eckerd Hall in March for the Adults at Leisure presentation of Mitzi Gaynor "In Person." Mitzi presents a one-woman tour-de-force of side-splitting stories, moving reminiscence and songs from her films such as "South Pacific" and "There's No Business Like Show Business" and also from her nightclub act. The cost per person is \$62, which covers motor coach, show, boxed lunch and tip for driver and meal. Call Pat Hood at 237-8533. When reserving, please indicate your choice of lunch: egg, tuna, or chicken salad sandwich or garden salad. Included in boxed lunch is potato salad, cookie, coffee or tea.

Reservations start Monday, Jan. 6 for the Saturday, March 29 Show Palace production of "La Cage aux Folles." Based on the 1978 French film and the 1984 best musical on Broadway, "La Cage aux Folles" is pure (or not so pure) entertainment from start to finish filled with humor, dazzling choreography, and songs. The price of \$73 covers bus, buffet, show and tips for driver and

meal. Mary Lamp will be the coordinator. Call her at 854-9378 for reservations.

Travel Toppers has a 10-day cruise in December going to the Southern Caribbean on Royal Caribbean's Explorer of the Seas. We will be sailing Thursday, Dec. 4 from Port Canaveral, Fla. Ports of call are the ABC islands: Aruba, Bonaire, and Curacao and also Labadee, Haiti. We return on Saturday, Dec. 13. Prices start at \$823.79 for inside cabin. Cruise prices are per person, double occupancy and include all port charges and government fee. For further information and reservations, call Inge Gaitch at 237-7428.

Our first meeting of the year will be Wednesday, Jan. 8 at 9:30 a.m. in Suite A of the Arbor Conference Center. We always welcome input from members. Until we see you again, happy travels to all.



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World Traveler

By Bill Shampine

Belize, a country about the size of New Hampshire, is the northern most country of Central America. It is bordered on the north by Mexico, to the south and west by Guatemala, and to the east by the Caribbean Sea.

Historically, the Maya civilization spread over what is now Belize beginning around 1500 B.C., and flourished until about A.D. 800. Christopher Columbus was the first European contact, in 1502, but Spanish conquistadors later explored the land and claimed it as a Spanish colony.

Although claimed by the Spanish, they did not settle the land because of the Mayan resistance and the lack of gold. It was not until 1638, when English settlers and pirates established a colony in order to attack Spanish ships and develop a slave-based lumber trade. England and Spain had an uneasy mutual pact until 1798 when the English finally defeated the Spanish in a sea battle that essentially ended Spain's claims to the region.

The British claimed the right to administer the region in 1836, and formally declared the region a British Crown Colony in 1862, naming it British Honduras. Guatemala, however, refused to recognize the declared borders of this new nation – a dispute that remains unresolved to this day. Britain finally granted British Honduras self-government in 1964, and the country was officially renamed Belize in 1973.

Because of the long-term border dispute, Guatemala still refused to recognize the new nation until verbal "understanding" was agreed to in 1992. The international community has proposed that the dispute be taken before the International Court of Justice at The Hague for resolution.

With only 335,000 people, Belize is very sparsely populated. More than 60% of the land is covered by forest, and 20% is savannah, scrubland, and wetland. It is noted for an exceedingly rich and diverse population of plants and animals. The government also is a leader in protecting biodiversity and natural resources.

In addition to the ecologically diverse land areas, Belize has a Barrier Reef System that is second only to Australia's Great Barrier Reef. Easily accessible for snorkelers and scuba divers, the reef is 190 miles long, and replete with over 100 species of coral, 500 species of fish, and hundreds of invertebrate species. Because the reef has not yet been researched thoroughly, some biologists believe that these numbers represent only about 10% of the total aquatic population.

Tourism is the major economic engine for Belize, and it caters to tourists from the United States. The currency is pegged at two to one to the U.S. dollar, so it is easy to figure out the cost of things. The climate is warm and relatively stable year-around. Potential activities for visitors include archaeology, birding, canoeing or kayaking, snorkeling or scuba diving, caving, hiking, fishing, sailing, and sitting on the beach sipping a nice Merlot or Pinot Grigio wine.

The people are very friendly, and represented by eight diverse cultures – Maya, Mestizo, Kriol, Garifuna, East Indian, Mennonite, Arab, and Chinese. English is the official language, but most natives are



Photo by the U.S. Geological Survey

A giant sinkhole located off the coast of Belize, known as the Great Blue Hole. It is over 400-feet deep.

multi-lingual and speak Kriol (an English-based creole), a form of Spanish, Mayan, Plautdietsch (spoken by the large Mennonite population), Mandarin, and/or Garifuna (an African-based language).

Another sea-based adventure available to tourists is swimming with whale sharks. The world's largest fish, whale sharks grow

up to 60 feet in length. They only eat plankton, so as long as you don't look like a very, very tiny plant or animal, you should be safe. Swimming with these behemoths must be an awesome experience!

Finally, there are lots of ancient Mayan archaeological sites available to visit, some of which are extremely well preserved.



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Decorations Galore

By Jim Chandler

I hope you were able to visit the Heath & Recreation Ballroom over the Christmas holidays. Shirley Schopf and Kay Chandler organized a decorations committee of residents who gathered in November 29 to decorate a large artificial Christmas tree, surrounded by some attractive, lighted reindeer and sleigh.

Besides Shirley and Kay, the committee consisted of Bill Monroe, Dick Wolfe, Carolyn Hancock, and Judy Dunn.

Maintenance supervisor Jerritt Weaner

and his crew carried the tree from storage, erected it, and then helped the committee put on the lights. They handled the ladder work. Thanks again, guys!

The Health & Recreation Ballroom was very festive with all the wreaths hanging around the room, decorated by 14 clubs. Kay Chandler handed out basic wreaths to each club in November, to be returned with unique decorations on Friday, Nov. 29. She then hung the wreaths around the room. For all who decorated wreaths, we give special thanks.

Please take the time to thank any of these volunteers for their efforts in making On Top of the World the great community that it is.

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Stamp Club

By David Groves

The General Francis Marion Stamp Club continued to grow during December, and in addition to our two meetings, we enjoyed our annual Christmas luncheon on Wednesday, Dec. 11.

December also welcomed our newly elected club officers. Outgoing President Niemira revealed the names of our newly elected President Robert F. Schlegel, Jr.; Vice President Russell Rumney Jr.; Secretary Dr. Jeffrey A. Howard; Treasurer Elliot Natale and Auction Cashier JoAnn Van Scotter.

The highlight of our December meeting was John P. Renyhart's fascinating, well-illustrated presentation of facts, stamps and covers related to Christmas and "Santa's evolution."

John's own Christmas-related collection includes postage stamps from over 100 countries.

He introduced the talk by reminding us "The world's first Christmas stamp ... was issued by Canada on Dec. 7, 1898. It started issuing Christmas stamps on a yearly basis in 1964."

What about the U.S.? John reported, "On Nov. 1, 1962, the U.S. issued its first Christmas stamp featuring a green and red wreath and candles."

In 1966, a religious theme emerged with the first of many Madonna issues. And 1970 brought us both religious and contemporary themed Christmas stamps."

Here comes Santa Claus! Renyhart commented, "One of the most iconic images associated with Christmas is Santa Claus. The American version of the Santa Claus figure received its inspiration and name from the Dutch legend of Sinterklaas, aka St. Nicholas, brought by settlers to New York."

Santa's first appearance on a U.S. postage stamp occurred in 1972. The eight-cent stamp features "Jolly old St. Nick," designed by Steven Dohanos, with a headline, "Twas the Night before Christmas..."

Since then, the U.S. has issued at least 23 different stamps showing Santa Clause in a wide variety of forms.

Santa Claus has also been appearing on Christmas commemorative stamps of Great Britain (Father Christmas), Germany (Kris Kringle), France (Pere Bonhomme Noel), Sweden (Jultomten), Finland



Santa's first appearance on a U.S. postage stamp occurred in 1972 with jolly old St. Nick.

(Joulupukka), Italy, Netherlands, Canada, Gibraltar, St. Vincent, Sierra Leone and many other countries.

John showed us many stamps, covers and other illustrative items featuring Santa Claus and closed his talk by saying, "There's a bit of the believer in all of us. In my case, it should seem rather obvious, given the amount of material which I have accumulated in telling this story." Thank you, John!

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. and at noon the third Wednesday in the second floor conference room of the Bank of the Ozarks on SW State Road 200 and the SW 90th Street entrance to On Top of the World.

Visitors are always welcome! And our annual membership dues are only \$6.

If you discover a long-forgotten family stamp collection, and are looking for information on either updating or disposing of your collection, please send an email to me at bigpoo@embarqmail.com. We'll do our best to help you.

For our stamp club brochure and/or a free "Guide to Stamp Collecting" kit, please contact Joe Rosinski at 237-7366 or jr8850@embarqmail.com.

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

We wish all residents a happy New Year!



Model Railroaders

By Jim Lynam

Wow! Wasn't that a great picture of Gary Mowry's winter train layout in the December issue of the World News! Special thanks to Bob Woods for the picture and the article.

The Model Railroaders Club will be hosting a Holiday Open House on Friday, Dec. 27 and Saturday, Dec. 28, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day in the train room located in the Health & Recreation Building. The members will have multiple trains running continuously on the main layout in the train room. There will be passenger trains, freight trains, work trains, and yard trains running simultaneously throughout the city and countryside.

For those of you who remember "the good ole days" of railroading, you will be amazed at the variety of steam engines that will be pulling the consists. There will also be diesel locomotives representing the more modern era running the main line and performing yard-switching duties.

The room will be filled with the sounds of railroading from the squealing of hot brakes on the turns, the bell of the engine working the yard, to the haunting and "throaty" sound of the steam whistle warn-

ing the automobiles at the crossings. The room will change from daylight operation to twilight time when the lights from all of the buildings, city streets, engines and passenger cars emerge and twinkle in your eyes to add to the enjoyment.

The club encourages you to bring your friends, neighbors, children and grandchildren to the Holiday Open House!

The Model Railroaders would like to acknowledge and thank Jim Lynam, Jim Loux, Jim Devine and Charlie Vartanian for their service as club officers for 2013. Through their leadership, with the help of Gary Mowry and many club members, a completely new yard area was created, constructed and completed in 2013. In addition, the layout was entirely modified from DC power to the new Digital Command Control.

To continue the progress into the New Year, the club wishes to congratulate the elected officers for 2014: President Jim Lynam; Vice President Bob Wilkes; Secretary Jim Devine; Treasurer Charlie Vartanian; and Director Paul Lewandowski.

Happy New Year to everyone!

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

Our next monthly meeting will be held at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 8 in Meeting Room #3 (Poker Room) of the Craft Building.

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Theatre Group

By Anne Merrick

The storyboard committee has been busy, since the end of the show in November, getting ready for auditions for the spring show. Dottie Berkowitz has put together the basic format for the show with parodies of well-known songs and jokes about life "Inside the Gated Community."

Some connecting writing is still to be done at the time of writing this but we expect to be ready in time for the auditions

on Wednesday, Jan. 8, at 2 p.m. in Suite G in the Arbor Conference Center. If you can sing and/or read, you will be a great candidate for the show. You don't need to be a current member of the Theatre Group to participate.

Reader's Theater has always been a part of theater and was used in the last spring show as well. This is a good medium for those of us who have difficulty with or who are just plain scared of "learning the words" for a full length play. It is a great way to get started on the stage without suffering from stage fright.

To be a part of this show, call Dottie Berkowitz at 861-2226 or just turn up for the auditions prepared to sing and/or read. If you need any other information about the group, you can call Anne at 732-0706.

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Giggles, Dee Dee, Sunflower and Joker at a Christmas party for children with autism.



D'Clowns

By Mike Roppel

We have had a great time this fall spreading cheer. When we get more clowns, we can really entertain people as they look to see which clown is the silliest, we can paint more faces, and apply more temporary tattoos.

It was so nice to be a part of the Marion County Sheriff's Office Halloween event. There were countless children who wanted their face painted by one of our clowns. We did not get break all night but seeing all those happy faces made it worthwhile.

On Saturday, Dec. 7, we were invited to paint faces at the College Road Baptist Church as well as put on selected tattoos for children with autism. To get more information about the Ocala Autism Support Network (OASN), call 509-1652, from 8 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday.

Another face painting event was at the First Congregational United Church of Christ the annual Pignic. Here again, we had many children of all ages. The Marion County Sheriff's Office had a K-9 officer perform and get lots of attention from the audience. The dog wanted his face painted but there were so many designs available he could not make up his mind as to which one he wanted.

When you are ready to clown around, call Sunflower at 873-3433.



Ocala Clown Express

By Carol & Guy White

Holiday cheer was spread around Ocala by our clowns. The Marion County Sheriff's Office held a big Christmas party for disadvantaged children. Lots of happy, face-painted and tattooed children and their sponsors enjoyed the balloon animals and the big party.

In Dunnellon, a Christmas party for needy children had us really painting and laughing with the children.

Our spotlight this month is on Carol White. (Note her picture at the top of this column.) Carol was born and raised in Connecticut. She loved it so much; she had her children there.

She became a real southern belle when she moved to Georgia. She retired as a secretary of many years, and then moved here to wonderful On Top of the World.

Many new friendships were made here, one of which was a Christian clown. It did not take long before she decided to start a Christian clown group at On Top of the World. Three clown schools and four conventions taught her makeup, magic, and balloon animals.

Soon she was teaching a group of retired people to be children again. What fun!

Ocala Clown Express is a group of charitable clowns. Like we always say, "We get paid by the smiles on the faces of the children and the elderly." Our group is a very giving group of folks; it makes it even more rewarding to be working with them.

How about it? Do you want to "clown around?"

Submitted by Charlotte Erickson

Opera Tampa

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

Opera Tampa wowed the audience with beautiful music at the Circle Square Cultural Center just before Thanksgiving. The free performance was sold out.

Music lovers filled the seats as they were entertained by songs from Mozart, Bizet's "Carmen," Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess," and most notably Roger and Hammerstein's "There is Nothin' Like a Dame" from "South Pacific."

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Community Patrol

By Patricia A. Woodbury

The Community Patrol board would like to take this opportunity to thank all the patrol members for their dedication and participation in this service organization this past year. Patrolling the community in a Marion County Sheriff's patrol car goes a long way in keeping our neighborhood safe as well as supporting the deputies in fighting and preventing crime.

Ken Colen provided a wonderful luncheon at the Candler Hills Community Center on Monday, Dec. 19, in appreciation of the Community Patrol and CERT teams. Members of the Marion County Sheriff's Office were also in attendance. Patrol members had a good time leading the community Christmas Golf Cart Parade on Wednesday, Dec. 11 right behind the Marion County Sheriff's car and motorcycle.

The Community Patrol hopes that all our residents were alert to potential crime while shopping during the holidays, particularly around the shopping malls. If residents see a stranger in the community looking or acting in a suspicious manner, they should contact a deputy.

Just a couple reminders about Golf Cart rules, it is not legal to drive a golf cart across SW 80th Street on SW 90th Street to go to Lowes. With visiting family members, it is important to be reminded that according to the On Top of the World Golf Cart Rules, "Each operator of a golf cart must be at least 15 years of age and be eligible to obtain a valid automobile driver's license."

It is important to remind our residents (in an automobile or golf cart) to make sure they make a complete stop, at the stop signs, in the community, then proceeding forward only when the road is clear. Watch those several circles in our community and do not bypass them. Approach the circle yielding to the traffic already in the circle and move in a counterclockwise direction.

The next meeting of the Community Patrol is Monday, Jan. 27. 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.

Anyone interested in becoming part of our Community Patrol should call Richard Enos at 304-8477. Come and join us, the meeting is open to everyone.



Citizens Emergency Response Team

By Patricia A. Woodbury

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) for their dedication and participation in the year 2013. The success and progress of this service organization is dependent on the efforts of all the members. I know we have yet to prove our worth but the anticipation of each member to be prepared to assist their fellow residents in the event of a natural disaster is commendable.

If any resident would like to join CERT in this mission, we encourage you to seek an application for the next training session which is planned for February or March. Please contact Brian Gibson, CERT coordinator, Division of Emergency Management of the Marion County Sheriff's Office at 369-8120 as soon as possible and let him know your interest and obtain an application.

Our thanks to Ken Colen for the very nice luncheon he hosted, on Monday, Dec. 9, in appreciation of the contribution of the Community Patrol and CERT teams. It is always nice for the volunteers to be recognized for their efforts to serve the community.

The next meeting of CERT is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 14. CERT meets every second Tuesday of the month at 9 a.m. in Suites E and F of the Arbor Conference Center. Persons interested in learning more about CERT are welcome to attend these meetings or contact Pat at 854-8718.



American Jewish Club

By Carol Aronoff

I want to wish you a happy and healthy New Year. May all your wishes come true.

Our December meeting was very informative. Pat Gabriel spoke to us about the forthcoming changes to our SR200 Corridor. Looks like we are getting a new deli in the Canopy Oaks Shopping Center. Sounds great. And how about those d--n Yankees?

In spite of the short notice, our December lunch bunch had a very good turnout at the Braised Onion, which was so delicious.

At our next meeting on Sunday, Jan. 19, we start early for it is our annual pay membership luncheon, lox and bagels with all the trimmings. What fun! Bring your hearty appetites.

If any of you are interested in the day outings, run by the Health & Recreation department or Travel Toppers. Let us know, as we would like to make up a group within a group for these events. There are some great destinations.

Looking forward to seeing you soon.



Photo by Mike Roppel

Community Patrol and CERT members enjoyed a special luncheon, in their honor, hosted by Ken Colen with representatives from the Marion County Sheriff's Office on Monday, Dec. 9, 2013.

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Monday Afternoon

By Shirley Stolly & Carol Johnson

Nov. 11, 2013

1: Fran Griswold & Betty Morris; 2: Joyce Walchak & Marge Starrett; 3: Florence Heckler & Shirley Stolly.

Nov. 18, 2013

1: Carol Johnson & Shirley Stolly; 2: Mary Carol Geck & Ida Rosendahl; 3: Phyllis Bressler & Esther Lang.

Nov. 25, 2013

1: Marge Starrett & Joyce Walchak; 2: Ida Rosendahl & Mary Carol Geck; 3: Shirley Stolly & Florence Heckler.

Dec. 2, 2013

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

Dec. 9, 2013

1: Joan Lord & Eleanor Giardina; 2: Jane Kaske & Phyllis Bressler; 3: Mildred Lane & Marjorie Benton.

Monday Night

By Kathie & Art Dushary

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

Nov. 4, 2013

1: Nancy Van Gordon (3550); 2: Erwin Fluss; 3: Cindy Brown; 4: Joan Sigafoos; 5: Jeff Ware.

Nov. 11, 2013

1: Linda Hannon (4610); 2: Paul Agarwal; 3: Sisca Johnson; 4: Peggy Borro; 5: Myra

Butler.

Nov. 18, 2013

1: Paul Agarwal (5130); 2: Laura Snyder; 3: Myra Butler; 4: Eleanor Giardina; 5: Al Kremer.

Nov. 25, 2013

1: Peggy Borro (5070); 2: Paul Agarwal; 3: Gina Swenson; 4: Joan Sigafoos; 5: Myra Butler.

Tuesday Afternoon

By Agnes LaSala

Nov. 12, 2013

1: Mazie Millward & Millie Ferrell; 2: Mary Rose Janssen & Mildred Lane.

Nov. 19, 2013

1: Shirley Stolly & Betty Morris; 2: Mazie Millward & Millie Ferrell.

Tuesday Night Dup

By Doris Keathley

Nov. 19, 2013

1: Bill & Ida Carlson; 2: Ida Rosendahl & Dan Lack; 3: Ernie & Joan Lord.

Nov. 26, 2013

1: Rose O'Rourke & Rita Smyth; 2: Bill & Ida Carlson; 3: Ida Rosendahl & Marjorie Benton; 4: Jayne Kaske & Ernie Lord; 5: John & Marie Fiorillo.

Wednesday Afternoon

By Pat Goltart

Nov. 20, 2013

1: Helen O'Brien; 2: Bonnie Heinlein; 3: Fran Griswold; Cons: Marlene Floeckher.

Dec. 4, 2013

1: Eleanor Giardina; 2: Helen O'Brien; Cons: Mary Culberson.

Thursday Afternoon

By Marge Starrett

Oct. 3, 2013

1: Mazie Millward; 2: Marge Starrett; 3: Eleanor Giardina; 4: Judy Wagnitz.

Oct. 10, 2013

1: Florence Heckler; 2: Nancy Dreimiller; 3: Eleanor Giardina.

Oct. 17, 2013

1: Florence Heckler; 2: Eleanor Giardina; 3: Nancy Dreimiller.

Oct. 24, 2013

1: Joyce Walchak; 2: Mazie Millward; 3: Mary Rose Janssen; 4: Phyllis Bressler.

Oct. 31, 2013

1: Eleanor Giardina; 2: Mazie Millward; 3: Marge Starrett; 4: Nancy Dreimiller.

Nov. 7, 2013

1: Cleona Redman; 2: Joanne Jones; 3: Eleanor Giardina; 4: Marge Starrett.

Nov. 14, 2013

1: Cleona Redman; 2: Eleanor Giardina; 3: Marge Starrett; 4: Joyce Walchak.

Nov. 21, 2013

1: Mary Rose Janssen; 2: Phyllis Bressler; 3: Mazie Millward; 4: Shirley Ebert.

Thursday Night

By Gail Ambrose

Nov. 7, 2013

1: Ida Rosendahl; 2: Shirley Stolly; 3: Janet Becker; 4: Joan Sigafoos; 5: Dick Griswold; 6: Bob Durst.

Nov. 14, 2013

1: Eleanor Giardina; 2: Ida Rosendahl; 3: Miriam McNeilly; 4: Bob Durst; 5: Shirley Stolly.

Nov. 21, 2013

1: Shirley Stolly; 2: Fran Griswold; 3: Eleanor Giardina.

CRIBBAGE

Friday Night

By Rose Marie Postin

Nov. 1, 2013

1: Alberta Sarris; 2: Bob Layne; 3: RoseMarie Postin, Cons: Sheila Howell.

Nov. 8, 2013

1: Herb Postin; 2: RoseMarie Postin; 3: Sheila Howell, Cons: Norma Yonke.

Nov. 15, 2013

1: Phyllis Wandrey; 2: Bob Layne; 3: Norma Yonke, Cons: Jerry Schrum.

Nov. 22, 2013

1: RoseMarie Postin; 2: Alberta Sarris; 3: Margie Saxon; Cons: Sheila Howell.

Nov. 29, 2013

1: Bob Layne; 2: Glenda Lins; 3: Anne Jagielski; Cons: Phyllis Wandrey.

EUCHRE

Friday Night

By Joe Askenase

Nov. 5

Three Handed Game

1: Virgil Taylor; 2 (tie): Vi Horton & Ray Decker.

Four Handed Game

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

Nov. 22

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Four Handed Game

1: Virgil Taylor; 2: Vi Horton; 3: Annette Taylor.

Five Handed Game

1 (tie): Bridget Hughes & Ray Decker; 2: Lou Fisher; 3: Maria France; 4: Shirley Coe.

Nov. 29

Four Handed Game

1: Shirley Coe; 2: Virgil Taylor; 3: Vi Horton; 4: Lou Fisher; 5: Bridget Hughes.

Dec. 6

Four Handed Game

1: Viola Horton; 2: Annette Taylor; 3: Ray Decker.

Five Handed Game

1: Lou Fisher; 2: Maria France; 3: Bridget Hughes; 4: Jeff Hoelzer; 5: Lynn Hoelzer.

Friday Night 4 Fun

By Irene Pisani & Nancy Kowsky

Nov. 15, 2013

1: Joan Sigafoos; 2: Vickie Greig; 3: Jean Gellelte; 4: Phyllis Wall; 5: Dale Douglas.

Nov. 22, 2013

1: Jerry Harri; 2: Richard Miles; 3: Walter Hickenlooper, Jean Sylver, Nancy Kowsky; 4: Paul Agarwal; 5 (tie): Steve Harmon, Edith Kolb & Marie Marquis.

Nov. 29, 2013

1: Richard Gillette; 2: Phyllis Gorman; 3: Bob Gorman; 4: Gitte Agarwal; 5 (tie): Jean Sylver, Paul Agarwal, Gayle Aegano, Jean Harris, Jerry Harris & Bill Eberly.

PINOCHLE

Tuesday Night/Double

By Alberta Sarris

Arrive at 5:45 p.m. to start play at 6 p.m. in the Poker Room in the Craft Building.

Nov. 5, 2013

Tables 1: Vincent Santoro & Alberta Sarris; 2: Ilse Kersey & Norma Yonke; 3: Virgil Taylor & Joe Scervo.

Nov. 12, 2013

Tables 1: Verna Harsh & Ann Pelham & Jimmy Mazzotta; 2: Vi Horton & Norma Yonke; 3: Virgil Taylor & Joe Scervo.

Nov. 19, 2013

Tables 1: Alberta Sarris; 2: Vi Horton & Norma Yonke; 3: Virgil Taylor & Joe Scervo.

Nov. 26, 2013

Tables 1: Sue Kelly & Alberta Sarris; 2: Ilse Kersey & Ann Pelham; 3: Virgil Taylor & Joe Scervo.

Tuesday Night/Single

By Whitney Frye

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

Nov. 5, 2013

1: Kathleen Pinto; 2: Edith Kolb; 3: Andy Mark.

Nov. 12, 2013

1: Jim Cunningham; 2: Audrey Bartolotta; 3: Edith Kolb.

Nov. 19, 2013

1: Audrey Bartolotta; 2: Walt Hickenlooper; 3: Bernard Digregorio.

Nov. 16, 2013

1: Whitney Frye; 2: Audrey Bartolotta; 3: Eva Mazzotta.

Thursday Night

By Mildred Ferrell

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

Nov. 7, 2013

1: Walter Hickenlooper; 2: Millie Ferrell; 3: Audrey Bartolotta.

Nov. 14, 2013

1: Whitney Frye; 2: Millie Ferrell; 3: Walter Hickenlooper.

Nov. 21, 2013

1: Al Novotny; 2: Kathy Pinto; 3: Phyllis Jarskey.

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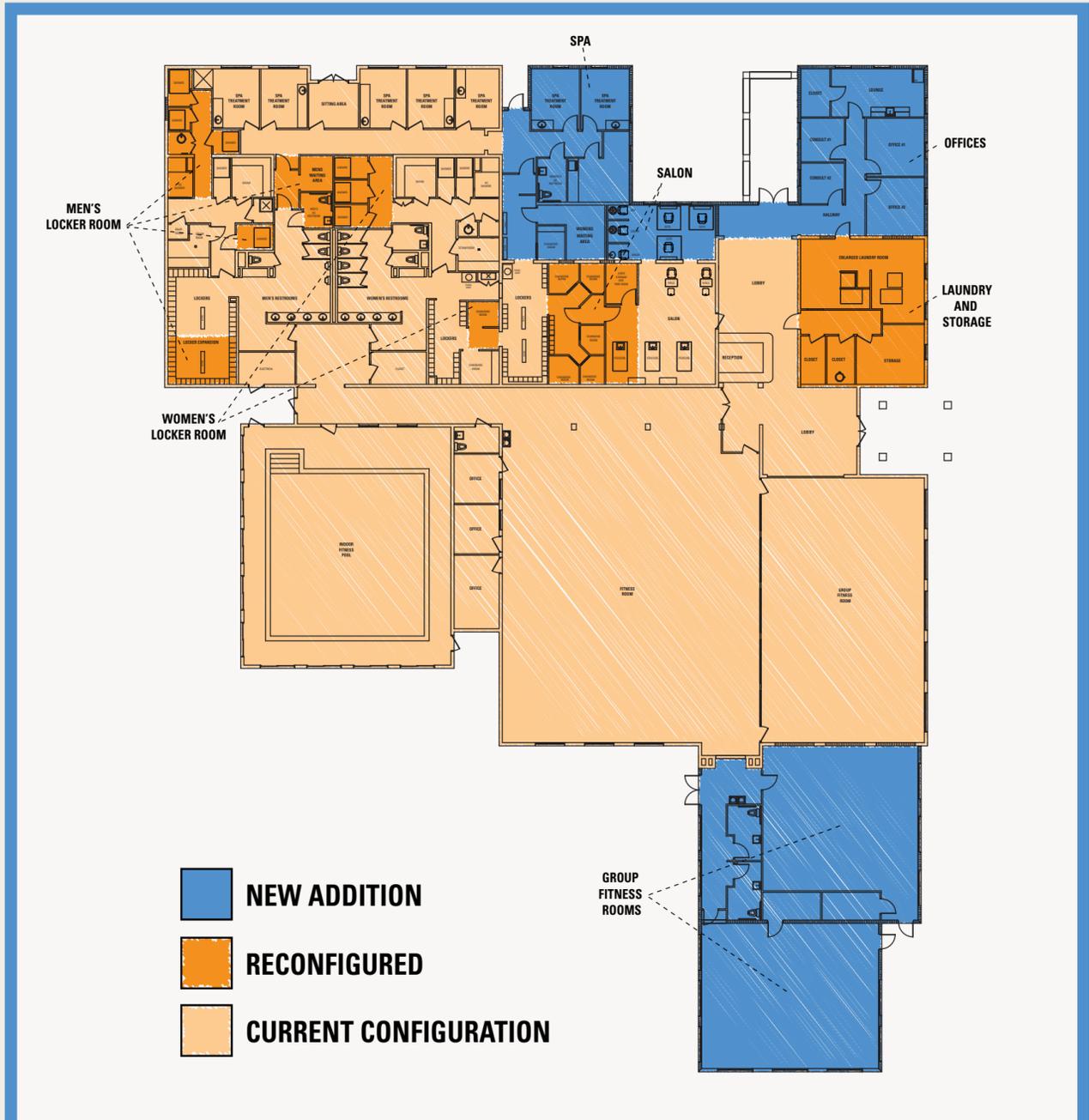
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Spa: Addition of 2 treatment rooms.

Laundry Room: Expanded laundry room with addition of laundry equipment.

We appreciate your patience during this time and welcome your comments.

Dave Gibas
Facility Director



CLUB MEETINGS

Weekly Monday

| | | |
|-------|----------------------------|--------|
| 6:00 | Lap Swimming | ACIP |
| 7:00 | Open Pool Time | ACIP |
| 8:00 | Mixed Tennis Doubles | HRCT |
| | Water Walk | ACIP |
| | Men's Softball | SBF |
| | RC Flyers Club | FF |
| | R.O.M.E.O. Club | WD |
| 9:00 | Woodworking | WW |
| | Deep Water Fitness Class | ACIP |
| | Ceramics (until 2 p.m.) | Art |
| | Ladies Billiards | PLR |
| 9:30 | Shuffleboard (Sept.-April) | HRCT |
| 10:00 | Tennis Doubles | HRCT |
| | Ladies Billiards | PLR |
| | Open Pool Time | ACIP |
| 10:30 | Line Dance | ICC |
| 11:00 | Golf Group | PAV |
| Noon | Mah Jongg | CC:A |
| 12:30 | Bridge | CR |
| | Aqua Belles | ACIP |
| 12:45 | Line Dance | |
| | (Beginner/Intermediate) | HRB |
| 1:00 | Dominoes | CC:H |
| 2:00 | Happy Hookers | Art |
| | Rummicube | CC:E,F |
| 2:45 | OTOW Bowling League | AMFW |
| 6:00 | Table Tennis | CC:D |
| | Men's Poker | MR3 |
| 6:15 | Euchre II | CC:H |
| 6:30 | Bridge | CR |
| 6:45 | Ballet Club | ACF |
| 7:00 | Mah Jongg | ICC |

First Monday

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

Second Monday

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|-------|------------------------|------|
| 10:00 | Genealogical Society | |
| | Business Meeting | MR3 |
| 2:00 | Bowling League | AMFW |
| 5:00 | Metaphysical Club | CC:B |
| 7:00 | Original Karaoke Group | CCC |

Third Monday

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

Fourth Monday

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

Weekly Tuesday

| | | |
|------|----------------------------|------|
| 6:00 | Lap Swimming | ACIP |
| 7:00 | Open Pool Time | ACIP |
| 8:00 | Men's Tennis | HRCT |
| | Water Walk | ACIP |
| | Arts & Crafts | HRB |
| | RC Flyers Club | FF |
| | Pickleball | HRCT |
| | R.O.M.E.O. Club | WD |
| | Ladies Golf Assoc. 9-Hole | |
| | (May-Oct.) | GC |
| 8:30 | Ladies Golf Assoc. 18-Hole | GC |

Meeting Location Codes

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

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

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| | Racquetball | RCT |
| | 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 | CR |
| | Woodworking | WW |
| | Horseshoe League | HRCT |
| | Arts & Crafts | HRB |
| | Sunshine Quilters | Art |
| | Knit Wits | MR2 |
| 9:30 | Concert Chorus | AC |
| | Yoga | ICC |
| 10:00 | Open Pool Time | ACIP |
| 10:30 | Horseshoe League | HRCT |
| | Walleyball | HRCT |
| 11:00 | Open Pool Time | ACIP |
| Noon | Men's Poker | MR3 |
| | Cyber Orientation | HRF |
| | Mah Jongg | CC:A |
| 12:30 | Bridge | CR |
| | Open Pool Time | ACIP |
| 1:00 | Badminton | RCT |
| | Ballet Club | ACF |
| | Shuffleboard | |
| | (Sept.-April) | HRCT |
| | Crochet Club | ICC |
| 3:00 | ShutterBugs | CC:B,C |
| | Chess Club | MR2 |
| 5:00 | Mah Jongg | CC:B |
| | Table Tennis | CC:D |
| | Poker | CC:G |
| 5:45 | Mah Jongg | CC:B |
| | Sidekicks Western Dance | HRB |
| 6:00 | Pinochle | MR3 |
| | Poker | CCR |
| 6:30 | Duplicate Bridge | CR |
| | Mah Jongg | MR2 |
| | Circle Squares | AC |
| 7:00 | Mixed Poker | CC:H |

First Tuesday

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

Second Tuesday

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|-------|---|--------|
| 8:00 | Citizens Emergency Response Team | CC:E,F |
| | Sunshine Quilters | Art |
| 10:00 | Ladies Golf Assoc. 18-Hole (Oct.-April) | HRB |
| 11:30 | Visually Impaired Support Group | CC:H |
| 1:30 | Alpha Investment | Art |
| 3:30 | Game Night | ICC |
| 6:45 | Lions Club | CCC |
| 7:00 | | |

Third Tuesday

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| 10:00 | Sunshine Quilters | Art |
| 5:00 | Caribbean Club | ICC |

Fourth Tuesday

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|-------|--|--------|
| 8:00 | Citizens Emergency Response Team | ICC |
| | Sunshine Quilters | Art |
| 10:00 | Ladies Golf Assoc. 9-Hole (Oct.-March) | HRB |
| 11:30 | Scandinavian Club | CC:E,F |
| 12:30 | Alpha Investment | Art |
| 3:30 | Lions Club | CCC |

Weekly Wednesday

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|-------|---|--------|
| 6:00 | Lap Swimming | ACIP |
| 7:00 | Open Pool Time | ACIP |
| 8:00 | Ladies Tennis | HRCT |
| | Water Walk | ACIP |
| | Pickleball | HRCT |
| | R.O.M.E.O. Club | WD |
| 8:30 | Men's Golf 18-Hole | GC |
| | Men's Softball | SBF |
| | RC Flyers Club | FF |
| 9:00 | Woodworking | WW |
| | Deep Water Fitness Class | ACIP |
| | Fun with Ceramics | Art |
| 9:30 | Tai Chi | ACF |
| 10:00 | Open Pool Time | ACIP |
| 10:30 | Pool Closed for Cleaning (until 11:30 a.m.) | ACIP |
| Noon | Ladies Poker | MR3 |
| | Mah Jongg | CC:A |
| 12:15 | Bridge | CR |
| 12:30 | Japanese Bunka | CC:B |
| | Aqua Belles | ACIP |
| 1:00 | Mah Jongg | ICC |
| 1:30 | Shuffleboard (Sept.-April) | HRCT |
| 2:30 | Scrabble Club | CC:H |
| 5:30 | Bingo | HRB |
| 6:00 | Men's Poker | MR3 |
| 6:30 | Circle Squares | CC:E,F |

First Wednesday

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|------|----------------------------|------|
| 8:30 | Ladies Golf Assoc. 18-Hole | CC:B |
| 9:00 | Model Railroaders | MR3 |
| 9:30 | Travel Toppers | CC:A |
| 1:00 | General Francis Stamp Club | BO |

Second Wednesday

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

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

Fourth Wednesday

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

Weekly Thursday

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|------|-----------------------|------|
| 6:00 | Lap Swimming | ACIP |
| 7:00 | Open Pool Time | ACIP |
| 8:00 | Men's Tennis | HRCT |
| | Water Walk | ACIP |
| | RC Flyers Club | FF |
| | Pickleball | HRCT |
| | R.O.M.E.O. Club | WD |
| 8:30 | Racquetball | RCT |
| 9:00 | Art Group | Art |
| | Tai Chi | ACF |
| | Shallow Water Fitness | |

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|-------|--|--------|
| | Class | ACIP |
| | Woodworking | WW |
| | Computer Club | CC:B,C |
| | Candler Hills Ladies Golf Assoc. 9-Hole | CG |
| | Candler Hills Ladies Golf Assoc. 18-Hole | GC |
| 9:30 | Shuffleboard (Sept.-April) | HRCT |
| 10:00 | Open Pool Time | ACIP |
| 10:30 | Walleyball | HRCT |
| | Mah Jongg | CC:A |
| 12:30 | Sewing Bees | Art |
| | Bridge | CR |
| 1:00 | Badminton | RCT |
| | Ballet Club | ACF |
| | Table Tennis | CC:D |
| | DBD Square Dancing | CC:E&F |
| | Games, Games, Games | ICC |
| 3:00 | Western Stars Bowling | AMF |
| 5:30 | Card Game | CC:B |
| 6:00 | Men's Poker | MR3 |
| | Pinochle | ART |
| | Poker Night | CCC |
| 6:15 | Mah Jongg | CCR |
| 6:30 | Bridge | CR |
| 7:00 | Cards | ICC |
| | Mixed Poker | CC:H |
| | Circle Squares | CC:E,F |
| | Card/Game Club | CC:G |

First Thursday

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|------|-----------------------------|------|
| 1:00 | Rubber Stamp Greeting Cards | CC:C |
| | Opera Appreciation | MR3 |
| 5:00 | Southern Club | HRB |

Second Thursday

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

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

Fourth Thursday

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

Weekly Friday

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|-------|-------------------------------|------|
| 6:00 | Lap Swimming | ACIP |
| 7:00 | Open Pool Time | ACIP |
| 8:00 | Ladies Tennis | HRCT |
| | Water Walk | ACIP |
| | RC Flyers Club | FF |
| | Pickleball | HRCT |
| | R.O.M.E.O. Club | WD |
| 9:00 | Woodworking | WW |
| | Deep Water Fitness Class | ACIP |
| 9:30 | Shuffleboard | |
| | (Sept.-April) | HRCT |
| 10:00 | Racquetball | RCT |
| | Women's Bible Study (Oct-May) | CC:A |
| | Tai Chi | ICC |
| | Open Pool Time | ACIP |
| 11:00 | Golf Group | PAV |
| Noon | Mah Jongg | CC:A |
| 12:30 | Aqua Belles | ACIP |
| 1:00 | Table Tennis | CC:D |
| 5:00 | Cribbage | Art |
| 6:00 | Nickel/Nickel | MR3 |
| | Euchre 4 Fun | CC:A |
| 6:45 | Euchre | MR2 |

First Friday

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

Second Friday

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

Fourth Friday

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|-------|-------------------|--------|
| 10:00 | Embroidery Chicks | CC:B,C |
| 1:00 | Mexican Train | CC:H |

Weekly Saturday

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

Weekly Sunday

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

Third Sunday

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|------|----------------------|----------|
| 2:00 | American Jewish Club | CC:E,F,G |
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Women of the World

By Pat Betts

I hope you had an enjoyable holiday season. From all the officers at Women of the World, we'd like to wish you a healthy and happy New Year. Please remember that both our January and February meetings will be on the second Friday of the month and will be held in the Health & Recreation Building. If you signed up for refreshments, please note the meeting changes.

Speaking of refreshments, the ladies who work with our refreshment committee, headed by Rose McGarry, did a stellar job for our holiday party. Thank you all very much.

I try to surround myself with women who decorate their stoves, this way my husband won't get any ideas. Needless to say, I'm not telling him about Rose and her gang.

How did you like the entertainment? When Brian Lapalme, the magician, was introduced, I must say I was a little skeptical. He was funny, charming and above all excellent! Anyone who can make me feel like a kid again, well, what can I say? I wanted to bring home the bunny. I am also never sitting in the front again.

WOW charities all too often involve community causes and concerns. We do our best, which from what I have seen is

110%; yet it seems unreal that so much need exists right outside our gate. Instead of being a somber environment, WOW is upbeat and energized.

There are two things that make WOW a wonderful organization. The first is the fact that you are doing something to improve the world around you and the second is the personality of the group.

I'll let you guess who sets the mood for the meeting. I'm sure most of you only need one guess and I'm also pretty sure the answer is the president of WOW, Carol Emrick. If you're not a member, it's just too hard to explain. However, if you are, I'm sure you laughed as hard as I did when Carol paraded out on stage wearing that corset belt. She looked interesting, but the line about redistribution of fat and how the enhancement went over big with hubby. I just laughed and laughed.

We did actually get lots of business done. The fashion show that will be held Saturday, March 8 was highlighted in the meeting. We are looking for models. That means you! All shapes all sizes.

We also need people for setup, tear down and ticket sales for baskets. There will be sign-up sheets at the January meeting. Tickets for the show will be sold starting at the January meeting. Please remember if you are buying for a table, put your money in an envelope with the names on the outside. If you're paying by check, have it ready ahead of time. We will also begin selling raffles for the nest egg.

Well ladies, I'm sure I'll see most of you at the meeting and even more of you at the gym burning off those holiday pounds.



Photo by Mike Roppel

Women of the World holiday party.



LadyBirds

By Caren Kowalsky

Wow! Where did this year go?

Our holiday luncheon took place at Candler Hills Restaurant. It was so special to celebrate together.

Our November speakers from Take Stock in Children gave us an interesting and enlightening presentation.

Nancy Driemueller's November luncheon at Marion Technical Institute was a huge success.

Our December cookie exchange and Toys for Tots drive was a winning combination. How could we miss with so many great bakers/candy makers who are also beyond generous?

Annette Krueger and Rita Mandl's trip on Wednesday, Jan. 15 to the New England Shire Center horse farm tour is off to a great start. Many people have already signed up to go. Hope you can join in the fun.

Opal Stroud has lined up Sheriff Chris Blair as our January speaker. Spouses and significant others are welcome to join us at 10 a.m. for his presentation. Opal has lined up a representative from Interfaith Emergency Services for our February meeting.

Plans are in the works for our annual catered February Valentine's Day party.

We invite spouses or significant others of any R/C Flyer to come and check us out. We would love to welcome you as a potential member. Our meetings are always held the second Friday of each month at 9 a.m. at the Arbor Club Conference Center, Suites B and C.

Please bring your beverage of choice. We provide the goodies to nibble.

Happy New Year to everyone! Travel safely. Hope to see you at our next meeting on Friday, Jan. 10.



Red Hat Society

THE GLITZY GALLS: December was a busy month filled with the holiday spirit for The Glitzy Gals. Our luncheon at Cuvée Wine & Bistro with QM Mary as hostess was a delightful time. Our waiter did an awesome job, the food was delicious and the table was beautifully decorated for the season. Our favors were felt elf pants with suspenders filled to the top with goodies.

After lunch, everyone received a gift bag and then QM Mary read a story and the bags were passed left and right as directed. At the end of the story everyone kept the bag they had in their hand.

The Red Hat Day at Hudson Show Palace for the production of "White Christmas" was attended by QM Mary, Vice President Carol, Mary B and Betty.

The Christmas party for the children at Project Hope is keeping some of our girls very busy. Details about this next month.

The Suncoast Queen Bee's Council Red Hat event at Tampa Bay Downs will be an outing for some of us.

We wish you a healthy, happy New Year filled with Red Hat magic and scarlet sparkles. *QM Mary by Janet Wahl*

Singles Club

By Lorraine Serwan

Happy New Year! Welcome to 2014. I hope everyone had a happy holiday.

The Singles Club ended the year with a tasty luncheon and gift exchange at Red Lobster. Now we are ready to start the New Year with our meeting on Thursday, Jan. 9, with a visit by Lynda Spence from the Marion County Extension Service who will present "Who Gets Grandma's Plate and Grandpa's Rod & Reel?"

On Sunday, Jan. 19, we will be car-pooling to see "I Do I Do I Do" at the Ocala Civic Theatre. This is a matinee performance. Tickets are limited. If you haven't made a reservation, call Nancy at 854-9185.

The Ocala Breeders Sales (OBS) will have horse sales and races on Tuesday, Jan. 21, starting between noon and 1 p.m. Food is available. More information and signups at the January meeting.

Our first meeting of the New Year will be on Thursday, Jan. 9, at 2 p.m. in the Arbor Conference Center, Suites B and C. Come join us and bring a friend. We always welcome new members.



Everyone Wins Club

By Sandi Kemp

Our November meeting was such fun; we had a delicious turkey dinner, played fun games and had some surprise entertainment by our own Kathy Petrosky! Kathy had won second place in the "World Has Talent" show a few years ago, and she treated us to a repeat of her winning song!

Our December meeting was a great success with a great potluck dinner as always, games and a white elephant gift exchange that got us all laughing!

We meet on the third Sunday of the month in the Arbor Conference Center. Please join us, gals and guys, for our next meeting on Sunday, Jan. 19, at 6 p.m. Call Sandi for details at 237-9073.

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Karaoke Friends

By Vivian Brown

Our group of singers is growing! Charlie, our photographer, recently took a picture of our group. Enjoy!

It is so true that singing puts happiness in your life. No two singers are the same and everyone has their own way of putting a song across. We may not all be ready for Broadway but we have lots of fun and enjoyment trying.

Our stars of the month are: Charlie, Kathy, Art, Catherine, Donnie, Jon, Vince, Shirley, Rita, Bob, Karen, Charlie, Vivian, Bree, Steve, Dawn, Franz, Barbara, Bob, Mary, Chuck.

Until next time, remember to keep on singing – it is so good for you, and God bless.



Photo by Charlie Petrosky

Karaoke Friends.



Favorite Recipes Dinner Club

By Luke Mullen

The month of November kicked off the beginning of our holiday season of enjoying fun entertainment while sharing great meals among our club members. Four dinners were held at club members' homes to accommodate 24 diners, which included four new member couples. These couples joined after attending our October meet and greet cookout.

The hosts for our first dinner were Phyllis and Al Richards. Ann and Conrad Massa prepared two appetizers. The first was dried beef roll-ups with cream cheese and horseradish sauce in center. The second was a spinach artichoke dip made with Asiago and mozzarella cheeses blended with cream cheese. Phyllis and Al then served the main meal. It was chicken parmigiana accompanied with a penne pasta top with marina sauce and grated cheese. The vegetable was Italian green beans. Following the meal, Sue and Bob Wilkes served the dessert of peach dump cake.

Diane and Joe Plantamura hosted our second dinner of the evening. They started off the evening with two different appetizers. The first was baked shrimp wrapped in bacon. The second was a Mexican corn cheese dip served with crackers. Following the appetizers, Annette and Paul Hodges brought and served a garden salad with a

variety of dressings. Diane and Joe then served the meal of pork loin with cherry preserve red wine vinegar and toasted almonds. The side dishes were German potato salad and Brussels sprouts. Kathy and Luke Mullen then served the dessert of blueberry cheesecake bars.

Hosting our third dinner were Barbara and Dick Steinfeldt. Preparing the hors d'oeuvres were Carol and Bruce DeWitt who brought two appetizers. The first was a vegetable pate with crackers and the second was artichoke/cheese squares. Following the appetizers, Barbara and Dick served the main meal. They started the meal with a salad of baby field greens with fresh and dried fruit. This was followed by the entrée, which was carbonade à la flamande, a Belgium stew with beef, beer and onions. After the main meal, Carolle and Tom Carlton served dessert of double chocolate pie with whipped cream.

Our fourth dinner hosts were Nancy and John Van Gorden. They started off their evening with cheese crisps for the appetizer. Following the appetizer, Bev and Lu Rooks served a salad. Along with the salad they brought two different dressings, croutons, cranberries, red onion on the side as well as salad tongs from Africa! Nancy and John then served their main meal of a roast loin of pork with butternut squash and apples. Accompanying the entrée were mashed potatoes and green beans. After dinner, Gayle Argano and Walter Hickenlooper served a very basic sweet potato pie topped with whipped cream.

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



SPCA

By Maria Devine

Our first meeting of the New Year will be on Thursday, Jan. 16, at 1 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room at the Bank of the Ozarks. We have important business to discuss so we look forward to seeing everyone there.

Mary from Pet Network has asked us to help find a good home for a lovely dog she's fostering. This sweet girl pictured here in her Christmas finery is a seven-year-old dachshund who would make a great pet for a senior home. Ginger is current on all shots, spayed and house trained. If you're looking for a new dog to love this year, please call Mary at 528-0270 to meet Ginger in person.

The three kittens we highlighted in last month's column are still looking for homes. If you recall, the kittens were discarded on SR 200 until a number of Good Samaritans stepped in and saved them. Here is a picture of them so you can see how cute they are. Sunshine is the orange one, Snuggles is gray and white, and Simba is blond. The three boys are all wormed, vaccinated and neutered and are thriving in foster care. All each one needs is you. Please give Arlene a call at 875-9761 to meet them if you're interested. Arlene still has a number of older cats if that is your preference.

From time to time, we like to remind everyone to microchip and tag your pets. A lost little Yorkie was recently found wandering by the dog park. One of our members took her to the vet where she was scanned for a chip. Luckily for her, she had one, and was soon reunited with her family in Belleview, Fla. How she managed to get here from Belleview is unknown, but that's a long trip for a little dog. Even if you have tags on their collars, a microchip is better protection because they can't be removed.



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Holiday Festival

By Jim Chandler

What a great day! If you could not view our annual Golf Cart Parade, know that you missed seeing a large assortment of gaily decorated golf carts, emergency vehicles, vintage cars, a one-wheeled cycle, Santa Claus, and more. Lynette Vermillion, representing management, and honored guest, Theresa Fields (who is the Employee of the Year), led the parade in Tom Miller's vintage convertible. Special thanks are due the Marion County Sheriff's Office units, the firefighters from Friendship Fire Station 21, and the Community Patrol and CERT teams. We especially thank the residents who decorated their carts, and joined the parade.

The Holiday Festival events did not end there. The Health & Recreation Ballroom opened at 6 p.m., when homemade cookies, hot chocolate, and coffee became available, free to all.

Many thanks to all our residents who arrived before 6 p.m. to deliver their specially prepared cookies. Kay Chandler was assisted by Janice Mead, Shirley Schopf, Gloria Hull, Ginny Rivers, Jo Swing, Brenda Gi-

andiletti, Louise Green, Alan and Virginia Rickards, and Jim Chandler, who helped before, during and after the party.

After the refreshment period, the Master of Ceremonies (MC) for entertainment, Bob Wroblewski, introduced the Concert Chorus, who sang a selection of Christmas and Hanukkah songs. Then some delightful children from Balcony School of Dance took to the stage and melted everyone's heart. From pre-school to teenagers, they performed dance numbers in full costume.

Norma Seidman then gave a special presentation about the meaning of Hanukkah. Following this, our talented pianist, Peggy Campbell led all in singing our favorite Christmas songs. This was followed by an annual tradition, when our MC led all attendees in singing "The 12 Days of Christmas — Southern Style." If you missed this "contest," you missed great fun.

Thanks to the sound and light crew for their technical assistance, and to management for financial assistance. On the day following, my wife and I delivered a plate of cookies to each of our gates, and a pan of cookies to three assisted living facilities in our area.

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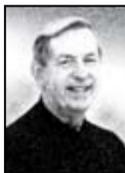
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The New Pretenders

By Bill Shampine

Buy your tickets now! The "Love, Laugh, and Song" show by The New Pretenders is only a month away! Ticket sales begin on Friday, Jan. 3 in the Health & Recreation Ballroom, at 8 a.m.

I must advise you, however, that ticket sales on the opening day historically are so high that we have had to institute a process to try to make it easier and fair for you, our audience, to buy reserved seat tickets. This process does not apply to general admission seat tickets, which are always available through the "normal" process described below.

The opening day process is much like the one used at the deli at Publix and goes like this. Two men will be at the Health & Recreation front door at 6:30 a.m. on the opening day (only that day). Historically, even at that early time, there will be a line of people already there waiting to buy tickets.

Our staff will take names and assign each person a sequential number indicating the order in which the ticket purchaser arrived. They also will ask if you want tick-

ets for Friday or Saturday night, and how many you wish to buy (you are limited to four per person). You don't have to choose at this time, it simply helps us keep track of where we stand.

Those in line then can go home, get breakfast, and return at 8 a.m. when the sale actually starts. We also will continue to assign numbers to those who show up at 8 a.m. or later.

When sales begin at 8 a.m., you will be called by number and given the opportunity to buy your tickets. If your number is called and you are not there, you forfeit your place in line, and have to sign up again. We will work as quickly as we can, but be aware that it may take awhile to get to the higher numbers. Please note the following:

- You do not have to get a number to buy general admission tickets. You can walk in, buy your ticket(s), and go home.
- You do not have to get a number to buy reserved seat tickets for Sunday; only for Friday and Saturday.
- You may only buy four tickets at a time; so one person cannot come in and buy seats for a large group of friends who want to sit together.

After this first day rush, place numbers no longer will be needed and ticket sales will revert back to the normal process. They will be on sale in the Health & Recreation Ballroom from 8 to 10 a.m. on Monday,



Photo by Gary Rodoff

Larry Gering singing a song in the 2010 show by The New Pretenders.

Wednesday, and Friday until show time.

The two-hour show "Love, Laughter, and Song" will be offered for your entertainment on Friday, Feb. 7 and Saturday, Feb. 8, at 7 p.m., and Sunday, Feb. 9, at 3

p.m.

Ticket prices are \$6 for general admission and \$8 for reserved. Believe me; you're going to love the show! Come see us!



Opera

By Bernie Kelly

In December, the Opera Appreciation Class opened the season with Puccini's "Manon Lescaut" from a 2008 Met production. Our second opera will take place on Thursday, Jan. 6, at 1 p.m. in Meeting Room #3 in the Craft Building. This year, we celebrate Rossini with "Le comte Ory," which was his last comedy.

Rossini was born in 1792, which was the year George Washington was elected to his second term. Rossini's family was very much involved in music. His father was a horn player and his mother a singer for the

local theater.

Rossini spent three years studying under Giuseppe Prinitti who schooled him in reading music and playing the harpsichord. Then, he went to Angelo Tesei who continued his musical education switching to piano and adding voice.

At the age of 10, he was able to sing solo at the local church. Two years later, he completed his first composition, which was "Six Sonate a Quattro." At 14, he became a student at the Conservatorio di Bologna. He became very proficient on the cello. "La cambiale di matrimonio," Rossini's first opera, was produced at Venice when he was just 18 years old. It and "Il signor Bruschino" and "The Silken Ladder" were one-act comedies, all composed before he was 21.

In 1813, "Tancredi" and "Litaliana in Algieri" were so successful that Rossini achieved international fame.

It was February of 1816 that Rossini's

"Barber of Seville" was staged in Rome making him a superstar in the opera world.

Rossini married Isabella Colbran, who was a famous soprano of the day. After a trip to England, he took the position of musical director of the Theatre des Italiens in Paris. While in Paris, from 1824 to 1829, he finished his opera career by writing his last two operas, "Le comte Ory" and "Guillaume Tell."

For some unknown reason, Rossini stopped composing operas at age 37 and, except for his "Stabat Mater" and "Sins of Old Age", he simply enjoyed his retirement as a wealthy man.

"Le comte Ory" is a comic opera. Imagine a picturesque medieval country where there is a dearth of men because most are off on the crusade. The main character, the Count, has stayed home and decides to take

advantage of the situation by seducing as many of the women as he can. He has his eye especially on a virtuous countess, and he takes up his residence outside her castle disguised as a hermit. This doesn't work, and the next plan is to obtain entry to the castle disguised as Sister Colette. After the usual laughs caused by mistaken identities, the Count escapes from the castle as the men are returning from the crusade.

Our production is from 2011 at The Met. Juan Diego Florez sings the role of the Count. Diana Damrau sings the Countess. Joyce Di Donato sings the role of Isolier. Maurizio Benini is the Conductor of The Met orchestra and chorus.

Looking forward to seeing you on Thursday, Jan. 6. It's not too late for new opera lovers to join us.

It's Showtime!

By Bob Woods
World News Writer

Happy New Year! The 2014 entertainment series at Circle Square Cultural Center starts off with a huge bang with five scheduled events in January.

The Mystics

Saturday, Jan. 4

The Mystics are one of the original rock groups singing their way into the hearts of many. Their first two songs, "Adam and Eve" and "Wimoweh," were not their greatest recorded hits but then "Teenager in Love" and "Hushabye" took the group on the road to success. The group recorded many hits of their own plus they were unaccredited backup vocalists for such artists as Connie Francis.

Dueling Pianos

"Interactive Dance Party"

Saturday, Jan. 11

Get ready to participate in a rock and roll sing-along and get up and do a little dancing. A dance floor will be available in the center of the stage area. This evening will be a lot of fun. Plan to participate in popular hits played by the duelers such as numbers recorded by Lady Gaga, Elvis, Neil Diamond, AC/DC plus a whole bunch more.

Health & Wellness Expo

Saturday, Jan. 18

There will be over 60 local healthcare agencies providing all types of health services, products, and the latest medical advances to those attending this free event. This event, as in past years, is sponsored by On Top of the World and Munroe Regional Medical Center.

The Kingsmen

Saturday, Jan. 25

Remember the great recording "Louie Louie" made famous in the early 1960s? Well, The Kingsmen will perform this hit plus many others. This group has become America's "favorite party band." This group has sold over 20 million records, and nine albums have received a lifetime achievement award from the Recording Academy (Grammy Award). Other famous recordings by this group include "Annie Fanny," "Money," "Rosalie," and "Wish Your Were Here." Don't miss this performance.

VoiceExperience

Sunday, Jan. 26

At 2 p.m., come enjoy an afternoon of beautiful music by voices of the VoiceExperience. This organization was created as a means for singers to advance their careers by performing in front of audiences that might never attend Broadway performances, even operas. This should be an afternoon of listening to not only beautiful music, but fantastic music performed for your pleasure.

Stop by the ticket office at 8395 SW 80th Street or go online to www.csculturalcenter.com to purchase your tickets.

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Italian American Club

By Carole Dymond

All at our Christmas party had a great time. Several of our members: Mike DeBari, Stan Monaco, Rudy Dagnello, Vince Minniti, Mary Ciavattini, and others told funny stories about their past experiences. All of a sudden, it seemed like everyone had a humorous story to tell and it was a wonderful time shared by everyone.

Nellie Stasiak used her decorating skills to make our meeting room festive for the Christmas season. Mike DeBari provided goodies, not quite on our diet, but delicious.

On Tuesday, Jan. 7, we will have our horseracing game, which is always a big winner among our members. Bring a friend or a neighbor - join us - we are a friendly group.

Hope you had a wonderful holiday and hope to see you in January.

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APRIL 4

America

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Camp Trunk: Metal, well built, 16x32x14, \$25. 873-3433.

Coffemaker: Mr. Coffee, 45 cup commercial coffee urn. Model CBTU45. \$35 firm. 362-0552.

Christmas Tree: Lighted, 7-foot tall, \$35 firm. 362-0552.

Estate Sale: Thursday, Jan. 9, 1 to 4:30 p.m. 8714-D SW 92nd Lane (Williamsburg).

Exercise Equipment: Treadmill with adjusted speeds, inclines/declines, folds flat against wall, \$75. Small stepper with window for time, calories, etc., \$25. 390-3156.

Full Size Oak Bed: Tempurpedic mattress/box. Good as new. \$500. 237-4140.

Furniture: Butterfly table, solid Walnut, handcrafted. Width 12" closed, 37" open. \$250. 854-6414.

Furniture: Corner curio, oak, new condition. \$500. 237-4140.

Furniture: La-Z-Boy recliner. Beige tweed with natural rattan trim. Like new, \$175. 854-1816.

Furniture: Thomasville China cabinet/hutch, \$500. End tables and coffee table, \$275. Sofa, \$100. Rectangular butcher block dinette table with six armchairs/wheels, \$400. All in excellent condition. 509-4914.

Golf Cart: 2010 Club Car, black and tan, refurbished with new batteries and tires, full canopies. 407-466-5625.

Golf Carts: Best prices, reconditioned or prior owned. Several available, Club Car, E-Z-Go & more. 352-256-9068 (resident).

Golf Cart Heater: Coleman, propane with canvas case. Like new, \$45. 861-8106.

Golf Clubs (2): Tight Lies Hybrid with head covers, \$25 each. One has 15 degree loft the other has 19 degree. 854-8425.

Golf Equipment: Golf GPS, \$50. Taylor Made driver, \$35. Cobra driver, \$35. Wilson full set irons and three woods, \$100. Golf cart bag, \$35. 854-1964.

Golf Shoes: New Etonic, white with soft spikes, size 11N. \$40 firm. 362-0552.

Misc. Items: Kitchen accessories in navy blue: Dansk canister set, \$18; Fiesta Ware small cookie jar, \$10; salt and pepper shakers, \$12; utensil holder, \$5. Black kitchen utensil holder, \$12. Large wine pitcher, teal, \$15. Two cherry swivel bar stools, \$75 pair. Craftsman shop vac, \$35. 24 x 36 canvas of French wine shop, \$15. 24 x 36 framed picture of French hotel, \$15. Six French cookbooks in English. Navy blue plant pots, 19" and 9", \$15 and \$5. Collapsible dog crate, \$10. Two oak folding snack trays, \$10. 75' grapevine garland, \$15. Navy and white kitchen rugs, \$1 each. It. Chef wine holder, \$5. Navy/blue ticking throw pillow, \$5. Bose radio, \$100. 671-3232.

Misc. Items: Franciscan "Desert Rose" China (100 pieces), \$275. Bookcases, desks, chest, lamps, decorative plates and vases. Ladder, garden tools. All in excellent condition. 509-4914.

RC Airplane: Electric, 6-channel transmitter (Spektrum DX6i), battery with charger, and Phoenix RC4 flight simulator. \$150/obo. 497-9723.

Refrigerator: Haier 1'6" x 2'2". \$45 firm. 362-0552.

Sewing Machine: New Singer with carrying case and quilters table model 110. \$125 firm. 362-0552.

Stereo: Oak finish, AM-FM radio, CD, cassette player and 33, 45, 78 RPM turntable. \$50. 854-6414.

Tag Sale: Friday, Jan. 10, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. & Saturday, Jan. 11, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. 8742-E SW 92nd Place (Friendship Colony).

Tag Sale: Saturday, Jan. 11, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. 8883-B SW 93rd Lane (Friendship Colony).

Telescope: Meade refracting with manual and extra lenses, \$50. 854-8425.

Tools: Milwaukee cordless drill, 1/2" chuck, 14-volt. Good condition, \$50. 873-3433.

DEADLINE: noon on the 13th of the month. If the deadline falls on a weekend, then it's noon on the Friday before.

FOR SALE, WANTED AND LOST/FOUND ADS: There is no charge to residents as long as it is not of a business nature. There is a \$500 limit on FOR SALE items. Items valued at more than \$500 (i.e. golf carts) may be listed, but price will not accompany the ad. Auto, apartment, home, timeshare and real estate ads WILL NOT be accepted. Ads will appear once unless renewed in writing. Estate or Tag Sales must be registered and approved by Customer Service prior to advertising.

SERVICE ADS: Will be accepted from residents and non-residents. A three-line minimum (21 words) rate is \$20; four lines (28 words) is \$25 and five lines (35 words) is \$30. A six-month rate is also available; call 854-0248 or e-mail otownnews@otowfl.com for more information.

PAYMENT: Prepayment is required and checks should be made payable to Palm Acre Real Estate/World News. Send ad and payment to The World News, 8435 SW 80th Street, Suite 2, Ocala, FL 34481.

OTHER: Ads can be e-mailed to otownnews@otowfl.com or left in the locked mailbox marked "On Top of the World News" mounted on the exterior of the Sales Annex.

Walker: Four-wheel walker, blue, with seat, basket and brakes on the handles. \$25. 854-7006.

Hair Care: In your home. Licensed, experienced beautician comes to you. Full service. Call Cathy, PCA, resident, 237-3347. Service home-bound.

Handyman: Electrical, plumbing, carpentry, wheelchair ramps, railings, grab bars, lanai, carpet/flooring, furniture/cabinet refinishing & repairs, screen & storm doors, dry-wall, interior painting, ceiling fans, closet organizers, sinks, toilets, leaky faucets. Bruce (352) 547-0001.

Haul Away: Most unwanted household items for free. Appliances (any size), furniture, tools, yard equipment, dishes, electronics, etc. Richard 352-256-9068 (resident).

Income Tax Service: Professionally done, e-file - fast refunds, federal and all state returns. On Top of the World resident, Salvatore V. Le Donne E.A. Call 291-2413.

Landscaping/Yard Clean Up: Planting new flowers, bushes, mulch & rock. Trimming & removal of plants, bushes, small trees. Licensed & insured. Call Lisa & David at 425-0109.

Need A Ride? Door to door service for all your needs. All airports, doctor appointments and errands. References available. Call Sandy at 351-9407.

Painting: 25 years experience, 10% discount, excellent references. Pressure wash house for free with paint job. Call Danny at 547-9588.

Painting: Add a Little Color to your Life! Free estimates, insured, references and photo gallery available at Suespainting.com. 10% off for residents. Sue's Painting 237-0892.

Painting by Frank the Painter: 35 years experience, winter specials, free estimates, specializing in colors, quality service, affordable prices, references. 237-5855 (resident).

Power Washing, clean gutters, wash windows & yard work. Free estimates. 237-5338 (resident).

Sliding Glass Door Rollers & Track Repairs: Repairing doors, locksets, storm doors & seals, cabinetry & shower doors. Installing woodwork, moldings & handicap accessories. And much more! Insured & City Cert Comp OC00961. Call Steve, S&T Quality Services Inc. 207-8682.

Steve's Handyman Service: Doors, shelving, general carpentry. On Top of the World resident. Call Steve at 854-4927.

Transportation: Affordable airports, cruises, doctors, shopping. Door-to-door service. Reliable, roomy Town

& Country Touring Van. Richard 352-256-9068 (resident).

Transportation: Airports (Tampa, Orlando, Sanford, Gainesville), medical appointments, shopping, etc. Safe & reliable service. Call Phil 509-4417 or 497-7670 (resident).

Transportation: Doctor appointments, shopping, errands. Call Anna (resident) at 873-4761, leave message.

Transportation: I'll drive you to local appointments, grocery shopping, errands and more. Joan at 237-8240.

Transportation: Personalized door-to-door transportation to airports, cruise ports, doctor appointments, shopping. Call Betty, 861-1163.

Webber Maintenance Team: Interior painting and general repairs. Any task, just ask! Steve and Peggy at (352) 598-4563 (residents).

Wanted

Antiques, Collectibles, unusual items, fishing, hunting, costume jewelry, coins, vintage cameras and stereo equipment. Why consign? I pay cash. Larry 1-352-697-1778.

Chinese Mah Jongg Players: No card, jokers or charleston. Fun and easy to learn. Free lessons. Call Linda at 509-4265.

Consignment/Thrift Store: Picker's Paradise. Across from Oak Run behind the old Sim's Furniture. Low commission rates. Looking for good clean furniture and household items. One item or entire house. Cash or consignment. Larry 353-400-8397.

Dog Crate and Gate for a small dog, 48" or larger. Call Carol at 854-0072.

Full Bed with Mattress in good condition. 509-7918.

Guns: Buying guns (new, old, any condition), gold and silver. Estate appraisals. 867-0381 (home) or 266-9781 (cell).

Musical Instruments: Donate to students in need in Marion County. Call Ed (resident) at 304-8206.

Personal Hygiene Items for homeless shelters. Call Donna at 237-3062.

Pet Products for animal shelters. Call Donna at 237-3062.

Shoes and Sneakers for the needy. Drop off at Arbor Club office.

Used Cell Phones to send to our troops overseas. Call Donna at 237-3062.

Used Golf Equipment to send to our troops overseas. Call Bob at 854-0702.

Volunteers: Habitat for Humanity of Marion County is looking for volunteers to help in construction, fundraising, our ReStore, and festivals. Visit <http://habitatocala.org/volunteer/> or call Brittny Fish at 352-351-4663 for more information.

Yarn: Any kind to make lap robes for VA hospitals and newborns. 854-0449.

Services

Alterations by Betty: Alterations by appointment only. 50 years experience. A Pine Run resident. Call Betty at 237-9909.

Alterations by Ernestine: Alterations, experienced. Call 861-0259 (resident).

Appliance, A/C & Heat Repairs: Electrical & plumbing. Experienced and honest. Call Tom Parker (On Top of the World resident) anytime at 873-1297.

Bathroom Remodeling: Specializing in complete renovations. Clean, neat and professional. Call Cove Construction Inc. for a free estimate. (352) 572-0508.

Blinds Repaired: In your home. Repairing shades & drapery hardware. Certified & experienced installer. Call Gary or Kathy at 352-344-3805.

Bob's Screening Service: Garage door screens, window screens, porch enclosure screens. We re-vinyl windows. Complete rescreening service. Free estimates. 352-586-8459, Bob.

Carpet & Tile Cleaning: Countryside Chem-Dry, serving On Top of the World residents for 13 years. 307-4100.

Cat Boarding and Sitting: Provided by loving experienced Cat Nanny. On Top of the World resident. Call 854-8589.

Cat, Dog & Bird Sitting: Pampered pet care in your home. Fully insured/bonded. On Top of the World references avail. Pam 577-2877.

Ceramic Tile: All types of installation and repair. 20+ years experience. Lic. & ins. References available. Call Bob Adkins 352-274-8678.

Cleaning by Evelyn Lee: Windows, house cleaning, deep cleaning, move outs. Lic. #A27450 & insured. 629-0855 or 286-6055. www.sunshinecleaningocala.com.

Clock Doc: Clock repairs with free estimates. Call Cliff (resident) at (352) 246-2438.

Computer Help: Call Arthur in Friendship. 25 years PC & Internet experience. House calls scheduled weekly in 34481. Q&A, home classes, set-ups, installs, clean-ups, special projects. \$30 hourly. 352-875-7878, checkwitharthur.com.

Computer help is just around the corner! Call Doorstep Techs at 351-TECH (8324) or visit us on the web at www.doorsteptech.com.

D&D Painting of Ocala LLC: Interior/exterior painting and handyman services. Licensed & insured. 35 years experience. 10% discount for seniors & veterans. References available. Doug 352-512-3852 or Donna 352-425-3869.

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