



The TR Times

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Message from the President

by Deborah May
President and CEO
TR Board of Directors

TR Director Cathy Locke is still looking for individuals who want to be on the Nominating Committee. We would like to have all areas represented on the committee. She has a copy of the Non-Disclosure Agreement if you would like to see it before you volunteer. She is also accepting resumes from shareholders who would like to run for the Board in March of 2024. We currently have four positions open, three three-year terms and one one-year term. If you have any questions, please contact her at lot 11-11.

Our first Resident Forum of the season will be held this Monday, Nov. 6 at 3 p.m., in Busch Hall. We look forward to seeing everyone there. This is already shaping up to be a busy season with a lot of activities planned. Please consider volunteering for your favorite activities. Remember to always have your badge with you in order to gain entrance to the buildings and pool.

Communication from the Corporate Secretary

by Pat Butler
TR Corporate Secretary

It is time to kick off another great season here at Travelers Rest! As we look forward to reuniting with our friends and meeting new neighbors, we anticipate fun, fellowship and communication. Wait! What?? Communication??

Yes, friends. The goal of the TR Board of Directors this year is open communication and sharing of ideas. We have come a long way already in the last few months with mass emails from our President outlining the planning progress as well as the addition of our meeting Minutes and our newly written Non-Disclosure Agreements to be posted on our website.

It is our hope that you will consider volunteering for an activity or two (or three!) that you love. Being involved is the Travelers Rest way!

Let's have a spectacular season!

Welcome to The TR Times first-of-the-season digital edition!

by Pam Watkins

The TR Times is providing you with this digital edition to announce upcoming events that are scheduled to occur in November or early December that you won't want to miss. Our regular publication season begins in December. Look for our first paper in your mailbox and online on Friday, Dec. 1.

Remember if you have something to submit to The TR Times, the deadline is always the Friday before the date of the paper in which you want your write up to appear. Submit your information to thetrimes@gmail.com.

The deadline for our first issue is Friday, Nov. 27.

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2023 - 2024 Publication Schedule

12/01/23	01/19/24	02/23/24
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01/12/24	02/16/24	

No papers published 12/22/23 or 12/29/23

From the Manager's Desk



RAY HILL

improvements planned for this season and beyond.

If you have not received your InTouchLink notification email, please be patient. It will be sent to your email within the next couple of weeks along with a list of the codes for smart TVs. Please be aware that not all smart TVs will be able to access this program. Classes will be held during the season on how to access and use the InTouchLink program. A class schedule will be available shortly.

You can also get to InTouchLink at the Resident Dashboard at travelersrestresort.com. Log into the Resident Dashboard, scroll to the yellow "View Activities" button. Click on the button and you will be directed to InTouchLink. Watch for more updates.

by Ray Hill with Richard Kushman

Another season begins here at Travelers Rest Resort, and I must say it was very good to meet again with Ray who was busy at his desk and with a healthy smile. One of the projects that keeps Ray busy is working toward better security and communication for the park. This includes the new InTouchLink system being introduced to all residents. The InTouchLink company is using TR as a special campground beta account which happily keeps the service fees at the current level. There are many more

Download the InTouchLink App

Search the app store for **InTouchLink Community**.

Download the InTouchLink Community app to your phone or tablet.

First-time users will use their email as *user name* and *welcome* as their password. Once logged in, then users can assign and save their own password. The office will notify you by email when your account is ready.



InTouch TV App

The TV streaming app will only work with selected smart TVs at this time.



Using the InTouchLink Community

On the Web - click on this link and sign in. <https://pegasus.intouchlink.com>

With the App - Simply open app and sign in.

Badges and door codes

by Rich Kushman

Last season TR residents were issued key cards that unlock buildings. Camping guests and residents' guests will use a self-selected four-digit code linked and active during their reservation period.

This system upgrade clearly helps with park security and reduces trespassing incidents by out-of-park people.

Building hours of key card accessible locations

Paul Ruth Place (exercise room) - Open 24 hours a day except closed daily from 6 to 7:30 a.m.

Laundry - Open 24 hours except from 6 to 7:30 a.m. Daily and 9 a.m. to noon on Sundays.

Library - Open 24 hours a day.

Pool - Open daily from 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Tool Shed - Open daily from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sign-out sheet for tools.

Wood Shop (paid members only) - Open daily from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Sign up for the Thanksgiving Feast



by Beannie Wise

You are invited to join us on Thursday, Nov. 23, in Busch Hall at 2 p.m. to celebrate Thanksgiving with our friends and neighbors.

Tables will be provided that can seat up to 20. Each table has one or two hosts

who usually provide the meat. Each person is asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share with their table. Table guests have the opportunity to decorate their individual table. It really is a feast and a wonderful time to

be thankful for what we enjoy here at TR.

Sign-up sheets are on the Busch Hall Bulletin Board next to the southwest door to the left of the stage. Sign-up to attend the Thanksgiving Feast soon and please consider hosting for a table.



BUSCH HALL

Sunday Night



DAN HOLMES

It's Showtime!

by Ken and Sandy Langell

Every year it seems like there are a few TR residents who don't realize entertainment begins here in November. We want to make sure everyone is aware there are some great programs coming up for the close of 2023. We have free entertainment in both Busch Hall and on The Grove stage.

In Busch Hall on Sunday, Nov. 5. Ice cream 6:15 p.m. Announcements 6:45 p.m. Show 7 p.m.	Rose 'n Thorn This duo has performed here before and they are very popular. They do a variety of songs from way back in the 60s to possibly something you heard yesterday on your radio. With live music and excellent voices they bring a great show.
In Busch Hall on Sunday, Nov.12. Ice cream 6:15 p.m. Announcements 6:45 p.m. Show 7 p.m.	Jimmie Bush Jr. Jimmie is new to our stage this year. He is an international-award-winning Engelbert Humperdinck tribute artist. His powerful voice allows him to sing in multiple genres and in the musical stylings of Engelbert Humperdinck, Elvis Presley, Tom Jones, The Temptations, Frank Sinatra, Tony Bennett, Dean Martin and George Strait.
In Busch Hall on Sunday, Nov.19. Ice cream 6:15 p.m. Announcements 6:45 p.m. Show 7 p.m.	Harrison Jazz Ensemble If you are a jazz lover you will not want to miss Roger Harrison and his ensemble. They performed here in The Grove in 2021 and it was exceptional. We may even open up a dance floor for this one!
In Busch Hall on Sunday, Nov. 26. Ice cream 6:15 p.m. Announcements 6:45 p.m. Show 7 p.m.	Petrina Petrina is a comedic performer with skilled vocals and an impish heart. She has been likened to the comedian Lucille Ball but with the looks of Pink. She brings a lot of boundless energy and fun to TR.
In Busch Hall on Wednesday, Nov. 29 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch break 12:15-1 p.m.	The Darlings Productions Talent Showcase A collection of top performers showcase their talents for us and talent bookers from all over the state. There will be food trucks outside the hall from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., so come enjoy lunch and the show.
Friday, Dec. 1, 3:30 p.m. On the stage in The Grove. In case of inclement weather, the show will be moved to Busch Hall.	Friday Afternoon Live! Presented by Doc and Donna Probes, outstanding vocalists and instrumentalists that make their home here and volunteer their talents. They perform a huge variety of live music. Bring lawn chairs or a blanket.

To help with your holiday planning, here's a brief look at the calendar for December. All performances are in Busch Hall. Look for more information in the December issues of *The TR Times*.

- Sunday, Dec. 3, Jacob Hunt and Jason Ensor sing Broadway.
- Sunday, Dec. 10, Katie Brooks and John Wilson, Christmas Gala.
- Sunday, Dec. 17, Celebration Choir Cantata.

There will not be entertainment on Christmas Eve, Sunday, Dec. 24, or New Year's Eve, Sunday, Dec. 31.

Sunday Night in Busch Hall starts off 2024 with the Cypress Creek Dixieland Jazz Band on Sunday, Jan. 7! This band has been our opening act in November for several years, which meant that many people never got to hear them. By popular request, we have moved Cypress Creek to January. Come join us as we welcome New Orleans to Busch Hall!

Amateur Radio Club will sell coffee and donuts



by Dan Zile

The Travelers Rest Amateur Radio Club will be selling coffee and donuts at the Flea Markets in Busch Hall on the first Saturday of each month, as well as at the TR Yard Sales on the third Saturday of each month during the season. Due to increased costs, coffee with one refill is being increased to \$1. However, the price of donuts will remain the same at \$1.

The TR Amateur Radio Club sincerely appreciates the residents' support for our activity.

November happenings at TR for you to enjoy



- Flea Market with coffee and donuts: Saturday, Nov. 4, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., Busch Hall.
- Bingo: Saturday, Nov. 4, 7 to 9 p.m., Citrus East.
- Church: Sunday, Nov. 5, Busch Hall
- Choir Practice: 8:30 to 9:15 a.m.
- Bible Study: 9:15 to 9:45 a.m.
- Hymn Sing: 9:45 to 10 a.m.
- Service: 10 to 11 a.m.

- Rose 'n Thorn: Sunday, Nov. 5, 6:45 p.m., Busch Hall.
- Resident Forum: Monday, Nov. 6, 3 p.m., Busch Hall.
- Church, Sunday: Nov. 12, Busch Hall, note times above.
- Jimmie Bush, Jr.: Sunday, Nov. 12, 6:45 p.m., Busch Hall.
- Parkwide Yard Sale: Saturday, Nov. 18, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., at participating residents' lots.
- Church: Sunday, Nov. 19, Busch Hall, note times above.
- Harrison Jazz Ensemble: Sunday, Nov. 19, 6:45 p.m., Busch Hall.
- Thanksgiving Dinner: Thursday, Nov. 23, 2 p.m., Busch Hall.
- Church: Sunday, Nov. 26, Busch Hall, note times above.
- Petrina: Sunday, Nov. 26, 6:45 p.m., Busch Hall.
- Darlings Talent Showcase: Wednesday, Nov. 29, 10 a.m., Busch Hall.



Activity Affairs



GUY WEIK

by Guy Weik, Activities Coordinator

Welcome to the 2023-24 season at Travelers Rest! In this early edition of *The TR Times*, I want to bring to your attention a couple of activities we will need help with this year.

First of all, we are looking for someone to take over decorating the TR entrance for Christmas. I recently received a note from Antonette and Bob Jennings saying they are no longer physically able to be in charge of these decorations. The Jennings have been donating their time in this capacity since 2017 and they are willing to assist new volunteers

this year in learning where to place the various decorations designated for the front entrance. We all enjoy being greeted by this display as we enter TR during the holiday season and we are very appreciative of Bob and Antonette's efforts in making the entrance look so special. So we urgently need a few residents who would be willing to take over this important job so the entrance to TR can continue to shine brightly during the holiday season. Betty Teichert and Linda Gavin team up to organize decorating the buildings, so these new volunteers only have to focus on the entrance. If you are willing to help out, please contact Guy Weik at 352-584-6377 or Antonette Jennings at 843-729-7361.

I have scheduled a three-hour Health Fair for Tuesday, Jan. 23, and I'm forming a committee to work on this. I envision this event helping residents learn what they can do here at TR to improve their health or prevent health issues and hopefully continue these activities throughout the year. If you would like to help plan this event, please contact me at 352-584-6377 or via email at activities@travelersrestresort.com.

Travel News

Holiday day trip opportunity



DAN AND SHARON ZILE

by Sharon Gilbert Zile, TR Tour Director

Come one, come all! Join us on Tuesday, Dec. 12 for a delightful holiday day trip to Lake Alfred and Lake Wales.

Included:

- R/T transportation
- Lunch, tax and gratuity
- Entry to Bok Tower Gardens
- Pinewood Estate tour
- Driver gratuity

Make checks payable to Small World Tours. Please mail your reservation with check and meal choice to Sharon Gilbert Zile, TR lot 2540. No refunds after Tuesday, Nov. 28. Tickets are transferable.

Meal Choices:

1. Chicken blueberry salad - a scoop of our homemade chicken salad on mixed greens, with fresh blueberries, feta cheese, candied pecans and strawberries. Served with blueberry-pomegranate dressing.

2. Turkey and smoked gouda sandwich - deli-sliced all natural turkey with smoked gouda cheese, sweet and tangy mayo and lettuce and tomato on multi-grain bread with fresh mixed fruit.

3. Vegetarian wrap- provolone and cheddar cheeses, lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, bell peppers, carrots, hummus and green olives in a tomato-basil wrap served with chipotle ranch dressing and fresh mixed fruit.

4. Chicken salad croissant - a generous scoop of homemade chicken salad with lettuce and tomato on multigrain bread. Served with chips.

All meals include a cookie and drink.

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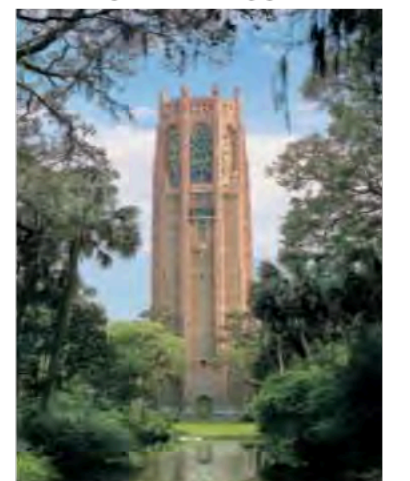


THE BARN ANTIQUES

In Lake Alfred, we plan to visit The Barn Antiques, which has a wide variety of items, most of them dating to the early 19th through early 20th centuries. Their spacious showrooms include The Barn Antiques, The Stable Gifts, The Back Yard Garden Shop and The Back Porch Tearoom. Next we will depart for Lake Wales to visit the unforgettable Bok Tower Gardens and see the magnificent Carillon Bell Tower. We will explore the landscapes found only at Bok Tower Gardens and discover the breathtaking sights found around every corner of the meandering garden paths.

Following a delicious lunch at the café we will enjoy a tour of Pinewood Estate, the home of Edward Bok, all decorated for Christmas. Carillon concerts will be at 1 and 3 p.m.

You won't want to miss this fun and exciting tour. Reserve your seat by Tuesday, Nov. 28. This tour is Activity Level 2. Motor coach will depart Busch Hall at 8:15 a.m. and return at 6:15 p.m. Tour cost is \$119 pp.



BOK TOWER